

Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- In the second quarter of FY 2011, DHS avoided more than \$850,000 in costs through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to replace printers, fax machines, copiers and scanners with all-in-one machines.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **May 16<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a groundbreaking ceremony for the new customer-centric USCIS field office in Tampa, FL.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- In **May**, the DHS Office of Intergovernmental Affairs will send to regional and national tribal associations the new DHS Tribal Consultation Policy outlining the guiding principles under which the Department will engage with sovereign Tribal governments.
- Throughout this month, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman is launching a new website to provide the public with resources to address issues encountered when seeking citizenship and immigration services.

*Other Reports*

- The **week of May 16<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report titled “**FEMA: Action Needed to Improve Administration of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).**” **Background:** GAO conducted a performance audit from July 2009 to February 2011, examining the extent to which FEMA’s management practices affect the administration of NFIP; lessons learned from the cancellation of NextGen (which was launched to modernize NFIP’s insurance management policy and claims management system); and limitations on FEMA’s authority that could affect its financial stability. **Findings:** GAO found that FEMA faces management challenges in areas that affect NFIP, including strategic and human capital planning, records management, collaboration among offices and financial and acquisition management. FEMA also faces high turnover in key management positions and weaknesses in overseeing the contractors assisting FEMA, as well as challenges in collaboration between program and support offices. Finally, FEMA lacks a records management policy and an electronic document management system. GAO concluded that FEMA has begun to address some of these challenges, including acquisition management, but more work is needed. **Recommendations:** GAO makes several recommendations to improve the effectiveness of FEMA’s NFIP planning and oversight efforts; ensure the completeness of policies and procedures in several key areas; and increase the usefulness and reliability of NFIP’s flood insurance policy and claims processing system. **Response:** FEMA is implementing a FEMA-wide electronic document management system, regularly reviewing unliquidated obligations within NFIP-related funds and establishing timelines to complete the development and implementation of FEMA’s revised acquisition process, addressing GAO recommendations.
- The **week of May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report titled “**Budget Issues: Better Fee Design Would Improve Federal Protective Service’s (FPS) and Federal Agencies’ Planning and Budgeting for Security.**” **Background:** GAO evaluated FPS’s resource levels by analyzing FPS’s fee design and proposed alternatives, as well as how FPS’s security fees pose challenges for FPS and customer agency budget formulation and execution. **Findings:** GAO found that since being transferred to DHS, FPS has not reviewed its fees to develop an informed fee design. GAO also found that FPS lacks a method to propose

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security fee rates prior to submitting its budget request and cannot finalize rates until it receives its Congressional appropriation, forcing agencies to reallocate funds to pay for unplanned countermeasures. **Recommendations:** GAO made six recommendations addressing the fee design issue, budgeting processes and proactive communications with stakeholders. **Response:** Since FPS moved to DHS's National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD), NPPD has focused on refining financial business processes, including fee design, and progress has been made to address many of GAO's recommendations.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **May 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will host a regular roundtable meeting with diverse ethnic and community-based organizations and attend community meetings and an interagency town hall in Los Angeles, CA. Closed press.
- During **the week of May 16<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will conduct a blast experiment at Eglin Air Force Base, FL to test the blast response of sections from a transit tunnel which contains a newly installed mitigating material to protect the tunnel from explosions. The results of this test will be used to evaluate protective options in support of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and the Transportation Security Administration. Closed press.
- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will speak to graduating students at the Army War College in Carlisle, PA. Closed press.
- From **May 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Office of Disability Integration and Coordination Director Marcie Roth will provide training on functional needs support services at the Florida Governor's Hurricane Conference in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Open press.
- From **May 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center International Training and Technical Assistance Office will provide the "21<sup>st</sup> Century Leadership for Women in Law Enforcement" training program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Budapest, Hungary. Training participants will be female law enforcement officers and administrators from Hungary, Croatia and Slovenia law enforcement agencies. Closed press.
- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will co-chair the Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum and Refugees in Miami, FL with representatives from the Department of State. Mayorkas will also provide general remarks. Open press.
- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver the keynote address regarding USCIS' initiatives to improve customer service and increase stakeholder input at the Annual Convening of Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. in Seattle, WA. Closed press.
- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will deliver a keynote address regarding TSA's risk-based approach to aviation security at the 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual American Association of Airport Executives Conference and Expo in Atlanta, GA (open press). While in Atlanta, Pistole will also meet with Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority.
- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Health Affairs will host a first of its kind BioWatch Generation-3 field test visitors day in Chicago, IL, to evaluate the performance of the technology in an operational environment. BioWatch is the federally-managed, locally-operated, nationwide bio-surveillance system designed to detect the intentional release of aerosolized biological agents. Generation-3 technology is expected to significantly reduce the time between a release of a biothreat agent and confirmation of that release. Staff from the Home Homeland Security Committee, Senate Appropriations Committee, and Office of Management and Budget will attend. Closed press. No public impact.
- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will discuss preparedness issues and participate in a press briefing with National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Administrator Dr. Jane Lubchenco on the 2011 hurricane season outlook in Suitland, MD. Open press.

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- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks regarding USCIS's employment-based immigration initiatives at the Global Personnel Alliance Annual Business Immigration Conference in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, Science and Technology Directorate Research & Development Partnerships Group Acting Director Tom Cellucci will deliver a commencement address at the Rutgers University School of Business in Camden, NJ. Open press.
- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin will announce the establishment of the CBP Global Borders College in Harpers Ferry, WV. The Borders College will help to train the next generation of CBP leaders. Members of Congress, including Senator Jay Rockefeller, are expected to attend. Open press.
- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will deliver keynote remarks on federal collaboration and information sharing in disaster mitigation at a meeting of the Western Interstate Regional group, an affiliate of the National Association of Counties, in Wenatchee, WA. Open press.
- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Office of Disability Integration and Coordination Director Marcie Roth will tape a homeland security training and deliver a presentation on disability integration and coordination at the National Terrorism Preparedness Institute in St. Petersburg, FL. Closed press.
- On **May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) Betsy Markey will deliver remarks on the role of IGA and the importance of federal, state, local, tribal and territorial partnerships in homeland security at the National Council of Statewide Interoperability Coordinators 2011 Spring/Summer Meeting, hosted by the DHS Office of Emergency Communications, in Austin, TX. Closed press.
- From **May 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) will host its semi-annual State and Local Stakeholder's Working Group Meeting in Charleston, SC as part of DNDO's ongoing outreach to and collaboration with state and local agencies and programs involved in radiological and nuclear preventive detection. Closed press.
- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will deliver remarks on the Department's efforts to combat human trafficking at the National League of Cities Public Safety and Crime Prevention Steering Committee meeting in Waco, TX. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will testify on her role as the DHS Chief Intelligence Officer and chair of the Homeland Security Intelligence Council.

#### **House Judiciary Committee**

- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will testify at a general DHS oversight hearing.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness and Response**

- On **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs Alexander Garza will testify on the distribution of medical countermeasures, with an emphasis on coordination with states and localities.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies**

- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Acting Deputy Under Secretary Paul Benda will testify on the SAFETY Act, which provides incentives for the development and deployment of anti-terrorism technologies by providing liability protections for vendors of qualified anti-terrorism technologies.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's maritime security capabilities.

#### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Government Oversight**

- On **May 13<sup>th</sup>**, Acting Chief Financial Officer Peggy Sherry will testify on the Department's progress in implementing internal controls and improving financial management.

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**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Prevention Policy Director Rear Admiral Kevin Cook and Calvin Lederer, Deputy Judge Advocate General of the Coast Guard, will testify on the Coast Guard's regulatory program.

**Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate Rand Beers will testify on the evolution of emergency management and communication capabilities.

**Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security**

- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin and Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will testify on efforts to strengthen security at the Northern border.

**Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner, Sean Joyce of the FBI and National Counterterrorism Center Director Leiter will testify on domestic intelligence at a closed hearing.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Natural Resources Committee, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs**

- From **May 18<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection will give staff a tour of airport facilities in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and Guam.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **May 16<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate will brief staff on US-VISIT, which provides biometric identification services to assist in verifying the identities of visa applicants and international visitors attempting to enter the U.S.
- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Tara O'Toole will discuss S&T's strategic priorities with staff.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **May 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs Leslie Gross-Davis will travel to Mississippi and Alabama to meet with Congressional staff for Representatives Bennie Thompson, Alan Nunnelee, Mo Brooks and Robert Aderholt following the tornados, severe storms and flooding in the South.
- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will meet with Representative Rob Woodall in Atlanta, GA, to discuss ICE operations and priorities in his district.
- From **May 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide a tour and briefings on CBP operations in Tucson, AZ, for Representatives Jason Altmire, John Barrow and Tim Holden.
- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, the DHS Office of Legislative Affairs will host the third annual "DHS Day on the Hill" – an opportunity for Congressional members and staff to learn about the missions of DHS.

*Legislative Issues*

- On **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee marked up the SECURE Facilities Act. The bill is designed to enhance the capabilities of the Federal Protective Service to protect federal facilities and authorize the activities of the Interagency Security Committee, an interagency body created by Executive Order and headed by the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Office of Infrastructure Protection that develops federal facility security standards. The Committee is expected to reconvene the markup on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **May 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Susan Long**, of **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)**, FOIA logs issued between March 1 and March 15, 2011.



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- On **May 5<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) issued to **Maria Sacchetti**, with *The Boston Globe*, a GLOMAR response, which neither confirms nor denies the existence of records, regarding the January 11, 2010, seizure of \$60,000 at Logan International Airport in Boston.
- On **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Lucy Dalglish** with *News Media & The Law* in Washington, D.C. copies of weekly significant FOIA reports from January 2009 to present.
- On **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Robert O’Harrow** with *The Washington Post* documents relating to the Advanced Spectroscopic Portal Program, specifically communication between DHS and GAO.
- On **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Jessica Culpepper** with the **Humane Society of the U.S.** in Washington, D.C. records relating to the implementation by the Farm Bill.
- On **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Christopher Farrell** with **Judicial Watch, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C. law enforcement reporting data regarding the targeting of children by terrorists.
- On **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard will release to **Jerri Smitko** with **Smitko & Ory** in Houma, LA documents regarding seepage at or within ten miles of proximity to the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill, as well as changes in elevation of the sea floor, between July 16, 2010 and the present.
- On **May 13<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **David Sobel** with **Electronic Frontier** in Washington, D.C. records from January 2009 to the present that concern, discuss, or reflect the work or deliberations of the United States-European Union High Level Contact.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **May 6<sup>th</sup>**, 486 AIT units have been deployed to 78 airports nationwide.
- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (May 2<sup>nd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>):** TSA arrested 4 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 13 firearms and 7 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 7<sup>th</sup>**, 263,367 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 891,863 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 9.5 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, President Obama has signed 167 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$8.66 billion for Public Assistance.

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### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$8.2 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to refurbish and redeploy IT equipment inventory throughout DHS instead of buying new equipment.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will film clues for an upcoming episode of Jeopardy regarding homeland security issues. She will also participate in an interview with *The Press Trust of India* to preview her trip to India.
- From **May 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Mumbai and New Delhi, India for a Homeland Security Dialogue with the Indian Government. While in Mumbai, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the 26/11 Police Memorial (open press), meet with local officials and host a press conference on homeland security and counterterrorism issues. In New Delhi, she will participate in multiple bilateral meetings and the Homeland Security Dialogue with counterparts from the Indian Government, and a closing press conference announcing the signing of a joint communiqué.
- On **May 29<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Indianapolis, IN to announce the rollout of the “If You See Something, Say Something” campaign for NASCAR at the Indy 500.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano, along with FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, will brief the President on the forecast for the 2011 hurricane season. Secretary Napolitano will also travel to Huntington, WV to deliver remarks at the West Virginia Homeland Security Summit with Senator Jay Rockefeller (open press).
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will join the President to meet with the National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Secretary Napolitano will also deliver remarks on homeland and national security priorities to members and invited guests (open press). She will later attend the Italian National Day Reception hosted by Ambassador Giulio Terzi de Sant’Agata.
- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Dr. William Harvey, Chairman of President Obama’s Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities.
- On **June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to travel to San Salvador, El Salvador to attend the Organization of American States General Assembly.
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York City to deliver keynote remarks at the American Association of Exporters and Importers 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and deliver remarks on counterterrorism at the New York University’s Brennan Center for Justice as part of the Secretary’s University Series (both events are open press).
- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the National Council of La Raza’s Board of Directors Meeting (press TBD). She will also host a meeting with Jewish Organizations to discuss security issues as well as the “If You See Something, Say Something™” campaign. She will also host a meeting with immigration stakeholders as a follow-up to the April 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Members of the House Rules Committee for an informal, off-the-record exchange of ideas about the programs and policies of the department.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the House Judiciary Committee on immigration and Southwest border security issues.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, *The Associated Press* interviewed Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Assistant Director James Spero regarding human smuggling trends for a story on border security efforts. The *AP* will also participate in ride-alongs with the Border Patrol. Publication date TBD.
- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, *USA Today* participated in ride-alongs with Customs and Border Protection in San Diego and Tucson for a story on border security. Publication date TBD.
- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, *El Tiempo* (Colombian newspaper) will interview Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton on ICE's Homeland Security Investigations and international efforts and partnership with the Colombian National Police. Publication date TBD.
- On **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**, *The San Diego Union Tribune* will publish an op-ed by Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin regarding border security efforts.
- The week of **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, the Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate Infrastructure Protection and Disaster Management Division will perform explosive testing on models of suspension bridge towers at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Research and Development Center in Vicksburg, MS to investigate how prototype blast protection measures can be transitioned into a field-constructible mitigation tool for use in protection of landmark suspension bridges. Closed press. No public impact expected.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas will announce the Citizenship Public Education and Awareness Initiative in New York, NY. The initiative is a congressionally funded program to promote the values of U.S. citizenship and the free educational resources available to eligible lawful permanent residents. On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, USCIS will hold a pre-announcement event for stakeholders in Washington, D.C. (closed press).

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- From **May 26<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will conduct a surge operation in the mass transit and passenger rail modes to increase security measures and public vigilance in these areas over the holiday weekend.
- From **June 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA's Ready Campaign will launch new public service advertisements to encourage small- to medium-sized business to take steps to prepare and plan in advance of an emergency to reduce the impacts on their business in the event of a disaster.

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on May 20<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on May 31<sup>st</sup>: "U.S. Coast Guard's Anti-Deficiency Act Violations for the Response Boat-Medium Major Acquisition Project for Fiscal Years 2004 Through 2009."** **Background:** The OIG examined the Coast Guard's reported potential Anti-Deficiency Act (ADA) violations, expenditures and acquisition contract actions from 2004 to 2009 as well as the effectiveness of the Coast Guard's policies and procedures to ensure compliance with future appropriations. **Findings:** The OIG determined that the Coast Guard exceeded its appropriated funding for the Response Boat Medium project during fiscal years 2004 through 2009, incurring 20 Anti-Deficiency Act violations totaling approximately \$7 million. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommended that the Coast Guard notify the Secretary of its Anti-Deficiency Act violations, identify the names of the responsible parties and revise its standard operating procedures for future acquisitions. **Response:** The Coast Guard concurs with both recommendations and has taken corrective action to address them. The Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, and the Office of Policy are working together to integrate decision making across the Department to streamline and improve the budget and acquisition processes, helping to improve the overall management of the acquisition process.
- **Congressional Distribution on May 24<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on June 2<sup>nd</sup>: "Supervision of Aliens Commensurate with Risk."** **Background:** From March to December 2010, the OIG assessed the effectiveness of Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) decision-making process on whether to detain aliens in an ICE facility or place them in supervised release. **Findings:** The OIG found that ICE generally has an effective decision-making process for determining whether to detain or release aliens. In most cases, officers were able to make reasonable decisions and complied with requirements of the *Immigration and Nationality Act*, Supreme Court decisions and prescribed policies and procedures; but the

OIG found that personnel could not always provide evidence that aliens were screened against terrorist watchlists; ICE does not have an effective policy in place to ensure that all detained aliens from specially designated countries undergo a Third Agency Check screening; and personnel did not always maintain accurate and up-to-date information in the case management system. **Recommendations:** The OIG made three recommendations to improve screening of aliens prior to release and the quality of data on the alien population. **Response:** ICE concurred with two of the recommendations and is taking steps to address them. ICE did not concur with the recommendation to revise ICE's current policy to require officers to conduct Third Agency Check screenings for all aliens from specially designated countries, as ICE does not have sufficient resources to conduct these additional screenings.

#### *Other Reports*

- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report titled “**Controls over Contractor Payments for the Secure Border Initiative Technology Component Need Improvement.**” **Background:** GAO assessed Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) controls over payments to the prime contractor under the original *SBI<sub>net</sub>* program and the prime contractor's reporting against small business subcontracting goals. **Findings:** GAO found that CBP's preventative controls over payments to the prime contractor were not fully effective. In light of the DHS announcement that it is replacing the *SBI<sub>net</sub>* program with a new border security technology plan, GAO's findings can serve as lessons learned to be considered in implementing the new plan. **Recommendations:** GAO makes five recommendations to improve CBP controls over prime contractor payments. **Response:** In January 2011, Secretary Napolitano directed CBP to end *SBI<sub>net</sub>* as originally conceived and implement a new border security technology plan that will utilize existing, proven technology tailored to the distinct terrain and population density of each border region. CBP intends to acquire all the technologies in the new plan through full and open competition, and will move toward fixed price contracts for technologies instead of the cost reimbursement contracts that were used for *SBI<sub>net</sub>*.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will deliver remarks to the Automated Mutual-Assistance Vessel Rescue System (AMVER) Award Ceremony at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. The ceremony honors those who have assisted mariners in distress and Papp's remarks will express a general appreciation for AMVER's partnership with the Coast Guard. Open press.
- On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will deliver remarks on asylum adjudications and adjustment of status at the American Bar Association's Commission on Immigration meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Bart Johnson will deliver remarks on fusion centers to state and local law enforcement at the Spring Association of State Criminal Investigative Agencies Conference in Savannah, GA. Closed press.
- From **May 23<sup>rd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs Alexander Garza will travel to Seoul, South Korea to participate in a joint U.S. Department of Defense/Republic of Korea Able Response 2011 exercise, which will focus on response to simulated biological incidents. While in Korea, Garza will meet with South Korean military and civilian leaders regarding biodefense and response and will meet with the U.S. Ambassador to South Korea regarding engagement with South Korea regarding chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear defense. Closed press.
- From **May 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will provide keynote remarks regarding the whole community effort during disaster recovery and the role of voluntary agencies at the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters Conference in Kansas City, MO. Closed press.
- From **May 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will host the Southeast Asia Intellectual Property (IP) Rights Criminal Enforcement Symposium in Hong Kong to share best practices and increase collaboration among partner agencies to combat IP theft. Participants will include U.S., Hong Kong, Chinese and Malaysian agencies. Closed press.
- From **May 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in 17 local law enforcement agencies in Alabama, Nevada, Oklahoma and Utah.



- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will attend a community outreach town hall with Muslim and Arab community organizations in Philadelphia, PA hosted by the Department of Justice.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a public teleconference with officials from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services on immigration status verification for drivers' licenses, public benefits, and social security cards.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, Anh Duong, Director of the Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate's Borders and Maritime Security Division, will discuss S&T's research and technological development associated with border security at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Border Management Conference in El Paso, TX. The presentation will include an overview of a joint effort with Customs and Border Patrol to create secure transit corridors. Attendees will include senior-level homeland security professionals from government agencies and the private sector. Closed press.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will host the first TSA Security in Aviation Working Group – comprised of TSA, the Airport Law Enforcement Agencies Network, Airports Council International and the American Association of Airport Executives – at TSA Headquarters. The working group was established this past March to leverage partnerships to collaboratively address ongoing and evolving security concerns in the aviation environment. Closed press.
- On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will meet with Chairman and CEO of the Motion Picture Association of America Chris Dodd to discuss ICE's and the Intellectual Property Rights Center's role in conducting IP theft and commercial fraud investigations. Closed press.
- On **May 28<sup>th</sup>**, an Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties representative will attend a monthly engagement roundtable with Muslim community groups and leaders in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Marcie Roth, FEMA Director of Office of Disability Integration Coordination, will speak at the Telecommunications for the Deaf Annual Conference in Austin, TX to emphasize the importance of inclusivity in disaster preparedness and response efforts. Closed press. No new announcements.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

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- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will testify on her role as the DHS Chief Intelligence Officer and chair of the Homeland Security Intelligence Council.

##### **House Judiciary Committee**

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##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Deputy Administrator Gale Rossides and Assistant Administrators Robert Bray, John Sammon, and Lee Kair will testify on the TSA reauthorization bill. The witnesses will provide a general overview of TSA's recent operations as the Committee has not shared the language of the bill with DHS or TSA.

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##### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will testify on the impact of *Zadvydas v. Davis* on ICE operations. Prior to the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Zadvydas*, aliens subject to final orders of removal from the United States could potentially be detained indefinitely if they posed a threat to the community or posed

flight risks. After *Zadvydas*, many aliens with final orders of removal may no longer be detained beyond a period of six months if there is no significant likelihood of removal in the reasonably foreseeable future.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Prevention Policy Director Rear Admiral Kevin Cook and Calvin Lederer, Deputy Judge Advocate General of the Coast Guard, will testify on the Coast Guard's regulatory program.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's surface transportation security efforts.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin and Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards will testify on integrity within the CBP workforce.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner for International Trade Allen Gina, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Assistant Director J. Scott Ballman Jr., and witnesses from the Department of Commerce and the GAO will testify on strengthening enforcement of antidumping trade laws.
- On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Greg Schaffer will testify on the evolution of emergency management and communication capabilities.

#### **Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control**

- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James Dinkins will testify on illegal tunnels along the Southwest border.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with new Ranking Member Jackie Speier.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a monthly classified border threat briefing to staff.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, FEMA will brief staff on the 2011 Hurricane Season, focusing on lessons learned and changes implemented in the past year. Specific areas of discussion will include mass evacuation, Public Assistance and Individual Assistance Technical Assistance Contracts, the readiness of emergency response teams, the surge capacity and disaster reserve workforces, the National Disaster Recovery Framework and logistics.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Department of State will provide a classified briefing for Representative Gus Bilirakis, at his request, on what the U.S. government is doing to respond to perceived threats relating to student visas.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Coast Guard Master Chief Petty Officer Michael Leavitt will meet with Representative Frank LoBiondo to discuss Coast Guard housing.
- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, the DHS Office of Legislative Affairs will host the third annual "DHS Day on the Hill" – an opportunity for Congressional members and staff to learn about the missions of DHS.

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee passed the SECURE Facilities Act by voice vote. The bill is designed to enhance the capabilities of the Federal Protective

Service to protect federal facilities and authorize the activities of the Interagency Security Committee, an interagency body created by Executive Order and headed by the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Office of Infrastructure Protection that develops federal facility security standards. The DHS Office of Legislative Affairs does not expect the bill to progress in this Congress.

## V. Legal Issues

### *Litigation*

- ***United States v. Escamilla-Rojas, No. 10-10185 (9th Cir.)***: On **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, the Ninth Circuit affirmed illegal entry convictions under 8 U.S.C. § 1325 for Escamilla and three other defendants, who had all pled guilty during an "Operation Streamline" (OSL) proceeding, a procedure that the District of Arizona (Tucson) has adopted for taking illegal entry pleas en masse. At an OSL proceeding, a magistrate judge presides over a group hearing of fifty to seventy defendants charged with illegal entry violations, collectively advises them of their rights and questions them individually about their pleas. Escamilla and the three other defendants challenged the proceeding on due process grounds under the Fifth Amendment, right to counsel grounds under the Sixth Amendment, and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11, which requires that the court personally address defendants. The Ninth Circuit rejected these arguments and upheld the convictions. With regard to the Rule 11 challenge, the Ninth Circuit explained that the process of collective advisement followed by individual questioning is generally sufficient to determine "personally" that each defendant understands his or her rights before pleading. The court noted, however, that because Escamilla was questioned two hours after the court's initial advisement of rights, she may have "found it difficult to recall" the full advisement. After concluding that this error was harmless because it did not affect her substantial rights, the court nevertheless upheld Escamilla's conviction.

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will publish in the *Federal Register* the USCIS Notice, "Extension and Redesignation of Haiti for TPS," which announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security is both extending the existing designation of Haiti for TPS for 18 months from July 23, 2011 through January 22, 2013, and redesignating Haiti for TPS for 18 months, effective July 23, 2011 through January 22, 2013. The extension allows current eligible TPS beneficiaries to retain their TPS through January 22, 2013 and the redesignation of Haiti allows additional individuals who have been continuously residing in the United States since January 12, 2011, to obtain TPS, if eligible, including certain Haitians who arrived in the United States following the January 12, 2010 earthquake in Haiti.
- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will publish in the *Federal Register* the ICE Notice, "Extension of Employment Authorization for Haitian F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of the January 12, 2010 Earthquake in Haiti," which informs the public of the extension of an earlier notice, which suspended certain regulatory requirements for F-1 nonimmigrant students whose country of citizenship is Haiti and who are experiencing severe economic hardship as a direct result of the January 12, 2010 earthquake.
- On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will publish in the *Federal Register* the USCIS Notice, "Re-registration Procedures for TPS Beneficiaries Under the Extended TPS Designation of Haiti & Automatic Extension of Employment Authorization Documentation for Haitian TPS Beneficiaries," which announces the opening of the 90-day re-registration period for individuals who were granted TPS under the original designation of Haiti for TPS and whose initial TPS applications were approved on or before the date the notice is published.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **May 13<sup>th</sup>**, DHS produced approximately 945 pages of documents in its 6<sup>th</sup> production in response to the request from Senators Tom Coburn and Carl Levin regarding fusion centers. The Office of General Counsel expects to produce at least another 300 pages on **May 20<sup>th</sup>**.
- On **May 13<sup>th</sup>**, DHS made a fourth production, consisting of about 1,000 pages, in response to Chairman Darrell Issa of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee's investigation into the

Department's FOIA procedures. On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to make a fifth production to the Committee, currently estimated to be approximately 1,000 pages.

- On **May 13<sup>th</sup>**, DHS made a third production consisting of 3,000 pages of responsive material to the House Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operation's investigation into the effectiveness, privacy and health concerns surrounding Advanced Imaging Technology units. On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to produce additional materials.
- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, DHS made a second production of 100 pages to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations' inquiry into expenditures of U.S. funds related to U.S. efforts in Afghanistan pertaining to an individual named Sher Khan Farnood. This production included redactions requested by other agencies as well as those sought by DHS.
- The DHS Offices of General Counsel and Legislative Affairs continue to review the request for information from Chairman Jason Chaffetz of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense, and Foreign Operations, pertaining to pat down procedures for minors at U.S. airport security checkpoints.
- The DHS Offices of General Counsel and Legislative Affairs are working on a House Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operation investigation related to airport perimeter security, and are currently preparing to make a production.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 4<sup>th</sup>**, **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) studies of immigration enforcement surges, including those prepared by or for the fugitive operation division from FY 2010 to the present. Becker also requested documents regarding ICE's Lexicon Working Group from February 2009 to the present.
- On **May 5<sup>th</sup>**, **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock* in Somerville, MA, requested from DHS records pertaining to threats against Davis Dam or Parker Dam on the Colorado River. Smathers also requested records regarding the processing of FOIA requests, including all communications concerning the request, all significant FOIA reports, and all DHS cabinet reports to the White House that mention the requests as well as all memoranda sent from the Chief Privacy Officer to DHS staff working with FOIA requests.
- On **May 6<sup>th</sup>**, **Matthew Kownacki**, with **Judicial Watch, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement records regarding the Victim Assistance Program, which assists victims encountered during ICE investigations—including human trafficking, child exploitation, and human rights abuses—to ensure that crime victims' rights are protected, that they receive immigration relief when necessary, and that they have access to services.
- On **May 6<sup>th</sup>**, **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement FOIA response logs and response documents from April 2011.
- On **May 8<sup>th</sup>**, **Mike Mekelburg**, with *Ajo Copper News*, in Ajo, AZ, requested from Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the CBP Housing Program Feasibility Study from 2009, which evaluated the existing housing conditions and needs at the Lukeville Port of Entry and recommended possible alternatives, and the CBP Market Survey of Housing for the Area of Ajo and Why, Arizona from May 2010.
- On **May 9<sup>th</sup>**, **Jeff Marcu**, with *First Coast News* in Jacksonville, FL, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a list of companies fined on final order by ICE and the amount of the fines.
- On **May 9<sup>th</sup>**, **Mac Metcalfe**, with the *Juneau Empire* requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) records from investigations conducted over the course of 1962 through 1964 by a joint task force consisting of the Juneau State Police Department, the FBI, the Alaska State Troopers and the USCG into men living in Juneau who were suspected of being gay.
- On **May 10<sup>th</sup>**, the Department of Transportation referred to the U.S. Coast Guard a request from Todd Spangler, with the *Detroit Free Press*, seeking information into the environmental clearance and permit review for the Ambassador Bridge Enhancement Project.
- On **May 10<sup>th</sup>**, **Mark Rumold**, with the **Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF)** in San Francisco, CA, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and Customs and Border Protection all agency records and/or training materials created from January 1, 2008, to the present concerning the



Cellebrite data extraction tools used in the Mobile Device Investigations Program, which is a program that provides investigators with training in cellular acquisitions.,

- On **May 10<sup>th</sup>**, **William Theobald**, with *Gannett Co., Inc.*, in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS copies of all correspondence from Representatives Jim Cooper, Marsha Blackburn, Stephen Fincher and Diane Black, and Senators Bob Corker and Lamar Alexander.
- On **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, **Phillip Mocek**, a blogger with *MuckRock* in Somerville, MA, requested from DHS copies of the contract security guard duty register for the Henry M. Jackson Federal Building in Seattle, WA, for April and May 2011.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 10<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Andrew Becker** with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** a response to his request seeking all correspondence leading up to and/or resulting from the March 2011 termination of an ICE contractor and the regional coordinator of ICE's Secure Communities program.
- On **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Carroll**, with *The Houston Chronicle*, records showing the number of criminal aliens transferred to ICE by other law enforcement agencies under Secure Communities.
- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock* in Somerville, MA copies of weekly significant FOIA reports from January 2009 to the present.
- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Jackie Barber** with the **National Republican Congressional Committee** communications between DHS and Representative Steny Hoyer's office.
- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Shawn Hils** with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** copies of correspondence between DHS and Representative Dean Heller from 2006 to the present.
- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release to **Erin Siegal**, a journalist in Waltham, MA correspondence regarding people who have been "banned from involvement in the submission and processing of all new adoption cases with DHS at the U.S. Embassy in Guatemala."
- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will release to **Andrea Becker** with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA official photographs of CBP employees who have been arrested, charged, convicted, or sentenced on corruption-related charges from 2003 to the present.

#### **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **May 13<sup>th</sup>**, 486 AIT units have been deployed to 78 airports nationwide.
- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (May 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>):** TSA arrested 11 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 20 firearms at checkpoints.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 14<sup>th</sup>**, 264,690 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 894,315 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 9.8 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, President Obama has signed 167 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$8.66 billion for Public Assistance.

## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$4.6 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to eliminate printing and distribution of reports and documents that can be sent electronically or posted online.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **May 29<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Indianapolis, IN to announce the rollout of the “If You See Something, Say Something” campaign for NASCAR at the Indy 500.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano, along with FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, will brief the President on the forecast for the 2011 hurricane season. Secretary Napolitano will also travel to Huntington, WV to deliver remarks at the West Virginia Homeland Security Summit with Senator Jay Rockefeller (open press).
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will join the President to meet with the National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Secretary Napolitano will also deliver remarks on homeland and national security priorities to members and invited guests (open press). She will later attend the Italian National Day Reception hosted by Ambassador Giulio Terzi de Sant’Agata.
- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Dr. William Harvey, Chairman of President Obama’s Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities.
- On **June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to travel to San Salvador, El Salvador to attend the Organization of American States General Assembly.
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York City to deliver keynote remarks at the American Association of Exporters and Importers 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (open press). She will also deliver remarks on counterterrorism at the New York University’s Brennan Center for Justice as part of the Secretary’s University Series (open press).
- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the National Council of La Raza’s Board of Directors Meeting (press TBD). She will also host a meeting with Jewish organizations at the White House to discuss security issues as well as the “If You See Something, Say Something” campaign. She will also host a meeting with immigration stakeholders as a follow-up to the April 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Members of the House Rules Committee for an informal, off-the-record exchange of ideas about the programs and policies of the Department.
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee on the Dream Act.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the House Judiciary Committee on immigration and Southwest border security issues.
- From **June 18<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to London, Paris, and Brussels. In Brussels, Secretary Napolitano will give remarks at the Opening of the Council Sessions of the World Customs Organization (WCO) on enhancing international cooperation to strengthen global supply chain security in partnership with the WCO, the International Maritime Organization and the International Civil Aviation Organization (open press).

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued a press release announcing the availability of the Small Vessel Reporting System—expediting the reporting process for international boaters by allowing them to pre-register with CBP rather than report for inspection upon arrival in the U.S.

- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, *The Associated Press* interviewed U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp regarding the Coast Guard's polar icebreaking missions aboard the polar icebreaking Cutter Healy in Seattle, WA. Positive tone expected.
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will participate in interviews in Washington, D.C. to promote FEMA's Ready Business Campaign, which encourages small- to medium-sized businesses to take steps to prepare and plan in advance of an emergency to reduce the impacts on their businesses in the event of a disaster.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- Beginning **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Commonwealth of Virginia will require that all state executive branch agencies use E-Verify to check new hires. Virginia had originally announced a deadline of December 1, 2012. E-Verify is U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' free Web-based system that allows employers to check the employment eligibility of new hires online.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Office of Cybersecurity and Communications will issue a press release announcing the final draft of its strategy on Domain Name Resolution Services. This strategy will inform the information technology community of how the Domain Name Resolution Service – the system that converts Internet Protocol (IP) addresses into common names like web addresses - can improve engagement and the sharing of risk mitigation techniques across the security and critical information technology infrastructure communities.

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on May 31<sup>st</sup>, Web Posting on June 8<sup>th</sup>: “Assessment of FEMA’s Fraud Prevention Efforts.”** **Background:** From September 2010 to January 2011, the OIG performed an inspection of FEMA's Fraud Prevention and Investigation Branch (FP&IB) to assess whether it identified and reported to Inspector General officials potentially fraudulent disaster payments; enhanced internal management controls to prevent fraud, waste and abuse; and prevented fraudulent losses of federal funds through agency awareness, comprehensive research, coordination and internal investigation. **Findings:** While FEMA has improved its internal controls since hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the OIG identified improvements in internal controls to deter fraud and reduce the risk of issuing improper payments. The OIG concluded that increasing the visibility of the FP&IB and mandating fraud prevention training for all employees will help FEMA with fraud prevention and deterrence. **Recommendations:** The OIG made a total of 9 recommendations to improve FEMA's fraud prevention efforts. **Response:** FEMA has conducted a review of its FP&IB staffing levels and plans to increase On-Call Reserve Employee staffing levels by 50 percent in FY 2011, and by another 50 percent in FY 2012, addressing an OIG recommendation. Additionally, the Office of the Chief Security Officer is collaborating with FEMA's Emergency Management Institute to implement an agency-wide web based employee training program on Fraud Prevention Awareness, addressing another OIG recommendation.

#### *Other Reports*

- On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a classified report on the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) checked baggage explosives detection efforts and is expected to release an unclassified version at a later date. **Background:** In 2009, GAO began looking at TSA's Electronic Baggage Screening Program to determine if TSA's checked baggage screening equipment meets enhanced explosive detection requirements. **Findings:** GAO found that TSA has not updated the software on the vast majority of its Explosive Detection Systems (EDS) since 1998. **Response:** TSA uses robust technologies, including EDS and Explosive Trace Detection (ETD) technology to screen 100 percent of checked baggage on passenger aircraft. The standard currently in use by the majority of EDS units in U.S. airports, referenced in the report as the “1998 standard,” provides the most stringent level of checked baggage security in the world. TSA continues to update its standards with new EDS machines purchased through the Recovery Act and as other appropriations are available.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **May 27<sup>th</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup>**, FEMA Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery Bill Carwile is traveling to Sendai and Tokyo, Japan to tour the region impacted by the recent earthquake and tsunami and deliver remarks to representatives from the United Nations and the World Bank on lessons learned in recovering from past disasters in the U.S. Press TBD.
- From **May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in 17 local law enforcement agencies in Indiana, Missouri, Nevada, New York and Oregon.
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will lead a workshop to discuss ways the Ombudsman's Office can assist stakeholders and organizations at the Association for Refugee Service Professional's National Conference in Boston, MA. Specifically, the workshop will focus on applications for refugee status and special immigrant juvenile adjudications. Closed press.
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the Private Sector Office will host the third DHS for a Day event for private sector partners in Miami, FL to increase private sector involvement in the homeland security enterprise. This event will highlight operations of the U.S. Coast Guard, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Customs and Border Protection and the Transportation Security Administration. Closed press.
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks at a naturalization ceremony in Chicago, IL (open press). Mayorkas will also accept The Golden Door Award for furthering the cause of immigrant and refugee rights at the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration (press TBD).
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Deputy Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate Phil Reitingger will deliver remarks on how DHS is working to increase information sharing on cybersecurity within government and the private sector at the National Security Agency's 5th Annual Extreme Cyber Conference in Fort Meade, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 5<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks on USCIS initiatives and policies at the *Building a Bridge to the Future: A Summit for Stakeholders on Immigration Reform*, co-sponsored by the American Jewish Committee, the National Immigration Forum, Conservatives for Comprehensive Immigration Reform and ImmigrationWorks USA. Open press.
- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will hold a quarterly roundtable meeting with the Somali community in Denver, CO and a bimonthly roundtable meeting with diverse ethnic communities in Minneapolis, MN. Closed press.
- From **June 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>**, Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties representatives will attend the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee conference in Washington, DC. Open press.

## **IV. Legislative Issues**

### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner, and representatives from the Transportation Security Administration, Customs and Border Protection, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the U.S. Coast Guard will testify on the DHS intelligence enterprise and Wagner's role as the DHS Chief Intelligence Officer and chair of the Homeland Security Intelligence Council.

#### **House Judiciary Committee**

- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on immigration and Southwest border issues.

#### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee**

- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Deputy Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate Phil Reitingger and representatives from the Departments of Defense, Justice and Commerce will testify on the Obama Administration's cybersecurity legislative proposal.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify at a general oversight hearing on his priorities for TSA.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**



- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's maritime security capabilities.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Mark Koumans along with representatives from the Departments of State and Justice will testify on the U.S. Government's efforts to prevent terrorist safe havens.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to testify on the Dream Act.

#### **Senate Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's mass transit security efforts.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's surface transportation security efforts.

#### **Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee**

- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on the National Flood Insurance Program.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin and Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards will testify on integrity within the CBP workforce.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- From **June 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement will host staff in Phoenix, Tucson and San Diego for tours of facilities and an overview of operations.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, FEMA will brief staff on FEMA's Children's Working Group and disaster response and recovery initiatives for children.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will provide a briefing and tour of operations in Great Falls, MT to Senator Tester's staff.
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard will host congressional staff for "Coast Guard Missions Day" at the Coast Guard training center in Yorktown, VA to learn about Coast Guard missions and operations. Closed press.

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, Senators Joe Lieberman and John McCain introduced a bill to strengthen the communications capabilities of America's first responders by reallocating the "D Block" communications spectrum to public safety. DHS expects that the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee will use this bill to work with the Senate Commerce Committee and align various topics, including a role for DHS. The resulting Senate bill is expected to be used as a starting point for the legislation to move through the House.

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, the House Appropriations Committee passed its FY 2012 DHS Appropriations Bill. The bill includes \$41.6 billion in net discretionary appropriations, which includes \$1 billion in emergency funds for the Disaster Relief Fund. After subtracting the emergency funds, the bill is \$3 billion below the President's FY 2012 funding request for DHS. The bill will be considered on the House Floor on June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> and DHS expects multiple amendments to be proposed, potentially altering provisions of the bill. No action is expected in the Senate until late June or early July.

## V. Legal Issues

### *Litigation*

- **Judicial Watch, Inc., v. DHS (District of Columbia; Judge Robert L. Wilkins)**, On **April 29<sup>th</sup>**, an organizational plaintiff filed a FOIA complaint in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia against the Department, claiming constructive denial of its FOIA request seeking documents relating to correspondence between U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas and David Shahoulian from December 3, 2010 to February 3, 2011, including e-mails exchanged on personal accounts if the exchanges include references to agency regulations or policy issues. Absent an extension, the Government's responsive pleading will be due 30 days after service on the Department.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **May 5<sup>th</sup>**, Senator Tom Coburn wrote to DHS requesting a variety of material related to disaster assistance. DHS Offices of General Counsel and Legislative Affairs are currently working to determine a response to Senator Coburn's letter.
- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, Chairman John Mica of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee contacted the Federal Security Director at Los Angeles International Airport requesting answers to 19 questions regarding the cost of the airport's safety and security programs. DHS Offices of General Counsel and Legislative Affairs as well as the Transportation Security Administration are discussing jurisdictional issues in coordinating a formal response to the Committee.
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- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, DHS produced 350 pages of documents in its 7<sup>th</sup> production in response to a request from Senators Tom Coburn and Carl Levin regarding fusion centers.
- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, DHS made a fifth production, consisting of nearly 1,200 pages, in response to Chairman Darrell Issa of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee's investigation into the Department's FOIA procedures.
- On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will make a production to the House Oversight and Government Reform Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations in response to its investigation into airport perimeter security.
- On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to make a third production of 27 pages to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations' inquiry into expenditures of U.S. funds related to U.S. efforts in Afghanistan pertaining to an individual named Sher Khan Farnood.
- On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to make a production in response to the request for information from Chairman Jason Chaffetz of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense, and Foreign Operations, pertaining to pat down procedures for minors at U.S. airport security checkpoints.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 25<sup>th</sup>**, **Rolo Duarte**, with **Univision Online** in Raleigh-Durham, NC, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) documents pertaining to the detention of Cesar Gerardo Mora, a citizen of Venezuela and resident of Wake County, NC, specifically: 1) documentation of his

transfer to Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) custody; 2) documentation of his release by ICE; and 3) grounds for his release by ICE.

- On **May 9<sup>th</sup>**, **John Hudak**, an individual in Nashville, TN, requested from DHS, FEMA, the U.S. Coast Guard, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center a list of FOIA requests from 2010 where a political appointee personally made an inquiry or reviewed the request.
- On **May 10<sup>th</sup>**, **David Perera**, with *FierceGovernmentIT* in Washington, D.C., requested from Customs and Border Protection copies of the Secure Border Initiative FY 2011 Expenditure Plan.
- On **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, **Bob Mackin**, an individual in North Vancouver, British Columbia, requested from DHS the following records: 1) a copy of the daily situation reports for February 4, 2010; and 2) the after-action review or report for the 2010 Winter Olympics Social Media Event Monitoring Initiative. Mackin also requested a copy of the 2010 Olympics Joint Threat Assessment released January 22, 2010, and the related after-action review or report.
- On **May 16<sup>th</sup>**, **Josh Margolin**, with *The New York Post*, requested from DHS records concerning the Securing the Cities Program in the New York City metropolitan area from January 1, 2010 to present.
- On **May 16<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael Masnick**, a blogger with *MuckRock* in Somerville, MA, requested from DHS any formal or informal licensing agreements between DHS and either the City of New York or NBC Universal regarding creation or dissemination of the Antipiracy public service announcement, published by Immigration and Customs Enforcement on March 22, 2011, at <http://youtube.com/watch?v=cs80bpx4844>.
- On **May 16<sup>th</sup>**, **Stephanie Nielsen**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee**, requested from DHS all communications between DHS and Vi-Jon Laboratories, Vi-Jon, Inc., Vi-Jon, Vi-Jon Laboratories, Inc., Vi-Jon Laboratories, LLC, Vi-Jon Printing & Packaging, Inc., Vi-Jon Services Company, LLC, Vi-Jon Transportation, LLC, VJCS Holdings, Inc., VJSC Acquisitions or John Brunner, including any representatives of the aforementioned entities.
- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, **Sean Reilly**, with the *Federal Times* in Springfield, VA, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) itemized supporting data used to compile the number of convictions and total amount of fines, restitution, administrative cost savings, and recoveries listed in the OIG report entitled "Special Report: Summary of Significant Investigations."
- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, **Jared S. Hopkins**, with the *Chicago Tribune*, IL, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard copies of all complaints filed since 2008 pertaining to water taxis, tour boats and similar commercial vessels that board and load passengers in Chicago, as well as any rulings or dispositions that resulted from the complaints or any investigations.
- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael Grabell**, with *ProPublica* in New York, NY, requested from DHS copies of all communications between Rapisan Systems or OSI Systems and DHS Headquarters or the Transportation Security lab regarding testing of the backscatter X-ray machines and the release of those tests to the public.

#### *FOIA Appeals*

- On **May 5<sup>th</sup>**, **Eric Lipton**, with *The New York Times*, appealed the response from Customs and Border Protection (CBP) related to his request for a copy of the Air Enforcement Strategy report and most recent CBP Northern Border Strategy document.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Thomas Watkins**, with *The Associated Press*, correspondence between ICE and the Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) in the last three years pertaining to health care issues at any of the CCA facilities ICE sends inmates to in Arizona and California, and written correspondence or records detailing any audits undertaken by ICE in the last three years that describe medical response times and health care efficiencies at CCA Arizona and California Facilities with ICE inmates.
- On **May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Marcus Stern**, with *ProPublica* in New York, NY, copies of all grievances filed in 2009 and 2010 by detainees, detainee family members, detainee visitors or staff at Wallacy Detention Center, including those that were and were not resolved in favor of the complainant.

- On **May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Tegan Millspaw**, with **Judicial Watch, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., records of meetings and/or communications between ICE and non-governmental organizations concerning parole policy for asylum seekers and records concerning the decision to revise ICE's parole policy for arriving aliens with credible fear claims.
- On **May 4<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Veena Dubal**, of the **National Security and Civil Rights Project, Asian Law Caucus**, in New York, NY, records and statistics regarding "Third Agency Checks."
- On **May 5<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Judy Rabinovitz**, with the **ACLU Immigrants' Rights Project** in New York, NY, records detailing the specific actions taken by ICE to comply with the five recommendations issued by DHS OIG in its 2007 report entitled *ICE's Compliance with Detention Limits for Aliens with a Final Order of Removal from the United States*.
- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with **MuckRock** in Somerville, MA an organization chart for the Office of Intelligence and Analysis.
- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Gregory Korte** with **USA Today** the Department's plan submitted to OMB pursuant to the June 10, 2010 memorandum titled "Disposing of Unneeded Real Estate."
- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Lucy Dalglish** with **News Media & The Law** in Washington, D.C. copies of weekly significant FOIA reports from January 2009 to the present.

#### **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, 486 AIT units have been deployed to 78 airports nationwide.
- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (May 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>):** TSA arrested 7 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 14 firearms and 2 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 21<sup>st</sup>**, 265,966 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 896,827 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 10.2 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, President Obama has signed 171 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$11.74 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments, and private nonprofits.

## **Department of Homeland Security**

*Weekly Report*

June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- In the second quarter of fiscal year 2011, DHS reduced spending on contracts by \$1.2 billion – or approximately 19.5 percent – compared to the same period in fiscal year 2010, including decreasing spending on professional services contracts by over 35 percent.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York City to deliver keynote remarks at the American Association of Exporters and Importers 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (open press). She will also host a business roundtable with chief pharmaceutical security officers and deliver remarks on counterterrorism at the New York University's Brennan Center for Justice as part of the Secretary's University Series (open press).
- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will host a meeting with immigration stakeholders as a follow-up to the April 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the National Council of La Raza's Board of Directors Meeting (press TBD). She will also host a meeting with Jewish organizations at the White House to discuss security issues as well as the "If You See Something, Say Something" campaign.
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee on the Dream Act. She will later meet with Members of the House Rules Committee for an informal, off-the-record exchange of ideas about the programs and policies of the Department.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the House Judiciary Committee on immigration and Southwest border security issues. She will also attend the Senate Democratic Caucus Lunch and later meet with Senator Dan Inouye.
- On **June 17<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Public Safety Canada Minister Vic Toews.
- From **June 18<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to London, Paris and Brussels. In London and Paris, Secretary Napolitano will hold bilateral meetings with her counterparts. In Brussels, Secretary Napolitano will give remarks at the Opening of the Council Sessions of the World Customs Organization (WCO) on enhancing international cooperation to strengthen global supply chain security (open press).
- From **June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Madrid and Vienna. In Madrid, Secretary Napolitano will attend the G6 Meeting of the Interior Ministers of Spain, France, the United Kingdom, Italy, Germany and Poland. In Vienna, Secretary Napolitano will speak at the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Annual Security Review Conference. She is also tentatively scheduled to meet with representatives from the United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime.
- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel with Attorney General Eric Holder and Office of National Drug Control Policy Director Gil Kerlikowske to Las Cruces, NM to announce the Southwest Border Counternarcotics Strategy (open press).

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **June 6<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with representatives of the Department of Justice and the FBI to discuss countering violent extremism.
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will attend a luncheon in honor of German Chancellor Angela Merkel hosted by Vice President Biden, Dr. Biden and Secretary Clinton at the State Department. She will also chair the weekly Passenger Name Records Working Group meeting with the Departments of State and Justice and the National Security Staff.
- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will deliver remarks on countering violent extremism at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy (open press). She is also tentatively scheduled to attend the

William Oliver Baker Award Dinner hosted by Director of National Intelligence (DNI) James Clapper in honor of former DNI John Michael McConnell.

- On **June 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute and U.K. Home Office Permanent Secretary Dame Helen Ghosh will co-host the U.S.-UK Joint Contact Group in Washington, D.C.

### III. Public Affairs

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **May 31<sup>st</sup>**, *CNN* interviewed Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Los Angeles Deputy Special Agent in Charge Kevin Kozak regarding Operation Apothecary and ICE's role in combating the illegal importation of counterfeit pharmaceuticals for a segment in a series entitled, "The Medicating of America." The story is expected to air on **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**.
- In early **June**, the *New York Times* will publish a story on employers that hire teachers through the H-1B program. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services provided approval and denial statistical data for fiscal year 2010.
- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, *American Public Media's "Marketplace"* will interview U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Ali Mayorkas about E-Verify. Air date TBD.
- On **June 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>** (exact date TBD), *The Associated Press* (Will Weissert) will participate in a ride-along for a story about the apprehension of Indian nationals in the Rio Grande Valley Sector. Publication date TBD. Previous DHS statement: "DHS is aware of and tracking a rising number of Indian nationals being apprehended in South Texas. In some instances, Central and South American nations have no visa or passport requirement for Indian nationals. Well organized smuggling organizations are aware of these issues and may be taking advantage by recruiting Indian nationals to be smuggled into the United States. DHS is working on a variety of initiatives to address this issue, including engagement with our international partners, specifically in Central and South America, to identify and disrupt transnational smuggling organizations and routes that can sometimes span the globe."
- On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will hold a groundbreaking ceremony for a new CBP office that will replace an outdated facility in Sandusky, OH. Representative Marcy Kaptur will attend. Open press.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Rear Admiral Sandra Stosz will take command of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, becoming the first woman selected to lead a military academy. *The Coast Guard will issue a press release. DHS is coordinating the announcement with the White House through the Council on Women and Girls.*
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will make a series of policy announcements related to the implementation of Secure Communities. *ICE will unveil a new Secure Communities website.*
- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas and Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton, along with the Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission, will announce a new Unauthorized Practice of Immigration Law initiative focused on combating immigration service scams in Washington, D.C. *USCIS will release public education materials associated with the initiative.*
- By **June 13<sup>th</sup>** (updated date), the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Office of Cybersecurity and Communications will issue a press release announcing the final draft of its strategy on Domain Name Resolution Services. This strategy will inform the information technology community of how the Domain Name Resolution Service – the system that converts Internet Protocol (IP) addresses into common names like web addresses - can improve engagement and the sharing of risk mitigation techniques across the security and critical information technology infrastructure communities.
- On **June 13<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will launch a pilot of the new E-Verify-related program called RIDE (Records and Information for DMVs for E-Verify) in Mississippi. USCIS will look to expand to other states following an assessment of the pilot's performance. *USCIS will issue a press release, a fact sheet and will post information on its website regarding this pilot.*

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on May 27<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on June 1<sup>st</sup>: “Semiannual Report to the Congress – October 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011.”** OIG’s semiannual report to Congress identifies significant audits, inspections and investigations conducted in the first half of fiscal year 2011 and includes a summary of congressional testimony and hearings, legislative reviews, statistical highlights and the statuses of recommendations issued to the Department. This report does not include new recommendations.
- **Congressional distribution on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, Web Posting on June 13<sup>th</sup>: “U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Privacy Stewardship.”** **Background:** From June to November 2010, OIG assessed U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services’ (USCIS) privacy stewardship, specifically whether USCIS’s plans and activities instill a culture of privacy and whether they comply with federal privacy laws and regulations. **Findings:** OIG found that USCIS has demonstrated an organizational commitment to privacy stewardship by appointing a privacy officer and establishing an Office of Privacy which monitors compliance with federal privacy laws and regulations and provides privacy guidance to managers and employees. While USCIS has made progress in implementing a robust privacy program, the OIG found that opportunities exist to further reduce potential privacy vulnerabilities. **Recommendations:** The OIG made six recommendations to USCIS to strengthen its culture of privacy. **Response:** As the OIG recognizes, USCIS is committed to instilling a culture of privacy, has appointed a privacy officer and has established an Office of Privacy to monitor compliance with federal privacy laws and regulations, and provide privacy guidance to managers and employees. The Office of Privacy is committed to working across USCIS to continue building a robust and comprehensive privacy awareness program.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **June 5<sup>th</sup> to June 7<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will attend the 67<sup>th</sup> International Air Transport Association annual general meeting in Singapore. Open press.
- The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will host representatives of the Qatari government and Qatar Petroleum at TSA headquarters and various pipeline security sites in Rockville, MD (**June 6<sup>th</sup>**), Heidlersburg, PA (**June 7<sup>th</sup>**), and Houston, TX (**June 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>**) to observe pipeline security and share best practices in oil and gas pipeline security and critical infrastructure protection. Closed press.
- On **June 6<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will deliver keynote remarks on the Coast Guard’s role and mission in the Houston/Galveston area at a monthly luncheon with maritime executives in Houston, TX. Open press.
- From **June 6<sup>th</sup> to June 10<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will conduct an Excellence in Screening Techniques course sponsored by the Organization of American States in Costa Rica, focusing on emerging threats using physical searches and checkpoint technology. Closed press.
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will deliver keynote remarks on the Coast Guard’s operations to safeguard the nation’s ports at the Joint Conference of Harbor Safety Committees and Area Maritime Security Committee in Houston, TX. Open press.
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will brief State Directors of Public Health Preparedness on the new Presidential Policy Directive designed to strengthen the security and resilience of the United States through systematic preparation for acts of terrorism, cyber attacks, pandemics and catastrophic natural disasters. Closed press.
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks on USCIS’s employment-based immigration initiatives at the American Council on International Personnel’s Annual Symposium in Washington, D.C. On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will also deliver remarks at the Symposium, providing an overview of immigration issues, including H-1B visas, E-Verify and the Validation Instrument for Business Enterprise program. Open press.
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will release the Biodefense Knowledge Management System – an integrated, secure, web-based suite of biodefense-related search and analysis tools for DHS and interagency partners – on the Homeland Secure Data Network and the Department of Defense’s Secret Internet Protocol Router Network (SIPRNET). This is the first deployment of a Secret level version of the



system (versions at the Sensitive But Unclassified and Top Secret levels already exist), enabling DHS to provide biodefense-related information to a fuller range of U.S. government customers. Closed press.

- On **June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate, in collaboration with the Department of Energy National Laboratories, will conduct a consequence management workshop and tabletop exercise focusing on pre-planning and recovery from a terrorist incident involving release of a chemical agent inside an airport terminal, in Denver, CO. Participants will include representatives from other airports and local, county, state, federal and international public health, emergency management and environmental protection offices. Closed press. No public impact.
- On **June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrators Rich Serino and Tim Manning will deliver remarks on emergency management in higher education and the relationship between FEMA and the academic community at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Emergency Management Institute Higher Education Conference, hosted by FEMA's Emergency Management Institute (EMI), in Emmitsburg, MD. The conference is designed for colleges and universities that are developing or have an existing hazard, disaster or emergency management programs. Open press.
- From **June 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in local law enforcement agencies in Indiana, Michigan and Puerto Rico.
- On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks on grant metrics at the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) in Washington, D.C. In November 2010, FEMA accepted a proposal from NAPA to develop performance measures and metrics to assess the effectiveness of the State Homeland Security Program and the Urban Area Security Initiative. Closed press.
- On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will deliver remarks regarding the future of TSA and its progress since the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce National Security Task Force in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs Alexander Garza will deliver remarks about collaboration between public health laboratories and DHS and the future of the BioWatch program at the Association of Public Health Laboratories 2011 Annual Meeting and State Laboratory Conference in Omaha, NE. Closed press.
- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Pistole will meet with Sikh community leaders from several organizations to discuss their concerns regarding transportation screening issues. Closed press.
- From **June 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>** the National Protection and Programs Directorate will lead the U.S. delegation at the U.S. – EU Critical Infrastructure Protection Conference in Budapest, Hungary. Topics will include critical interdependencies, legal authorities and economic impacts of security measures.
- From **June 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>**, an Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties representative will attend the Department of Defense conference, "Minorities and Ethnic Groups: Separation, Assimilation and Radicalization." Closed press.
- From **June 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will support Nassau and Suffolk County Police Departments in an operational demonstration of standoff radiation detection equipment – which can detect radiological and nuclear threats from significant distances – at the Belmont Stakes, in Belmont, NY. Police officers will use three prototype systems to scan vehicles for radiological and nuclear threats. Scanning operations with the new systems will be conducted concurrently with the normal radiological and nuclear scanning operations conducted by the police for special events. Closed press.
- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning and FEMA Assistant Administrator of Grant Programs Elizabeth Harman will deliver remarks at the International Association of Emergency Managers Conference in Emmitsburg, MD. Manning will speak about current preparedness initiatives and programs (open press) and Harman will provide an update to on the FY 2011 grant programs (closed press).
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will convene a roundtable with diverse ethnic communities at the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services office in Chicago, IL. Closed press.

## **V. Legislative Issues**

### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Judiciary Committee**

- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on immigration and Southwest border issues.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's operations to secure the nation's ports and maritime border.

#### **Senate Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's mass transit security efforts.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to testify on the DREAM Act.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's surface transportation security efforts.

#### **Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee**

- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on the National Flood Insurance Program.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin and Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards will testify on integrity within the CBP workforce.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Greg Schaffer will testify on the evolution of emergency management and communication capabilities.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's fiscal year 2012 budget request and Coast Guard operational priorities.

#### **Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control**

- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James Dinkins will testify on illegal tunnels along the Southwest border.

### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 6<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Tara O'Toole will discuss S&T's strategic priorities and fiscal year 2012 budget request with staff.
- On **June 13<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP) will provide a briefing to staff on IP efforts related to the World Trade Center site.

#### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards will meet with Ranking Member Elijah Cummings to discuss Cummings' priorities for fiscal year 2012.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Office of Cybersecurity and Communications will provide a classified briefing to staff on continuity of government and operations planning and capabilities.
- On **June 6<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate's US-VISIT Program will provide a briefing to staff on its biographic matching capabilities.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will update staff on the actions recommended by the Local, State, Tribal, and Federal Preparedness Task Force, a council mandated by Congress to assess the state of the nation's disaster

preparedness and make recommendations to the Secretary of Homeland Security about ways to build resiliency in communities across America.

### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Customs and Border Protection and the Transportation Security Administration will provide a classified threat briefing for members.

### *Legislative Issues*

- On **June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the House of Representatives are debating DHS's fiscal year 2012 Appropriations Bill. The bill includes \$41.6 billion in net discretionary appropriations, which includes \$1 billion in emergency funds for the Disaster Relief Fund. Amendments that have passed will transfer \$320 million from Departmental management and operations, further cutting a segment of the budget that has already taken numerous cuts and realized many efficiencies, to cover cuts in other areas. DHS expects the bill to pass but does not expect movement in the Senate until the week of June 27<sup>th</sup> or July 11<sup>th</sup>.

## **VI. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***National Immigration Project v. DHS, No. 11-3235 (S.D.N.Y.)***: On **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, the National Immigration Project, the ACLU Foundation, the Immigrant Defense Project, the Post-Deportation Human Rights Project and the NYU Immigrant Rights Clinic filed a complaint against DHS, several DHS components, the Department of Justice and the Department of State, alleging that these agencies have inadequately responded to FOIA requests for materials concerning their policies and practices of facilitating the return to the U.S. of individuals who successfully challenge their removal orders from outside the country.
- ***Mathews v. Swacina, No. 10-20014 (S.D. Fla.), No. 11-11126 (11th Cir.)***: On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Acting Solicitor General approved the Government's appeal recommendation, and the Department of Justice filed its opening brief appealing the district court's decision. Specifically, the district court had granted Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment in this case challenging a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services district director's decision to deny a visa petition filed on Plaintiff's behalf by her adopted father because she was adopted after her sixteenth birthday and thus did not fit the definition of child under 8 U.S.C. § 1101(b)(1)(E).
- ***Corbett v. United States, No. 10-24106 (S.D. Fla., 11th Cir.)***: On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, the plaintiff filed a notice of appeal in the Eleventh Circuit. He seeks to challenge the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) use of Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) as a primary means of airport screening based on the Fourth Amendment's protection against unlawful searches. On April 29<sup>th</sup>, the district court dismissed Plaintiff's action for lack of subject matter jurisdiction under 49 U.S.C. § 46110, which provides that challenges to TSA orders must be brought in the federal courts of appeals in the first instance. This is the first AIT case in which a plaintiff has sought appeal of the district court's dismissal.
- ***Judicial Watch v. DHS (D.D.C. 11-CV-606)***: On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS produced 736 pages and Immigration and Customs Enforcement produced 479 pages of responsive records to the Plaintiffs. On March 23<sup>rd</sup>, Plaintiff filed a complaint claiming constructive denial pertaining to their request for records relating to the following: 1) any and all records of communications between DHS and any of the following entities, concerning "deferred action" or "parole" to suspend removal proceedings against a particular individual or group of individuals for a specific timeframe, as well as records of communications concerning "selective reprieve" to the segment of the population holding expired visas: The White House; The Executive Office of the President; and any third parties; and 2) any and all DHS internal communications concerning changes to existing policies and practices regarding "deferred action or parole," and "selective reprieves."

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **May 31<sup>st</sup>**, DHS submitted to OMB the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Notice of Suspension of Applicability of Certain Requirements, "**Employment Authorization for Libyan F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of Civil Unrest in Libya Since February 2011.**" This Notice informs the public of the suspension of certain regulatory requirements for F-

1 nonimmigrant students whose country of citizenship is Libya and who are experiencing severe economic hardship as a direct result of the civil unrest in Libya since February 2011. DHS is taking action to provide relief to these F-1 students so they may obtain employment authorization, work an increased number of hours while school is in session and reduce their course load while continuing to maintain their F-1 student status. F-1 students who are granted employment authorization by means of this notice will be deemed to be engaged in a “full course of study” for the duration of their employment authorization, provided that they satisfy the minimum course load requirement described in this notice.

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS will make a fifth production of approximately 500 pages of responsive material to the House Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operation’s investigation into the effectiveness, privacy and health concerns surrounding Advanced Imaging Technology units.
- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS expects to make a third production of 27 pages to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations’ inquiry into expenditures of U.S. funds related to U.S. efforts in Afghanistan pertaining to an individual named Sher Khan Farnood. On May 27<sup>th</sup>, Senators Tom Coburn and Carl Levin sent DHS a letter requesting unredacted versions of certain customs and immigration documents that DHS had redacted at the request of other agencies. The Office of General Counsel is currently developing a response in coordination with the other relevant agencies.
- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS expects to make a first production in response to the request for information from Chairman Jason Chaffetz of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense, and Foreign Operations, pertaining to pat down procedures for minors at U.S. airport security checkpoints.
- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS expects to make a first production of documents in response to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee’s Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense, and Foreign Operations request for situational reports and daily activity reports related to Custom and Border Protection’s Tucson Sector, Casa Grande station.
- On **June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS will produce several hundred pages of documents in response to Chairman Darrell Issa of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee’s investigation into the Department’s FOIA procedures. To date, DHS has produced more than 5,000 pages to the Committee.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock* in Somerville, MA, requested from the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) copies of records of Twitter messages that the USSS considers a threat against the President of the United States created between January 20, 2009 and the present.
- On **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, **Aidan Monaghan**, an individual in Las Vegas, NV, requested from the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) records related to USSS protectee activity regarding events at the so-called “Bilderberg” conference at the Westfields Marriott in Chantilly, VA, from June 5, 2008 through June 8, 2008, including such records specifically regarding the activity of then Senators Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama.
- On **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, **Mark Rumold**, with the **Electronic Frontier Foundation** in San Francisco, CA, requested from DHS information and communications regarding a December 2009 summit on intellectual property.
- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, **Mac Metcalfe**, with the *Juneau Empire* in Juneau, AK, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) copies of personnel diaries for USCG members stationed in Juneau, AK, from January 1963 through December 1964.
- On **May 20<sup>th</sup>**, **Robert P. Deasy**, of the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) copies of guidance, email, memoranda, instructions and standard operating procedures issued in 2010 or 2011 regarding the processing and/or adjudication of applications for adjustment of status (Form I-485) filed by or on the behalf of an individual who entered the United States on the Visa Waiver Program. Deasy also requested a complete copy of the report reviewing the USCIS FOIA Information Processing System (FIPS) that the DHS Chief Information Officer conducted on April 30, 2010.

- On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, **Gregory Kauffman** with the **Pennsylvania Democratic Party** requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records, correspondence and other information requested by or provided to State Senator Jacob Corman and his office between November 3, 1998 and May 17, 2011.
- On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, **Andrew Becker**, with *The Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: 1) correspondence leading up to and resulting from the March 2011 termination of Dan Cadman, an ICE contract employee and regional coordinator of the Secure Communities program; and 2) correspondence to and from Cadman and DHS or any other government agency following his March 2011 termination.
- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, **Jeffery A. Conklin**, an individual in Fairfax Station, VA, requested from DHS information regarding the assignment of Lauren Kielsmeier to the position of “Special Assistant” and “Senior Advisor” at the Senior Executive Service level at U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services in spring 2009.
- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, **Erin Jordan**, with the *Gazette* and **KCRG** in Cedar Rapids, IA, requested from DHS a list of the total dollar amount of DHS Readiness Grants that went to each state since September 11, 2001.
- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, **John Cook**, with *Gawker Media* in Brooklyn, NY, requested from DHS correspondence between Roger Ailes and former Secretaries Tom Ridge or Michael Chertoff during their tenures as Secretary of Homeland Security.
- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, **Kevin McKenzie**, with *Commercial Appeal* in Memphis, TN, requested from the Office of Inspector General (OIG) underlying documents pertaining to an OIG report regarding public assistance grants received following a July 2003 storm.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, **Steven Emerson**, with **SAE Productions, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS copies of records related to communications, meetings, and training sessions conducted or coordinated with the Muslim Public Affairs Council of Western New York or its president, Dr. Khalid Qazi.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael Bekesha**, with **Judicial Watch, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., requested from the U.S. Secret Service records of visitor/guest logs and other records of guest visits made to the White House Conference Center in Washington, D.C. during February 2011.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, **Damien Cave**, with *The New York Times*, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: 1) documents, including but not limited to budget documents, that outline the number of DHS employees posted to Mexico in 2008, 2009, 2010 and at present time; 2) all Interagency Agreements for 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 between DHS and/or its components and their Mexican counterparts; and 3) the 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011 Letters of Agreement and Letters of Offer and Acceptance between American and Mexican Officials, including those that explain the terms for training and equipment programs as part of the Merida Initiative.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, **Brenda Bove** with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan** requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) all records related to ICE enforcement actions that took place on the afternoon and evening of February 23, 2011 in Grand Rapids, MI, including planning, execution, and post action activities.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, **Jared Taylor**, with *The Monitor* in **McAllen, TX**, requested from Customs and Border Protection (CBP) copies of documents, incident reports, email, names of agents involved, suspects, correspondence and case narratives pertaining to the April 2, 2010 fatal shooting involving CBP agents along the Rio Grande River near Hidalgo, TX and pertaining to shots fired by CBP ground and marine agents along the Rio Grande River near Mission, TX, on September 11, 2010.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 24<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock* in Somerville, MA, copies of documents and training material made available to USCIS employees or contractors concerning the policies and practices of processing FOIA requests.
- On **May 25<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Sarah Henkel**, of the **South Texas Civil Rights Project** in San Juan, TX, ICE policies and procedures pertaining to the housing/detention of gays, lesbians, and transgendered persons as outlined in ICE’s national detention standards.

- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, DHS will release to **Lucy Dalglish** with *New Media & The Law* in Washington, D.C. and **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, weekly significant FOIA reports from January 2009 to the present.

## **VII. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **May 31<sup>st</sup>**, 486 AIT units have been deployed to 78 airports nationwide.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 28<sup>th</sup>**, 267,184 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 898,737 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 10.6 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **May 31<sup>st</sup>**, President Obama has signed 172 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$11.92 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments, and private nonprofits.

## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, DHS began implementation of an initiative submitted by a Customs and Border Protection employee that was selected as one of four finalists for the President's 2010 SAVE Award. The initiative changes current DHS practices by posting notices of seized property online instead of in print newspapers. This initiative is expected to save approximately \$1 million annually.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Members of the House Rules Committee for an informal, off-the-record exchange of ideas about the programs and policies of the Department.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will speak at the Senate Democratic Caucus Lunch about border security and immigration issues. She will later meet with Senator Daniel Inouye.
- On **June 17<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Public Safety Canada (PSC) Minister Vic Toews to discuss updates on bilateral engagement between DHS and PSC, including progress on the President and Prime Minister's Shared Vision for Perimeter Security and Economic Competitiveness; the U.S. International Strategy for Cyberspace; the DHS Northern Border Strategy; collaboration on supply chain security; and the Next Generation of Integrated Law Enforcement – a DHS, Department of Justice, Justice Canada, and PSC initiative to build on the best practices and successes of current U.S.-Canada joint law enforcement efforts.
- From **June 18<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to London, Paris and Brussels. In London, she will have bilateral meetings with her counterparts and participate in an editorial board with the *Economist*. In Paris, she will have bilateral meetings and is tentatively scheduled to meet with the French-American Chamber of Commerce and the CEO of Air France. In Brussels, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to sign a Preventing and Combating Serious Crime agreement with the Kingdom of Belgium, deliver remarks at the Opening of the Council Sessions of WCO on enhancing international cooperation to strengthen global supply chain security (open press) and attend a policy lunch hosted by Transatlantic Policy Network – a multi-party group of E.U. and U.S. politicians, corporate leaders, think tanks and academics – to discuss global supply chain security.
- On **June 28<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee on the DREAM Act. She will also have her regular joint meeting with Senators Lieberman and Collins.
- From **June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Madrid and Vienna. In Madrid, Secretary Napolitano will attend the G6 Meeting of the Interior Ministers of Spain, France, the United Kingdom, Italy, Germany and Poland. In Vienna, Secretary Napolitano will speak at the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Annual Security Review Conference. She is also tentatively scheduled to meet with representatives from the U.N. Office on Drugs and Crime and the U.S. Mission to International Organizations in Vienna.
- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel with Attorney General Eric Holder and Office of National Drug Control Policy Director Gil Kerlikowske to Las Cruces, NM to announce the Southwest Border Counternarcotics Strategy (open press).

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **June 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute and U.K. Home Office Permanent Secretary Dame Helen Ghosh will co-host the U.S.-UK Joint Contact Group (JCG) in Washington, D.C. Transportation Security



Administration Administrator John Pistole and Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will also attend. Primary topics of discussion will include developments in the Middle East and North Africa, countering violent extremism, cargo security and traveler security/facilitation.

- From **June 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to Berlin, Stockholm, Brussels and Rotterdam to conduct Passenger Name Records discussions.

### III. Public Affairs

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, the Houston *NBC* affiliate will interview Immigration and Customs Enforcement Assistant Special Agent in Charge Sean McElroy to raise awareness about human trafficking. Air date TBD.
- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, the Miami *NBC* affiliate will interview Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Assistant Special Agent in Charge Carmen Pino regarding ICE's role in investigating immigration fraud. Air date TBD.
- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, *National Geographic* will film at the Krome Service Processing Center in Miami and will film an Immigration and Customs Enforcement Air Flight out of Miami to El Salvador. Air date TBD.
- On **June 11<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection and the General Services Administration (GSA) will hold a groundbreaking ceremony at the GSA-owned Van Buren land port of entry in Van Buren, ME. Senator Susan Collins is expected to participate. Open press.
- On **June 13<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will hold a ceremony to announce the opening of a Ready Lane – a primary vehicle lane that only accepts Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative-compliant RFID-enabled documents, expediting the processing of travelers at the border – at the Lincoln-Juarez Bridge in Laredo, TX. Open press.

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on June 13<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on June 21<sup>st</sup>: “U.S. Coast Guard’s Marine Safety Program – Offshore Vessel Inspections.” Background:** From January 2009 to June 2010, the OIG assessed whether the Coast Guard has the capabilities and resources needed to inspect offshore vessels and ensure the safety of maritime commerce. **Findings:** The OIG did not identify any instances of uninspected offshore vessels and 99 percent of the inspections reviewed were conducted by qualified personnel. However, the OIG determined that the Coast Guard does not have adequate information to plan and resource future Marine Safety program activity levels due to insufficient guidance and oversight. **Recommendations:** The OIG made four recommendations to the Coast Guard. **Response:** As the report states, the OIG found no instances of uninspected offshore vessels, and 99 percent of the inspections reviewed were conducted by qualified personnel.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 11<sup>th</sup>**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) will attend a Somali youth conference in St. Paul, MN. The conference will include presentations from CRCL, the FBI, the Department of Education, the St. Paul Police Department and the Somali American Youth Council. Closed press.
- On **June 13<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will meet with Tim Figures, Acting Director of Transport Security for the United Kingdom, to discuss air cargo security, at TSA Headquarters. Closed press.
- From **June 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>**, DHS Director of Tribal Affairs Steve Golubic will deliver remarks on DHS's tribal outreach initiatives – including the DHS Tribal Consultation Policy released last month, the President's Administrative Flexibility Program soliciting comments from tribal nations and Tribal Homeland Security Grants – at the National Congress of American Indians mid-year conference in Milwaukee, WI. Open press.
- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan will deliver remarks on the intersection of privacy and policy at the Center for Democracy and Technology roundtable on “The Emerging Reality of Big Data:

Over the Horizon Opportunities and Challenges for National Security and Privacy,” in Washington, D.C. The discussion will include representatives from the public and private sectors. Closed press.

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on cybersecurity workforce development and DHS’s role in cybersecurity at the Colloquium for Information Systems Security Education annual conference in Fairborn, OH. Open press.
- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will deliver keynote remarks on DHS’s role in cybersecurity and DHS’s coordination across government and with the private sector at the Symantec Government Symposium in Washington, D.C. National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will also participate on a panel focused on identity management. The Symposium brings together information technology security and management professionals from all levels of government. Open press.
- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks at a naturalization ceremony at the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C. in recognition of Flag Day. Mayorkas will also deliver remarks at a naturalization ceremony in Baltimore, MD. Both events are open press.
- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks on the importance of FEMA’s collaboration with states at the New State Emergency Management Director Training at FEMA’s Emergency Management Institute in Emmitsburg, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will attend a meeting in Ottawa, Canada with representatives from the National Security Staff and Canadian counterparts to discuss the Beyond the Border declaration. Topics of discussion will include information sharing, preclearance agreements and the timelines for implementation.
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will deliver remarks on TSA’s cargo security efforts at the Cargo Airline Association’s general membership meeting in Washington, D.C. Trade press will attend.
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks on FEMA’s support of Alabama following recent storms and the importance of emergency communications at a FEMA-sponsored conference for state emergency management public information managers in Anniston, AL. Closed press.
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director Warren Stern will participate on a classified panel regarding intelligence requirements related to counterproliferation with the Intelligence Community at the Counterproliferation Customer Outcomes Seminar in McLean, VA. He will focus on DNDO’s use of intelligence products and intelligence requirements related to nuclear smuggling cases. Closed press.
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will participate on a panel titled, “Immigration as an Economic Engine” at the Council on Foreign Relations Symposium in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks regarding ICE’s and USCIS’s immigration policies at the American Immigration Lawyers Association 2011 Annual Conference in San Diego, CA. Open press.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will speak about risk-based security at a Women in Government Relations meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will deliver remarks on TSA’s cargo security efforts at the Express Association of America (a consortium of air cargo providers such as FedEx, UPS and DHL) meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 17<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a stakeholder teleconference to discuss U visas for victims of crimes. Closed press.

## **IV. Legislative Issues**

### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's operations to secure the nation's ports and maritime borders.

#### **Senate Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's mass transit security efforts.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Assistant Deputy Director Erik Barnett and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade Assistant Commissioner Allen Gina will testify on ICE's and CBP's efforts to protect Intellectual Property Rights.
- On **June 28<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to testify on the DREAM Act.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's surface transportation security efforts.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's fiscal year 2012 budget request and the Coast Guard's operational priorities.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism**

- On **June 21<sup>st</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will testify with representatives from the Departments of Justice and Commerce on cybersecurity efforts.

#### **Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control**

- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James Dinkins will testify on illegal tunnels along the Southwest border.

### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **June 17<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver classified monthly border threat briefings to staff.

#### **House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, Office of Security Technology Assistant Administrator Robin Kane will provide a risk-based screening update to staff.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will deliver an update to Chairman Daniel Inouye on the Hazard Mitigation Assistance request for the Mount Sinai Medical Center in Miami, FL, which is seeking funding to support the construction of a facility.
- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will brief staff on the new members of the National Capital Region Coordination's senior policy group and FEMA and the Office of Personnel Management's Federal Workforce Preparedness initiatives, and will provide an update on the Risk Knowledge Base program.

### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Robin Kane will brief Representative Laura Richardson on advanced imaging technology (AIT) radiation testing and safety measures. Testing by independent entities has demonstrated that the level of radiation in AIT screening is well below established safety limits for individuals being screened, operators and bystanders.

- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Representative John Mica will host a breakfast for the Coast Guard Academy's Board of Visitors, a body which makes recommendations on the operations of the Academy. Open press.
- On **June 14<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will have dinner with Senator Lisa Murkowski in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will meet with Senator Daniel Inouye's staff and Hawaii Lieutenant Governor Brian Schatz to discuss the upcoming Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation meeting to be held in Honolulu, HI. Closed press.

## V. Legal Issues

### *Litigation*

- ***House v. Napolitano, et al. (D. Massachusetts; Judge Denise J. Casper)***, On **May 13<sup>th</sup>**, an individual who is the founding member of the Bradley Manning Support Network filed a complaint in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts challenging the alleged border search and seizure of his laptop computer and other electronic devices after arriving from an international flight, as well as CBP and ICE policies regarding the border search of information. Plaintiff alleges violations of the First and Fourth Amendment, as well as expressive association.
- ***Kawashima v. Holder (U.S. Supreme Court)***, On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, the Supreme Court of the United States granted a petition for writ of certiorari filed by a husband and wife couple to rehear a decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit that upheld a removal order as to the husband but overturned and remanded the removal order as to the wife. The question presented before the Supreme Court is whether, in direct conflict with the Third Circuit, the Ninth Circuit erred in holding that Petitioners' convictions of filing, and aiding and abetting in filing, a false statement on a corporate tax return in violation of 26 U.S.C. §§ 7206(1) and (2) were aggravated felonies involving fraud and deceit under 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(43)(M)(i), and Petitioners were therefore removable.

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Notice of Suspension of Applicability of Certain Requirements: ***Employment Authorization for Libyan F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of Civil Unrest in Libya Since February 2011*** will publish in the *Federal Register*. This notice informs the public of the suspension of certain regulatory requirements for F-1 nonimmigrant students whose country of citizenship is Libya and who are experiencing severe economic hardship as a direct result of the civil unrest in Libya since February 2011. DHS is providing relief to these F-1 students so they may obtain employment authorization, work an increased number of hours while school is in session, and reduce their course load while continuing to maintain their F-1 student status.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- The DHS Office of General Counsel is working with FEMA to prepare a response to Senator Tom Coburn's request for information pertaining to the awarding of funds or benefits to individuals whose income exceeds \$1 million per year.
- DHS continues to prepare a first production of documents in response to the request by the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense, and Foreign Operations, for situational reports and daily activity reports related to Customs and Border Protection's Tucson Sector, Casa Grande station.
- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to make a sixth production of responsive material to the investigation by the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations, into the effectiveness, privacy and health concerns surrounding Advanced Imaging Technology units.

- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to produce documents in response to Chairman Darrell Issa of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee's investigation into the Department's FOIA procedures. To date, DHS has produced more than 5,000 pages to the Committee.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 11<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) immigration and visa records regarding Mohamed Atta
- On **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, **Bede Sheppard**, with **Human Rights Watch** in New York, NY, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records regarding unaccompanied alien children from the China who are or were in immigration removal proceedings from FY 1999 to FY 2010.
- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, **Steven A. Miller**, with *The New York Post*, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) copies of all correspondence sent or received from January 1, 2008, to May 15, 2011, between USCIS and all members of the New York Congressional Delegation.
- On **May 26<sup>th</sup>**, **Steven Emerson**, of **SAE Productions, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., requested from Customs and Border Protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement documents related to the Muslim Public Affairs Council of Western New York.
- On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, **Mark Rumold**, with the **Electronic Frontier Foundation** in San Francisco, CA, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records discussing, concerning or reflecting ICE's strategy for seizing domain names as a means of combating online criminal activity.
- On **May 27<sup>th</sup>**, **Na Eng**, with **NBC Universal**, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) documents pertaining to meetings between officials from law firms and DHS, ICE, and Customs and Border Protection officials, as well as contracts between DHS and the Corrections Corporation of America pertaining to the Eloy Detention Center in Eloy, AZ.
- On **May 31<sup>st</sup>**, **Ginnie Graham**, with the *Tulsa World*, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement a list of employers and businesses in Oklahoma that have been cited or otherwise sanctioned for violating the U.S. Immigration and Nationality Act since January 2005, including the type of each violation, any penalties and/or fines assessed, and the status of any appeals.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, **John Verdi**, with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, D.C., requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agreements related to the Secure Communities Program concerning the transfer of personally identifiable information (PII) between ICE and any other entity; privacy policies related to Secure Communities; training materials; and policies and agreements concerning the transfer of PII between the Secure Communities Program and the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, **David Perera**, with the **Fierce Government Group** in Washington, D.C., requested from Customs and Border Protection copies of the Arizona Border Technology Plan.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Gbemende Johnson**, a researcher at **Vanderbilt University**, requested from DHS and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center copies of resumes or materials otherwise justifying appropriate pay levels for Schedule C appointees, non-career Senior Executive Service employees, and Senate confirmed appointees from August 15, 2009, to May 15, 2011.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Jennifer Selin**, a researcher at **Vanderbilt University**, requested from DHS and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center a list of reports that the Department made to Congress in 2010 that were mandated by statute as well as which committees and subcommittees heard testimony from agency officials in 2010. Selin also requested from DHS a copy of written communications from the Department to Representatives John Boehner or Darrell Issa between January 3, 2011 and May 15, 2011.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Randy Herschaft**, with *The Associated Press*, requested from DHS copies of all FOIA requests, response letters and responsive materials provided to the requester from January 1, 2007, to the present by the Office of the Secretary of Homeland Security in which Newt Gingrich, Tim Pawlenty, Mitt Romney or affiliated organizations are the subject of the requests or part of the subject of the requests.

### *FOIA Appeals*

- On **May 17<sup>th</sup>**, **Natasha Minsker**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California** and **Tim Redmond**, with the *San Francisco Bay Guardian*, appealed the response from Customs and Border Protection to their request for documents pertaining to the acquisition of controlled substances by state officials for the purpose of carrying out executions of condemned prisoners by lethal injection.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 31<sup>st</sup>**, the U.S. Secret Service released to **Michael Bekesha** with **Judicial Watch, Inc.**, records concerning the cost of the trip to Copenhagen taken by the President and First Lady as well as Secretary of Education Arne Duncan, Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood, Senior Advisor to the President Valerie Jarrett, and representatives of the White House to Copenhagen during the week of September 28, 2009.
- On **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Robert Keobel**, with *Fox 4 News* in Cape Coral, FL, the number of holding cells and interview rooms that will be included in the construction of the new office in Fort Myers.
- On **June 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted an updated version of the Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Statistics document to its online FOIA reading room.
- On **June 6<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Emily Aden** with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, correspondence between USCIS and the office of Senator John Boozman.
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- On **June 8<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Susan Carroll**, with *The Houston Chronicle* correspondence regarding immigration case dismissals and/or prosecutorial guidance from June 1, 2010 to the present.
- On **June 10<sup>th</sup>**, the DHS Office of Inspector General will release to **Ryann Grochowski** with the *Midwest Center for Investigative Journalism* in Columbia, MO an interim response of documents regarding DHS site visits to first responders and local jurisdictions in Missouri pursuant to an audit of the State Homeland Security Program and Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant programs for fiscal years 2005 to 2007.

### **VII. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, there are 486 AIT units at 78 airports nationwide.
- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (May 30<sup>th</sup> to June 5<sup>th</sup>):** TSA arrested 6 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 22 firearms and 2 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- In the second quarter of fiscal year 2011, DHS identified more than \$65 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the initiative to obtain preliminary job applicant security data to screen for disqualifying factors before initiating full background investigations.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **June 7<sup>th</sup>**, *The San Diego Business Journal* (Brad Graves) interviewed Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik on CBP's use of unmanned aircraft systems. The story is expected to run in July.
- On **June 9<sup>th</sup>**, *Current TV* participated in a tour and ride-along at the San Ysidro Port of Entry and with the Border Patrol in the San Diego Sector for an hour-long story about immigration. The story is expected to air in July.
- On **June 13<sup>th</sup>**, *The Phoenix New Times* toured the Pinal County Adult Detention Center and the Florida Detention Center for a story about detention in Arizona that is expected to be published on **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will conduct interviews with CNN and The Weather Channel on hurricane preparedness in Atlanta, GA.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will hold an event for Mexican media near Tucson, AZ. Deputy Chief Patrol Agent Padilla will address reporters in Spanish. Specific media outlets TBD.

*Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on June 17<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on June 27<sup>th</sup>: "Management Oversight and Additional Automated Capabilities Needed to Improve Intelligence Information Sharing."**  
**Background:** From August 2010 to February 2011, the OIG assessed the processes, IT systems and other mechanisms used by DHS and its components to share intelligence and threat information in order to determine whether DHS has established effective Department-wide processes and information systems.  
**Findings:** The OIG found that DHS has taken actions to create an environment and infrastructure necessary to facilitate intelligence information sharing, but the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) can further improve the Department's intelligence information sharing capabilities to ensure that components have the relevant data, policies and information systems to perform their missions. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes five recommendations, including that I&A provide additional management oversight to improve the effectiveness of the intelligence information sharing process. **Response:** One of DHS's top priorities is to encourage effective information sharing across the Department and its Components, as well as state, local, and tribal law enforcement, in order to provide front-line personnel with the tools they need to do their jobs and keep America safe. DHS concurs with the recommendations and is working to implement them.
- **Congressional distribution on June 21<sup>st</sup>, Web Posting on June 29<sup>th</sup>: "Planning, Management, and Systems Issues Hinder DHS's Efforts to Protect Cyberspace and the Nation's Cyber Infrastructure."**  
**Background:** From September 2010 to January 2011, the OIG assessed the National Protection and Programs Directorate's (NPPD) progress in implementing the actions and recommendations outlined in *The National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace (Strategy)*, the National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP), and the Comprehensive National Cybersecurity Initiative (CNCI). The report also included assessments of security controls on systems containing critical cyber infrastructure information. **Findings:** The OIG found that NPPD's Office of Cyber Security and Communication (CS&C) needs a strategic implementation plan in order to prioritize its key activities and evaluate its progress in accomplishing its mission and goals



outlined in the *Strategy*, NIPP and CNCI. The OIG stated that once responsibilities, priorities, and goals are defined, CS&C will be able to develop objective, quantifiable performance criteria and metrics to evaluate its progress and better support DHS's efforts to secure cyberspace and protect critical infrastructure and key resources. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes ten recommendations to build on NPPD's progress in developing a strategic implementation plan and ensuring that critical infrastructure information is properly safeguarded. **Response:** DHS works with industry and National Laboratories as well as state, local, and tribal governments through concerted outreach efforts and awareness activities to prepare for, prevent, and respond to cyber incidents, and is working to address the OIG's recommendations.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **June 17<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in 17 local law enforcement agencies in Alabama, Georgia, Michigan, Ohio and Washington.
- On **June 19<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin will meet with representatives from the United Kingdom (UK) Border Agency in London, England, to discuss ongoing collaborative initiatives, including the CBP National Targeting Center and UK National Border Targeting Center Officer Exchange Program, the UK Global Entry Test Pilot, and collaboration on a Joint Freight Working Group. No new announcements are expected.
- On **June 20<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will participate in the Symposium on the Impacts of an Ice-Diminishing Arctic on Naval Maritime Operations hosted by the National Ice Center and the U.S. Arctic Research Commission. The symposium brings together the public and private sectors to discuss Arctic policy and the implications of changes to the Arctic on maritime operations in the region. Open press.
- From **June 20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**, the FEMA Grant Programs Directorate will host the National Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) and Homeland Security Conference in San Francisco, CA (open press). The conference will provide an opportunity for homeland security and emergency preparedness stakeholders – including UASI jurisdictions, Metropolitan Medical Response System recipients, port and transit security stakeholders, state administrative agencies and private sector partners – to exchange ideas and best practices. On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, FEMA Grant Programs Directorate staff will participate in the After Action Conference to solicit state, local and tribal feedback on the status, direction and performance of FEMA's emergency preparedness and homeland security grant programs (open press).
- From **June 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will host representatives from the Schiphol Group and the Dutch Government to discuss advanced imaging technology, next generation security and cargo security at TSA headquarters and Miami International Airport. Closed press.
- From **June 20<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration representatives will attend the E.U. Open Skies Meeting in Oslo, Norway to discuss carry-on items, staff screening, and supply chain security. Closed press.
- From **June 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will tour facilities and discuss bio threat detection, aviation security, and explosives testing with lab directors at Sandia and Los Alamos National Laboratories. Closed press.
- On **June 21<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will discuss ICE enforcement efforts at a roundtable at the National Sheriffs' Association Annual Conference in St. Louis, MO. Other ICE representatives will provide briefings on Secure Communities. A representative from the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will also attend. Closed press.
- On **June 21<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will host a delegation of law enforcement and government officials from Pakistan at the Laredo Detention Center in Laredo, TX as part of the Department of State International Visitors Leadership Program. Closed press.
- On **June 21<sup>st</sup>**, FEMA will conduct Exercise Operation Rendezvous 2011, a continuity training event for DHS personnel within the National Capital Region. No anticipated public impact.
- From **June 21<sup>st</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the Defense Research and Development Canada (DRDC) will conduct an

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experiment in British Columbia and bordering U.S. states designed to test the integration of emerging technologies such as mapping, social media alerts and infrastructure assessments in operational emergency management during an earthquake scenario, including potential subsequent tsunami, flooding, and fire hazards. This experiment is part of a series of annual experiments sponsored under the 2004 U.S.–Canada Bilateral Agreement for Cooperation in Science and Technology for Critical Infrastructure Protection and Border Security. No public impact anticipated. Closed press.

- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will meet with a delegation from the Netherlands, including officials from the Ministry of Justice as well as civil aviation and airport executives at TSA headquarters to discuss passenger and cargo screening. Closed press.
- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsey Markey will meet with Mayor Chuck Reed of San Jose, CA.
- On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, FEMA will conduct Eagle Horizon 2011, an exercise to test Federal agencies' readiness and capabilities to execute essential functions and conduct operations from pre-planned continuity and devolution locations. Closed press.
- On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement Director Grayling Williams will meet with a delegation from 12 African countries to discuss combating international crime as part of the Department of State International Visitors Leadership Program. Closed press.
- On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will meet with the Hispanic Bar Association to discuss ways the Ombudsman's office can assist stakeholders in Phoenix, AZ. Closed press.
- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, an Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties representative will speak on the rights and obligations of the Arab-American community with respect to U.S. domestic security at an event in Vienna, VA, sponsored by the Al-Hewar Center. The purpose of this event is to facilitate discussion between DHS and the Arab American community. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **July 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA National Continuity Programs Directorate Assistant Administrator Damon Penn will testify on the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System.

##### **House Financial Services Committee**

- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, Secret Service Office of Investigations Assistant Director A.T. Smith will testify at a field hearing on cyber financial crimes at the National Computer Forensics Institute in Hoover, AL.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Judge Advocate General Fred Kenney is tentatively scheduled to testify on the Coast Guard's 2011 Authorization Act.

##### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Health Care, District of Columbia, Census, and National Archives**

- On **June 24<sup>th</sup>**, a TBD representative from the Transportation Security Administration will testify on security in the Washington, D.C. Metro system.

##### **Senate Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's mass transit security efforts in the wake of Osama Bin Laden's death.

##### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Assistant Deputy Director Erik Barnett and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade Assistant Commissioner Allen Gina will testify on ICE's and CBP's efforts to protect Intellectual Property Rights.

##### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

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- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on industry's role in stewardship, safety and security of the oceans.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's fiscal year 2012 budget request and the Coast Guard's operational priorities.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism**

- On **June 21<sup>st</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will testify with representatives from the Departments of Justice and Commerce on the Administration's cybersecurity efforts and legislative proposal.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, the Office of Health Affairs and the Science and Technology Directorate will provide staff with an update on the BioWatch Generation-3 procurement. BioWatch is the federally-managed, locally-operated, nationwide bio-surveillance system designed to detect the intentional release of aerosolized biological agents. Generation-3 technology is expected to significantly reduce the time between a release of a biothreat agent and confirmation of that release.

##### **House Ways and Means Committee**

- On **June 21<sup>st</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide an informational briefing and tour of CBP's Import Safety Commercial Targeting and Analysis Center in Washington, DC, to staff.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **June 20<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin will meet with Ranking Member Susan Collins.
- On **June 21<sup>st</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a classified monthly briefing on current homeland security threats to Chairman Joseph Lieberman and Ranking Member Susan Collins.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 21<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will provide Representative Ted Deutch with a briefing and tour of the National Intellectual Property Rights Center.
- On **June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs (OHA) Alexander Garza will meet with Representative Gus Bilirakis to discuss OHA initiatives and strategic priorities.
- On **June 24<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Capabilities Vince Atkins will discuss Coast Guard shipbuilding requirements on a panel comprised of Coast Guard and Navy representatives at the Congressional Shipbuilding Caucus Breakfast. Closed press.
- On **June 27<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will provide Representative William Keating with a tour of TSA operations at Boston Logan International Airport.

## **IV. Legal Issues**

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 6<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Matthew Huisman**, with the **Dallas News** in Dallas, TX, a list of Texas employers who were issued a notice of inspection regarding employment records that were fined as a result of their employment records.
- On **June 6<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jeff Marcu**, with **First Coast News** in Jacksonville, FL, a list of companies fined on final order by ICE.
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- On **June 13<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, correspondence associated with the four oldest pending FOIA requests in the Privacy Office.
- On **June 13<sup>th</sup>**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Mike McGraw**, with *The Kansas City Star* correspondence in response to the OIG report entitled “Review of the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility Site Selection Process.”
- On **June 15<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Laura Strickler** with **CBS News** in Washington, D.C. copies of all correspondence between DHS and any Member of Congress between February 1, 2009 and July 17, 2009.
- On **June 16<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will release to **Erin Jordan** with *The Gazette* and **KCRG** in Cedar Rapids, IA, a list of the total DHS Readiness Grant funding by state since September 11, 2001.
- On **June 17<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard will release to **Tyler France** with the *Branson Tri-Lakes News* documents regarding a grounding incident of the Showboat Branson Belle in December 2010.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (June 6<sup>th</sup> to June 12<sup>th</sup>):** TSA arrested 5 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 17 firearms and 2 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$6 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to utilize federal facilities for conferences, meetings and trainings instead of renting private space.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman's Office will submit the Ombudsman's annual report to Congress. The report outlines immigration-related challenges that immigrants, families, and employers face, specifically focusing on customer service, adjudications, and systems and processes. No press expected.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- On **June 24<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) is expected to release a report titled, "**DHS Grants Use for Mitigating Risks to Amtrak Rail Stations.**" **Background:** From September 2010 to February 2011, the OIG assessed whether DHS ensures that recipients of Transit Security Grants (TSGP) use funds to mitigate high-priority security vulnerabilities at Amtrak rail stations and whether they coordinate risk mitigation projects to prevent duplication of grant funds. **Findings:** The OIG found that grant recipients do coordinate risk mitigation projects to prevent duplication, but also found that Amtrak does not always use grant funds to implement mitigation strategies at highest risk rail stations reported in risk assessments. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes two recommendations to improve the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) assistance to Amtrak for mitigating known vulnerabilities at high-risk rail stations. **Response:** The new TSGP framework announced in the fiscal year 2011 grant guidance makes TSGP a wholly competitive grant program by prioritizing funding to those assets and activities that are most effective at addressing risk. Additionally, TSA began a Baseline Assessment for Security Enhancement review, a comprehensive security assessment that implements and sustains baseline security measures in the surface transportation sector for the entire Amtrak system in March 2011, addressing an OIG recommendation.
- During the **week of July 4<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) is expected to release a report titled, "**Use of DHS Purchase Cards.**" **Background:** The OIG assessed whether DHS has internal controls in place to ensure that purchase cards are used for their intended purpose. **Findings:** The OIG found that DHS generally had an effective internal control framework, but needs to improve specific internal control procedures to mitigate the inherent risks associated with purchase card use. **Recommendations:** The OIG made three recommendations to improve DHS's internal controls and oversights of its purchase card program. **Response:** DHS takes its responsibility to limit fraud, waste, and abuse in the purchase card program very seriously and has taken many steps to increase oversight and accountability of the program. The Office of the Chief Financial Officer continues to improve its assessment of key controls within the purchase card program and will continue to provide enhanced oversight to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse, addressing an OIG recommendation.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **June 24<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in six local law enforcement agencies in Kansas and Ohio.



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- From **June 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will participate in surface transportation security meetings at the U.S.-European Union Transportation Security Contact Group in Lisbon, Portugal to discuss high speed and passenger rail security.
- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Alexander Garza will deliver remarks on managing global challenges in an evolving threat environment at the 2011 Biosecurity Conference in Washington, D.C. The conference will bring together administration officials, scientific and security experts, and industry to examine challenges facing the implementation of global biosecurity practices. Open press.
- From **June 29<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Secret Service will host a Dignitary Protective Seminar at the James J. Rowley Training Center in Beltsville, MD for local law enforcement from around the country focusing on counter-surveillance as well as practical exercises.
- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, DHS – in coordination with the National Counterterrorism Center and the FBI – will host a Joint Counter Terrorism Awareness Workshop for law enforcement participants in Indianapolis, IN, followed by an exercise focusing on private sector security responses to a Mumbai style attack in an American city. Representatives from the law enforcement community and private sector partners – including hospitals, telecommunications companies, large regional manufacturers, software companies and private security firms – will attend. No anticipated public impact. Closed press.
- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host its quarterly national stakeholder teleconference. Stakeholders attending include community-based organizations, advocacy groups and private practitioners. Open press.
- On **June 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate will host the DHS S&T Cargo Security Supply Chain Industry Day in Arlington, VA to familiarize industry with efforts to enhance global cargo security while facilitating the flow of legitimate trade. Keynote speakers include Under Secretary for S&T Tara O’Toole and Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin. Open press.
- From **June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 4<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will naturalize nearly 2,300 candidates in approximately 30 naturalization ceremonies featuring remarks from senior Administration, DHS, and USCIS officials to commemorate Independence Day. As part of this effort, USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver congratulatory remarks at a naturalization ceremony sponsored by the League of United Latin American Citizens in Cincinnati, OH. Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will also deliver remarks at a military naturalization ceremony aboard the USS Midway in San Diego, CA. Open press.
- On **June 30<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a quarterly stakeholder teleconference regarding the EB-5 immigrant investor program to address stakeholder questions. USCIS recently proposed significant enhancements to the program, transforming the intake and review process to better leverage the talent and innovation of immigrant investors. Open press.
- On **June 30<sup>th</sup>**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will host a regular roundtable meeting with local federal partners and community leaders in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **June 30<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will host a delegation of customs and law enforcement officials from Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, and Togo in San Diego, CA, for an overview of the San Diego Tunnel Task Force and a tour of the Otay Detention Center as part of the Department of State International Visitors Leadership Program. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

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- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will testify on the Administration's cyber security legislative proposal.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **July 12<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Vice Admiral Brian Salerno and Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik will testify on interagency law enforcement cooperation.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **July 8<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Mission Support John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's upcoming move to St. Elizabeths.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management**

- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on the process of recovering after a disaster.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers and Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will testify on the Department's advancements since September 11<sup>th</sup> in preventing terrorist travel.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Appropriations Committee**

- On **June 28<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Response and Recovery Bob Fenton will brief staff on FEMA's plans for a bottom-up review of the Pre-positioned Equipment Program, which was established after September 11, 2001 to provide national standardized equipment in strategic locations that can be used to reconstitute capabilities for first responders to support disaster operations.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology O'Toole will hold a series of courtesy briefings to discuss the fiscal year 2012 budget with Senators Scott Brown, Susan Collins, Ron Johnson, Mary Landrieu, Joe Lieberman, Mark Pryor, and Jon Tester.
- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin will speak with Representative Brian Higgins regarding the Peace Bridge land port of entry.
- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief staff of Senator Lindsey Graham on organized retail crime.
- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection will brief Representative John Carter's staff on human trafficking in central Texas.
- From **July 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Coast Guard will provide a tour of operations in Jacksonville, FL, to Senator Bill Nelson's staff.

#### **IV. Legal Issues**

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 20<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, documents that contain the phrase "talking points" from January 2008 to the present.



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*Weekly Report*

June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS Components have avoided \$9.9 million in costs by improving management of wireless communication services and disconnecting wireless devices that are no longer being used.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble will participate in a joint repatriation ceremony with the FBI in Washington, DC, to return a collection of items to Iraq from the Saddam Hussein era. The items were seized by ICE during four separate investigations. Press coverage is expected.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 27<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Program's Directorate's National Cyber Security Division released its Common Weaknesses Enumeration, a dictionary of software weaknesses and their associated mitigation practices developed by the experts from government, industry and academia that make up the software security community. The publication of known weaknesses is free for public use and enables software developers to build secure software, limiting software vulnerabilities that can be potentially exploited by malicious actors.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on June 29<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on July 8<sup>th</sup>: "Update on DHS's Procurement and Program Management Operations."** **Background:** The OIG looked at the progress DHS has made in its procurement and program management operations since a 2005 OIG report. **Findings:** The OIG found that the Department has made progress in its procurement and program management operations and has implemented all five prior report recommendations to enhance oversight, establish the Acquisition Program Management Division, and address procurement staff shortages and staff authority. **Recommendations:** The OIG did not make any recommendations, but did identify two areas for improvement: mandatory procurement ethics training and a standardized method for reporting potential ethics violations. **Response:** DHS has taken several steps to develop and implement procurement and acquisition oversight and continues to expand a core of acquisition experts to ensure operational requirements are properly developed and included in DHS contracts and to provide greater oversight and accountability.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **July 2<sup>nd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in five local law enforcement agencies in Michigan and Missouri.
- On **July 3<sup>rd</sup>**, a representative from the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will moderate a panel of government representatives on outreach and engagement efforts with the Muslim American community at the Islamic Society of North America annual convention in Rosemont, IL. Open press.
- On **July 4<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will conduct military naturalization ceremonies at al-Faw Palace in Baghdad, Iraq and at Camp Phoenix in Kabul, Afghanistan, respectively. Open press.
- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief a delegation from South Korea in Buffalo, NY, on best practices in combating human trafficking and smuggling and assistance provided to human trafficking victims, as part of the Department of State International Visitors Leadership Program. Closed press.

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- From **July 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs Alexander Garza will visit Joplin, MO, to meet with health leaders to discuss recovery and resilience efforts, including the stand-up of a mobile hospital to replace the St. Johns hospital that was destroyed in the tornado on May 22, 2011. Closed press. No announcements.
- On **July 12<sup>th</sup>**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan will participate on a panel at the Association of Government Accountants Annual Conference and Exposition in Atlanta, GA. Callahan will discuss how privacy and data security are complementary principles. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee**

- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will testify on the Administration's cyber security legislative proposal.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **July 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA National Continuity Programs Directorate Assistant Administrator Damon Penn will testify on the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **July 12<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Rear Admiral Paul Zukunft and Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik will testify on interagency law enforcement cooperation to enhance the security of the nation's maritime borders.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Federal Protective Service (FPS) Director Eric Patterson will testify on FPS's efforts to secure federal facilities.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment**

- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Coast Guard Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards Jeffrey Lantz will testify on ballast water regulations and enforcement.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management**

- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on the process of recovering after a disaster.

##### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations**

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, a TBD witness from the Transportation Security Administration will testify in response to the subcommittee's investigation into airport perimeter security.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers and Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will testify on the Department's advancements since September 11<sup>th</sup> in preventing terrorist travel.

##### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on industry's role in stewardship, safety and security of the oceans.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration**

- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will provide Members an E-Verify demonstration and presentation.

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**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce and the District of Columbia**

- On **July 8<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide staff with a briefing and a tour of CBP operations at the Port of Baltimore.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will provide a tour of the Warroad and Roseau Ports of Entry to Senator Al Franken.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Eric Tucker**, with *The Associated Press* records regarding Operation Community Shield.
- On **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted information pertaining to Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Statistics for Fiscal Year 2011 to its online FOIA Library.
- On **June 27<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Robert Deasy**, with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, D.C., excerpts from training materials discussing when CBP will send an L-1 petition to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services instead of allowing withdrawal of the application for admission at the port of entry.
- On **June 30<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Alex Block** with *The Hollywood Reporter*, documents relating to the immigration history and status of the late Simon Monjack, an English screenwriter and film director.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (June 20<sup>th</sup> to June 26<sup>th</sup>):** TSA arrested 5 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 14 firearms and 3 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **June 25<sup>th</sup>**, 272,948 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 911,452 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 12 million queries have been run through the system
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **June 27<sup>th</sup>**, President Obama has signed 184 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$12.4 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- DHS anticipates avoiding \$4.5 million in costs through fiscal year 2011 by consolidating various subscriptions across the Department.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **July 7<sup>th</sup>**, the Los Angeles Times interviewed U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas about the EB-5 immigrant investor program and the rapid growth of the regional centers in the past two years. Expected publication date is **July 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>**.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **July 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in 31 locations across Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio and Washington.
- On **July 11<sup>th</sup>**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger will speak to Hispanic leaders on Secure Communities at a conference hosted by the White House Office of Public Engagement in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 11<sup>th</sup>**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger and DHS Executive Secretary Phil McNamara will host a listening session in Washington, D.C. with national Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) groups to discuss LGBT issues relating to DHS. Closed press.
- On **July 11<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will meet with the CEO of the Dallas-Ft. Worth Airport at TSA headquarters. Closed press.
- On **July 11<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will present an update on security initiatives and regulations that impact the nation's infrastructure to the Transportation Research Board's Critical Transportation Infrastructure Protection Committee in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- From **July 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>**, Immigrations and Customs Enforcement, in coordination with Department of State, will host training in Budapest, Hungary on combating child exploitation as well as human smuggling and trafficking investigations for government officials from Moldova, Romania, and Serbia. Closed press.
- From **July 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, in coordination with Department of State, will host training on document examination, fraudulent documents, and impostor detection in Manila, Philippines for government and airline officials. Closed press.
- On **July 12<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will meet with Sikh community organizations in Washington, D.C. to follow up on screening procedures and training initiatives discussed in early May. Closed press.
- From **July 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will host a National Improvised Nuclear Device Response and Recovery Forum for Federal, State, and local stakeholders in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will hold the inaugural meeting of the Training Task Force, comprised of representatives from transit agencies and federal security partners, to provide recommendations to TSA as they develop a program to address public transportation training programs, as mandated in the 9-11 Act. Closed press.
- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will sponsor a Security Table Top Exercise in Washington, D.C. to raise awareness of cybersecurity risks within the transportation systems sector. Participants will include infrastructure owners and operators, industry representatives, and government officials from both cybersecurity and transportation backgrounds. Closed press.

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- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will participate in a Mass Transit Table Top Exercise, focusing on identifying key resources and information that will help to secure light rail lines in Denver, CO. Closed press.
- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will deliver remarks regarding DHS's efforts with the public and private sectors to prevent cyber attacks for executives from Fortune 500 companies and government agencies at the RSA/TechAmerica Advanced Persistent Threat Summit in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton and DHS Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger will travel to Boston, MA to discuss Secure Communities initiatives with community groups, state and local law enforcement, and government officials. Closed press.
- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin will deliver remarks on corridor security and trade at the Southwest Border Task Force meeting in Tucson, AZ. Closed press.
- On **July 15<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Executive Associate Director Gary Mead and DHS Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger will travel to New York, NY to discuss Secure Communities initiatives with community groups, state and local law enforcement, and government officials. Closed press.
- On **July 15<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will meet with Minister of the Interior of the Slovak Republic Daniel Lipsic to discuss potential areas of cooperation in emergency management. Closed press.
- On **July 16<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will speak at the National Governor's Association annual meeting in Salt Lake City, UT. Press TBD.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Armed Services Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Rear Admiral David R. Callahan, Director of Reserves, will testify along with representatives from each branch of the military on Reserve forces.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **July 12<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Rear Admiral Paul Zukunft and Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik will testify on interagency law enforcement cooperation to enhance the security of the nation's maritime borders.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **July 15<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Technology, Innovation, and Acquisition Mark Borkowski, Science and Technology Directorate Director of Acquisition Support and Operations Analysis Henry Gonzalez, and Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards will testify on DHS's use of technology.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Federal Protective Service (FPS) Director Eric Patterson will testify on FPS's efforts to secure federal facilities.

##### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security**

- On **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Assistant Director for Domestic Operations Janice Ayala will testify at a hearing in Brownsville, TX on ICE's efforts relating to border security.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment**

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Vice Admiral Brian Salerno will testify on ballast water regulations and enforcement.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management**



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- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on the process of recovering after a disaster. **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations**

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will testify in response to the subcommittee's investigation into airport perimeter security.

**House Natural Resources Committee, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs**

- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Kelly Ryan will testify on the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands' transition from a permit system to the U.S. federal immigration system.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers and Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will testify on DHS's advancements since September 11<sup>th</sup> in preventing terrorist travel.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's Arctic policy and operations.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security, and Stewardship Rear Admiral Paul Zuknft will testify on lessons learned from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will brief staff about the FEMA Disaster Assistance Employee program.

**House Ways and Means Committee**

- On **July 15<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief staff on the President's fiscal year 2012 budget request.

**House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- From **July 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>**, staff will tour DHS operations in Key West and Miami, FL; New Orleans, LA; and Houston and Brownsville, TX. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 12<sup>th</sup>**, Senator Jeff Sessions' staff will tour Customs and Border Protection operations in Dallas, TX.
- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement Director Grayling Williams will meet with Senator John Cornyn's staff to discuss the Joint Interagency Task Force South model to secure the border and expedite lawful travel and trade.
- On **July 28<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will present Senator Jay Rockefeller with the Bertholf Award which recognizes a member of Congress who has demonstrated long-term vision and leadership, supported the men and women of the Coast Guard and enhanced the ability of the Coast Guard to carry out its missions. Open press.

#### **IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **June 29<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Amy Lester**, with **KWTV News 9** in Oklahoma City, OK, reports regarding the number of oil spills that occurred at TransCanada's Keystone Pipeline since June 2010.
- On **July 1<sup>st</sup>**, DHS released to **Randy Herschaft** with *The Associated Press* correspondence between DHS and Representative Michele Bachmann and her office.
- On **July 1<sup>st</sup>**, DHS released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, correspondence between DHS and the Republican Governors Association.

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- On **July 1<sup>st</sup>**, DHS released to **Joshua Evans** with **Public Records Strategies** in Washington, D.C., correspondence between DHS and Rahm Emanuel from 2002 to the present.
- On **July 1<sup>st</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Johnny Wong** with **Davidson Kempner Capital Management, LLC** in New York, NY, information from the Marine Information for Safety and Law Enforcement database regarding the BP Deepwater Horizon incident.
- On **July 5<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **John Cook** with **Gawker Media** in Brooklyn, NY, correspondence between Roger Ailes and former Secretaries Tom Ridge and Michael Chertoff.
- On **July 6<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Susan Carroll** with **The Houston Chronicle** in Houston, TX, reports relating to citizenship test results from January 2009 to the present.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (June 27<sup>th</sup> to July 3<sup>rd</sup>):** TSA arrested 3 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 7 firearms and 3 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 2<sup>nd</sup>**, 274,697 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 916,020 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 12.4 million queries have been run through the system
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **July 6<sup>th</sup>**, President Obama has signed 185 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$12.4 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.



Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- With the anticipated release of strategically sourced contract vehicles for non-military uniforms, furniture in the National Capital Region, wireless communication devices and services, and tactical communications equipment and services, DHS anticipates achieving cost savings of \$142 million over the next five years.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **July 19<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will hold a press event to launch the domestic ‘No Te Enganes’ campaign, which focuses on raising awareness among migrants regarding human trafficking. *CBP and ICE will issue a press release following the event.*

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole released details on TSA’s plan to conduct a pilot program in the coming months to enhance TSA’s identity-based, pre-flight screening capabilities and provide trusted travelers with expedited screening. During the first phase of testing, certain frequent fliers and all members of Custom and Border Protection’s (CBP) Trusted Traveler programs, including Global Entry, who are U.S. citizens, will be eligible to participate in this pilot, which could qualify them for expedited screening at select checkpoints at certain airports.
- On **July 15<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will publish a recommendation regarding U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services’ (USCIS) processing of employment authorization documents.
- On **July 18<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will roll out a piloted version of an online case assistance form to the Washington, D.C. area and Texas as part of an initiative to provide a direct, paperless submission capability for requests for assistance from the Ombudsman’s Office. The Ombudsman’s Office will announce the availability of the pilot via a message to stakeholders and expects to expand availability nationwide by early September.

*Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on July 18<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on July 26<sup>th</sup>: “Efficacy of Customs and Border Protection’s Bonding Process.”** **Background:** This report is the second in a series of audits conducted by the OIG to address Senator Chuck Grassley’s concerns that there are deficiencies in Customs and Border Protection’s (CBP) revenue collection program. **Findings:** The OIG found that CBP has strong controls over continuous bonds to collect revenue, but does not have adequate controls over the single transaction bond process. The OIG found that approximately \$8 billion out of \$12 billion in single transaction bonds for importer/broker entries accepted by CBP in fiscal year 2009 contain errors that may result in non-collection. **Recommendations:** The OIG made four recommendations that CBP strengthen its oversight and controls over the single transaction bond program and create a risk-based bonding methodology to improve revenue collection. **Response:** CBP concurs with the recommendations and has already begun to implement recommended changes to address the OIG’s recommendations.

*Other Reports*

- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, GAO will release a report entitled “**DHS Science and Technology: Additional Steps Needed to Ensure Test and Evaluation Requirements Are Met.**” **Background:** GAO assessed the extent to which DHS’s Science and Technology Directorate’s (S&T) oversees the testing and evaluation of major acquisitions and what challenges, if any, S&T officials report in overseeing testing and evaluation across

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DHS components. **Findings:** GAO found that both S&T and DHS as a whole have begun initiatives to address some challenges regarding testing and evaluation oversight, including the establishment of a testing and evaluation council to provide training and disseminate best practices to program managers.

**Recommendations:** GAO made three recommendations to ensure that testing and evaluation requirements are met and recommended that S&T arrange for an independent assessment of the Advanced Spectroscopic Portal (ASP) program to determine whether the program should be approved for purchase and implementation. **Response:** As GAO notes, DHS has made significant progress in enhancing its acquisition process. As GAO found, S&T met oversight requirements for approving test plans and test reports for 100 percent of the major acquisition programs reviewed. The ASP program is currently under review.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **July 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in 17 locations across Georgia, Kansas, Missouri, South Carolina and Washington.
- On **July 18<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Assistant Administrator of Grant Programs Elizabeth Harman will participate in a panel entitled “The Future of Grants in Domestic Preparedness” at a conference hosted by the *Domestic Preparedness Journal* in Washington, D.C. Harman will discuss past and current grant-related preparedness assistance and share collaborative efforts in light of recent grant funding changes. Closed press.
- On **July 19<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Todd Keil will discuss resilience measures with infrastructure owners at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s National Chamber Foundation in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **July 19<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) will meet with representatives from the Bank of England to discuss counterfeit currency, bank fraud, and recent cyber crime investigations. Closed press.
- On **July 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration representatives will discuss personnel access and employee credentialing at the American Association of Airport Executives Employee Credentialing and Access Control Conference in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **July 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will provide an overview of S&T efforts on Domain Name Systems Security Extensions, a tool that authenticates a web address in order to direct Internet traffic to a legitimate website, at the 2011 Federal Office Systems Exposition in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss strategic partnerships and collaboration with the Airports Consultants Council at TSA headquarters. Closed press.
- On **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will discuss information sharing and distance learning with the International Associations of Chiefs of Police at the FLETC headquarters in Glynco, GA. Closed press
- On **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak about FEMA’s 2012 priorities as well as recent response and recovery efforts at the Office of Personnel Management’s Federal Executive Board Conference. Press TBD.
- On **July 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>**, FEMA will conduct the National Level Exercise 2011 After-Action Conference in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **July 22<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Mayorkas will deliver remarks along with Janet Murguía, President and CEO of the National Council of La Raza (NCLR) at a naturalization ceremony hosted by NCLR at the Carlos Rosario International Public Charter School in Washington, D.C. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Armed Services Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Rear Admiral and Director of Reserves David R. Callahan will testify along with representatives from each branch of the military on Reserve forces.

**House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security**

- On **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Assistant Director for Domestic Operations Janice Ayala will testify at a hearing in Brownsville, TX on ICE's efforts relating to border security.

**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Judge Advocate General Fred Kenney is tentatively scheduled to testify on the Coast Guard's 2011 Authorization Act.
- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Mission Support Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's move to St. Elizabeths. This hearing was originally scheduled for July 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- On **July 19<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino is scheduled to testify on FEMA's mitigation and recovery efforts following the recent severe storms.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's Arctic policy and operations.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety, Security, and Stewardship Rear Admiral Paul Zuknft will testify on lessons learned from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

**Senate Indian Affairs Committee**

- On **July 21<sup>st</sup>**, a TBD witness from FEMA will testify on FEMA's preparedness efforts in Native American communities.

**Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission**

- On **July 28<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations National Security Investigations Division Deputy Assistant Director John Woods will testify on ICE Human Rights Violator Program.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **July 21<sup>st</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Technology, Innovation, and Acquisition Mark Borkowski will brief staff on the SBInet Block 1 system in the Tucson Sector.

**House Appropriations Committee**

- On **July 21<sup>st</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will provide staff with a tour of the Transportation Security Operations Center and TSA operations at Dulles International Airport.

**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service and Labor Policy**

- On **July 21<sup>st</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will brief staff on the fiscal year 2012 legislative proposal regarding pay reform.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 19<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will provide a briefing on the Secure Flight program to the Centers for Disease Control. Closed press.
- On **July 22<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA will discuss the National Disaster Recovery Framework, logistics for spring flood and hurricane season, and FEMA's Readiness Assessment and Unified Readiness Reporting Systems with authorizing and appropriations committee staff. Closed press.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

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- On **June 30<sup>th</sup>**, DHS issued to **Michael Grabell**, with **ProPublica**, a no records determination in response to his request seeking correspondence between Rapiscan Systems or OSI Systems and DHS Headquarters or the Transportation Security Lab regarding testing of the backscatter advanced imaging technology x-ray machines and the release of those tests to the public.
- On **July 1<sup>st</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, information recorded in the USCIS FOIA database and tracking systems regarding the receipt, processing, and responses provided on FOIA remands from the DHS General Counsel's Office and/or the U.S. Federal courts from fiscal year 2005 to fiscal year 2010.
- On **July 8<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Sean Reilly**, with the *Federal Times*, information related to the OIG report entitled *Special Report: Summary of Significant Investigations*.
- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **John Cook** with **Gawker Media** in New York, NY correspondence relating to FOIA requests submitted by *The New York Times* or *The Associated Press* between 2005 and January 2010.
- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **E.J. Graff** with **The Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism** in Waltham, MA correspondence related to the reliability of Nepal's adoption system and the accuracy of Nepalese children's official files.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (July 5<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>):** TSA arrested 5 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 7 firearms and 2 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 9<sup>th</sup>**, 275,771 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 918,781 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 12.7 million queries have been run through the system
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of July 12<sup>th</sup>, President Obama has signed 187 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$12.5 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, DHS issued two new Efficiency Review initiatives to increase energy efficiencies in DHS facilities by establishing two DHS Centers of Excellence to oversee the administration of alternatively financed energy savings contracts and the development and management of facility energy audits and analyses, water conservation assessments, and building and systems commissioning across DHS Component facilities.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **July 28<sup>th</sup>**, CNN will moderate a panel with Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole at the Aspen Security Forum. Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Warren Stern and US-VISIT Director Robert Mocy will also participate in panels at the forum.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **July 18<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will perform explosives testing on scale models of suspension bridge towers with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Ft. Polk, LA. These tests will investigate how steel towers built in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century compare with those constructed with modern materials and how they would withstand an improvised explosive device attack. Closed press. No public impact expected.
- From **July 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in 32 locations across Indiana and Mississippi.
- On **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger will participate in a roundtable discussion in Washington, D.C. with National Council of La Raza affiliates regarding immigration. Closed press.
- On **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will meet with representatives from the United Ostomy Associations of America to discuss how TSA can work to ensure security while treating passengers with surgical pouches with dignity and respect throughout the screening process. Closed press.
- On **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss international and regional aviation security matters with a Ghanaian Delegation at TSA headquarters. Closed Press.
- On **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Alexander Garza will deliver keynote remarks on the national strategy for countering biological threats and the national strategy for pandemic influenza at the Pandemic Influenza and Infectious Disease Global Synchronization Conference sponsored by the U.S. Northern Command in Washington, D.C. The audience consists of Department of Defense planners from all combatant commands, services, and defense agencies. Closed press.
- On **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will host the first annual U.S.-Australia Bilateral Meeting under the recent MOU for emergency management cooperation, signed by Secretary Napolitano in April 2010. The meeting will include a discussion of the joint work plan and a range of emergency management topics in order to exchange information and improve bilateral coordination. Closed press.
- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will provide an overview of Secure Communities at the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) annual convention in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will host the first U.S.-New Zealand Bilateral Meeting under the DHS/FEMA-Ministry of Civil Defense and Emergency Management Memorandum of Cooperation signed by Secretary Napolitano in December 2010. The meeting will focus on the joint work



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plan and a range of emergency management topics to exchange information and improve coordination.  
Closed press.

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) will provide an overview of DHS and CRCL to civil society activists from Pakistan as part of the State Department's International Visitor Leadership Program. Closed press.
- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder teleconference on the Child Status Protection Act and the Grandfather Clause which states that in certain circumstances individuals can adjust immigration status based upon a petition of labor certification filed prior to April 30, 2001. Open press, no press coverage expected.
- From **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host a stakeholder engagement session with local stakeholders in Kansas City, MO.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host two training sessions with stakeholders and law enforcement agencies, regarding immigration relief offered to victims of human trafficking, domestic abuse and other crimes in Philadelphia, PA. Following the sessions USCIS will host a media availability to highlight USCIS's efforts to provide relief to victims of these crimes.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss air cargo screening requirements and recommendations at the International Quality and Productivity Center's Pharmaceutical Distribution Conference in Philadelphia, PA. Open press.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman and officials from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will hold a stakeholder teleconference on Immigration Benefits for Survivors under the Immigration and Nationality Act. The new survivor provision adds a list of potential survivor beneficiaries who can continue to seek immigration benefits despite the death of petitioner, including certain relatives in the family and employment preference categories, derivatives of asylees and refugees, and aliens who have T or U nonimmigrant status due to being victims of crimes and abuse.
- On **July 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a First Observer "Train the Trainer" session with Blue Line Transportation, a large international trucking company and local law enforcement in Detroit, MI to train employees how to accurately observe, assess, and report suspicious behavior. Closed press.
- From **July 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will host engagement events with Arab and Muslim communities in New Orleans and Baton Rouge, LA and provide countering violent extremism training for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Louisiana. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Armed Services Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Rear Admiral and Director of Reserves David R. Callahan will testify along with representatives from each branch of the military on Reserve forces.

##### **House Energy and Commerce Committee**

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will testify on NPPD's efforts to enhance security of critical cyber infrastructure.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Warren Stern will testify on the domestic implementation of the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Judge Advocate General Fred Kenney will testify on the Coast Guard's 2011 Authorization Act and on the Coast Guard's work to improve operations through efficiencies.
- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Mission Support Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's move to St. Elizabeths. This hearing was originally scheduled for July 7<sup>th</sup>.

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**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will testify on interoperability emergency communications.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's Arctic policy and operations.

**Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Secret Service Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge Pablo Martinez will testify on the Secret Service's efforts to combat cybercrime and emerging cyber threats.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **July 28<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will brief staff regarding its role in the U.S. Refugees Admission Program and Iraqi Refugee processing, including the application and adjudication process of refugees as well as the Special Immigrant Visa program.

**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee**

- On **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide members with a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center.

**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management**

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will brief staff on the Functional Needs Support Services Guide for states. Closed press.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Principal Deputy Under Secretary Bart Johnson will brief staff on the Fusion Center program and I&A's State and Local Program Office.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement Director Grayling Williams will brief Congressional staff on the *Strategy to Combat Transnational Organized Crime*.
- On **July 28<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will brief Senate Drug Caucus staff on outbound operations and infrastructure needs on the Southwest Border.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*Rules and Regulations*

- On **August 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Coast Guard Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPRM): **Implementation of the Amendments to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, and Changes to Domestic Endorsements** will publish in the *Federal Register*. The SNPRM increases maritime domain safety by proposing amendments to Coast Guard mariner credentialing regulations, including by updating medical fitness standards for seafarers to permit a broader range of alternatives for hearing and sight testing, establishing new requirements for marine environment awareness training and updating competence requirements for personnel serving on board all types of tankers.

*FOIA Releases*

- On **July 14<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Alison Young**, with *USA TODAY*, records relating to the joint DHS/Transportation Security Administration/Center for Disease Control "Do Not Board List."
- On **July 19<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Dave Perera** with *FierceGovernment* in Washington, D.C. the contract for the Transformation and Systems Consolidation.
- On **July 19<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Gregory Korte**, with *USA TODAY*, records from the Real Property Asset Management Database.



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- On **July 21<sup>st</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release to **Isabel Vincent** with *The New York Post* correspondence between USCIS and Representative Gregory Meeks.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (July 11<sup>th</sup> to July 17<sup>th</sup>):** TSA arrested 4 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 16 firearms and 6 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 16<sup>th</sup>**, 277,201 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 921,866 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 13 million queries have been run through the system
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of July 19<sup>th</sup>, President Obama has signed 190 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$12.7 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through the IT Inventory Management initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of more than \$13 million to date.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, *CNBC's American Now* interviewed the U.S. Coast Guard's first African-American female helicopter pilot LTJG LaShanda Holmes at Air Station Los Angeles in San Pedro, CA. The segment is expected to air in September.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, the *Los Angeles Times* interviewed Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole about the impact of the growth in the homeland security field on higher education. The article is expected in late August.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>**, *Urgent Communications* magazine interviewed Science and Technology Directorate representatives for a story highlighting historic perspectives on communications technologies for first responders and emergency managers that have been developed since or as a result of 9/11. The story will be published in the September issue.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, the DHS *Stop.Think.Connect.* Campaign announced a new partnership with Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) America to provide youth with the necessary tools to encourage internet safety, and to protect themselves from online threats.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **July 30<sup>th</sup> to August 5<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities in Saint Genevieve and Washington, MO.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will release the new Biodefense Knowledge Management System to enhance the ability of DHS personnel and interagency partners to access and analyze information relevant to biodefense. Closed press.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup>**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Bart Johnson will discuss fusion centers with state and local law enforcement stakeholders at the 2011 National Community Policing Conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will meet with refugee program providers in Washington, D.C. to gather feedback on their efforts to support refugees on the citizenship pathway. Closed press.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will provide the first live demonstration of the Geospatial Location Accountability and Navigation System for Emergency Responders (GLANSER) prototype system. GLANSER will enable incident commanders to locate and track first responders during an incident through locators, alarms, communications, and visualizations that can be integrated into Personal Protection Equipment. Open press.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss information sharing and checkpoint facilities with representatives from the Venezuelan government in Miami, FL. Closed press.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks on collaboration and the whole community approach at FEMA's second annual African American Leadership Summit with national, state, and local African American leaders from around the country. Closed press.

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- From **August 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss potential collaboration in human factors/behavioral sciences, borders and maritime security, and cybersecurity with representatives from the Australian government. Closed press.
- From **August 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss pipeline security issues with representatives from the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System in Anchorage, AK. Closed press.
- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Alexander Garza will attend the National Emergency Management Association Meeting in Chicago, IL to discuss issues related to emergency management and medical countermeasures. Closed press.
- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, in partnership with the National Counterterrorism Center, FBI, the Department of Justice, and state and local partners, is hosting the National Countering Violent Extremism Workshop in Columbus, OH. The purpose of the workshop is to provide fusion center personnel and major city police department intelligence unit commanders with information regarding violent extremism. Closed press.
- From **August 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>**, Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement Director Grayling Williams will meet with members of the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force at the Naval Air Station in Key West, Florida, to review the status of the Law Enforcement Integrated Information Architecture. This initiative will apply technology to strengthen the fight against drugs by developing an information sharing architecture to enhance analytical awareness. Closed press.
- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will hold an Intermodal Security & Training Exercise Program Security Workshop in Chicago, IL with security, operations, and engineering personnel from major North American railroad operators. Closed press.
- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will host the first annual conference on Building Resilience through Public-Private Partnerships at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and American Red Cross in Washington, D.C. FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak about partnerships to enhance our nation's resiliency. Press TBD.
- On **August 5<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Alexander Garza will participate in a panel at the Department of Defense -National Capital Region Resilience Summit to discuss building a prepared and resilient community in the event of any natural disaster or terrorist attack. Press TBD.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **August 24<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Captain of the Port of Houston James Whitehead will testify in Houston, TX on Coast Guard operations to enhance security of the Port of Houston.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Secret Service Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge Pablo Martinez will testify on the Secret Service's efforts to combat cybercrime and emerging cyber threats.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **August 18<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole and Liberty International Airport Federal Security Director Don Drummer will testify on TSA operations at Liberty International Airport in a field hearing in Newark, NJ.

#### **Senate commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify in Anchorage, AK on the Coast Guard's operations in Alaska.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief staff at their request on ICE Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR). Closed press.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **August 1<sup>st</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking entitled “**Implementation of the Amendments to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, and Changes to Domestic Endorsements**” will be published in the *Federal Register*. The Coast Guard proposes to amend the existing regulations that implement the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, as amended (STCW Convention), as well as the Seafarer’s Training, Certification and Watchkeeping Code. The changes address the comments received from the public in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and propose to incorporate the 2010 amendments to the STCW Convention that will be implemented on January 1, 2012. In addition, this Supplemental Notice proposes to make other non-STCW changes necessary to reorganize, clarify, and update these regulations.
- During the **week of August 1<sup>st</sup>**, the proposed rule entitled “**National Protection and Programs Directorate Ammonium Nitrate Security Program**” will be published in the *Federal Register*. Under this proposed rule, DHS would regulate the sale and transfer of ammonium nitrate pursuant to section 563 of the Fiscal Year 2008 DHS Appropriations Act with the purpose of preventing the use of ammonium nitrate in an act of terrorism. This proposed rule seeks comment on both proposed text for such a regulation and on several practical and legal issues integral to the development of an Ammonium Nitrate Security Program. Press expected.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 15<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted May 2011 the average daily population by detention facility to its electronic FOIA library.
- On **July 19<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Elizabeth Simpson**, with the **Southern Coalition for Social Justice**, records related to the law enforcement action that resulted in the arrest of approximately 26 individuals in and/or around Lake Charles, LA on April 15, 2010.
- On **July 20<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Susan Long**, of **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse**, FOIA logs on interim/final responses issued between May 16- 31, 2011.
- On **July 22<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Paul Maas Risenhoover**, of **Robin Hood International Human Rights Legal Defense Fund** correspondence between USCIS officials and Department of Justice officials regarding the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
- On **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Russell Clemons**, an individual in Orlando, FL, statistics pertaining to the National Pollution Funds Center.
- On **July 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Jenny Small** with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., communications related to Operation Against Smugglers Initiative on Safety and Security.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Matt Tomsic** with **The Charleston Regional Business Journal** documents regarding cruise ship inspections in Charleston, SC from January 2008 to June 2011.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection released to **Tia Ghose** with **The Center for Investigative Reporting** data regarding the revocation of SENTRI trusted traveler passes by officers at ports of entry.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center released to **Emily Carey** with **The American Civil Liberties Union** in Las Cruces, NM training material regarding the Use of Force and Use of Deadly Force policies issued in the last five years.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (July 18<sup>th</sup> to July 24<sup>th</sup>)**: TSA arrested 14 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 17 firearms and 4 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **E-Verify Update**: As of **July 23<sup>rd</sup>**, 278,555 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 925,321 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 13.5 million queries have been run through the system.

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- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of July 26, President Obama has signed 193 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$12.8 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has avoided more than \$2.7 million in costs through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to replace printers, fax machines, copiers and scanners with multi-functional devices.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- From **August 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA plans to launch a Smartphone application, which will feature preparedness and disaster-related information and a map of open disaster recovery centers and shelters, and a text message program, which will enable the public to sign up for periodic text message updates from FEMA.

### *OIG Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on August 11<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on August 19<sup>th</sup>: “Transportation Security Administration Improvements in Wireless Network Configuration.”** **Background:** From November 2010 to April 2011, the OIG assessed the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) implementation of effective controls to ensure that sensitive information processed by its wireless networks and devices is protected from potential exploits. The report addresses risk mitigating policies and procedures for wireless networks and devices as well as physical security controls, configuration, and certification of wireless networks in accordance with applicable DHS and Federal Information Security Management Act requirements. **Findings:** The OIG found that TSA has implemented effective physical and logical security controls to protect its wireless network and devices. However, high-risk vulnerabilities involving TSA’s patch and configuration controls exist and improvements are needed to enhance security of wireless components to comply with applicable law and better protect against risks, threats, and exploits. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes four recommendations to mitigate technical vulnerabilities. **Response:** TSA is working to improve effective controls to protect sensitive information from potential exploits as processed by wireless networks and devices including laptops and mobile devices at TSA headquarters as well as the Federal Air Marshal Service.

### *Other Reports*

- On **August 15<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report titled, “**Federal Protective Service: Progress Made but Improved Schedule and Cost Estimate Needed to Complete Transition.**” **Background:** From October 2010 to July 2011, GAO assessed the National Protection and Programs Directorate’s (NPPD) Federal Protective Service’s (FPS) progress in completing the transition from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to NPPD. The report focused on identifying the challenges as well as the costs and sources of funding associated with the transition. **Findings:** GAO found that the transfer of FPS from ICE to NPPD is close to completion and has unified the security of the government facilities sector into a single component, which enables DHS to provide comprehensive infrastructure security. **Recommendations:** GAO makes two recommendations to address the challenges and delays in completing the transition of FPS to NPPD including improvements to long-term human capital planning and data collections as well as developing performance measures for various operations. **Response:** Since taking operational control of FPS in October 2009, NPPD and other DHS components have assumed responsibility for 13 of 18 FPS mission-support functions and plan to transfer four additional functions by end of the fiscal year with full integration targeted for October 2012.



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*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **August 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will activate Secure Communities technology in six locations across Mississippi.
- From **August 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp along with Department of Interior Secretary Ken Salazar will travel to Alaska for briefings on Arctic Response Capabilities and meetings with various state, local, and tribal partners.
- From **August 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss the January 2011 Moscow Airport incident with inspection and screening personnel from the Russian Ministry of Transport at Boston Logan International Airport in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **August 9<sup>th</sup>** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a national stakeholder engagement in Washington, D.C. to discuss I-9 Central, a new online resource center dedicated to the most frequently accessed form on USCIS.gov, Form I-9, Employee Eligibility Verification. Open press.
- On **August 9<sup>th</sup>**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will host representatives from the New York Police Department in Washington D.C. to discuss collaboration with DNDO, including the Securing the Cities initiative. Closed press.
- On **August 10<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss the development of performance standards for chemical agent detection devices with stakeholders from the federal government and private sector at the National Institute of Standards and Technology in Gaithersburg, MD. Closed press.
- From **August 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will host academic experts to discuss research in credibility assessment and detecting deception in order to obtain feedback about FLETC's interviewing curriculum, to enhance instructors' knowledge of cutting-edge interrogation research, and to foster a continuing partnership between researchers and practitioners in law enforcement. Closed press.
- From **August 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss protocols and procedures for Federal Air Marshals with Irish aviation security officials and private sector representatives to establish agreed upon operating standards and build on the 2011 Memorandum of Understanding in Shannon, Ireland.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

*Congressional Testimony*

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **August 24<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Captain of the Port of Houston James Whitehead will testify in Houston, TX on Coast Guard operations to enhance security of the Port of Houston.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, TBD witnesses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Customs and Border Protection, and the National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on the security of U.S. visa programs.

**Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secret Service Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge Pablo Martinez will testify on the Secret Service's efforts to combat cybercrime and emerging cyber threats.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify in Anchorage, AK on the Coast Guard's operations in Alaska.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a Congressional Staffer Academy in the Seattle and Blaine Sector to give congressional staffers an opportunity to learn more about CBP operations.



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- On **August 9<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Counternarcotics (CNE) will participate in a briefing led by the office of National Drug Control Policy for Senator Chuck Schumer and Representative Bill Owens on progress in the development of the Northern Border Counternarcotics Strategy. Closed press.
- On **August 10<sup>th</sup>**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will provide staff from the House Appropriations Committee, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, and the GAO with a tour of the Nevada National Security Site Radiological and Nuclear Countermeasures Evaluation Complex to view the Neutron Detector Replacement Program testing. Closed Press.
- On **August 10<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will provide Representative Francisco Canseco with a tour of the Sierra Blanca Border Patrol Station.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- During the **week of August 8<sup>th</sup>**, the **Coast Guard Inspection of Towing Vessels Notice of Proposed Rulemaking** is expected to be published in the *Federal Register*. The Coast Guard proposes to add a new Subchapter M in Title 46 of the Code of Federal Regulations that would establish safety regulations governing the inspection, standards, and safety management systems of towing vessels. The proposal includes provisions covering: specific electrical and machinery requirements for new and existing towing vessels, the use and approval of third-party auditors and surveyors, and procedures for obtaining Certificates of Inspection. The intent of the proposed rulemaking is to promote safer work practices and reduce casualties on towing vessels by requiring that towing vessels adhere to prescribed safety standards and safety management systems or to an alternative, annual Coast Guard inspection regime.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted a copy of the Intergovernmental Service Agreement for the Irwin County Detention Center in Ocilla, GA, to its electronic FOIA Library.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock* in Somerville, MA, records related to the processing of various FOIA requests.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Laura Crimaldo**, with the *Boston Herald* correspondence between Suffolk County Sheriff's Department officials and ICE employees from July 1, 2010, through August 30, 2010.
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- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Cindy Zipf** with *Clean Ocean Action* in Highlands, NJ, correspondence regarding the Liberty Natural Gas deepwater port application.
- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS released to **Mark Rumold** with the *Electronic Frontier Foundation* a letter to Secretary Napolitano from the Motion Picture Association in response to his request for information regarding a December 2009 summit on intellectual property rights.
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- On **August 4<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **David Goldstein** with *The Kansas City Star* correspondence between DHS and Senators Sam Brownback and Pat Roberts.

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## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*  
August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$187 million in cost avoidances through implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to reduce expenditures associated with applicant security background investigations and other security-related component-specific initiatives.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **August 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Winnipeg, Canada to meet with Public Safety Canada Minister Vic Toews (closed press). Following the meeting, Secretary Napolitano and Minister Toews will participate in a press availability.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will interview with CNN for its special, “Beyond Bravery – The Women of 9/11” that will be aired around the upcoming 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11, 2001.
- On **August 17<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s National Security Task Force’s 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup> event to launch the new “If You See Something, Say Something™” public service announcements (open press). She will also speak with Senator Patty Murray regarding border patrol on the Olympic Peninsula.
- On **August 18<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York City, NY to speak to the International Association of Fire Fighters. Open press.
- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to travel with Representative Mike Rogers to Anniston, AL, to visit Auburn University’s Canine Detection Research Institute – a training facility for bomb detection canines used by the Transportation Security Administration and Customs and Border Protection. The Secretary will then travel to Little Rock, AR, to deliver remarks on public service at the Clinton School of Public Service (open press). On **August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a Security Roundtable with Governor Beebe in Arkansas (closed press). She will then travel to Glynco, GA with Transportation Security Administration Administrator Pistole to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony for the FLETC Intermodal Counterterrorism Facility, a state-of-the-art training facility which offers realistic simulation environments for aviation and surface transportation including an airport terminal, subway station, and bus depot (open press).
- On **August 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will sign an Advance Passenger Information System/Passenger Name Record agreement with Honduran Minister of Public Security Oscar Alvarez and will travel to Mexico City, Mexico to meet with a Central American delegation on Human Smuggling, meet with Mexico Ministry of the Interior Secretary José Francisco Blake Mora, and deliver remarks to the Women’s Leaders from Mexico and Central America.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will speak at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Technologies for Critical Incident Preparedness Conference and Exposition in Maryland. Open press.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver the keynote address at the Intelligence and National Security Alliance’s Homeland Security Intelligence Council Symposium on “The Importance of Intelligence to Protect the Homeland” (open press). She will also participate in a press walk through of a new Smithsonian exhibit featuring artifacts from September 11, 2001 that have been donated by the Transportation Security Administration for the museum’s 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemoration. She will also meet with Director of National Intelligence Jim Clapper.
- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver opening remarks at a September 11<sup>th</sup> 10 Anniversary Summit hosted by the Center for National Policy, the Bipartisan Policy Center, and the Voices of September 11<sup>th</sup>. Open press.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will host an employee event commemorating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Press TBD.

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano and FBI Director Robert Mueller will testify at a 9/11 hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press. On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will provide congratulatory remarks during a special Constitution Week naturalization ceremony at the Washington Monument honoring former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who will receive the Outstanding American by Choice recognition. Press TBD.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **August 15<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute and Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss emerging cybersecurity threats with representatives from Google in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to New Orleans, LA to speak at the National Veterans Conference about small business opportunities with the Department. Open press.

### **III. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **August 4<sup>th</sup>**, Catherine Emerson began serving as DHS's Chief Human Capital Officer.

### **IV. Public Affairs**

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard will release the Deployable Specialized Forces (DSF) Stem-to-Stern Review which assesses all aspects of the DSF program, including requirements, doctrine/policy, organizational structure, logistics, training, personnel and resources. Among the changes contained in the document, DSF will be taken out of the Deployable Operations Group construct and instead integrated into the traditional Maritime trident of forces. Additionally, a second Enhanced Team will be established on the West Coast, drawn from existing DSF resources. The review may generate interest from blogs and social media sites and some mainstream news coverage is anticipated.
- On **August 15<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will formally launch the Behavior Assessment Pilot at Logan International Airport in Boston, MA, which recognizes the importance of risk-based security by using scientifically proven behavioral observation techniques to mitigate risk by identifying potentially high-risk travelers and referring them for additional screening at the security checkpoint. Transportation Security Officers are currently receiving on the job training for the pilot at the airport.
- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) and Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE) will publicly release the final report of Joint Investigation Team (JIT) that examined the explosion and sinking of the Deepwater Horizon Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit. The report will include the USCG Commandant's Final Action on recommendations previously published by the JIT as well as previously un-released findings from BOEMRE. In addition, the Federal On-Scene Coordinators' (FOSC) Report to the National Response Team (NRT), which narrates the oil spill response efforts, will be released at the same time. Tentative plans for the release include notifications to Deepwater Horizon next of kin, local and state officials, congressional staffs and interested partner agencies. In addition, a joint press release will be issued by the JIT. The FOSC report will be posted on the NRT website.

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on August 18<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on August 24<sup>th</sup>: "DHS/U.S. Secret Service FY 2009 Anti-deficiency Act Violation."** **Background:** From July to November 2010, the OIG assessed the United States Secret Service's (USSS) budget execution activities related to presidential candidate nominee protection during the 2008 presidential campaign. The audit focused primarily on the employees responsible for an FY 2009 Anti-Deficiency Act (ADA) violation reported in GAO-10-762 and whether the employees willfully violated the law. **Findings:** The OIG found that USSS obligated more than 10% in excess of available appropriations to cover a presidential candidate protection budget shortfall before submitting a reprogramming request to DHS for congressional approval. Since component agencies are required to submit such requests to DHS before any reprogramming decisions are made, the request was not submitted before the funds were obligated; therefore, the funds USSS obligated to cover costs in excess of appropriations were not legally available. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes three recommendations

including development of corrective action plans and improvement of financial management controls, which the Department agreed with and is in the process of implementing. **Response:** The 2009 violation of the ADA occurred in the context of an unprecedented level of protection required for the 2008 Presidential campaign and 2009 Inauguration. DHS agreed to look for funding to address this shortfall, but ultimately no additional funds were available. Since USSS did not exceed its overall budget authority, there was ultimately no excess disbursement of funds and no need for a deficiency appropriation to correct the ADA violation. Additionally, DHS is improving its policies and procedures to ensure that information related to potential future shortfalls are identified for appropriate action.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **August 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick will meet with Ukrainian officials regarding the development and implementation of professional training standards, which are identical to the FLETC academy accreditation standards at the Ukraine State Border Guards Service in Kyiv, Ukraine. Closed press.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin will deliver remarks on the state of border security at Representative Silvestre Reyes' 8<sup>th</sup> annual Border Security Conference in El Paso, TX. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and other CBP representatives will also participate in panels. Closed press.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin and Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsey Markey will provide remarks on cross-border collaboration at the U.S.-Mexico Border Mayors Association meeting in El Paso, Texas. Open press.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks regarding the Whole Community approach and importance of collaboration with the defense and military community at the Homeland Security Studies and Analysis Institute in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **August 17<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss risk mitigation in aviation security with members of the Air Line Pilots Association at the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Air Safety Forum in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **August 18<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will return a collection of artifacts to the Government of the Dominican Republic during a repatriation ceremony in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Open press.
- On **August 19<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a webinar with national stakeholders to provide information regarding the steps that should occur with USCIS after a family returns home to the United States with a child adopted from a foreign country. Open press.

## **V. Legislative Issues**

### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **August 24<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Captain of the Port of Houston James Whitehead will testify in Houston, TX on Coast Guard operations to enhance security of the Port of Houston.

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#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secret Service Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge Pablo Martinez will testify on the Secret Service's efforts to combat cybercrime and emerging cyber threats.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Appropriations Committee**

- From **August 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide staff with tours of CBP operations in San Diego and Los Angeles. Closed press.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide staff with tours of CBP operations in the El Paso Sector. Closed press.

##### **Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with staff to discuss the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence's mark and its impact on fiscal year 2012 appropriations.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **August 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a Congressional Staffer Academy in Swanton, VT and Champlain, NY to give staffers an opportunity to learn more about CBP operations. Closed press.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host staff from Representative Colleen Hanabusa's office for a tour of CBP operations at Honolulu International Airport. Closed press.
- On **August 19<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard will provide Senator Roger Wicker a tour of Coast Guard Cutter STRATTON at the Huntington Ingalls Shipyard at Pascagoula, MS.

## **VI. Legal Issues**

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **August 4<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to Senator Harry Reid records responsive to his request for a copy of an Office of Professional Responsibility investigation involving a named individual.
- On **August 5<sup>th</sup>**, DHS provided a further response to a June 24<sup>th</sup> letter from Chairman Darrell Issa and Senator Chuck Grassley regarding serial numbers of firearms encountered but not seized by the Border Patrol, as part of their investigation of Operation Fast and Furious.
- On **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to issue a response to Chairman Darrell Issa's letter regarding the release by the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee of Sensitive Security Information (SSI) to unauthorized individuals and the Committee's investigation regarding Customs and Border Protection's Tucson Sector, Casa Grande station. Chairman Issa has received redacted versions of these documents, and has been offered an opportunity to review the redacted information. DHS also continues to communicate with the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee to establish procedures to protect SSI going forward.
- On **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will produce to Chairman Carl Levin and Ranking Member Tom Coburn of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, draft and cancelled Homeland Intelligence Reports as part of their investigation relating to Fusion Centers. DHS is also preparing other materials for the Senators, per their staffs' request at a meeting on August 4<sup>th</sup>.
- DHS continues to collect documents responsive to requests on the following topics: the use of pat-downs at airport checkpoints; the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) formal complaint process; TSA's investigation into the claims that Transportation Security Officers were not complying with TSA screening procedures at Honolulu International Airport; the removal of federal transportation security officers; correspondence between TSA officials and union workers; the effectiveness, privacy and health concerns

surrounding Advanced Imaging Technology units; airport perimeter security; and Border Patrol helicopter access to federal lands by the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual from Silver Spring, MD, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services a copy of all reports addressing the scope of the losses of Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) records in the September 11, 2001, attack on the World Trade Center.
- On **July 27<sup>th</sup>**, **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with **MuckRock** in Somerville, MA, requested from DHS all records on, about, mentioning or concerning Ahmed Wali Karzai. Smathers also requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services a copy of documents relating to the FOIA request and subsequent made by Sally Jacobs regarding immigration files for members of President Obama's family.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Azadeh Shahshahani**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia** in Atlanta, GA, requested from DHS and the Office of Inspector General all Death in Detention records regarding the death of a named Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainee.
- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, **Brian D. Hill**, of **USWGO** Alternative News, requested from DHS public records regarding political profiling documents that specify what groups are monitored by fusion centers across the country and which kinds of people are profiled.
- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, **Gabriel Scott**, with the **Waltzer and Wiygul Law Firm** in Harvey, LA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records concerning the final claims determination memoranda for claims submitted and adjudicated as "subsistence" claims under the Oil Pollution Act to the National Pollution Funds Center.
- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) records regarding the November 8, engine fire aboard the *Carnival Splendor* and the USCG's response and investigation.
- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, **Emily Willard**, with the **National Security Archive** at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement documents regarding the May 31, 2010, death of a named individual injured while attempting to escape from custody. Willard also requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center documents detailing the training of personnel in Mexico for enhanced border protection through the Merida Initiative
- On **August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, **Neil Munro**, with **The Daily Caller** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) copies of Form I-134, "Affidavit of Support" and Form I-864A, "Contract Between Sponsor and Household Member of Immigration Sponsors," submitted between January 2000 and January 2002 and including the following phrases in the "occupation" line: "Member of Congress," "U.S. Senator," "U.S. Representative," "Governor," "Officeholder," "Lawmaker," "Legislator," "Congressman," "Congresswoman," "Judge," "Politician," "Senator," "Lieutenant Governor," "Secretary of State," and "Attorney General."
- On **August 4<sup>th</sup>**, **Sean O'Callaghan** at the **University of Portsmouth**, in Portsmouth, UK, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center a detailed outline of any training related to interrogation of suspects, witnesses, and/or victims, as well policies and procedures regarding interrogation.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On July 27<sup>th</sup>, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center released to **Emily P. Carey**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of New Mexico** information concerning reports that DHS delivered to Congress in 2010 that were mandated in statute as well as to whom they were sent.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Sarnata Reynolds**, with **Amnesty International USA**, copies of materials provided to law enforcement agencies participating in 287(g).
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup>**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will release to **Anatol Shmelev**, with the **Hoover Institution at Stanford University**, records related to the Russian National Revolutionary Party.
- On **August 1<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted a copy of the Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Report to its online FOIA Library.
- On **August 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted a copy of a Memorandum of Agreement on Parole Authority to its online FOIA library.



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- On **August 9<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection released to **Leo Banks** with **Tucson Weekly** memos and reports related to the May 20, 2011 fire in the Coronado National Forest.
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- On **August 11<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Damon Moglen** with **Greenpeace** and **Anne Weismann** with **Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington** records relating to the use of aerial dispersants during the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill response.
- On **August 11<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Sean Cairncross** with the **National Republican Senatorial Committee** records of payments and charges to government credit cards issued to Secretary Napolitano.
- On **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Michael Grabell** with **ProPublica** in New York, NY a copy of correspondence from Representative Jane Harman to Secretary Napolitano on January 26, 2010 urging her to expedite the installation of Rapiscan advanced imaging technology machines.
- On **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release to **Matthew Kownacki** with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., statistics regarding the Criminal Alien Program including arrests, removals, and releases from January 2008 to April 2011.

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### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through DHS Efficiency Review initiatives to optimize fleet management through right-sizing fleet inventory and transitioning to hybrid vehicles, DHS has identified more than \$39 million in cost avoidances since 2009.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, *Forbes* magazine interviewed National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer about cybersecurity. The story is expected to be published in late September with a positive tone.
- On **August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS will announce the Fiscal Year 2011 competitive preparedness grant awards. These include transit security grants, non-profit security grants and Operation Stonegarden grants that were previously not announced when the DHS grant target allocations were made in May 2011. Briefings have been provided to the NSS and OMB. Press expected.
- In the coming days, the U.S. Coast Guard expects an AP story on National Security Cutters and the Fleet Mix. Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp provided background information for the story.
- The U.S. Coast Guard is anticipating a story in the *Huffington Post* about the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and flow rate estimates. Admiral Landry and other administration officials contributed to the story.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **August 21<sup>st</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss the Known Traveler program in his keynote address entitled “Ten Years Since 9/11- The Future of TSA” at the Global Business Travel Association Annual Conference and Exposition in Denver, CO. Open press.
- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will host a land port of entry modernization open house at the Recovery Act-funded Forest City land port of entry in Forest City, ME. Open press.
- From **August 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Douglas Smith and representatives from Immigration and Customs Enforcement will travel to Brazil to discuss issues related to money laundering and counterfeiting in preparation for the 2012 Olympics and 2014 World Cup.
- From **August 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Office of Citizenship will attend the Five Country Citizenship Conference in Australia. Closed press.
- From **August 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will host the Civil Aviation Administration of China for inspection and assessment visits at San Francisco International Airport and John F. Kennedy International Airport as part of the regular evaluation of global airports to ensure compliance with international standards conducted by US and foreign counterparts. Closed press.
- On **August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder teleconference regarding Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker. Closed press.
- On **August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Department of Justice Executive Office for Immigration Review will host a meeting in Washington, D.C. for immigration policy and advocacy stakeholders to clarify asylum clock policies and procedures and to discuss how to improve employment authorization document and asylum policies. Closed press.
- On **August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger will attend an Iftar dinner hosted by the British Embassy. Closed press.
- On **August 24<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Todd Keil will deliver the keynote address on regionalization, information sharing, and the DHS

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resiliency strategy at the 2011 Defense Industrial Base Critical Infrastructure Protection Conference in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press.

- On **August 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will travel to Miami and West Palm Beach, FL to meet with stakeholders and immigration service providers. Contreras will also participate in an immigration roundtable discussion hosted by Business Forward, the White House Business Council, and the Palm Beach County Business Development Board. Closed press.
- On **August 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) will provide an overview of CRCL's outreach and engagement work to Latino and Asian/Asian Pacific Islander community stakeholders at a USCIS community-based organization meeting in Chicago. Closed press.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will meet with small and start-up business stakeholders to discuss immigration services in Los Angeles, CA. Closed press.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, FEMA will hold a roundtable for federal partners and industry experts to provide an update on Integrated Public Alert and Warning System accessibility. Closed press.

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#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Mission Support Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's move to St. Elizabeths. This hearing is rescheduled from August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee**

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- On **August 22<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will provide staff with a screening operations tour of Portland International Airport in Portland, ME. Closed press.
- On **August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide staff with a tour of CBP operations at the Long Beach Sea Port.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

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- On **August 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Coast Guard will provide staff with a tour and briefing on port security at Sector New York.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host a demonstration of the Future Attribute Screening Technology (FAST) system for congressional staffers at Yankees Stadium in New York, NY. FAST is a primary screening application intended for use in airports, borders, critical infrastructure, and other venues requiring security screening and is designed to detect physiological and behavioral cues indicative of mal-intent. Closed press.
- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Elizabeth Harman, FEMA Assistant Administrator, Grant Programs Directorate, will join representatives from the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and Transportation Security Administration to brief staff from the authorizing and appropriating committees on the Fiscal Year 2011 preparedness grant programs scheduled to be announced on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Closed press.
- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director Warren Stern will join Senator Joe Lieberman on a tour of the Smiths Detection, Inc. facility in Danbury, CT, which is under contract with DNDO to develop handheld radiation detectors that will be used by Customs and Border Protection, the Transportation Security Administration, and the Coast Guard. Senator Lieberman and Director Warren will make remarks to company employees and conduct a brief Q&A session. Open Press.
- On **August 23<sup>rd</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide Senator Susan Collins' personal and committee staff with a tour of the Maine Fusion Center.

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*Rules and Regulations*

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## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*  
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### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- The Bulk Fuel efficiency initiative establishes an agreement between the Department of Defense and DHS to leverage joint buying power and bulk purchase fuel at a lower rate – cutting its cost from \$3.60 per gallon to \$2.97 per gallon. Beginning in fiscal year 2012, DHS will achieve savings of \$3 million annually.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Honduran Minister of Public Safety Oscar Alvarez and sign the Advance Passenger Information System (APIS) agreement, which provides officers with pre-arrival and departure manifest data on all passengers and crew members. Open press.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a breakfast hosted by the *Christian Science Monitor* to discuss the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>. She will also participate in interviews with *Bloomberg* and *Hearst Television* regarding the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will speak at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Technologies for Critical Incident Preparedness Conference and Exposition in Maryland. In addition, DHS representatives will present on a range of topics including information sharing, intelligence dissemination, biosurveillance, communications interoperability and FEMA grants. Open press. Secretary Napolitano will also speak with Governor Rick Scott to discuss hurricane preparedness in Florida. Closed press.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Dallas, TX to deliver remarks at the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Hispanic National Bar Association. Open press.
- On **September 6<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in an on-stage conversation at the Newseum with *Politico's* Chief White House Correspondent Mike Allen to discuss the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>. She will also give remarks at the White House Office of Public Engagement and the Diversity Council 9/11 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event. Press TBD.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver the keynote address at the Intelligence and National Security Alliance's Homeland Security Intelligence Council Symposium on "The Importance of Intelligence to Protect the Homeland" (open press). She will also participate in a press walk through of a new Smithsonian exhibit featuring artifacts from September 11, 2001 that have been donated by the Transportation Security Administration. She will also meet with Director of National Intelligence Jim Clapper and Abe Foxman, the National Director of the Anti-Defamation League, as well as attend a reception in celebration of Eid Al-Fitr hosted by the State Department.
- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver opening remarks at a September 11<sup>th</sup> Tenth Anniversary Summit hosted by the Center for National Policy, the Bi-partisan Policy Center, and the Voices of September 11<sup>th</sup> (open press). She will participate in an ABC radio tour for the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup> and will attend the reception in honor of First Responders hosted by Vice President Biden.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will host an employee event commemorating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks (press TBD). The Secretary will then travel to Charleston, SC to deliver keynote remarks at the 2011 National Speakers Conference (open press) and to meet with Senator Lindsey Graham. Other tentative September 11<sup>th</sup>-related media events on September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> include TBD TV interviews with former Secretary Chertoff, Voices of September 11<sup>th</sup> commemorative luncheon, as well as a memorial service for the New York City Fire Department.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano and FBI Director Robert Mueller will testify at a 9/11 hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with British Home Secretary Theresa May. She will also meet with American Federation of Government Employees President John Gage.

- On **September 17<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Madison, WI to speak at the Madison Civics Club's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. Open press.
- On **September 20<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to travel to Houston, TX for events with Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee. She will also travel to College Station, TX to deliver remarks on resilience at the Bush School of Government.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Orlando, FL to speak at the American Society of Industrial Security Conference (open press) and hold a roundtable with law enforcement officials.
- On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Joplin, MO with Secretary of Education Arne Duncan for National Preparedness Month to meet with local, state, and federal officials.
- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will speak at a Constitution Week naturalization ceremony at the Washington Monument honoring former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who will receive the Outstanding American by Choice recognition. Press TBD.

### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with Ambassador Melanne Vermeer and Carla Koppell, from USAID.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with the Mayor of Newark Cory Booker regarding the "If You See Something, Say Something<sup>TM</sup>" campaign. She will also attend a New York Port Authority event, and will tour the American Petroleum Institute in Linden, NJ.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will testify at a hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs along with a representative from GAO regarding the GAO report assessing the progress DHS has made in securing the nation from terrorism since the September 11, 2001 attacks.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will participate in various media interviews to kick off September as National Preparedness Month 2011 with FEMA's *Ready* campaign. Fugate will also speak at a National Preparedness Month kickoff event at the Time Square Subway Station in New York, NY. Open press.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will publicly launch a redesigned Interactive Voice Response system, allowing customers who call USCIS's hotline to navigate through immigration information, check their case status, or talk to a customer service representative.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard and Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement are scheduled to publicly release the final report of Joint Investigation Team that examined the explosion and sinking of the Deepwater Horizon Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit. The report will include the Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp's Final Action on the already public recommendations made by the JIT as well as previously un-released findings from BOEMRE. In addition, the Federal On-Scene Coordinators' (FOSC) Report to the National Response Team (NRT), which narrates the oil spill response efforts, will be released at the same time. Tentative plans for the release include notifications to Deepwater Horizon next of kin, local and state officials, congressional staffs and interested partner agencies. In addition a joint press release will be issued by the JIT with links to the full JIT report. The FOSC report will be posted on the NRT website.

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on August 25<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on September 2<sup>nd</sup>: "Effectiveness and Costs of FEMA's Disaster Housing Assistance Program."** **Background:** The OIG examined the efficacy of the Disaster Housing Assistance Programs (DHAP), a joint initiative between FEMA and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) established through interagency agreements (IAAs). **Findings:**



The OIG found that the IAAs did not require HUD to report to FEMA any information about the effectiveness of case management services, and that HUD collected insufficient data to determine if the DHAP was cost-effective. The absence of data prevented FEMA from comparing the DHAP with other disaster housing options. The OIG also found that the program had administration fees which accounted for 30 to 35 percent of the total program cost. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommended a cost-benefit analysis of DHAP to determine if its continued use is advisable. If DHAP programs are to be continued, the OIG recommended increased FEMA oversight, reporting requirements on cost and program effectiveness and an evaluation of administrative fees. **Response:** FEMA and HUD are developing an IAA which would increase the frequency of reports and ensure the inclusion of specific program and financial data. The new IAA will contain a new administrative fee structure. FEMA continues to work with HUD and many other partners to develop the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF). When finalized, the NDRF will provide guidance that enables effective recovery support to disaster-impacted states, tribes and local jurisdictions, to include outlining responsibilities for addressing both pre- and post-disaster housing issues.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will host an Industry Day in Washington D.C. for representatives of private companies. Closed press.
- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will speak at the Latin American Force Protection Detachments Conference in Glynco, GA. The conference brings together officers from the US and international partner countries to share information on best practices in law enforcement training. Closed press.
- On **August 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>**, Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs Alexander Garza will speak at the annual 2011 National BioWatch Workshop: Technology, Partnerships, and Resilience in Tampa, FL. This conference will bring together more than 600 public health, emergency management, law enforcement personnel, and leaders in biodefense. Representative Gus Bilirakis and former Senator Bob Graham will also speak at the event. Closed press.
- From **August 29<sup>th</sup> to September 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host 130 leading local, tribal, state and federal first responders to discuss emergency preparedness needs, requirements, and technical challenges at the inaugural meeting of the First Responder Resource Group. Closed press.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss topics related to airport, airline, and cargo operations in a keynote address at the Airports Council International – North America Public Safety and Security Conference in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will meet with the International Associations of Chiefs of Police in Glynco, GA regarding information sharing and cost reduction initiatives for state and local law enforcement such as distance learning. Closed press.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will attend an immigration roundtable discussion in Los Angeles, CA hosted by the White House Council for Women and Girls. Closed press.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, FEMA Office of Disability and Integration Coordination Director, Marcie Roth will deliver keynote remarks at DC SERVE, the District of Columbia's service and volunteerism partnership program, on disability inclusive models for the whole community. Open press.
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- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver keynote remarks about the Whole Community approach, community emergency preparedness, and grant programs at the National Association of Town and Townships Conference in Washington, D.C. Press TBD.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will travel to Miami and West Palm Beach, FL to meet with stakeholders and immigration service providers. In West

Palm Beach, Contreras will attend an immigration roundtable discussion hosted by Business Forward, the White House Business Council, and the Palm Beach County Business Development Board. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Associate Director Peter Edge and TBD witnesses from Customs and Border Protection, and the National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on the security of U.S. visa programs.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Secret Service Director Mark Sullivan will testify on the Secret Service's missions and challenges in 2012.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Mission Support Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's move to St. Elizabeths. This hearing is rescheduled from August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Department of State will brief majority staff on student visa issuance, monitoring and compliance, and the visa security program at the staff's request. Closed press.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide staff with a briefing on the Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison, CBP's primary intelligence division. Closed press.

##### **Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs**

- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief staff on the ICE Homeland Security Investigations National Initiative for Illicit Trade Enforcement. Closed press.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Office of Privacy, and the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will brief staff on privacy and civil liberty protections within fusion centers.

##### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will participate in a meet and greet with committee staff.

##### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **August 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>**, House Appropriations Committee Chairman Hal Rodgers, Ranking Member Norm Dicks, and eight other Congressmen will visit London to learn more about U.S. Government policy and programming related to Olympic planning, counterterrorism, and military cooperation in Afghanistan and Libya, and will meet with the DHS Attaché-London to discuss homeland security initiatives in the UK.

- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will provide a tour and briefing on operations in the Raleigh, NC area to Senator Richard Burr's staff, and on **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will host the staff for a tour of the Raleigh, NC Fusion Center. Closed press.

## V. Legal Issues

### *Litigation*

- ***Judicial Watch v. U.S. Secret Service (District of Columbia; District Judge Beryl A. Howell)***, On **August 17<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia issued a decision granting partial summary judgment to plaintiffs and denying summary judgment for defendants. In this lawsuit, the government watchdog organization Judicial Watch filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) complaint against the U.S. Secret Service (USSS), challenging the USSS' response to a FOIA request seeking "[a]ll official visitor logs and/or other records concerning visits made to the White House from January 20, 2009 to the present." The USSS denied the response citing the fact that the records sought were presidential records subject to disclosure under the Presidential Records Act, rather than agency records subject to FOIA, and the USSS referred the matter to White House Counsel's Office. Judicial Watch filed an administrative appeal, which was denied. This lawsuit followed. In its decision, the district court concluded that the records at issue are agency records subject to FOIA and not presidential records. In reaching its decision, the district court considered a number of factors, including with respect to the creation of the records and the control of the records. The district court's conclusion is consistent with a prior 2007 decision of the same court, which was vacated on other grounds following appeal. USSS is discussing with the Department of Justice and the White House Counsel's Office the possibility of appeal.

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Transformation Final Rule will be published in the *Federal Register*. DHS is amending its regulations to enable USCIS to migrate from a paper file-based, non-integrated systems environment to an electronic customer-focused, centralized case management environment for benefit processing. This transformation process will allow USCIS to streamline benefit processing, eliminate the capture and processing of redundant data, and reduce the number of and automate its forms. This transformation process will be a phased multi-year initiative to restructure USCIS business processes and related information technology systems. This rule is non-significant under Executive Order 12866; as such, OMB did not review this rule.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the **week of August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, DHS will begin preparing a full year of draft, final and cancelled Homeland Intelligence Reports for Senators Carl Levin and Tom Coburn, per their request as part of their investigation relating to Fusion Centers.
- During the **week of August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, DHS continues to collect arrival and departure records, Customs and Declarations Forms, and US VISIT records from Customs and Border Protection in response to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations' inquiry.
- On **August 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to make an 11<sup>th</sup> production in response to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations' investigation into Advanced Imaging Technology units.
- On **August 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to provide additional information in response to the request from House Oversight and Government Reform Committee Chairman Darrell Issa and Ranking Member of the Senate Judiciary Chuck Grassley for information regarding Operation Fast and Furious.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to collect documents responsive to requests on the following topics: the Transportation Security Administration's formal complaint process; the Department's FOIA process; the release of SSI to unauthorized individuals, and airport perimeter security.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **August 11<sup>th</sup>**, **Lewis Kamb**, with *The News Tribune* in Chicago, IL, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) statistics regarding detainees as well as information regarding contracts for operations at the Northwest Detention Center in Tacoma, WA since 2004.
- On **August 15<sup>th</sup>**, **Ginger McCall and Alex Stout**, with **Epic.org** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS copies of the following agency records: 1) the Privacy Threshold Analysis for the Future Attribute Screening Technology Project; and 2) the record of review and approval of the Privacy Threshold Analysis by the DHS Privacy Officer.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, **Daniel Gonzalez**, with *The Arizona Republic* requested from Customs and Border Protection (CBP) data regarding recidivism rates of migrants apprehended along the Southwest Border from 2000 to 2010.
- On **August 17<sup>th</sup>**, **Stephen Davis**, with *WITI-TV FOX 5* in Brown Deer, WI, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records regarding the dumping of coal ash in Lake Michigan by the *SS Badger* as well as correspondence and records relating to the *SS Badger* complying with current regulations.
- On **August 17<sup>th</sup>**, **Sean P. Murphy**, with *The Boston Globe*, requested from DHS records regarding DHS grant money provided to Massachusetts and the City of Boston, including information regarding the performance measurement of the funding.
- On **August 17<sup>th</sup>**, **Azadeh Shahshahani**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Georgia** in Atlanta, GA, requested from DHS records relating to detention facilities in Georgia that house detainees in Immigration and Customs Enforcement custody.
- On **August 17<sup>th</sup>**, **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS records relating to the policy of increased scrutiny of people who cross the Southwest border, specifically information relating to the Obama Administration's March 2009 Southwest Border Initiative and the Arizona Joint Field Command.
- On **August 18<sup>th</sup>**, **Zachary Katznelson** with the **American Civil Liberties Union Foundation** in New York, NY, requested from DHS records relating to Presidential power to restrict access to or shut down portions of the internet, a/k/a the "kill switch."

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 12<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Russell Carollo**, a journalist in Pueblo, CO, training information in response to his request seeking information related to T-Visas.
- On **August 13<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Sarnata Reynolds**, with **Amnesty International USA**, records relating to guidelines provided to local law enforcement agencies under the 287(g) program.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Walter Roche**, with the *Pittsburgh Tribune Review*, records relating to the authorization for the transport and admission of children from Haiti to the United States.
- On **August 16<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted FOIA logs for June and July 2011 to its online FOIA library.
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- On **August 25<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Gregory Korte** with *USA Today* correspondence logs between DHS and the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, including Chairman Darrell Issa.
- On **August 25<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Seth Wessler** with the **Applied Research Center** in New York, NY information relating to the extent to which people deported by DHS are parents of U.S. Citizens.
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*Weekly Report*

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### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

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### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **September 6<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in an on-stage conversation at the Newseum with *Politico's* Chief White House Correspondent Mike Allen to discuss the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>. She will also give remarks at the White House Office of Public Engagement and the Diversity Council 9/11 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event (press TBD). She will also tape a message for the White House Communications Office's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup> video.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver the keynote address at the Intelligence and National Security Alliance's Homeland Security Intelligence Council Symposium on "The Importance of Intelligence to Protect the Homeland" (open press). She is tentatively scheduled to participate in a FOX or CBS radio tour as well as a pen and pad with beat reporters for the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>. She is also tentatively scheduled to participate in an interview with Sports Illustrated regarding changes in stadium security since September 11<sup>th</sup> (publication date TBD). She will also meet with Director of National Intelligence Jim Clapper and Abe Foxman, the National Director of the Anti-Defamation League, as well as attend a reception in celebration of Eid Al-Fitr hosted by the State Department.
- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver opening remarks at a September 11<sup>th</sup> Tenth Anniversary Summit hosted by the Center for National Policy, the Bi-partisan Policy Center, and the Voices of September 11<sup>th</sup> (open press). She will participate in an ABC radio tour and is tentatively scheduled to participate in interviews with Al-Jazeera English, MSNBC's Andrea Mitchell, and NBC's Pete Williams for the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>. She will also attend the reception in honor of First Responders hosted by Vice President Biden.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will host an employee event commemorating the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks (press TBD). The Secretary will then travel to Charleston, SC to deliver keynote remarks at the 2011 National Speakers Conference (open press) and to meet with Senator Lindsey Graham. Other tentative September 11<sup>th</sup>-related media events on September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> include TBD TV interviews with former Secretary Chertoff, Voices of September 11<sup>th</sup> commemorative luncheon, as well as a memorial service for the New York City Fire Department.
- On **September 11<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the memorial service at Ground Zero in New York, NY then will participate in TBD events in Boston, MA.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano, FBI Director Robert Mueller, and NCTC Director Matt Olsen will testify at a 9/11 hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (open press). She will also participate in a special event in commemoration of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup> with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Ali Mayorkas to recognize seven Department employees who have chosen to become American citizens and have demonstrated outstanding achievements in support of the department's mission with the Outstanding American by Choice. Closed press.
- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a Cabinet Meeting hosted by Vice President Biden.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with British Home Secretary Theresa May. She will also meet with American Federation of Government Employees President John Gage.

- On **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Jeff Zients and Lisa Brown to discuss the President's Council on Jobs and Competitiveness.
- On **September 17<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Madison, WI to speak at the Madison Civics Club's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. Open press.
- On **September 20<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to travel to Houston, TX for events with Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee. She will also travel to College Station, TX to deliver remarks on resilience at the Bush School of Government.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Orlando, FL to speak at the American Society of Industrial Security Conference (open press) and hold a roundtable with law enforcement officials.
- On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Joplin, MO with Secretary of Education Arne Duncan for National Preparedness Month to meet with local, state, and federal officials.
- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will speak at a Constitution Week naturalization ceremony at the Washington Monument honoring former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who will receive the Outstanding American by Choice recognition (press TBD). She will also meet with International Association of Fire Fighters General President Harold Schaitberger.

### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will testify at a hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs along with a representative from GAO regarding the GAO report assessing the progress DHS has made in securing the nation from terrorism since the September 11, 2001 attacks. The Deputy Secretary will also chair the recurring Passenger Name Records working group with representatives from the National Security Staff and the Departments of State and Justice.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Hurricane Irene Response and Recovery Efforts*

- DHS and FEMA leadership continue to participate in numerous press, congressional, and intergovernmental outreach activities in response to Hurricane Irene. Secretary Napolitano traveled to states affected by the storms including North Carolina, Virginia, New York, and New Jersey and FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino traveled to Vermont, Connecticut, New Jersey, and New York.
- For additional information about response and recovery efforts supported by the entire federal family, go to <http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=57532>.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the **week of September 5<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) and Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE) will publicly release the final report of Joint Investigation Team that examined the explosion and sinking of the Deepwater Horizon Mobile Offshore Drilling Unit. The report will include the USCG Commandant's Final Action on the already public recommendations made by the JIT as well as previously un-released findings from BOEMRE. In addition, the Federal On-Scene Coordinators' (FOOSC) Report to the National Response Team (NRT), which narrates the oil spill response efforts, will be released at the same time. Tentative plans for the release include notifications to Deepwater Horizon next of kin, local and state officials, congressional staffs and interested partner agencies. In addition a joint press release will be issued by the JIT with links to the full JIT report. The FOOSC report will be posted on the NRT website. This release was originally scheduled to occur in July.

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, Web Posting on September 21<sup>st</sup>: "Review of Costs Invoiced by the City of San Francisco Relating to the Terminal 2 Checked Baggage Screening Project at San Francisco International Airport."** (RECOVERY ACT PROJECT) **Background:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) agreed to provide Recovery Act funds of \$15,346,800 to the City of San Francisco to modify Terminal 2 of the San Francisco International Airport to support installation



of a Checked Baggage Inspection System. The OIG audited \$12,837,196 invoiced under the agreement to determine whether the costs were allowable, allocable, and reasonable according to the funding agreement and applicable federal requirements. **Findings:** The OIG questioned costs of \$303,474 (2 percent of total funding) invoiced for construction management because they were not adequately supported by the accounting records. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommends that TSA review City of San Francisco purchases to ensure that the City complied with the requirement to buy American goods. **Response:** TSA concurred with the recommendations and is taking action to resolve these matters. Additionally, San Francisco Airport provided the OIG with documentation showing that approximately 99.7 percent of all equipment and material components used were made in America. TSA's Office of Acquisition has developed a checklist to assist acquisition workforce staff is assessing and monitoring Recovery Act recipient compliance.

- **Congressional distribution on September 7<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on September 15<sup>th</sup>: “The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services’ (USCIS) Adjudication of Petitions for Nonimmigrant Workers.”** **Background:** The OIG examined the training of Immigration Services Officers (ISOs) at the two USCIS service centers which process and review I-129 petitions for H-1B and H-2B visas. H-1B and H-2B visas allow employers to request permission to bring foreign individuals to the United States temporarily to perform services or labor, or to receive training. **Findings:** The OIG found that although all ISOs received the same basic training course, local on-the-job training at the two service centers varied considerably and was not updated annually. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommended the development of a national, post-basic fraud identification and response training program to standardize ISO training. **Response:** USCIS is currently developing post-basic fraud courses to provide ISOs with the necessary skills to identify current fraud trends and make informed determinations when identifying fraud. Once these post-basic fraud courses are fully developed and implemented, they will be offered annually for all ISOs and supervisors responsible for H-1B and H-2B adjudications.
- **Congressional distribution on September 8<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on September 16<sup>th</sup> (Note: This report was originally going to be issued on August 1<sup>st</sup> and was held): “Use of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Funds by U.S. Customs and Border Protection for Construction of Land Ports of Entry.”** **Background:** The OIG initiated this audit to review the efficacy of U.S. Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) administration of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for land ports of entry. Following a letter from Senator Bryon Dorgan expressing concern about the cost of new port construction on the northern border, OIG revised their objective to focus on CBP's approach to altering and constructing land ports of entry on the northern border. **Findings:** The OIG found that some features in standard port designs, specifically the outbound inspection facilities and fitness room, were not supported by operational requirements and did not fully justify the basis for the size of the port design selected for certain locations. Additionally, CBP is building three new ports and repairing one port at locations that the respective field offices previously recommended for closure. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommended that CBP reevaluate its design selections for five ports and reevaluate the modernization approach for five ports that it ranked high for potential closure and determine whether they should be repaired, rebuilt, or closed. **Response:** CBP non-concurs with both recommendations. CBP began the process of modernizing these ports of entry in the August 2009, expediting projects to comply with the timeline set forth in the Recovery Act for all funding to be obligated by September 30, 2010. The OIG began its inspection of the Northern border ports of entry in July 2010 and provided its recommendations to CBP in July 2011. By July 2011, two Recovery Act land ports of entry have already been built and 28 others are currently under construction – with 17 ports in the final stages. In order to comply with the OIG recommendations, which CBP does not believe are operationally justified or feasible, CBP would need to demolish newly built structures and modify building contracts, incurring significant costs

#### *Other Reports*

- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report in conjunction with their hearing on the Hill entitled **“Department of Homeland Security: Progress Made and Work Remaining In Implementing Homeland Security Missions Ten Years After 9/11.”** **Background:** GAO looked at what progress DHS

has made in implementing its mission functions since it began operations; what work, if any, remains; and what cross-cutting and management issues have affected DHS's implementation efforts. **Findings:** GAO concluded that while DHS has made significant strides, it has yet to reach its full potential, particularly in further transforming the Department into a more integrated and effective organization. **Recommendations:** The report looks back at previous GAO and OIG recommendations and contains no new recommendations. **Response:** The Department concurs with GAO's conclusion that "Eight years after its establishment and 10 years after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, DHS has indeed made significant strides in protecting the nation ..." As described in the DHS progress report on fulfilling 9/11 Commission recommendations, released by Secretary Napolitano in July 2011, America is a stronger, safer and more resilient country because of the work DHS and our many partners do every day. While DHS appreciates GAO's work documenting the progress the Department has made in enhancing the nation's security and the challenges that still exist, as GAO states, the report "does not address . . . all of DHS's homeland security-related activities and efforts."

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **September 6<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will provide the keynote address at the Center for Strategic and International Studies event, "The Evolution of Aviation Security since 9/11," in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **September 6<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will host a Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) signing between TSA and the Latin American Civil Aviation Commission (LACAC) at TSA Headquarters. The MOC establishes the conditions under which LACAC and TSA may cooperate in developing and modernizing the civil aviation security infrastructure. Closed press.
- On **September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will hold a kickoff meeting with the National Academy of Sciences Committee in Washington, D.C. to review the scope and proposed work plans for the National Bio and Agro Defense Facility (NBAF) Site Specific Risk Assessment (SSRA). The updated SSRA is being prepared in response to the fiscal year 2011 Full Year Continuing Appropriations Act, which requires DHS to address concerns previously raised by the National Academy in its initial site-specific risk assessment for the NBAF.
- From **September 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will meet with the Mexican Secretariat of Governance in Miami, FL to discuss emergency management including collaboration and coordination with border states and the development of information exchange mechanisms. Closed press.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a bilingual national stakeholder event in Washington, D.C on the E-Verify Self Check system. Closed press.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will speak on the Homeland Security Intelligence (HSI) Analytic Tradecraft Panel at the Intelligence and National Security Alliance Symposium, *Intelligence to Protect the Homeland: Taking Stock Ten Years Later and Looking Ahead*, which will examine issues associated with integrating HSI practitioners into a broader national security framework. Open Press.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will host roundtables in Normal and Romeoville, IL; and St. Paul, MN with members of the private sector to discuss cybersecurity issues.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will provide opening remarks at the annual Multi-Cultural and Disability Coalition Conference at TSA headquarters. Closed press.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will participate on a panel titled, "9/11 Ten Years Later in Aviation Security," at the Intelligence & National Security Alliance and Center for Strategic and International Studies symposium in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Academy will hold a joint ribbon cutting ceremony for a new building, which will provide a central location for all ICE Academy basic and specialized training in Glynco, GA. Open press.

- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will sponsor a tabletop exercise in Los Angeles, CA, focused on the response for medical countermeasures dispensing in Los Angeles following a biological attack (anthrax). This exercise will bring together senior leaders and senior operations personnel from all levels of government. Closed press and no impact to public.
- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will participate in a discussion entitled, “Risk Based Security,” at the High Speed and Passenger Rail International Security Experts Working Group in Baltimore, MD. Closed press.
- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, a representative from the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will speak on a panel about the impact of 9/11 on civil rights and civil liberties at a conference hosted by the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee at the Heritage Center in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin will participate in a roundtable discussion with former CBP Commissioners Bonner and Basham in Washington, D.C. to discuss how border security has changed since 9/11. The program, titled “A 9/11 Roundtable: Border Security After 9/11” is open to the public, will also be webcast by the Wilson Center.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, Civil Rights Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger will deliver remarks at the community celebration of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of BRIDGES meetings in Dearborn, MI. Open press.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will conduct the National Lessons Learned Conference in Washington, D.C. focused on improving the ability of the United States to prepare for, respond to, and recover from an event of national significance. Participants will include representatives from the Federal government, state, and local governments as well as private sector and non-governmental organizations. Closed press.
- On **September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will hold stakeholder meetings with immigrant advocacy groups, immigration practitioners, domestic violence service providers, and refugee resettlement agencies, focused on issues that impact the delivery of immigration benefits and services in Omaha and Lincoln, NE. Closed press.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsey Markey will travel to Charlotte, NC to meet with Mayor Anthony Foxx to discuss DHS engagements with the city, including the National Special Security Event designation for the 2012 Democratic National Convention.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Associate Director Peter Edge, Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Assistant Commissioner Thomas Winkowski, and DHS Deputy Counterterrorism Coordinator John Cohen will testify on the security of U.S. visa programs.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Secret Service Director Mark Sullivan will testify on the Secret Service’s missions and challenges in 2012.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Mission Support Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard’s move to St. Elizabeths. This hearing is rescheduled from August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

##### **House Financial Services Committee, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit**

- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer and Secret Service Office of Investigations Assistant Director A.T. Smith will testify on cybersecurity threats to the financial sector.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute is scheduled to testify along with a representative from GAO regarding the GAO report assessing the progress DHS has made in securing the nation from terrorism since the September 11, 2001 attacks.

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano and FBI Director Robert Mueller will testify on the progress DHS has made in securing the nation from terrorism since the September 11, 2001 attacks.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secret Service Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge Pablo Martinez will testify on the Secret Service's efforts to combat cybercrime and emerging cyber threats.
- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Kelly Ryan will testify along with representatives from the Departments of State and Justice on the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino and the Office of Inspector General will testify on FEMA's ongoing efforts to combat waste, fraud, and abuse.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **September 27<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will provide staff with a tour of Urban Search & Rescue facilities in Fairfax, VA. Closed press.

##### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard senior leadership will meet with Senator Tom Harkin.

##### **Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration; House Judiciary Committee; and House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration**

- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with the committee leadership regarding Annual Refugee Admissions Consultations for fiscal year 2012.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief staff of the Colorado Congressional delegation on Secure Communities in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief the staff of Senator Barbara Boxer in San Diego, CA on ICE's Homeland Security Investigations activities and initiatives in the San Diego area. Closed press.

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **September 6<sup>th</sup>**, the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security will mark up its fiscal year 2012 DHS appropriations bill and DHS expects the full Appropriations Committee to vote on the bill on September 7<sup>th</sup>. DHS expects the proposed funding level to be in between the House bill and the President's budget request.

## **V. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***Kebe v. Napolitano (Southern District of Indiana; District Judge Jane Magnus-Stinson, Magistrate Judge Denise K. LaRue)***: On **August 17<sup>th</sup>**, the plaintiff filed a putative class action lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana against U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) alleging that he had unfairly become subjected to ineligibility for adjustment of status pursuant to Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) § 212(a)(9)(B), which renders inadmissible certain unlawfully present aliens, after he traveled outside the United States on an advance parole document issued by USCIS. The plaintiff seeks to certify as a class "[a]ll beneficiaries of immediate relative petitions who seek adjustment of status after traveling abroad on a valid travel document issued by [USCIS] . . . and whose adjustment has been denied because of USCIS's determination that such individuals are inadmissible under INA 212(a)(9)(B)." Plaintiff seeks to enjoin defendants from removing him and all class members, and he seeks a writ of mandamus compelling defendants to reopen his adjustment application. The Government will have 60 days from the date of service to file a responsive pleading.

### *Rules and Regulations*

- During the **week of September 5<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: “Special Immigrant Juvenile Petitions” will be published in the *Federal Register*. DHS proposes to amend its regulations governing the Special Immigrant Juvenile (SIJ) classification, and related applications for adjustment of status to permanent resident. The Secretary may grant SIJ classification to aliens whose reunification with one or both parents is not viable due to abuse, neglect, abandonment, or a similar basis found under State law. This proposed rule would require a petitioner to be under the age of 21 only at the time of filing for SIJ classification. This proposed rule would require that juvenile court dependency be in effect at the time of filing for SIJ classification and continue through the time of adjudication, unless the age of the juvenile prevents such continued dependency. Aliens granted SIJ classification are eligible immediately to apply for adjustment of status to that of permanent resident.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Final Rule: “Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Transitional Worker Classification” will be published in the *Federal Register*. On October 27, 2009, DHS published an interim rule creating a new, temporary, CNMI-only transitional worker classification (CW classification) in accordance with title VII of the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008. The CW classification is intended to provide for an orderly transition from the CNMI permit system to the U.S. Federal immigration system under the immigration laws of the United States, including the Immigration and Nationality Act. This final rule implements the CW classification and establishes that a CW transitional worker is an alien worker who is ineligible for another classification under the INA and who performs services or labor for an employer in the CNMI during the five-year transition period. CNMI employers may now petition for such workers. The rule also establishes employment authorization incident to CW status.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**, DHS expects to make a 12<sup>th</sup> production in response to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations’ investigation into Advanced Imaging Technology units.
- On **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**, DHS expects to produce information received from FEMA in response to Senator Tom Coburn’s request for information pertaining to the awarding of funds or benefits to individuals whose income exceeds \$1 million per year.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to collect documents responsive to requests on the following topics: the Transportation Security Administration’s formal complaint process; the Department’s FOIA process; the release of SSI to unauthorized individuals, fusion centers, customs and immigration records regarding an individual, and airport perimeter security.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **August 15<sup>th</sup>**, **Jennifer Lynch** with the **Electronic Frontier Foundation** in San Francisco, CA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records regarding ICE’s collection, storage, and analysis of DNA records.
- On **August 19<sup>th</sup>**, **Jeff Smith**, with **WSOC-TV Eyewitness News**, in Charlotte, NC, requested from DHS records regarding grant funding provided to state and local jurisdictions relating to the safety and security for the 2012 Democratic National Convention.
- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, **Gary Kreep**, with the **United States Justice Foundation** in Ramona, CA, requested from DHS copies of documentation compiled by DHS and all its components regarding the April 2009 DHS memo entitled “Rightwing Extremism: Current Economic and Political Climate Fueling Resurgence in Radicalization and Recruitment.”
- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, **Gary Kreep**, with the **United States Justice Foundation** in Ramona, CA, requested from DHS copies of documentation compiled by DHS and its components concerning the activities of a named individual who is a leader of the Cedar Valley Tea Party from July 2008 through July 2011.

- On **August 24<sup>th</sup>**, **Bob Mackin**, with *Business in Vancouver* requested from DHS a copy of the 2010 Olympics Joint Threat Assessment and the related after-action review or like report.
- On **August 24<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael Ravnitzky** an individual in Silver Spring, MD, requested from DHS a copy of internal memos or other correspondence and documents that review or discuss the merits and/or disadvantages of iPads or similar pad/tablet computer devices for employee use during 2011.
- On **August 24<sup>th</sup>**, **Rick Heneghan** with *Commonsense HD, BCATV* in Burlington, MA, requested from DHS records of DHS, including but not limited to the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) communications with DHS operational components, discussing the use of non-lethal electronic weapons.
- On **August 25<sup>th</sup>**, **Dan Stein**, of the **Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR)** in Washington, D.C., requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) information concerning the recent administrative decision to review immigration cases on an individual basis and dismissing those cases which do not reveal a criminal conviction as set forth in the letter of August 18, 2011 to Senator Reid et al, and in the June 17, 2001, memorandum of ICE Director John Morton.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 26<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Steven Emerson**, of **SAE Productions, Inc.** in Washington, D.C., records pertaining to the Islamic Center of Jersey City, NJ.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with **Witness Unto Me** in Topock, AZ, records regarding non immigrant religious worker visa applications.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, DHS released to **Jordy Yager** with *The Hill* travel expense logs for Secretary Napolitano and Deputy Secretary Lute from January 2009 through March 2011.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Teresa Nelson** with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in St. Paul, MN records concerning 287(g) agreements with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, DHS will release to **Eileen Sullivan** with *The Associated Press* emails from senior DHS officials dated December 25, 2009 and December 26, 2009.

#### **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (August 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>):** TSA arrested 7 passengers based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 18 firearms and 6 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **August 26<sup>th</sup>**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 181 AIT units at 32 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **August 27<sup>th</sup>**, 285,606 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 940,611 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 15.4 million queries have been run through the system.
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- On **September 11<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the memorial service at Ground Zero in New York, NY. She will then travel to Boston, MA to participate in a community service project to send care packages to US troops, followed by a media availability with Governor Deval Patrick, Mayor Tom Menino, Carie Lemack, and Vicki Kennedy as well as other TBD events. She will also visit Logan Airport to meet with Transportation Security Administration employees and view the progress made in aviation security since 9/11.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano, FBI Director Robert Mueller, and NCTC Director Matt Olsen will testify at a 9/11 hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (open press). The Secretary will also participate in a special event with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Ali Mayorkas to recognize seven Department employees who have chosen to become American citizens and have demonstrated outstanding achievements in support of the department's mission with the Outstanding American by Choice Recognition. Closed press.
- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a Cabinet Meeting on Efficiencies in Government hosted by Vice President Biden. She will also participate in an off the record lunch with *USA Today*.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with British Home Secretary Theresa May. Later in the day, she will meet with Abe Foxman, National Director of the Anti-Defamation League. She will also participate in an event with the Aspen Institute Homeland Security Group regarding the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>. Press TBD.
- On **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Jeff Zients and Lisa Brown to discuss the President's Council on Jobs and Competitiveness. She is also tentatively scheduled to speak at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, WI about the new international Study in the States initiative which will enhance our nation's economic, scientific, and technological competitiveness by finding new, innovative ways to encourage the "best and brightest" foreign students to study and remain in the U.S.
- On **September 17<sup>th</sup>**, while in Madison, WI, Secretary Napolitano will speak at the Madison Civics Club's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. Open press.
- On **September 20<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to travel to Houston, TX for events with Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee. She will also travel to College Station, TX to deliver remarks at the Bush School of Government. Open press.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Orlando, FL to speak at the American Society of Industrial Security Conference (open press) and hold a roundtable with law enforcement officials.
- On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Joplin, MO with Secretary of Education Arne Duncan for National Preparedness Month to meet with local, state, and federal officials and make announcements regarding DHS resilience initiatives.



- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will speak at a Constitution Week naturalization ceremony at the Washington Monument honoring former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who will receive the Outstanding American by Choice recognition (press TBD). She will also meet with International Association of Fire Fighters General President Harold Schaitberger.
- On **September 26<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Dr. Jakob Kellenberger, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross.
- On **September 27<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with NCTC Director Matt Olsen.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to San Francisco, CA to participate in the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Asia/Pacific Economic Cooperation Ministerial Meeting and will chair discussions on aviation security and air cargo security as well as port security.
- From **September 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to London, England for TBD meetings and events.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on September 14<sup>th</sup>, Public Distribution on September 22<sup>nd</sup>: “FEMA’s Contracting Officer’s Technical Representative Program.” Background:** The OIG assessed the effectiveness of FEMA’s efforts to improve its contracting officer’s technical representative program which is responsible for monitoring technical performance of contracts and report potential and actual problems to the contracting officer. **Findings:** The OIG found that FEMA has made great strides in improving the program, but challenges remain. The OIG states that many contracting officer’s technical representatives are inexperienced and many times untrained task monitors are monitoring contracts in place of more experienced and trained officers. Further, the OIG finds that FEMA lacks a surge capacity that would allow them to quickly deploy experienced and trained contracting officers following a major disaster. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes eight recommendations to improve the contracting officer’s technical representative program and to better sustain agency operations during a disaster. **Response:** To improve oversight of the program, FEMA is developing formal policy regarding the use of the Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System by the end of 2011, addressing an OIG recommendation.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **September 11<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will participate in memorial ceremonies honoring the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11 in Marfa, TX, Wellington, FL, Sumas, WA and New York, NY. Open press.
- On **September 11<sup>th</sup>**, a representative from the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) will speak at a 9/11 remembrance event hosted by the Howard County Muslim Council in Clarksville, MD. Closed press.
- On **September 12<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will discuss S&T initiatives with small businesses seeking opportunities to transition and commercialize technologies at the National Small Business Innovation Research Conference and Technology Showcase in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- From **September 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss machine readable travel documents, biometrics, and security standards with international partners at the International Civil Aviation Organization headquarters in Montreal, Canada. Closed press.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will give remarks at the CBP Canine Program Change of Command Ceremony in El Paso, Texas. Open press.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will speak to the senior executives of the Homeland Security & Defense Business Council about I&A goals, priorities, relationship with the private sector, and role in infrastructure protection. Closed press.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Counselor for Cybersecurity, Bruce McConnell will discuss the importance of software assurance and security automation at the Software Assurance Forum in Arlington, VA. Open press.

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Bart Johnson will deliver keynote remarks on information sharing at the DHS Law Enforcement Information Sharing Initiative (LEISI) Roundtable titled, “Protecting our Borders: The Googlization of Law Enforcement Information Sharing – A Future Vision.” Closed press.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Refugee, Asylum, and International Operations Directorate will host a quarterly stakeholder engagement on terrorist related inadmissibility grounds. Open press.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss aviation security screening assessments, crisis management, and threats to civil aviation at the U.S.-Israel Aviation Security Working Group meeting in Israel. Closed press.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino and Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks at the Security Analysis and Risk Management Association Conference. On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Todd Keil will discuss DHS’s coordination with the owners and operators of critical infrastructure, and progress since 9/11 at the same conference. All events are open press.
- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will provide opening remarks on ICE’s role in intellectual property rights at the National Intellectual Property Rights Center’s Cyber Crime Symposium. Open press.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will provide opening remarks on the importance of collaboration and FEMA’s Whole Community initiative at the Latino Leadership Summit and also participate in the FEMA-Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities Memorandum of Agreement signing in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Alexander Garza will deliver keynote remarks on DHS’s security and disaster response work with health care organizations at the Fifth National Emergency Management Summit in New York City, NY. The audience will include stakeholders from the hospital industry, government, academic, non-profit, first responders, and consultants. Closed press.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss personnel security with the United Kingdom’s Director of Critical Protection for National Infrastructure in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection will host the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT) Northern Border Conference in Niagara, NY to discuss trusted trader programs, threats to cross border operations, and container inspection. Closed press.
- On **September 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will host an roundtable with Major City Chiefs in Washington, D.C. to discuss smuggling, human trafficking, Secure Communities, information sharing, international affairs, drug trafficking, and enforcement priorities. Closed press.
- On **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan will meet with stakeholders from the privacy advocacy community to discuss privacy developments within DHS. Closed press.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will travel to Charlotte and Asheville, NC for meetings with immigration service providers, refugee resettlement agencies, and domestic violence service providers to address issues regarding immigration benefits and services in that area. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Associate Director Peter Edge, Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Assistant Commissioner Thomas Winkowski, and DHS Deputy Counterterrorism Coordinator John Cohen will testify on the security of U.S. visa programs.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Secret Service Director Mark Sullivan will testify on the Secret Service's missions and challenges in 2012.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Boston Federal Security Director George Naccara and Office of Security Operations Assistant Administrator Christopher McLaughlin will testify at a field hearing in Boston, MA on the progress TSA has made to implement a layered security system since 9/11.

#### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will testify at a general oversight hearing regarding ICE's priorities and operations.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Mission Support Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's move to St. Elizabeths. This hearing is rescheduled from August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### **House Financial Services Committee, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit**

- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer and Secret Service Office of Investigations Assistant Director A.T. Smith will testify on cybersecurity threats to the financial sector.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano and FBI Director Robert Mueller will testify on the progress DHS has made in securing the nation from terrorism since the September 11, 2001 attacks.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Kelly Ryan will testify along with representatives from the Departments of State and Justice on the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino and the Office of Inspector General will testify on FEMA's ongoing efforts to combat waste, fraud, and abuse.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, Office of Health Affairs Food Agriculture, and Veterinary Defense Branch Chief Dr. Doug Meckes will testify on the Department's efforts to respond to threats against America's agriculture and food system.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for the National Preparedness Directorate Corey Gruber, and, FEMA Branch Chief, National Planning and Assistance Doc Lumpkins will brief staff on the implementation of Presidential Preparedness Directive 8. Closed press.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, along with the National Counterterrorism Center, ODNI, and NSA will provide a classified briefing on Security Advisory Opinion processing for Special Immigrant Visas and refugee cases.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a classified border threat briefing to Representative Henry Cuellar to discuss current threats and issues.

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee will mark up its DHS Authorization Bill. Among the significant provisions in the draft bill is: the designation of the Assistant Secretary for International Affairs as a Presidentially Appointed position; the termination of the Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement; the establishment of an Infrastructure Protection and Resilience Directorate; the establishment of an Office of Terrorist Travel Programs; a provision calling for the strengthening of Departmental management processes through the development of a strategic plan and professional career program for DHS's acquisition program; and a requirement that the Secretary of State, in cooperation with the Secretary of Homeland Security deploy an electronic system to notify airlines of the cancellation of a traveler's visa for entry to the U.S. DHS is currently assessing the provisions of the bill.

## V. Legal Issues

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **September 6<sup>th</sup>**, DHS made a 12<sup>th</sup> production consisting of draft, final, and cancelled Homeland Intelligence Reports for Senators Carl Levin and Tom Coburn, per their request as part of their investigation relating to Fusion Centers.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to make a 12<sup>th</sup> production in response to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations' investigation into Advanced Imaging Technology units.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to produce information from FEMA in response to Senator Tom Coburn's request for information pertaining to the awarding of funds or benefits to individuals whose income exceeds \$1 million per year.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to collect documents responsive to requests on the following topics: the Transportation Security Administration's formal complaint process; the Department's FOIA process; the release of SSI to unauthorized individuals, customs and immigration records regarding an individual, and airport perimeter security.

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, DHS submitted to OMB the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice: **Extension of the Designation of Sudan for TPS & Automatic Extension of Employment Authorization Documentation for Sudanese Temporary Protected Status (TPS) Beneficiaries**. This Notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security has extended the designation of Sudan for TPS for 18 months from its current expiration date of November 2, 2011 through May 2, 2013. The Secretary has determined that an extension is warranted because the conditions in Sudan that prompted the TPS designation continue to be met. There continues to be a substantial, but temporary, disruption of living conditions in Sudan based upon ongoing armed conflict and extraordinary and temporary conditions in that country that prevent Sudanese who now have TPS from returning in safety. This Notice also sets forth procedures necessary for nationals of Sudan (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Sudan) with TPS to re-register and to apply for an extension of their Employment Authorization Documents with USCIS.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, DHS submitted to OMB the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Notice: **Designation of Republic of South Sudan for Temporary Protected Status (TPS)**. This Notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security has designated the Republic of South Sudan for TPS for a period of 18 months, effective November 3, 2011 through May 2, 2013. Under section 244(b)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), the Secretary is authorized to grant TPS to eligible nationals of designated foreign states or parts of such states (or to eligible aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in such states) upon finding that such states are experiencing ongoing armed conflict, environmental disaster, or other extraordinary and temporary conditions that prevent nationals from returning safely.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, **Ann Marie Gibbons**, with **The Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services information regarding site visits to organizations in connection with non-immigrant petitions.

- On **August 26<sup>th</sup>**, **Jake Pearson**, with *NBC News*, requested from DHS records regarding websites, listed in the favorites/bookmarks tab in the Internet browser for each government-issued computer(s) of the Secretary of Homeland Security.
- On **August 26<sup>th</sup>**, **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *Muckrock* in Somerville, MA, requested from Customs and Border Protection a list of cases for which FOIA exemption (b)(2) was used from January 20, 2009, through April 1, 2011, along with the subject of those cases or, alternatively, a copy of each response letter.
- On **August 26<sup>th</sup>**, **Richard Rashke**, an author in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, copies of three lists supplied by Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS) to the Nazi War Criminal Unit of the Israeli Police Department in 1975 which purportedly contained the names of alleged Ukrainian Nazi collaborators.
- On **August 26<sup>th</sup>**, **Jill Laster**, with the *Navy Times* in Springfield, Virginia, requested from the Office of Inspector General a list of all audits and investigations pertaining to the U.S. Coast Guard completed in Fiscal Year 2011.
- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, **Hina Shamsi**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Foundation** in New York, NY, requested from DHS and Immigration and Customs Enforcement records relating to requests for and disclosures of customer or user records, personal information, contents of electronic communications, or any other type of cybersecurity-related signatures, by communications providers to the federal government, for cybersecurity purposes.
- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, **Russell Carollo**, a journalist in Pueblo, CO, requested from DHS records related to travel by DHS employees and/or financed by DHS, including travel paid for by other entities.
- On **August 29<sup>th</sup>**, **Richard Pollock**, a journalist with **Pajamas Media and PJTV** in Washington, D.C., requested from the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) documents and communications relating to President Obama's Rural Tour in Minnesota, Iowa, and Illinois in August 2011, including the full costs for the entire bus tour, including fuel, personnel, food, alcohol and expenses; non-security communications; personnel participating in the tour; the number of vehicles involved in the caravan per state; fuel and operating costs for all vehicles in the convoy including the bus; security costs associated with travel; specialized personnel on the tour including chefs and waiters; and communications requesting road closures to local and state authorities.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael Donoghue**, with the *Burlington Free Press* in Burlington, VT, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) correspondence pertaining to the work status of an ICE Special Agent whose home was raided by a dozen ATF agents on August 3, 2011.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, **Jeff Smith**, with *Eyewitness News* in Charlotte, NC, requested from DHS a list of all grants committed to the City of Charlotte, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department, the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office, and any other city agency relating to safety and security for the 2012 Democratic National Convention.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael George**, with *ABC Action News* in Tampa, FL, requested from DHS and Customs and Border Protection a copy of risk/threat assessment(s) or report(s) for the Port of Tampa from September 11, 2001, through the present in addition to any report(s) on security issues/incidents at the Port of Tampa for the same time period.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, **Kevin Curran**, with *KPNX-TV* in Phoenix, AZ, requested from the Transportation Security Administration a copy of written reports and surveillance video of three named individuals passing through a checkpoint at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport on August 5, 2011.
- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, **Simone Sebastian**, with *The Houston Chronicle*, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records regarding Transocean's plan to remove components of the Deepwater Horizon rig from the Gulf of Mexico.
- On **August 31<sup>st</sup>**, the *J.J. Chronicles*, an internet publication, requested a list of attendees, the costs, and any and all photographs related to a party held by Vice President Biden at the Naval Observatory on or about June 11, 2011.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Fred Schulte**, with *The Center for Public Integrity*, requested from the U.S. Secret Service copies of logs of overnight visitors to the White House from January 2009 through the present.

- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Scott MacFarlane**, with *COX TV* in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS copies of electronic mail sent between DHS employees and the offices of Representatives Silvestre Reyes, Steve Pearce, and Sue Myrick in July 2011.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Mike McGraw**, with the *Kansas City Star*, requested from DHS documents related to the National Bio and Agro Defense Facility (NBAF) proposed for Manhattan, Kansas, including documents relating to the site selection process and the need for such a facility.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Anthony Eliseuson**, with the **Heartland Alliance National Immigrant Justice Center** in Chicago, IL, requested from DHS documents regarding lists of tier III terrorist organizations and related grounds of inadmissibility.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS documents pertaining to the agency's reaction to and subsequent change in policy regarding the manipulation of select U.S. border officials and/or recruits by Mexican drug traffickers, cartels and/or gangs, especially along the Southwest border from January 2004 through the present.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Paul Orfanedes**, with **Judicial Watch, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records exchanged by or between an ICE Agent of the Phoenix, AZ Field Office and the Phoenix Police Department regarding the Police Department's Home Invasion and Kidnapping Enforcement task force, or data or statistics on the number of kidnappings in the City of Phoenix, AZ, from January through June 2009.
- On **September 1<sup>st</sup>**, **Antonio Olivo**, with the *Chicago Tribune*, requested from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records between January 1, 2007, and the present concerning detainees in ICE detention facilities who had previously secured federal withholding of removal orders that protected them from being returned to their home countries.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 30<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted to its online FOIA library Fiscal Year 2011 to date interoperability statistics for Secure Communities nationwide.
- On **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Susan Carroll**, with *The Houston Chronicle*, documents regarding the EB-5 visa program.
- On **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Virginia Benzan**, with the **Massachusetts Law Reform Institute** in Boston, MA, decisions of the Northeast Region Director from January 8, 2008, through January 7, 2011, granting or denying deferred action status.
- On **September 7<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Gabriel Scott** with the **Waltzer and Wiygul Law Firm** in Harvey, LA documents regarding claims submitted to the National Pollution Funds Center.
- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with **MuckRock** in Somerville, MA documents related to a previous FOIA request regarding immigration records of members of President Obama's father.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Peter Wallsten** with *The Wall Street Journal* copies of weekly reports submitted to the White House in 2009.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with **MuckRock** in Somerville, MA copies of weekly reports submitted to the White House from November 3, 2010 and December 22, 2010 as well as January 27, 2011 to May 1, 2011.

#### **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (August 22<sup>nd</sup> to August 28<sup>th</sup>):** TSA referred 7 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 18 firearms and 6 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 194 AIT units at 38 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 286,957 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 945,662 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2011, over 15.8million queries have been run through the system.

- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of September 7<sup>th</sup>, President Obama has signed 213 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$13.3 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.



Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

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**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has avoided more than \$3.8 million in costs through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to replace printers, fax machines, copiers and scanners with multi-functional devices.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **September 14<sup>th</sup>**, *The Navy Times* editorial board interviewed Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp on general topics including the recapitalization of the Coast Guard fleet and the Coast Guard's operations in the Arctic. Publication date TBD.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **September 20<sup>th</sup>** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce award recipients for the Fiscal Year 2011 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. In total, \$9 million will be awarded to 42 organizations across the country to support citizenship preparation services for permanent residents. *USCIS will issue a press release and fact sheet.*

*Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on September 19<sup>th</sup>, Public Posting on September 27<sup>th</sup>: “Coast Guard Has Taken Steps to Strengthen Information Technology Management, but Challenges Remain.”**  
**Background:** The OIG assessed the Coast Guard's management of information technology in order to determine the effectiveness of the Coast Guard's planning, acquisition, implementation, and use of technology to support its mission. **Findings:** The OIG found that the Coast Guard has made progress establishing effective information technology management practices but could further improve information technology management in a number of areas. **Recommendations:** The OIG made six recommendations to strengthen the Coast Guard's information technology management. **Response:** As the OIG acknowledges, the Coast Guard has made progress establishing effective IT management practices and now has controls in place to allow for effective IT acquisition decisions.

*Other Reports*

- On **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, the DHS Privacy Office will publish and submit to Congress its annual report on privacy activities throughout the Department.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **September 15<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will naturalize more than 25,000 new citizens in 55 special naturalization ceremonies across the country to commemorate Citizenship and Constitution Week. As part of this initiative, on September 16<sup>th</sup>, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver remarks at a naturalization ceremony at Federal Hall National Memorial in New York, NY.
- On **September 18<sup>th</sup>**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will speak at the National Native American Law Enforcement Association conference in Las Vegas, NV. Open press.
- On **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will test Boeing's prototype system to rapidly detect the presence of weapons of mass destruction, explosives, contraband, and human cargo in maritime shipping containers at the Transportation Security Laboratory in Atlantic City, NJ. Closed press.

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- On **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Department of Justice Executive Office for Immigration Review will host a meeting in Washington, D.C. for immigration policy and advocacy stakeholders to clarify asylum clock policies and procedures and to discuss how to improve employment authorization document and asylum policies.
- On **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will launch the *Ready Indian County* at the FEMA Region IX Tribal Preparedness Partnership Meeting in Las Vegas, NV to promote preparedness in tribal communities. Press TBD.
- From **September 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan is traveling to Romania and Bulgaria to conduct outreach with government officials regarding the pending Passenger Name Records agreement with the E.U.
- On **September 20<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will give the keynote speech at the 2011 Interpol Intellectual Property conference in Madrid, Spain. Director Morton will highlight ICE's Intellectual Property Rights enforcement operations. Open press.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary Greg Schaffer will discuss securing federal cyber networks and DHS cybersecurity initiatives with executives, managers, and IT professionals from the private sector at the Delaware CyberBrief 2011 in Dover, DE. Open press.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will hold a technology demonstration of Unified Incident Command and Decision Support (UICDS) at Rutgers University in Newark, NJ. The demonstration will connect multiple applications to a single UICDS Core that shares data between the New Jersey State Emergency Operation Center and other local, county, state and federal agencies to improve incident management during activities such as search and rescue, evacuation, on-site medical assistance, victim medical transportation, and sheltering. Closed press.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with immigration service providers, stakeholders, and staff from Senators Diane Feinstein and Barbara Boxer's offices in San Francisco, CA to discuss immigration services and benefits. Closed press.
- From **September 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness, Tim Manning will speak at the 5<sup>th</sup> Senior Disaster Management Officials Forum at the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum's Emergency Preparedness Working Group in San Francisco, CA. Closed press.
- On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will meet with the president of the Association of Flight Attendants in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate as well as the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will discuss improving border checks with Next Generation Artificial Intelligence and Advanced Sensor Technology at the Frontex Conference in Warsaw, Poland. Frontex is a European Union agency that was created as a specialized and independent body tasked to coordinate the operational cooperation between Member States in the field of border security including projects like the Future Attribute Technology Program and others that support suspicious behavior detection. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will testify at a general oversight hearing.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime**

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Kumar Kibble and Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will testify on prosecutorial discretion and agency guidance.

#### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **October 12<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will testify at a general oversight hearing regarding ICE's priorities and operations.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

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**Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission**

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*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee**

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**House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security**

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**Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs**

- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, FEMA will brief staff on FEMA's efforts to ensure preparedness grant recipients are properly qualified to speak on terrorism-related issues. Closed press.

**Senate Finance Committee and House Ways and Means Committee**

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## **Department of Homeland Security**

*Weekly Report*

September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$235 million in cost avoidances through implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to reduce expenditures associated with applicant security background investigations and other security-related component initiatives.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **September 26<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Dr. Jakob Kellenberger, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross. She will also speak to Senator Debbie Stabenow regarding customs user fees. She is tentatively scheduled to meet with Salvadoran Foreign Minister Hugo Martinez to discuss Temporary Protected Status designation and the Advance Passenger Information System.
- On **September 27<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with NCTC Director Matt Olsen.
- On **October 5<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will discuss countering violent extremism with Abe Foxman, National Director of the Anti-Defamation League.
- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will speak at the Federal Law Enforcement Advisory Board Meeting and meet with outgoing Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association President Jon Adler. Secretary Napolitano will also travel to New Haven, CT to deliver keynote remarks focusing on international aspects of homeland security at Yale University's "Young Global Leaders" lecture. Open press.
- On **October 7<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Ypsilanti, MI to deliver remarks alongside Michigan Governor Snyder at the Michigan Cyber Summit, which will be streamed live on Facebook. Open press.
- On **October 11<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will announce a new "If you See Something, Say Something" partnership at an event with Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley at the University of Maryland in College Park, MD (open press). She will also discuss the state of homeland security at a Homeland Security & Defense Business Council panel with former Secretaries Tom Ridge and Michael Chertoff (press TBD).
- On **October 12<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Service Employees International Union International Vice President Eliseo Medina, United Food and Commercial Workers International President Joe Hansen, and United Auto Workers Vice President Cindy Estrada. She will also meet with the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus.
- On **October 19<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will testify in a general oversight hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee.
- On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to North Carolina to participate in events with Representative David Price at Duke University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Chicago, IL to deliver remarks at the International Association of Chiefs of Police General Assembly. Open press.
- On **October 26<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will attend a dinner hosted by Kuwaiti Ambassador Salem Al-Sabah honoring David Rubenstein, Global Ambassador for Susan G. Komen for the Cure.
- On **October 29<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the National Italian American Foundation's 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Dinner.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- From **September 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to Paris and Strasbourg for meetings on Passenger Name Records with members of the European Parliament, Commissioner Cecilia Malmstrom and Ambassador Kennard.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, ABC/NBC affiliate *First Coast News* produced a segment on the new Federal Law Enforcement Training Center's Intermodal Training Facility in Glynco, GA and how it will enhance law enforcement training. Air date TBD.
- On **September 27<sup>th</sup>**, CNBC's *American Now* will interview LaShanda Holmes, the Coast Guard's first African American female helicopter pilot at Air Station Los Angeles. Air date TBD.

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on September 27<sup>th</sup>, Public Posting on October 5<sup>th</sup>: "DHS Risk Assessment Efforts in the Dams Sector."** **Background:** The OIG assessed whether the Office of Infrastructure Protection and other DHS components have taken steps to assess risk at the most critical dam assets. **Findings:** The OIG found that DHS lacks assurance that risk assessments were conducted and that security risks associated with critical dam assets were identified and mitigated due to lack of statutory authorities. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommends that DHS look at the feasibility of a legislative proposal to establish regulatory authority for the critical dams sector similar to what exists for the chemical sector. Specifically, DHS personnel need authority to review risk assessments, conduct inspections when assessments are deficient and make recommendations for corrective actions. **Response:** NPPD is working with stakeholders from industry and government to determine the best course of action for a legislative proposal to address any critical gaps, fulfilling the OIG recommendation.

#### *Other Reports*

- During the **week of September 26<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report entitled "**Information Security: Weaknesses Continue Amid New Federal Efforts to Implement Requirements.**" **Background:** GAO assessed the adequacy and effectiveness of 24 agencies' information security policies and practices as well as their implementation of the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (FISMA). **Findings:** OMB assigned the operational aspects of many of its FISMA-related responsibilities to DHS and OMB found that DHS has taken many steps to fulfill these responsibilities. **Recommendations:** GAO made one recommendation to OMB to provide performance targets and metrics to agencies and inspectors general. **Response:** As GAO notes, DHS has taken many steps to improve the cybersecurity posture of federal agencies, including convening the representatives from the 24 major agencies and the launch of "CyberStat" review sessions to help ensure agency leadership is held accountable for improved cybersecurity capabilities. DHS will continue to support its federal agency partners as they improve their cybersecurity posture.
- On **September 30<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report entitled "**Streamlining Government: Key Practices from Select Efficiency Initiatives Should be Shared Government-Wide.**" **Background:** GAO looked at selected initiatives that federal departments (including DHS) are implementing to achieve efficiencies and identified key practices associated with implementing these initiatives that can be applied more broadly across the federal government. **Findings:** GAO highlighted DHS's Efficiency Review and found that DHS is taking steps to institutionalize the efficiency improvements resulting from the Efficiency Review. **Recommendations:** GAO recommended that OMB share key practices for implementing efficiency initiatives that they identified in their report. **Response:** In March 2009, Secretary Napolitano launched the Department-wide Efficiency Review (ER), which has changed the way DHS does business by streamlining operations and fostering a culture of greater transparency, accountability, and fiscal discipline. To date, DHS ER has launched 36 initiatives designed to reduce costs, improve communication, and streamline processes. DHS ER develops initiatives based on employee input, including ideas submitted to the President's Securing Americans' Value and Efficiency (SAVE) award competition, and successful initiatives implemented at the Component level. DHS has identified more than \$2.5 billion in cost avoidances through the ER, as well as other cost-saving initiatives.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **September 26<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss U.S. transportation security with the U.S. Trade and Development Agency and Civil Aviation Administration of China at the 2011 China Summit in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **September 26<sup>th</sup>**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) Officer Margo Schlanger will convene the quarterly meeting in Washington, DC of the CRCL NGO Committee, a group of NGO immigration and civil rights stakeholders. Closed press.
- On **September 27<sup>th</sup>** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will hold a national engagement teleconference regarding the Form I-130, Petition for Alien Relative, focusing on Humanitarian Relief and addressing issues including I-360 Conversion for Surviving Spouse, Section 204(I) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and Humanitarian Reinstatement. Open press.
- On **September 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will attend the Quadrilateral Working Group Meeting with counterparts from the European Union, Canada, and Australia in Brussels, Belgium. Closed press.
- From **September 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will host a Partner Organization Conference in Charleston, SC to discuss the establishment of the new FLETC Centralized Training Management Directorate and other strategic and operational matters as part of FLETC's planning and communications in preparation for Fiscal Year 2012 (closed press). FLETC will also host a ribbon cutting ceremony for a new dormitory in Charleston, SC which was built using an innovative design-build contract that allowed FLETC save money on the project and include energy and environmental saving design elements (open press).
- On **September 28<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate demonstrate the Cell-All environmental sensing technology that enables smart phones to detect the presence of hazardous chemicals and alert emergency response centers at the Los Angeles Fire Department in Los Angeles, CA. Open press.
- On **September 28<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with immigration service providers, immigration attorneys, and domestic violence service providers in Jackson, MS about immigration benefits and services in that area. Closed press.
- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will host science and technology leaders to discuss how to identify and communicate science and technology research priorities that are common across federal agencies in a meeting of the National Science and Technology Council's Committee on Homeland and National Security in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will lead a community engagement roundtable in Los Angeles, CA with advocacy leaders. Closed press.
- On **September 30<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will provide remarks on employee preparedness at the headquarters of Target in Minneapolis, MN. Open press.
- From **September 30<sup>th</sup> to October 5<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin will meet with the Ministers of Security of Panama, Costa Rica, and Honduras in their respective home countries to share best practices for supply chain and border security. Open press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management and House Foreign Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere**

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Acting Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Mariko Silver will testify with a representative from the Department of State on the Merida Initiative.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime**

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Kumar Kibble and Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will testify on prosecutorial discretion.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**



- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify along with a GAO representative on the progress the Coast Guard has made in its acquisition programs.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management**

- On **October 13<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on FEMA's recent disaster response activities.

#### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **October 12<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will testify at a general oversight hearing regarding ICE's priorities and operations.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to testify in a general oversight hearing.

#### **Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission**

- On **October 13<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Division Deputy Assistant Director John Woods will testify on ICE's operations to combat human rights violators.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **September 26<sup>th</sup>**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director Warren Stern will brief staff on the FY 2012 budget request.
- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will provide Chairman Aderholt and his staff with a briefing and tour of FEMA's recovery efforts in New Orleans, LA since Hurricane Katrina. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 26<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, along with FEMA and National Protection and Programs Directorate, will provide a briefing to Senator Ben Nelson's staff regarding the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Risk Formulas. The briefing will include a description and justification of the UASI tier system, specifically as it relates to Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, and Monroe Counties.
- On **September 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide Senator Bernie Sanders a tour of CBP operations along the Vermont border.
- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center to congressional staff from the Office of Congressman Lamar Smith, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, the House Homeland Security Committee passed multiple bills affecting DHS including a bill urging the continued sharing of Passenger Name Records between the U.S. and the EU, a bill regarding border security that requires new border security performance measures to be evaluated by a Department of Energy National Laboratory to ensure they are statistically valid, and a bill which provides members of the Armed Forces and their accompanying family with expedited screening at airport checkpoints.

## **V. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***Khalid v. Holder***, No. 10-60373 (5th Circuit): On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit ruled against the Government's interpretation of a statutory provision of the Child Status Protection Act, instead finding that the statute's language was unambiguous and did not support the precedential interpretation from the Board of Immigration Appeals. In so ruling, the Fifth Circuit created a direct circuit split — with the Second and Ninth Circuits — on the proper interpretation of the statutory language concerning whether derivative beneficiaries retain a priority date when they "age out" of eligibility and a new visa petition is filed based on another preference category. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service

and DHS's Office of General Counsel are currently exploring with the Department of Justice whether to seek further review of the Fifth Circuit's adverse decision.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, DHS made a 12<sup>th</sup> production in response to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations' investigation into Advanced Imaging Technology units.
- On **September 20<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) briefed the staff of Chairman Darrell Issa of the House Oversight Government and Reform Committee and Ranking Member Chuck Grassley of the Senate Judiciary Committee regarding information about the investigation into the murder of ICE agent Jaime Zapata.
- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS expects to produce customs and immigration records regarding a single individual in response to a Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations inquiry.
- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS will make a first production in response to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations' investigation into the Transportation Security Administration's pat down complaints process.
- During the **week of September 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS expects to produce a response to Senator Tom Coburn's request for information pertaining to the awarding of funds or benefits to individuals whose income exceeds \$1 million per year.
- On **September 27<sup>th</sup>** and **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will brief the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee in its investigation into fusion centers.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to collect documents responsive to requests on the following topics: the Department's FOIA process; AIT machines; the release of SSI to unauthorized individuals; information in regards to the behavior detection officer at Buffalo Niagara Airport; and airport perimeter security.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **September 8<sup>th</sup>**, **Matthew Kownacki**, with **Judicial Watch, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP): 1) records regarding the August 24, 2011, customs investigation of Gibson Guitar Corporation facilities in Memphis and Nashville, TN; and 2) all records concerning the Lacey Act and guitar manufacturing practices from January 1, 2011, through September 8, 2011.
- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, **Judy L. McGowan**, with **The Curry Law Group**, in Brandon, FL, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records regarding efforts to stop the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill, including the use of a "capping stack" in June and July 2010.
- On **September 12<sup>th</sup>**, **Michael Virtanen**, with the *The Associated Press*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to TSA operations at the Albany International Airport, including total staffing, personnel and other operational and capital expenses, confiscated items, passenger throughput, the number of passengers "detained" and the number of detentions leading to arrest.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, **Elise Sweeney Anthony**, with **K&L Gates, LLP** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS copies of all records generated between January 1, 2011 and September 13, 2011 relating to the transportation of oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) as part of the most recent drawdown.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, **Julia Harumli Mass**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of California** requested from DHS, the Office of the Inspector General, and U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to workplace immigration enforcement operations, including workplace audits of employer I-9 records.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, **Bob Cusack**, with *The Hill*, requested FOIA logs from June 1, 2011 to the date of the request from DHS, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, and the Coast Guard.
- On **September 13<sup>th</sup>**, **Rob Koebel**, with *WTMJ-TV/DT* in Milwaukee, WI, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records showing the number of TSA employee badges from

Wisconsin reported lost, stolen, or missing over the last three years. Koebel also requested records of TSA employee reprimands, suspensions, and firings over the past two years.

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- On **September 9<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Mike Sherry**, with the **Midwest Center for Investigative Journalism** in Prairie Village, KN, work papers from OIG's audit report entitled, *The State of Missouri's Management of State Homeland Security Program and Urban Areas Security Initiative Grants Awarded During Fiscal Years 2005 Through 2007*.
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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

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## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- DHS has identified significant cost avoidances by changing the way it buys commonly used items, such as office equipment and supplies, software licenses, and uniforms. By leveraging the purchasing power of the Department through ER initiatives, DHS expects to save more than \$329 million over the next five years.

## II. Senior Personnel Status and News

- On **September 27<sup>th</sup>**, David Miller began serving as FEMA's Associate Administrator, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration.
- On **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Suzanne Spaulding will begin serving as the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Deputy Under Secretary.

## III. Public Affairs

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- The **week of October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will publish the results of a study on the pass/fail rates of the naturalization test. Findings will show that applicants continue to do well on the naturalization test. *USCIS will issue a press release and fact sheet.*

### *Reports*

- On **October 30<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report titled "**Federal Courthouses: Improved Collaboration Needed to Meet the Needs of a Complex Security Environment.**" **Background:** From January 2010 to September 2011, GAO assessed the National Protection and Programs Directorate's (NPPD) Federal Protective Service's (FPS) collaboration with the United States Marshals Service (USMS) to secure federal courthouses. **Findings:** GAO found that, given the nature of judicial business and potential threats to federal courts, securing courthouses requires collaboration and coordination among the various federal stakeholders responsible for security activities and tenant agencies present in facilities that house federal courts. **Recommendations:** GAO makes two recommendations to address the collaboration of federal stakeholders to use risk management practices to protect federal courthouses including updating existing agreements on providing facility security and improving assessments of pilot programs designed to measure perimeter security of federal courts. **Response:** DHS is committed to working collaboratively with all parties including USMS and the Administrative Office of United States Courts to increase information sharing and clarify responsibilities for securing courthouse facilities.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will address the Can/Am Border Trade Alliance in Washington, D.C. regarding U.S./Canada border issues and priorities. Closed press.
- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will host an Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protection in El Paso, TX. The meeting will be available via webcast and open to the public.
- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will hold a national teleconference to inform stakeholders that effective January 2012, Applications for Waiver of Grounds of Inadmissibility (Form I-601) will be filed by mail and adjudicated by USCIS in a centralized facility in the United States. The change to a centralized filing location is part of USCIS's agency-wide effort to ensure more efficient processing of applications and promote consistency in adjudications.

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- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O’Toole will highlight the need for public–private partnerships and the importance of commercialization in the cybersecurity field in her keynote address to the Security Innovation Network’s Innovation Summit at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston, MA. Open press.
- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss the checkpoint of the future, data sharing, and cargo security in his keynote address at the International Air Transport Association’s Aviation Security World 2011 Conference in Amsterdam, Netherlands. Open press.
- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement Director Grayling Williams will deliver keynote remarks at the National Youth Leadership Forum. Closed press.
- On **October 5<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief the Border Trade Alliance in El Paso, TX, on Ready Lane, the CBP project that expedites traffic at border crossings by devoting special lanes for vehicle traffic that only accepts RFID-enabled cards. Closed press.
- On **October 5<sup>th</sup>**, a representative from the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) will provide an overview of CRCL to immigration advocates and attorneys from the Greater Houston Partnership Immigration Taskforce in Houston, TX. Closed press.
- On **October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>**, representatives from the Science and Technology (S&T) will discuss international terrorism risk assessment methodologies, policies, and best practices with U.S. and international stakeholders at an S&T-hosted event on CBRN terrorism risk at Sandia National Laboratory in Albuquerque, NM. Closed press.
- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will discuss security and resiliency enhancements and coordination with private sector owners and operators of critical infrastructure at the Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will deliver remarks at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence Private Sector Program Summit in McLean, VA, where she will reaffirm the importance of the program as it moves from the Office of the Director of National Intelligence to I&A. Closed press.
- On **October 7<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver keynote remarks at the National Emergency Management Association’s annual meeting in Austin, TX (open press). The 2011 Emergency Management Forum—which begins October 3<sup>rd</sup>—will highlight current and emerging issues in emergency management for state emergency management directors.
- On **October 8<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the Sons of the American Legion’s National Executive Committee Meeting in Indianapolis, IN. Fugate’s remarks will focus on preparedness and community involvement. Closed press.
- From **October 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will participate in the quarterly Denver Community Engagement Roundtable held by the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Natural Resources Committee**

- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Brian Salerno will testify on the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement/Coast Guard Joint Investigation Team’s operations.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management and House Foreign Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere**

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Acting Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Mariko Silver will testify with a representative from the Department of State on the Merida Initiative.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **October 5<sup>th</sup>**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman, and a TBD witness from Customs and Border Protection will testify on Passenger Name Records.

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**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime**

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble and Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will testify on ICE and CBP's immigration enforcement and border security operations.

**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify along with a GAO representative on the progress the Coast Guard has made in its acquisition programs.

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**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform**

- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, Chief Procurement Officer Nick Nayak will testify on an interagency panel regarding steps taken to improve DHS's acquisition efforts.

**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on FEMA's emergency management operations and the Post Katrina Emergency Reform Act.

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**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **October 5<sup>th</sup>**, the committee will hold a nomination hearing for Ernest Mitchell to be FEMA's U.S. Fire Administration Administrator.

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**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure, Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, Chief Information Officer Richard Spires will testify on DHS's cloud computing efforts.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

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*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Committee on Homeland Security**

- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will deliver a briefing to staff regarding I&A's enterprise management tools.

**House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure**



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- On **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Elizabeth Harman, FEMA Assistant Administrator, Grant Programs Directorate, will brief staff on the Assistance to Firefighters Fire Station Construction Grant Program and progress made under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **October 7<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will hold a demonstration of communications technology projects including Virtual USA, the Multi-Band Radio, Voice over Internet Protocol and Video Quality for Public Safety for members and staff to show how first responders and other stakeholders can use these tools. Open press.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with committee staff.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **October 5<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Assistant Director for Removal Robert Helwig will brief Representative Frederica Wilson. Closed press.

## **V. Legal Issues**

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **September 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS submitted to OMB the Customs and Border Protection Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) titled “Opening of Boquillas Border Crossing and Update to the Class B Port of Entry Description.” This NPRM proposes to create a border crossing in Big Bend National Park to be called Boquillas, between Presidio and Del Rio, Texas. CBP and the National Park Service plan to partner on the construction of a joint use facility in Big Bend National Park where the border crossing would operate. This rule proposes to designate the Boquillas border crossing as a “Customs station” for customs purposes and a Class B port of entry for immigration purposes. This rule also proposes to update the description of a Class B port of entry to reflect current border crossing documentation requirements.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Carroll**, with the *Houston Chronicle*, reports generated by ICE’s Management Inspection Unit, Detention Facilities Inspection Group from February 26, 2010 to the present.
- On **September 16<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Sarnata Reynolds** with *Amnesty International USA*, copies of training materials available to ICE agents to aid them in the identification of victims of trafficking in persons, other crimes that may qualify for a U Visa, and instances of domestic violence.
- On **September 19<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Catherine Rentz**, with *PBS Frontline*, the results of an ICE report looking into the alleged misconduct and abuse at Willacy Detention Center in Raymondville, TX.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Marcus Stern**, with *ProPublica* in New York, NY, copies of all grievances filed in 2009 and 2010 by detainees, detainee family members, detainee visitors, or staff at Willacy Detention Center, T. Don Hutto Residential Center, Houston Contract Detention Facility, Laredo Contract Detention Facility, Stewart Detention Center, and the Krome Service Processing Center.
- On **September 21<sup>st</sup>**, DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Jill Laster**, with the *Navy Times* in Springfield, VA, a list of audits and investigations pertaining to the U.S. Coast Guard completed in Fiscal Year 2011.
- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties released to **Steven Emerson**, with, **SAE, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., communications between Dan Sutherland and U.S. government officials from July 1 to July 31, 2010, that referenced the Investigative Project on Terrorism.



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- On **September 22<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), released to **Anjan Mukerjee** with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee**, correspondence between USCIS and the office of Senator Scott Brown.
- On **September 27<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Andrew Becker** with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkley, CA records concerning detention facility reviews, inspections, and investigations for facilities in Texas.
- On **September 28<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Jennifer Kucinich** with **USA Today** correspondence logs between DHS and Governor Rick Perry.
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- On **September 28<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Eileen Sullivan** with **The Associated Press** emails from senior DHS officials from December 25 and 26, 2009.
- On **September 28<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Josh Margolin** with **The New York Post** records regarding the May 1, 2010 attempted Times Square bombing.
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- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **John Althen** with **Judicial Watch, Inc.** in Washington, D.C. records from Secretary Napolitano's calendar regarding an April 19, 2011 meeting at the White House concerning immigration reform.
- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Jennifer Kay** with **The Associated Press** correspondence regarding the resumption of deportations to Haiti.
- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Christopher Farrell** with **Judicial Watch, Inc.** correspondence regarding the acquisition of Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company.
- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release to **Andrew Becker** with **The Center for Investigative Reporting** a memorandum titled "Definitions of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Arrest Teams."
- On **September 30<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will release to **Todd Spangler** with **The Detroit Free Press** copies of correspondence between TSA and Senator Carl Levin.
- On **September 30<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **John Althen** with **Judicial Watch, Inc.** records relating to a June 16, 2010 meeting with BP executives that took place at the White House.
- On **September 30<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will release to **Angela Hertslet** with **Weitz & Luxenberg, PC**, records related to the aerial application of dispersants in the Gulf of Mexico since the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS Components have avoided costs of \$10.6 million by conducting office audits of wireless devices in order to disconnect devices that are no longer being used and improve management of wireless communication services.

## II. Senior Personnel Status and News

- On **October 24<sup>th</sup>**, Stephen Legomsky will begin serving as Chief Counsel for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

## III. Public Affairs

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on October 6<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on October 17<sup>th</sup>: “United States Coast Guard’s Internal Controls and Cost Capturing for the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.” Background:** The OIG audit investigated the strengths and weaknesses on the United States Coast Guard’s (USCG) ability to identify and capture costs associated with the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. **Findings:** The OIG found that the USCG has adequate policies, procedures, and internal controls to accurately identify and bill direct costs for the oil spill, but that the unprecedented size of the spill challenged the processes for capturing indirect costs. The USCG defines direct costs as those charged directly against the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund, and indirect costs as those it incurs for USCG assets operating in support of the response. **Recommendations:** The OIG offers three recommendations to improve the internal controls, processes, and systems to accurately capture and bill all allowable costs associated with future oil spills, and USCG concurs with the recommendations. **Response:** As the OIG recognized, USCG has adequate policies, procedures, and internal controls to accurately identify and bill direct costs for events such as the Deepwater Horizon response efforts. The USCG will continue to identify and capture costs as well as issue bills to the responsible parties for all recoverable costs.
- **Congressional distribution on October 7<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on October 18<sup>th</sup>: “Evaluation of DHS’ Information Security Program for Fiscal Year 2011.” Background:** The OIG examined DHS’s information security program and practices and their compliance with the requirements of the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA). To aid in managing its security program, the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) developed the *Fiscal Year 2011 DHS Information Security Performance Plan* to enhance the Department’s information security program. **Findings:** The report found that while the performance plan helped improve security, components were not fully satisfying DHS’s information security policies, had not implemented all baseline configurations and did not complete continuous monitoring as required. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommends further review processes and controls to ensure information security systems (specifically plans of action and milestones are complete, current, authorized and in compliance with DHS baseline configuration requirements. **Response:** In January 2011, the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) issued and implemented the *IT Security Continuous Monitoring Strategy: An Enterprise View v1.0* to better meet OMB and National Institute for Standards and Technology guidance, addressing an OIG recommendation. In addition, the Information Security Office’s process is being further improved to ensure that all systems are complete and current, addressing an OIG recommendation.
- **Congressional distribution on October 7<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on October 18<sup>th</sup>: “Improving FEMA’s Individual Assistance - Technical Assistance Contracts.” Background:** This OIG report investigates the

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efficacy of FEMA's management of Individual Assistance, Technical Assistance Contracts (IA-TACs) and acquisition functions, including policies and procedures for awarding individual task orders, monitoring contractor readiness and performance, and certifying contractor billing. **Recommendations:** The report recommends improvements in contract file documentation and better management oversight, including the prompt implementation of corrective actions to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse. **Response:** FEMA is committed to constantly improving its services to disaster survivors and over the past few years, has worked diligently to improve the IA-TAC contracts through such steps as the elimination of post-disaster competitions among contractors in order to streamline the process and reduce costs.

- **Congressional distribution on October 7<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on October 18<sup>th</sup>: “Security Issues with U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Enterprise Wireless Infrastructure.”** **Background:** This OIG report examined CBP Enterprise Wireless Infrastructure (EWI) to determine whether the EWI networks and devices have sufficient security controls. **Findings:** The OIG credits CBP for the progress made in improving EWI security controls, including publishing policy and implementation guidance for its wireless security program and establishing sufficient wireless security configurations to protect against commonly known security vulnerabilities. However, the OIG has recommended additional steps CBP should consider taking to further strengthen EWI security. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommends CBP (1) remediate its current plans of action and milestones in a timely manner, (2) enable and monitor the wireless intrusion detection systems to protect its network, and (3) perform regular vulnerability assessments to identify vulnerabilities and evaluate the effectiveness of existing wireless security controls. **Response:** CBP concurs with the OIG recommendations and is currently addressing them.
- **Congressional distribution on October 11<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on October 19<sup>th</sup>: “Review of the Department of Homeland Security's Capability to Share Cyber Threat Information.”** **Background:** From December 2010 to June 2011, the OIG assessed the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) capability to share cyber threat information among its federal, state, local, and tribal governments and private sector partners. **Findings:** The OIG found that DHS has taken actions to create an environment to promote cyber threat information sharing in support of its mission, but can further strengthen its public-private partnership to ensure better communication with government and sector coordinating councils and the private sector's Information Sharing and Analysis Centers (ISAC). **Recommendations:** The OIG makes three recommendations to DHS to improve coordination and communication of cyber threat information in addition to providing DHS with the appropriate enforcement authority to mitigate security incidents. **Response:** DHS has taken significant steps to foster and enhance cyber threat information sharing among federal and private sector partners and continues to improve information sharing and mitigation strategies including customer satisfaction surveys, memoranda of agreement, and outreach initiatives to ensure that stakeholders are appropriately informed.
- **Congressional distribution on October 6<sup>th</sup>, Web Posting on October 17<sup>th</sup>: “The Performance of the 287(g) Agreements Report FY 2011 Update.”** **Background:** This report summarizes OIG fieldwork that was conducted between April and June of 2011 and is the third update on the performance of 287(g) agreements, which delegate federal immigration enforcement authorities to state and local law enforcement agencies. **Findings:** The OIG identified the need for more comprehensive training, better inspection tools and increased supervision of the 287(g) Inspections Unit. **Recommendations:** The OIG made 13 recommendations to improve 287(g) Inspections Unit processes, increase the certainty of MOA requirements, speed the delivery of inspection reports to field offices and resolve unobligated funding issues. **Response:** ICE concurs with 12 of the 13 recommendations made in the OIG report and has already taken steps to improve the areas discussed in the report, including planning and development of on-the-job training for inspection teams, updating training resources for inspection teams, and revised and standardized MOA language.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **October 3<sup>rd</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection is hosting 14 public meetings across the northern border and in Washington, D.C. to support the public comment period for the Draft Northern Border Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS). The PEIS initiative is designed to develop an area-wide baseline of analysis for CBP-related activities within 100 miles on the southern side of the border between Canada and the United States from Maine to Washington. Open press.
- On **October 11<sup>th</sup>**, Chief Information Officer Richard Spires will deliver keynote remarks on how technology can change government at the 2011 FedTalks Conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **October 13<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration will hold a Secure Flight Aviation Industry Conference for airline industry and association representatives at the Transportation Security Integration Facility in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **October 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to Moscow, Russia, to meet with CBP counterparts at the Russian Federal Border Guard Service and Head of the Federal Customs Service of the Russian Federation. Closed press.
- On **October 17<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) Acting Administrator Glenn Gaines will deliver keynote remarks at the State Fire Marshals' Conference in Austin, TX. Gaines will provide USFA's vision for fire prevention at the federal, state, and local levels. Open press.
- On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman's office will host a conference with over 200 government and stakeholder attendees on immigration issues in the humanitarian, employment, and family contexts. Closed press.
- On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks at the Big City Emergency Managers Meeting on the roll out of Presidential Policy Directive 8 in New York, NY. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

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##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

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*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>**, the Coast Guard will provide Chairman Aderholt with a tour of the National Security Cutter and Fast Response Cutter being built in shipyards in Pascagoula, MS and Lockport, LA.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **October 11<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski will brief staff on the Southwest Border Technology Plan. Closed press.
- On **October 11<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Office of Cybersecurity and Communications will provide staff with a briefing on cybersecurity of the supply chain.
- On **October 13<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will provide a classified brief of I&A's Program of Analysis.

**Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **October 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will brief staff on changes to the fiscal year 2011 grants risk formula.

**Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **October 11<sup>th</sup>**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Office of Cybersecurity and Communications will provide staff with a briefing on Cyber Storm III. Closed press.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and House Committee on Homeland Security**

- On **October 14<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and the FBI will deliver a briefing to staff on DHS's participation in the Suspicious Activity Reporting program.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will brief Senators Barbara Mikulski and Mark Kirk on the Department's enhanced exit program and support for their Visa Waiver Program legislation.
- From **October 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>**, the Coast Guard, in coordination with the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA), anticipates notifying Congressional Oversight Committees about the release of the DTRA's new study regarding the health effects on Coast Guard personnel from the now discontinued operation of LORAN long-range navigation aid stations. The Coast Guard is currently reviewing the results of the study.
- On **October 12<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief Representative Ted Deutch on the National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

## V. Legal Issues

### *Litigation*

- **United States v. Alabama, No. 11-2746, --- F. Supp. 2d ---, 2011 WL 4469942, (N.D. Ala.):** On **September 28<sup>th</sup>**, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama (Chief District Judge Sharon Lovelace Blackburn) granted in part and denied in part the United States' motion for a preliminary injunction, which sought to enjoin ten specific provisions of Alabama's recently-passed immigration law, House Bill 56 ("HB 56"). The district court granted the motion and enjoined four provisions in HB 56 – sections 11 (criminalizing the solicitation of work), 13 (criminalizing alien harboring and transport), 16 (prohibiting employer tax deductions for wages paid to unlawfully present aliens), and 17 (creating a civil cause of action against certain employers of unlawfully present aliens). The court denied the motion, and did not enjoin six other provisions – sections 10 (creating a criminal misdemeanor for failure to comply with alien registration requirements), 12 (requiring law enforcement officers to make immigration status verifications during certain stops and arrests), 18 (requiring immigration status verification for individuals arrested for driving without a license), 27 (providing that contracts with unlawfully present aliens are unenforceable), 28 (requiring the collection of immigration information during public school enrollment), and 30 (prohibiting unlawfully present aliens from entering into business transactions with the state). On September 30<sup>th</sup>, the United States filed a notice of appeal and a motion to enjoin Alabama from enforcing those six sections pending adjudication of an appeal.

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, DHS submitted the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Global Entry Program Final Rule to OMB. This final rule adopts, with some changes, a proposed rule that CBP published in the Federal Register on Nov 19, 2009. This rule establishes an international trusted traveler program called Global Entry, a voluntary program that allows CBP to expedite clearance of pre-approved, low-risk air travelers arriving in the United States. This final rule establishes Global Entry as an ongoing voluntary regulatory program.

### *FOIA Releases*

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- On **September 23<sup>rd</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **David Shapiro**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** records related to the deaths of three named individuals.
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- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of Inspector General released to **Azadeh Shahshahani**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia** investigative records pertaining to complaints regarding four detention facilities in Georgia.
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- On **September 29<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted the Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Statistics for Fiscal Year 2011 to its online FOIA Library.
- On **September 30<sup>th</sup>**, DHS posted the Chief FOIA Officer Weekly Reports for January 2009 thru May 2011 to its online FOIA Library.

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**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing to consolidate various subscriptions across the Department, DHS anticipates cost avoidances of \$7.5 million from fiscal years 2010 to 2012.

**II. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **October 11<sup>th</sup>**, Jess Smith began serving as FEMA's Director of External Affairs and Communications.

**III. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **October 13<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will participate in a discussion entitled "Anthrax Revisited: The Outlook for Biopreparedness in the United States" with Senator Tom Daschle and former Secretary for Homeland Security Tom Ridge at the Center for America Progress, Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate expects to announce a 30-day pilot and field test of the multi-band radio with first responders, emergency managers, and critical infrastructure agencies at the International Association of Chiefs of Police conference in Chicago, IL. Open press.
- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, *Federal News Radio's* morning-drive program is scheduled to broadcast a one-hour, live, in-studio panel discussion focusing on Cyber Commands featuring the U.S. Coast Guard.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **October 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate, in collaboration with the federal and local stakeholders, will conduct a series of tests to evaluate blast effects on bridges at the decommissioned Fort Steuben Bridge in Steubenville, OH. No public impact. Closed press.
- On **October 17<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks at the Loma Prieta Earthquake Commemoration in San Francisco, CA about the critical role that the whole community plays in the rebuilding of our cities and surrounding areas post disaster across the country. Open press.
- On **October 17<sup>th</sup>**, the Homeland Security Advisory Council will hold a public call to discuss the Southwest Border Task Force recommendations, which are still being finalized.
- From **October 17<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will attend the International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly regional conference in Dakar, Senegal to discuss progress following last year's Declaration on Aviation Security in Africa. Closed press.
- From **October 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin will meet with the Canada Border Services Agency, participate in a media availability and give remarks on international trade at the Canadian Association of Importers and Exporters 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference and Trade Show in Ottawa, Canada. Closed press.
- On **October 18<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak at the U.S. Geospatial Intelligence Foundation 2011 Symposium in San Antonio, TX about the whole community approach and the importance of satellite imaging in disasters. Closed press.
- On **October 19<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of State, Local and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will give remarks on immigration enforcement and local law enforcement to the Hispanic American Police Command Officers Conference in Norfolk, VA. Closed press.
- On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will provide a briefing on the Highway Baseline Assessment for Security Enhancement (BASE) to the Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council, Joint Government Coordinating Council, and Sector Coordinating Council at TSA headquarters. The Highway BASE is a risk based review to support the

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agency's strategic goals of increasing domain awareness; enhancing prevention and protection capabilities; and furthering response preparedness of the highway transportation system nationwide. Closed press.

- On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Greg Schaffer will discuss the importance of cybersecurity for critical infrastructure with senior security personnel from the electric sector at the 2011 North American Electric Reliability Corporation Grid Conference in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- On **October 21<sup>st</sup>**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras and DHS Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger will co-host an event in Washington, DC to discuss DHS efforts concerning the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), VAWA confidentiality, and U and T visas, including training for DHS personnel on the requirements of VAWA. Closed press.
- On **October 21<sup>st</sup>**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Bart Johnson will deliver remarks providing an update on state and local information sharing and the current terrorist threat at the Association of State Criminal Investigative Agencies Conference in Chicago, IL. Closed Press.
- From **October 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, representatives from DHS components including, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Customs and Border Protection, the Transportation Security Administration, the Science and Technology Directorate, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, and the Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement will participate in the 118<sup>th</sup> International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference in Chicago, IL.
- From **October 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate is tentatively scheduled to meet with the United Negro College Fund to discuss collaborations, student opportunities, and emergency management careers and curriculum for students, faculty, and staff at Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Judiciary Committee**

- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to testify in a general oversight hearing with an anticipated focus on immigration and Southwest border issues.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **October 17<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Region VI Administrator Tony Russell will testify in a field hearing in Austin, TX on FEMA's response to recent fires in Texas and the disaster declaration process.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge Matt Allen and Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Acting Chief Patrol Agent Richard Barlow will participate in a field hearing in Douglas, AZ on rural border security operations.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, TBD representatives from FEMA, Customs and Border Protection and the U.S. Coast Guard will testify in Detroit, MI on DHS's efforts to increase preparedness and security along the Northern border.

##### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on FEMA's emergency management operations and the Post Katrina Emergency Reform Act.

##### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency, and Financial Management**

- On **October 27<sup>th</sup>**, TBD representatives from the Offices of the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Information Officer will testify on DHS's information technology management.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

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- On **October 18<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza and Science and Technology Directorate Under Secretary Dr. Tara O'Toole will testify on DHS's progress in preventing and responding to an anthrax attack.

**Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **October 19<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to testify in a general oversight hearing with an anticipated focus on immigration and Southwest border issues.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino and the Office of Inspector General will testify on FEMA's ongoing efforts to combat waste, fraud, and abuse.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia**

- On **October 27<sup>th</sup>**, a TBD witness from Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will testify in Hawaii on CBP's work with state agencies on agricultural issues.

*Briefings and Travel*

- On **October 20<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss TSA's efforts to balance security and privacy with Senator Rand Paul. Closed press.

**V. Legal Issues**

*Rules and Regulations*

- On **October 13<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice entitled: "Extension of the Designation of Sudan for TPS & Automatic Extension of Employment Authorization Documentation for Sudanese Temporary Protected Status (TPS) Beneficiaries" will publish in the *Federal Register*. This Notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) has extended the designation of Sudan for TPS for 18 months from its current expiration date of November 2, 2011 through May 2, 2013. The Secretary has determined that an extension is warranted because the conditions in Sudan that prompted the TPS designation continue to be met. There continues to be a substantial, but temporary, disruption of living conditions in Sudan based upon ongoing armed conflict and extraordinary and temporary conditions in that country that prevent Sudanese who now have TPS from returning in safety. This Notice also sets forth procedures necessary for nationals of Sudan (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Sudan) with TPS to re-register and to apply for an extension of their Employment Authorization Documents with USCIS.
- On **October 13<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice entitled: "Designation of the Republic of South Sudan for Temporary Protected Status (TPS)" will publish in the *Federal Register*. This Notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) has designated the Republic of South Sudan (South Sudan) for TPS for a period of 18 months, effective November 3, 2011 through May 2, 2013. Under section 244(b)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), the Secretary is authorized to grant TPS to eligible nationals of designated foreign states or parts of such states (or to eligible aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in such states) upon finding that such states are experiencing ongoing armed conflict, environmental disaster, or other extraordinary and temporary conditions that prevent nationals from returning safely.

*FOIA Releases*

- On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted the list of detainee deaths from October 2003 to October 2011 to its online FOIA Library.
- On **October 6<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted Arriving Alien Credible Fear Parole Determination statistics to its online FOIA Library.
- On **October 7<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Bob Cusack**, with *The Hill* in Washington, D.C., FOIA logs from September 1, 2011 to September 19, 2011.

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- On **October 12<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD documents relating to the processing of one of his previous FOIA requests.
- On **October 13<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Carlos Subero Ruiz**, with **The International Consortium of Investigative Journalists** in Washington, D.C. statistics on the number of Venezuelan citizens who applied for legal residency through Diversity Programs from 2000 to 2010.

**VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (October 3<sup>rd</sup> to October 9<sup>th</sup>):** TSA referred 6 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 16 firearms and 5 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **October 7<sup>th</sup>**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 242 AIT units at 41 airports. All AIT units that were previously installed without ATR have been upgraded to incorporate the ATR technology.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 8<sup>th</sup>**, 294,301 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 961,971 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 400,000 queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **October 12<sup>th</sup>**, President Obama has signed 232 major disaster declarations and 41 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$14.3 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through the IT Inventory Management initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized and redeployed excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of more than \$15.5 million to date.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **October 18<sup>th</sup>**, *First Coast News*, the Jacksonville, FL ABC/NBC affiliate produced a segment on the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center's AVITAR Based Interviewing Simulator in Glynnco, GA. The story is focused on how new technologies enhance law enforcement training. Expected air date is the first week in November.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **October 24<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will launch an enhanced Employment Authorization Document with new security features to deter fraud. USCIS anticipates that more than one million people will receive the enhanced card over the next year. *USCIS will issue a press release.*
- During the **week of October 24<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will internally release its new Notice to Appear guidance that will align USCIS practices with those expressed in the Immigration and Customs Enforcement guidance on prosecutorial discretion.
- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will launch the Known Crew Member pilot at Boston Logan International Airport following implementation at Phoenix Sky Harbor and Washington Dulles airports. This identity-based system enables TSA security officers to positively verify the identity and employment status of airplane pilots, allowing eligible crewmembers to receive expedited screening. Closed press.
- On **October 30<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will launch an enhanced filing process for select forms dealing with naturalization and citizenship (N-Forms). The new process will allow individuals to file N-Forms at a secure Lockbox facility instead of at local USCIS offices. This change streamlines the way forms are processed, accelerates the collection and deposit of fees and improves the consistency of our intake process.

*Outreach/ Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **October 22<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Fire Administration Acting Administrator Glenn Gaines will deliver remarks on risk reduction in urban communities at the National Fire Protection Association in Quincy, MA. Closed press.
- On **October 24<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Greg Schaffer will discuss private sector collaboration aimed at finding innovative strategies for securing cyber systems at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **October 24<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks at the National Immigrant Integration Conference in Seattle, WA. Mayorkas will also speak at a naturalization ceremony where he plans to recognize Alma Planchich, Executive Director of the Ethnic Heritage Council, as an Outstanding American by Choice. Open press.
- On **October 24<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin will deliver a keynote address on global targeting at a luncheon for the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Conference in Chicago, IL. On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will deliver remarks at IACP on ICE initiatives. Both sets of remarks are closed press.



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- On **October 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will review and update security standards for Petroleum and Natural Gas Industry Systems with the Canadian Standards Association Technical Committee on Security Management in Ottawa, Ontario and will discuss coordination of pipeline security programs among public and private sector stakeholders in a meeting with the Pipeline Joint Government Coordinating Council/Sector Coordinating Council Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council. Closed press.
- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Greg Schaffer will give keynote remarks at the US-CERT Industrial Control Systems Joint Working Group 2011 Fall Conference in Long Beach, CA. Open press.
- On **October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will host the National Level Exercise 2012 (NLE 2012) Initial Planning Conference to determine the scope of the exercise scope, identify existing plans, develop criteria for linked exercises/events, synchronize the exercise calendar, and determine the training needs for participants. Participants include representatives from the Federal interagency, state and local governments, and private sector and non-governmental organizations. On **October 27<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA and DHS's National Protection and Programs Directorate will conduct the NLE 2012 National Cyber Education Seminar to provide information to federal stakeholders regarding cybersecurity threats in preparation for the NLE 2012. Closed press.
- On **October 26<sup>th</sup>** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a national stakeholder teleconference relating to American Institutes for Research (AIR). During the call, USCIS will solicit feedback on proposed changes to the AIR process. Under current law, we allow for an exception to the residency requirements for naturalization in the case of applicants who are or will be working abroad as employees of a recognized AIRs. By obtaining USCIS recognition as an AIR, an organization can enable its permanent resident alien employees who will work continually abroad for a year or more to preserve their continuous residence status for naturalization purposes. The engagement is intended to gain feedback from stakeholders on proposed changes and enable USCIS customers to verify their employment with these organizations.
- On **October 26<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks to staff from various Governors' offices in Washington D.C. who are invited to FEMA Headquarters for a tour of the National Response Coordination Center. Closed press.
- From **October 26<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief Moroccan government officials and participate in Memorandum of Agreement negotiations on air marshal flight coverage into and out of the country. Closed press.
- From **October 27<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss information sharing, screening, and assessments at Indian airports at the U.S.-India Aviation Security Working Group in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks at a naturalization ceremony on Liberty Island in New York, NY. 125 individuals will be naturalized, including 10 members of the military. Department of Interior Secretary Ken Salazar will deliver keynote remarks. Open press.
- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss the evolution and future of transportation security in a keynote address at the DRI – The Voice of the Defense Bar in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **October 29<sup>th</sup>**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a refugee stakeholder meeting in Washington D.C. Closed press.
- On **November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will speak about the “Whole Community” approach to emergency management at the National Homeland Defense Forum in Colorado Springs, CO. Closed press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Judiciary Committee**

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- On **October 26<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to testify in a general oversight hearing focusing on immigration and Southwest border issues.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Region V Regional Administrator Andrew Velasquez, Coast Guard District Nine Commander Admiral Michael Parks, and Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine Northern Region Director John Beutlich will testify in Detroit, MI on DHS's efforts to increase preparedness and security along the Northern border.
- On **November 17<sup>th</sup>**, TBD representatives from FEMA and the National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on DHS's emergency communications capability.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, TBD DHS representatives will testify on the Transportation Security Administration's use of technology.

**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on FEMA's emergency management operations and the Post Katrina Emergency Reform Act.

**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency, and Financial Management**

- On **October 27<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Chief Financial Officer Peggy Sherry and Chief Information Security Officer Bob West will testify on DHS's information technology management.

**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Coast Guard representatives will testify on the Coast Guard's oil spill response efforts, including the effectiveness of the Federal On-Scene Coordinator and Joint Investigation Team models.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's risk based screening initiative.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's risk based screening initiative.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia**

- On **October 27<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Area Port Director Bruce Murley will testify in Hawaii on CBP's work with state agencies on agricultural issues.

**Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism**

- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, a TBD representative from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will testify on ICE's operations to combat transnational organized crime.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications**

- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA and the U.S Secret Service will brief on DHS's role in National Security Special Events, focusing on the upcoming 2012 Democratic and Republican conventions. Closed press.

**House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will provide staff with a classified briefing on information sharing and the distinctions between the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force's role and DHS's role in fusion centers.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**



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- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration's Honolulu International Airport Federal Security Director Stanford Miyamoto will provide staff with a briefing on TSA operations in Honolulu, HI. **Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard**
- From **October 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) will provide staff members with a tour of a variety of Coast Guard assets in Texas, including Coast Guard Sector Corpus Christi, the USCG/Customs and Border Protection Joint Unmanned Aerial System base Corpus Christi, and the National Spill Control School at Texas A&M University's Harte Research Institute for Gulf of Mexico Studies.

*Legislative Issues*

- On **October 19<sup>th</sup>**, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee marked up the *Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Cards Act of 2011* which authorizes the Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to establish a program to issue Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Business Travel Cards which allow frequent business travelers pre-cleared travel into participating APEC countries. The House is expected to consider its version of the bill on October 24<sup>th</sup>.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **October 7<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Jim Morris**, with **The Center for Public Integrity**, correspondence between USCG and Transocean and between USCG and Minerals Management Service regarding safety inspections of Deepwater Horizon from January 1, 2001 to present day.
- On **October 7<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Margaret McAvoy Riess**, with **Fowler, Rodriguez, Valdes-Fauli** in New Orleans, LA, the report of investigation, witness statements, and other records relating to the April 20, 2010 Deepwater Horizon incident.
- On **October 11<sup>th</sup>**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Julia Harumi Mass**, of the **American Civil Liberties Union** investigative records pertaining to workplace immigration enforcement operations, including workplace audits of employer I-9 records and employment practices conducted by DHS.
- On **October 12<sup>th</sup>**, DHS posted to its online FOIA Library logs of correspondence between DHS and Governor Rick Perry and Representatives Michael Turner and Peter King.
- On **October 14<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Lisette Garcia** of **Judicial Watch** in Washington D.C., Performance Analysis System data.
- On **October 17<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Stephen Davis** with **WITI-TV FOX 6** in Milwaukee, WI a list of contraband items seized at the Milwaukee International Airport since 2003.
- On **October 18<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Mary Cox**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee**, copies of correspondence between DHS and Representative Pete Hoekstra.
- On **October 19<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Allison Fairbrother** with **The Public Trust Project** in Washington, D.C. records relating to H2B visa applications submitted by Omega Protein, Inc between 1998 and 2010.
- On **October 21<sup>st</sup>**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will release to **Luke Rosiak** with **The Washington Times** a list of seized contraband items from Dulles International Airport and Baltimore-Washington International Airport from 2003 to present.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (October 10<sup>th</sup> to October 16<sup>th</sup>):** TSA referred 3 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 16 firearms and 2 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **October 14<sup>th</sup>**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 502 AIT units at 87 airports.

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- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 15<sup>th</sup>**, 295,920 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 965,627 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 796,000 queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of October 19<sup>th</sup>, President Obama has signed 225 major disaster declarations and 41 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$14.5 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- DHS has identified more than \$12 million in cost avoidances by reducing travel expenditures through the elimination of non-mission critical travel and by leveraging web-base communications in lieu of travel to conferences.

**II. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **October 19<sup>th</sup>**, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee unanimously passed the nomination of Ernest Mitchell to be FEMA's U.S. Fire Administration Administrator out of Committee and to the full Senate.

**III. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, CNN Documentary Films will run a story on the Aquesasne Indians in New York and border challenges in that region. Customs and Border Protection provided off the record background information to CNN for this story.
- On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, *The Washington Post* will interview Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole for the "Federal Coach" column and blog, which will focus on leadership approaches and styles at federal agencies. Publication TBD.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, will conduct the first-ever nationwide Emergency Alert System (EAS) Test. The test will involve television and radio broadcasters and providers nationwide and is scheduled to last three minutes.

*Reports*

- On **October 31<sup>st</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report titled "**Border Security: Additional Steps Needed to Ensure that Officers are Fully Trained.**" **Background:** This report summarizes the work of the GAO to assess the training and evaluation process for CBP officers. **Findings:** This assessment acknowledges the important work CBP officers do every day to protect our nation's borders, as well as the important steps CBP has taken to refine and improve training processes for newly hired and incumbent CBP officers. **Recommendations:** The report includes four recommendations to improve CBP Officer training and evaluation. **Response:** While the GAO report only addresses a small spectrum of CBP's inspection process and does not measure the effectiveness of the overall process, CBP concurs with the recommendations and has already taken steps to improve officer training.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **October 31<sup>st</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will deliver keynote remarks at the National Homeland Defense Foundation's Annual National Symposium on Homeland Security and Defense in Colorado Springs, CO. Open press.
- On **October 31<sup>st</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a panel discussion with Mexican Senator Humberto Andrade Quezada, President of the Population and Development Committee of the Mexican Senate, to discuss immigration reform in an international perspective. The panel is part of a day-long conference among policymakers and academics at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington, D.C. Open press.

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- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will provide remarks and participate in a panel discussion with representatives from Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services staff at the Protecting Victims of Crime/U and T Visas seminar sponsored by the Arizona Prosecuting Attorney’s Advisory Council, the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board, and the Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence in Glendale, Arizona. Closed press.
- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Alan Bersin will deliver remarks on global supply chain security and economic competitiveness as well as participate in a question and answer session at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s National Security Task Force event in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations San Antonio Acting Field Office Director Deborah Achim will give a presentation on Secure Communities to the Riverside County Sheriff’s Department in San Antonio, TX at their request. Closed press.
- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss issues related to the air cargo security supply chain at the Lufthansa Cargo and National Competence Center Aviation Security Conference in Frankfurt, Germany. Open press.
- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will participate in a White House Council on Women and Girls Women’s Roundtable discussion on immigrant women and girls in Arizona at the University of Arizona in Tucson, AZ (closed press). Contreras will also deliver opening remarks on protections for immigrant women, girls and victims of domestic violence as well as participate in a training exercise at the National Network to End Domestic Violence’s Community Outreach Day for domestic violence service providers from around the country in Phoenix, AZ (open press).
- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver keynote remarks at the International Code Council Annual Banquet in Phoenix, AZ and will discuss the role of code officials as part of the emergency management team, and the importance of codes in disaster mitigation. Open press.
- On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan will participate on a panel at the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners in Mexico City. Callahan will discuss privacy issues in the public sector and data protection issues in law enforcement agencies. Open press.
- On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will conduct a listening session with tribal leaders at the National Congress of American Indians’ Annual Conference in Portland, OR. Additional DHS attendees include: ICE, CBP, TSA, USCG, and FEMA. Closed press.
- On **November 4<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak at the Walmart and Northwest Arkansas Business Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Forum about the “Whole Community” approach to emergency management. The forum will bring together public and private entities to discuss best practices on business EOCs and the role of public/private partnerships. Open press.
- On **November 4<sup>th</sup>**, the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss outbreak planning and Internet-based influenza surveillance systems with federal, state, and local public health stakeholders as well as representatives from academia and industry at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD. Closed press.
- On **November 4<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey and representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate’s National Cyber Security Division will travel to Iowa to brief Governor Terry Branstad on DHS cyber initiatives. Closed press.
- On **November 4<sup>th</sup>**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Warren Stern will attend a conference hosted by the Brookings Institute in Washington, D.C. to discuss a vision for DHS in 2025, including future trends and threats, the implications of increasingly cross-cutting homeland security missions, and systematic approaches to developing ‘whole of nation’ capabilities. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Natural Resources Committee**

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- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, a TBD representative from the U.S. Coast Guard will testify on offshore energy operations of other North American countries.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **November 15<sup>th</sup>**, TBD witnesses from Customs and Border Protection and the DHS Science and Technology Directorate will testify on DHS and Department of Defense collaboration on border security technology.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **November 17<sup>th</sup>**, TBD representatives from FEMA and the National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on DHS's emergency communications capability.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Assistant Administrator for the Office of Security Technology Robin Kane, Chief Procurement Officer Nick Nayak and other TBD DHS representatives on TSA's procurement and use of technology.

**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Coast Guard representatives will testify on the Coast Guard's oil spill response efforts, including the effectiveness of the Federal On-Scene Coordinator and Joint Investigation Team models.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's risk based security initiative.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's risk based screening initiative.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight of**

**Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism**

- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble will testify on ICE's operations to combat transnational organized crime.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Homeland Security Committee and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, representatives from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, the Counterterrorism Advisory Board, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, and the Science & Technology Directorate will provide a classified briefing to staff on the Department's efforts on Countering Violent Extremism.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, along with the FBI and the Department of State, will deliver a classified briefing to staff on their efforts to monitor terrorist use of the internet and social media, which will precede a hearing the Subcommittee is holding on this issue.

**House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, FEMA will brief staff on the agency's plans to implement the National Disaster Recovery Framework. Closed press.
- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Ranking Member Norm Dicks on the award of the Response Boat (Small) contract to a Louisiana manufacturer and the process surrounding procurement decisions.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will provide a briefing to Chairman Joe Lieberman and Ranking Member Susan Collins to discuss TSA's risk based security initiatives in advance of the November 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing in front of the committee. Closed press.



## Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Appropriations

- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, Beth Zimmerman, FEMA Deputy Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery, and Deb Ingram, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Recovery, will conduct a briefing for staff on FEMA's plans to implement the National Disaster Recovery Framework. Closed press.

### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will brief Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy on USCIS accomplishments and upcoming initiatives.
- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole and the DHS Inspector General will provide a classified briefing on Advanced Imaging Technology covert testing to Representative Peter King. Closed press.
- On **November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will host Senator Roger Wicker, Representative Frank Guinta, and Representative Frank LoBiondo for breakfast, respectively.

## V. Legal Issues

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: "Opening of Boquillas Border Crossing & Update to the Class B Port of Entry Description" will be published in the *Federal Register*. This rule proposes to create a border crossing in Big Bend National Park to be called Boquillas. The Boquillas crossing would be situated between Presidio and Del Rio, Texas. CBP and the National Park Service plan to partner on the construction of a joint use facility in Big Bend National Park where the border crossing would operate. This rule proposes to designate the Boquillas border crossing as a "Customs station" for customs purposes and a Class B port of entry for immigration purposes. This rule also proposes to update the description of a Class B port of entry to reflect current border crossing documentation requirements.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Mark Whetstone** with the **American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO Local 3928** in Lincoln, NE resumes and application materials related to a vacancy at USCIS.
- On **October 25<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, the staff directory for the DHS Office of Public Affairs.
- On **October 26<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Steven Emerson** with **SAE Productions** in Washington, D.C., correspondence relating to the meeting between the Tampa Chapter of the Council on American Islamic Relations and DHS.
- On **October 26<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Deborah Sherman** with **9NEWS, KUSA TV** in Denver, CO, a spreadsheet of contraband items seized from 2003 to October 3, 2011, at Denver International Airport and Colorado Springs International Airport.

## VI. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (October 17<sup>th</sup> to October 23<sup>rd</sup>):** TSA referred 7 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 34 firearms and 1 artfully concealed prohibited item at checkpoints.
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- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **October 26<sup>th</sup>**, President Obama has signed 225 major disaster declarations and 41 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$14.6 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.



Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified \$15 million in cost avoidances through component-led efforts to streamline and eliminate duplication in their mission-support processes through such things as the implementation of security policies and the processing of classified network access requests from state, local, and tribal partners.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **November 5<sup>th</sup>**, WTNH TV-8, an ABC affiliate in New Haven, CT will film Coast Guard members of Sector Long Island Sound and Station New Haven for stories focusing on cold water survival, the effect weather has on Coast Guard Search & Rescue (SAR), and safety precautions taken in SAR cases that will be part of a 30-minute broadcast on November 18<sup>th</sup>.
- On **November 6<sup>th</sup>**, HGTV's *House Hunters* will feature U.S. Coast Guard Petty Officer Derrick Hardeman and his family as they search for a new duty station home.
- On **November 8<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection is coordinating a site visit to the National Air Security Operations Center Corpus Christi for *Washington Post* reporter Bill Booth, Bureau Chief for Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean. Booth is interested in the Unmanned Aircraft Systems program and the P-3 program. CBP's fleet of P-3's are counter-narcotic assets that fly 12-hour patrols in the 42 million square mile Source and Transit Zone (an area twice the size of the United States). Publication date is TBD.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 4<sup>th</sup>** DHS will announce a decision regarding Temporary Protected Status for nationals from Nicaragua and Honduras (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Honduras or Nicaragua). The Secretary's current designation for both countries expires on January 5, 2012.
- On **November 5<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will launch the first phase of the ready.gov 3.0 redesign. The redesign is part of FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate's Public Web Strategy that will consolidate the agency's various web portals and will focus on streamlining visitors' access to information.
- On **November 16<sup>th</sup>**, DHS will host a vendor outreach session in Washington, D.C. specifically for small businesses owned by Veterans and Service-Disabled Veterans to provide these companies with an opportunity to market their goods and services to the Department.

### *Reports*

- On **November 8<sup>th</sup>**, GAO is expected to release a report titled "*Maritime Security: Progress Made, but Further Actions Needed to Secure the Maritime Energy Supply.*" **Background:** GAO examined U.S. Coast Guard's (USCG) efforts to ensure the security of facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) and deepwater ports. The GAO also investigated possible limitations in USCG oversight authority that would hinder the securing of offshore energy infrastructure. **Findings:** GAO found that the USCG has taken actions to address the security of OCS facilities, including developing a security plan for the Gulf of Mexico—in which all 57 OCS facilities are located—and reviewing security plans developed by the owners and operators of OCS facilities. The GAO also found that the USCG has limited authority regarding the security of mobile offshore drilling units (MODU) registered to foreign countries, but is taking action to gain a fuller understanding of the security risks associated with MODUs. **Recommendations:** GAO found that USCG could improve its process for managing security inspections, and recommends that the USCG develop policies or guidance to ensure that annual security inspections are conducted at OCS facilities, and that information entered into its database for OCS facilities and deepwater ports is utilized by management.

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**Response:** As the lead federal agency for maritime security, the Coast Guard remains committed to continuing its work with its interagency partners to meet the challenge of security in these facilities and ports for the safety of our Nation.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **November 7<sup>th</sup>**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Warren Stern will meet with representatives of the United Kingdom Home Office in Washington, D.C. to discuss radiological and nuclear detection and risk methodologies.
- On **November 7<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks about USCIS efforts to attract talent and create jobs and participate in a panel discussion at an event hosted by the Partnership for a New American Economy and the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce in Nashville, TN. Open press. Mayorkas will also meet with the editorial board of *The Tennessean*.
- On **November 7<sup>th</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a delegation from the People's Republic of China Ministry of Foreign Affairs to tour the Field Operations Academy in Glynco, GA as part of a State Department-sponsored visit to the United States designed to highlight law enforcement training, particularly in the areas of immigration, border security, and human trafficking. Closed press.
- From **November 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss updates to Liquids, Aerosols, and Gels restrictions as well as the current process for issuing emergency amendments to travel rules at the Association of European Airlines meeting in Brussels, Belgium. Closed press.
- From **November 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Dan Gerstein will lead an S&T delegation to discuss chemical and biological forensics, cybersecurity, infrastructure protection and disaster management at the U.S.–Australia bilateral meetings in Sydney and Canberra, Australia. Closed press.
- From **November 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>**, DHS representatives including FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will participate in the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Leaders Week Meetings and the North American Leaders Summit in Hawaii. Open press.
- On **November 8<sup>th</sup>**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will discuss partnerships for training opportunities with a delegation from Frontex at a FLETC facility in Cheltenham, MD. Frontex is a European Union (EU) agency based in Warsaw that was created to coordinate border security among EU Member States. Closed press.
- On **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a conference call to provide updates on victims-related case processing times, filing tips, and customer service avenues, specifically regarding the I-360 for domestic abuse, I-914 for victims of trafficking and I-918 for victims of violent crimes. Open press.
- On **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will recognize the first anniversary of the U.S. Army partnership in the joint Operation Warfighter Program in Glynco, GA. The program offers recuperating service members with opportunities for transitioning from a hospital environment back to military or civilian operations. Open press.
- On **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a conference call to Spanish-speaking stakeholders on employee rights and E-Verify Self-Check. Open press.
- On **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble will speak on ICE's key priorities at the Border Management Conference & Technology Expo in San Diego, CA. Open press.
- On **November 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Alexander Garza will provide opening remarks at the Institute of Medicine workshop on Workforce Resilience in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **November 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss key recent bioscience developments and the intersection with homeland and national security with government representatives, scientists and delegates from the United Kingdom at the Center for Biosecurity of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center in Baltimore, MD. Closed press.

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- On **November 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Director Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks at the International Association for Emergency Managers Conference in Las Vegas, NV. Open press.
- On **November 14<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will provide an overview of key policies and initiatives that impact the private sector, including Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8), the whole community approach, and Voluntary Preparedness Standards (PS-Prep) at the U.S. Travel Association Roundtable at FEMA headquarters in Washington D.C. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **November 4<sup>th</sup>**, Chairman Aderholt will visit the National Security Cutter STRATTON as it departs Baltimore, MD and transits down the Chesapeake Bay.

#### **House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **November 10<sup>th</sup>**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with staff to discuss the distinctions between the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force's role and DHS's role in fusion centers.

#### **Senate Committees on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and Energy and Natural Resources**

- On **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, the Coast Guard will join a White House-organized interagency briefing team to provide a background brief to staff on oil spill response authorities and Coast Guard response capabilities for a spill originating outside the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **November 10<sup>th</sup>**, FEMA will provide Representatives Peter King and Mike Rogers with a tour of the Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, AL to highlight the training at the center.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **November 4<sup>th</sup>**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notices for Temporary Protective Status (TPS) extension for Honduras and Nicaragua will be published in the *Federal Register*. These notices announce that the Secretary of Homeland Security has extended the designation of Nicaragua and Honduras for TPS for 18 months from their current expiration date of January 5, 2012 through July 5, 2013. The Secretary has determined that an extension is warranted because the conditions in the two countries that prompted the TPS designation continue to be met. There continues to be a substantial, but temporary, disruption of living conditions in Nicaragua and Honduras resulting from Hurricane Mitch, and they remain unable, temporarily, to handle adequately the return of their nationals.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 24<sup>th</sup>**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted to its online FOIA Library a copy of the Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Statistics for Fiscal Year 2011 and the Secure Communities Congressional Status Report for the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2011.
- On **October 27<sup>th</sup>**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, records relating to U.S. Customs and Border Protection employees who were arrested, charged, convicted and/or sentenced on corruption-related from March 1, 2003 to the present.
- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, DHS released to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *Witnesses Unto Me* in Topock, AZ, records that contain standard language or template paragraphs used by DHS for responses to FOIA requests and FOIA appeals.
- On **October 28<sup>th</sup>**, Customs and Border Protection released to **Cyndee Hebert**, with *WTHR-TV* in Indianapolis, IN records of seizure data from Indianapolis International Airport and a FEDEX facility, both in Indianapolis, IN.
- On **November 1<sup>st</sup>**, DHS released to **Dave Perera** with *FierceHomelandSecurity* in Washington, D.C., DHS reports on major acquisitions as outlined in Senate Report 111-31.

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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

November 9, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*



- Since 2009, DHS has identified \$3.9 million in cost avoidances by leveraging a cross-Component contract that offers lower prices and better service for background investigations. In one month alone, DHS was able to achieve cost avoidances of \$36,000.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **November 14**, the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) will tour an Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) site as part of a story on the UAS program and the use of technology and aircraft by U.S. Customs and Border Protection along the Southwest Border. Air date TBD.
- On **November 15**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will participate in the TSA National Holiday Travel Media Event to kick-off TSA's public outreach campaign highlighting its risk-based security and customer service efforts as well as the 10th anniversary of the agency. *TSA will issue a press release and will utilize social media outlets as part of this effort.*
- In **November**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will be featured in *Poder* magazine's issue on the Top 100 Hispanics. *Poder* is a bi-monthly business magazine written for a global audience of influential senior business and political decision-makers.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 9**, the Transportation Security Administration will announce the next three  airports including Las Vegas, Los Angeles, and Minneapolis-St. Paul.  is a pilot program which will help assess measures designed to enhance security by placing more focus on pre-screening of individuals who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying in order to expedite the process for lower-risk, known travelers whenever possible.
- From **November 14 to 18**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Leadership Institute will begin piloting the Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Training Program in Glynco, GA. This program is designed for women in federal law enforcement, focusing on issues and challenges common to female leaders in law enforcement. Closed press.
- On **November 16**, DHS will deliver to Congress the fiscal year 2011 Annual Financial Report which provides an assessment of the Department's detailed financial information and our stewardship of taxpayer resources in support of our mission of securing the United States. DHS has significantly improved the processes and structures in place to help ensure consistent operations for each of the financial accounting centers and financial management offices within components. Most notably, improvements made by the U.S. Coast Guard and other components increased the Department's auditable balance sheet balances to approximately 90 percent in FY 2011, allowing the Department to attain a qualified opinion on the balance sheet this year. This report will be published publicly on November 30<sup>th</sup>.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **November 13 to 26**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to the United Kingdom to attend the 2011 International Maritime Organization General Assembly as the head of the U.S. delegation. Admiral Papp will also travel to Italy, Germany, the Netherlands, and Bahrain and visit USCG personnel stationed overseas. All events are closed press.
- On **November 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service, will host a delegation from India's Income Tax's Directorate of Criminal Investigation to discuss law enforcement training in Glynco, GA. Closed press.



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- On **November 14**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss the First Observer™ pilot program with Major League Baseball (MLB) security executives at the annual MLB Security Summit in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Todd Keil will discuss how DHS works with law enforcement at all levels of government to enhance the security and protection of the nation's critical infrastructure and key resources at the Department of Interior's Security and Intelligence Workshop in Sausalito, CA. Closed press.
- On **November 14 and 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will represent the United States at the semi-annual meeting of the Intergovernmental Consultations Working Group on Integration in Geneva, Switzerland. The focus of the meeting will be "Integration Policies and the Economic Recession." Closed press.
- From **November 14 to 17**, representatives from National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications will participate in various public engagement events including an industry and government roundtable, an outreach forum to senior citizens, and a discussion on cybersecurity careers and education with university students in Boston, MA. Open press.
- On **November 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will participate in a panel entitled *Policing Immigration: The Local Enforcement of Federal Law* at the University of California, Berkeley. Open press.
- On **November 15**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will deliver remarks regarding DHS's Fusion Center support to state and local law enforcement at the Southwest Border State and Local Intelligence Working Group in Laredo, TX (closed press). Wagner will also participate in an event with print media to discuss the launch of the working group (open press).
- On **November 15**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss in-flight medical assistance, Secure Flight, and the Federal Flight Deck Officer Program with representatives from all major U.S. air carriers, the Airline Pilots Association, and Association of Flight Attendants at the annual Aviation Industry Conference in Reston, VA. Closed press.
- On **November 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Greg Schaffer will discuss DHS coordination to secure the nation's power grid with senior officials from government, the private sector and academia at the Protecting the Nation's Power and Distribution System from Emerging Threats Conference hosted by the Department of Energy in Idaho Falls, ID. Closed press.
- On **November 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will hold a teleconference regarding the Form I-765, *Application for Employment Authorization*, and Form I-131, *Application for Travel Document*. The call will focus primarily on the combination advance parole employment authorization card and Optional Practical Training for academic students. Closed press.
- From **November 15 to 18**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will travel to Brussels, Belgium, to participate in a North Atlantic Treaty Organization plenary meeting. The Administrator will speak about planning for disasters and the importance of mutual assistance agreements in responding to large disasters (closed press). FEMA representatives will also meet with Kristalina Georgieva, European Union Commissioner for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Assistance and Crisis Response, to discuss anticipated work under a recently signed U.S. and European Union Administrative Arrangement on emergency management.
- On **November 16**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss TSA Pre✓ at the Aerospace Industries Association Board of Governors Meeting in Scottsdale, AZ. Closed press.
- On **November 16**, FEMA and the DHS Office of Health Affairs, U.S. Department of Agriculture, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Food and Drug Administration, and the White House National Security Staff will host the National Preparedness System and Senior Officials Exercise in Washington, D.C. The exercise will focus on a food contamination event. No public impact is expected.

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- On **November 16**, Office of Health Affairs Deputy Assistant Secretary Robert Hooks will participate in a panel on the Whole-of-Government Rapid Response and Recovery for a Biological Incident at the 2011 Chemical and Biological Defense Science and Technology Conference in Las Vegas, NV. Open press.
- On **November 17**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Deputy Administrator Gale Rossides, and Assistant Administrators Robin Kane and John Sammon will discuss the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of TSA at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **November 18**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division will test the latest software version of the Distributed Environment for Critical Infrastructure Decision-Making Exercises in New York, Chicago, and Washington D.C. to determine if it will accurately and effectively simulate a cyber attack on a financial network. No public impact. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Margo Schlanger will speak on a panel entitled, “Ten Years Later: The Impact of 9/11 on the Asian Pacific American Community,” during the American Bar Association’s Annual Convention in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will lead a special children’s citizenship ceremony in Hartford, CT to commemorate National Adoption Month. The 25 newly naturalized children, all adoptees, come from China, Russia, Ukraine, Korea. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **November 15**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition Mark Borkowski, DHS Science and Technology Directorate Chief of Staff Paul Benda, and U.S. Coast Guard Deputy Assistant Commandant for Acquisition and Director of Acquisition Services Michael Tangora will testify on DHS and Department of Defense collaboration on border security technology.

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- On **November 29**, FEMA Region III Regional Administrator MaryAnn Tierney will participate in a field hearing in Factoryville, PA on FEMA’s response and recovery efforts after Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **December 1**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on Coast Guard operations in the Arctic.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **November 15**, the committee will hold a nomination hearing for Inspector General nominee Roslyn Mazer. *Note: This hearing was originally scheduled for November 10.*

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **November 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual CBP International Trade Capitol Hill Day for congressional staff, sponsored by Representative Brady, Chairman of the House



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Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Trade. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will also participate in the event. Closed press.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 3**, the Office of Inspector General released to **Russell Carollo**, a journalist in Pueblo, CO, a list of travel reimbursement records for 2009 through 2011.
- On **November 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Robin Stein**, with **Dan Rather Reports**, in New York, NY, a list of all Student and Exchange Visitor Information System employees from fiscal year 2005 to the present.
- On **November 9**, DHS released to **Randy Herschaft**, with the *Associated Press* correspondence between DHS and the office of Governor Rick Perry from 2005 to the present.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (October 31 to November 6):** TSA referred 8 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 11 firearms and 6 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **November 4**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 275 AIT units at 60 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 5**, 300,908 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 976,000 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 1.9 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **November 9**, President Obama has signed 229 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$15.1 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

November 17, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through the DHS Efficiency review and Component-led initiatives to optimize fleet management through such changes as “right-sizing” fleet inventory and transitioning to hybrid vehicles, DHS has identified more than \$62 million in cost avoidances since 2009.

**II. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **November 21**, Mark Weatherford will begin serving as Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity within the National Protection and Programs Directorate.

**III. Public Affairs**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 22**, the U.S. Coast Guard’s third Fast Response Cutter, USCGC FLORES, is scheduled for launch into Bayou Lafourche at Bollinger Shipyards in Lockport, LA. No press is expected.

*Other Reports*

- On **November 17**, GAO is expected to release a report entitled, “**U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s Border Security Fencing, Infrastructure and Technology Fiscal Year 2011 Expenditure Plan.**” **Background:** This report summarizes GAO analysis from July to November 2011 of the FY 2011 BSFIT expenditure plan. **Findings:** The draft report states that the BSFIT expenditure plan satisfied some, but not all, of the legislative conditions set forth in the *FY 2011 Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act*. Specifically, of the 10 legislative conditions, the GAO report finds that the Plan satisfied three, partially satisfied five, and did not satisfy two of the legislative conditions. **Recommendations:** The draft report offered two recommendations to ensure Congress has the best information possible on the status and proposed expenditures of the programs described in the BSFIT expenditure plan. **Response:** CBP is committed to providing explanations for legislative criteria that have yet to be fully addressed in future BSFIT Expenditure Plans and to detailing supporting documentation used for memoranda certification to satisfy legislative criteria, addressing GAO’s recommendations.
- On **November 17**, GAO is expected to release a report entitled, “**Port Security Grant Program: Risk Model, Grant Management, and Effectiveness Measures Could Be Strengthened.**” **Background:** Using Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) allocations for FY 2006 to 2010, the GAO evaluated the extent to which DHS allocated PSGP funds in accordance with risk and the overall effectiveness of PSGP. **Recommendations:** GAO found that DHS has addressed prior GAO recommendations to strengthen the vulnerability element of grant risk models, but recommends that additional efforts, including accounting for how new security measures affect port vulnerability and using the most precise data available in the risk model—could further strengthen the model and build upon the progress made. **Response:** FEMA remains committed to strengthening measures of vulnerability within the PSGP risk methodology and recognizes the importance of including metrics in the risk methodology that capture changes in port vulnerability due to the implementation of security enhancements, addressing a GAO recommendation.
- During the **week of November 28**, GAO is expected to release a report entitled, “**DHS Cybersecurity Human Capital: Initiatives Need Better Planning and Coordination.**” **Background:** From December 2010 to October 2011, the GAO assessed the federal government’s progress in implementing workforce planning practices for cybersecurity personnel. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) plays a key role in this effort including support of formal education programs, establishment of nationwide guidelines

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and standards and public information campaigns regarding the public of responsible Internet use. **Findings:** GAO found that DHS has taken steps to better define skills, competencies, roles, and responsibilities for the federal cybersecurity workforce. **Recommendations:** GAO makes two recommendations to ensure that government-wide cybersecurity workforce initiatives are better coordinated and that the benefits of training are maximized. **Response:** DHS is focused on building a world-class cybersecurity team by hiring a diverse group of cybersecurity professionals—computer engineers, scientists, and analysts—to secure the nation’s digital assets and protect against cyber threats to our critical infrastructure and key resources.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **November 21 and 22**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss adoption of a joint statement of commitment to address security priorities at the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Regional Aviation Security Conference in Moscow, Russia, following up from the regional aviation security agreements signed in 2010. Closed press.
- On **November 22**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Greg Schaffer will discuss cybersecurity trends and mitigation techniques with bank executives at the Bank of America Merrill Lynch Cyber Security Investors Day in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **November 28**, representatives from Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations and Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol will participate in a panel discussion hosted by Representative Henry Cuellar in Laredo, TX to address the current working relationship between law enforcement and private landowners in rural areas along the Southwest border. Other panelists will include County Sheriffs and the *South Texans’ Property Rights Association*. Closed press.
- From **November 28 to 30**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick and senior FLETC staff will discuss partnerships with researchers and practitioners as well as women in law enforcement at the 18<sup>th</sup> annual INTERPOL Police Training Symposium in Belek-Antalya, Turkey. Director Patrick is the incoming Chairperson of the INTERPOL Group of Experts on Police Training. Closed press.
- On **November 29**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will meet with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Immigration Policy Subcommittee in Washington, D.C. to discuss issues related to business immigration, including updates on U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services’ Validation Instrument for Business Enterprises, Requests For Evidence statistics, case assistance for employers, and tracking case policy trends. Closed press.
- From **November 29 to December 2**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will speak at the National Training and Educational Workshop, sponsored by the National Domestic Preparedness Consortium, about emergency management and preparedness. Open press.
- On **November 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a quarterly stakeholder meeting in Washington, D.C. for community-based organizations, advocates and government partners regarding asylum operations. Open press.
- On **December 1**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Todd Keil will discuss the importance of partnerships in protecting critical infrastructure and key resources at the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners’ conference in Indianapolis, IN. Closed press.
- On **December 1**, Dr. Peter Fonash, Chief Technology Officer for the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss DHS’s role in cybersecurity and how the Department coordinates with the Department of Defense at the Credit Suisse/McAleese Aerospace & Defense Finance Conference in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **December 2**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with Dr. Michael Lomax, President and CEO, United Negro College Fund to discuss the impact of disasters on historically black colleges and universities, student and career opportunities, and collaborations in emergency management. Closed press.
- On **December 2**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak about FEMA’s work with tribal nations at the Annual White House Tribal Nations Conference. Open press.

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- On **December 14**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with Waffle House corporate leadership to discuss emergency management issues and collaboration opportunities. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **November 29**, FEMA Region III Regional Administrator MaryAnn Tierney will participate in a field hearing in Factoryville, PA on FEMA's response and recovery efforts after Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

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##### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **November 30**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will testify on ICE's targeted enforcement programs including Secure Communities and the Criminal Alien Program.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **December 1**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on Coast Guard operations in the Arctic.

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **November 22**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will provide a classified briefing to staff regarding I&A's role and participation in fusion centers.

##### **House Committee on Homeland Security and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **November 29**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide a classified briefing to staff regarding its Enterprise and Mission Support branch and the Plans, Policy, and Performance Management branch.

##### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Associate Administrator for Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration David Miller will meet with Senator John Hoeven and officials from Minot, ND to discuss ongoing recovery efforts.

#### **V. Legal Issues**

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 11**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Terry Butler**, with the **Florida Department of Financial Services** in Tallahassee, FL, copies of claim summaries and determination forms issued by the National Pollution Funds Center for Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund claims for loss of profits or impairment of earning capacity that were filed by individuals or businesses located in Florida due to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
- On **November 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jason Cherkis**, with *The Huffington Post* in Washington, D.C., information relating to the number of people currently being detained by ICE, as well as the crime committed and what threat level ICE assigned to the crime.
- On **November 17**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Kate Fisher** with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in Louisville, KY ICE detainer and deportation statistics for Kentucky.

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**VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (November 7 to November 13):** TSA referred 9 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 26 firearms and 3 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **November 11**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 275 AIT units at 60 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 12**, 302,529 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 982,956 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 2.3 million queries have been run through the system.
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## Department of Homeland Security

### *Weekly Report – Supplement Update*

November 28, 2011

#### **I. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

##### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **November 29**, Secretary Napolitano will speak with British Home Secretary Theresa May regarding Passenger Name Records (PNR). She will also meet with Secretary of Commerce John Bryson.
- From **November 30 to December 6**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Paris, France, for the G6 Summit. The Secretary will then travel to Doha, Qatar to meet with Minister of Interior Sheikh Abdullah al-Thani and Attorney General Ali Al-Marri. The Secretary will also travel to Abu Dhabi, UAE to deliver a keynote address at the Gulf States Global Police Symposium and Dubai, UAE to meet with Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai Sheikh He Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum and tour Dubai International Airport operations.

##### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **November 30**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with Representative Chris Smith about human trafficking.
- On **December 2**, Deputy Secretary Lute will deliver remarks at the American Bar Association Committee on Law and National Security. Open press.

#### **II. Public Affairs**

##### *Expected Stories*

- On **December 1**, *Federal News Radio* will broadcast a taped panel discussion titled, “Can Innovation Survive Budget Cuts?” with Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Dan Gerstein.

##### *Reports*

- On **November 22**, GAO released a report entitled “**Immigration Benefits: Consistent Adherence to DHS’s Acquisition Policy Could Help Improve Transformation Program Outcomes.**” **Background:** From April 2010 to November 2011, the GAO assessed U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) efforts to implement their Transformation Program – an initiative to transform USCIS’s current paper-based system into an electronic account-based system. **Recommendations:** GAO recommended that the Director of USCIS: ensure program schedules are consistent with the GAO Cost Estimating and Assessment Guide’s nine best scheduling practices; develop and maintain an Integrated Master Schedule consistent with best practices; and ensure that the life-cycle cost estimate is informed by reliable schedules that are developed in accordance with best practices. **Response:** No project is more important to long-term operational improvement and efficiency than our Transformation initiative, an agency-wide effort to modernize the way USCIS does its work each and every day and USCIS is incorporating the nine schedule estimating best practices into Transformation Program management reviews, as well as the Acquisition Review Board process, addressing a GAO recommendation.

##### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **November 29**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss the evolution of aviation risk-based security at the Airports Council International (ACI) Europe and ACI Asia-Pacific Annual Airport Security Conference in Abu Dhabi, UAE. Open press.
- On **December 1**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will travel to Miami, FL to participate in a White House Hispanic Community Action Summit. She is also tentatively scheduled to meet with Miami Dade County Mayor Carlos Gimenez.
- On **December 2**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will provide an update on FEMA’s work with tribal nations at the White House Tribal Nations Conference and, pending White House clearance, will announce

a legislative proposal to amend the Stafford Act to allow federally-recognized tribal governments to make a request directly to the President for a federal disaster or emergency declaration.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

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#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **December 8**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole and representatives from the Office of Inspector General and the Government Accountability Office will testify in a closed hearing on covert testing of Advanced Imaging Technology.

#### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **November 30**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will testify on ICE's targeted enforcement programs including Secure Communities and the Criminal Alien Program.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

- On **December 7**, U.S. Coast Guard National Pollution Funds Center Director Craig Bennett will testify on the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourism Opportunities, and Revived Economy of the Gulf Coast Act.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **December 1**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on Coast Guard operations in the Arctic.

#### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **December 7**, a TBD representative from the Office of Policy will testify on the Visa Waiver Program.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia and Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- On **December 7**, FEMA Protection and National Preparedness, National Capital Region Coordination Director Steward Beckham will testify on FEMA's National Capital Region strategic planning.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **November 30**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a classified briefing to staff to discuss current threats relating to military communities inside of the United States, in advance of a joint House Homeland Security and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee hearing on the same issue.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **November 30**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, along with the FBI and the Department of State, will deliver a classified briefing to the Subcommittee Members on efforts to monitor terrorist use of the internet and social media, in advance of a hearing on this issue.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 1**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and Office of Policy will deliver a classified briefing to Representative John Fleming on the Guam/Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands visa waiver assessment and decision.



## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

December 8, 2011

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has avoided more than \$4.8 million in costs through continued implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, which utilizes a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for multi-functional devices and reduces expenditures on printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **December 12**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Canadian Public Security Minister Vic Toews to discuss information sharing. The Secretary is also scheduled to roll out the Spanish language version of “If You See Something, Say Something™” Public Service Announcement at a roundtable with representatives from Hispanic Law Enforcement Associations at the White House.
- On **December 13**, Secretary Napolitano will discuss the Department’s 2011 accomplishments at a town hall event for DHS employees in Washington D.C. that will also be streamed to field locations. She will also attend a Cabinet meeting with Vice President Biden regarding the Campaign to Cut Waste.
- On **December 16<sup>th</sup>**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to meet with Swedish Deputy Foreign Minister Frank Belfrage to sign a bilateral Preventing and Combating Serious Crime agreement along with the Department of Justice. This agreement, similar to the others signed with Visa Waiver Program countries, enables the sharing of biographic and biometric information of criminals and terrorists to prevent and combat crime.
- On **December 19**, Secretary Napolitano will visit the National Targeting Center/Terrorist Screening Center with Deputy Attorney General Cole and FBI Director Mueller. The Secretary will also meet with Governor-elect of Coahuila, Mexico, Ruben Moreira Valdez.
- On **December 20**, Secretary Napolitano will host a meeting with faith leaders to discuss immigration issues (closed press). She is also tentatively scheduled to meet with Norwegian Minister Faremo as a follow-up to her trip to Oslo.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- From **December 12 to 15**, Deputy Secretary Lute is scheduled to be on international travel for the Bi-Annual meetings of the Joint Contact Group in London with Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dr. Tara O’Toole. The Deputy Secretary will also travel to Berlin for the Security Cooperation Group with the Department’s German counterparts. The Deputy is tentatively scheduled to go to Brussels for meetings on Passenger Name Records issues.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **December 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin will participate in an interview with *Univision* affiliate in Phoenix, AZ to inform Spanish-speaking individuals about the risks and dangers associated with illegally entering the United States through Arizona. Bersin is tentatively scheduled to participate in various media events, including a roundtable with national and local reporters, to announce CBP’s FY 2011 year end numbers which include apprehensions and seizures.
- On **December 14**, FEMA will kick off the *Resolve to be Ready Campaign* with a radio tour featuring FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Deputy FEMA Administrator Rich Serino.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **December 6**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Pistole announced that United Airlines will join the TSA Pre✓™ program as the third airline partner participating in TSA Pre✓™.
- During the week of **December 12**, DHS plans to release the *Blueprint for a Secure Cyber Future: The Cybersecurity Strategy for the Homeland Security Enterprise*.

### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- On **January 30**, the U.S. Coast Guard expects the delivery of the first Fast Response Cutter USCGC WEBBER.
- In **January**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will open the Export Enforcement Coordination Center in McLean, VA. This Center, required by the President's Executive Order on Export Control, will include representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Commerce, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection and is designed to protect the national and economic security of the United States through strengthened and coordinated enforcement of export control laws and enhanced intelligence exchange.
- In **January**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will roll out a new automated risk assessment and classification process, which, together with ongoing initiatives, will assist the agency's efforts to provide systematic and uniform decision making regarding detention and release decisions, as well as uniform custody classification determination if a person is detained.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to release a video on human trafficking as part of the DHS Blue Campaign's public education efforts and National Human Trafficking Awareness Month.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to expand E-Verify Self Check, a voluntary, fast, free, and simple online service that allows an individual to check his or her own employment eligibility in the United States, to all 50 states.
- In **January**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement anticipates awarding a contract for the development of the electronic Health Record System. This new system will enhance medical capabilities and allow real-time sharing of information within ICE medical facilities, resulting in improved patient outcomes.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on December 8, Web Posting on December 16: "DHS Detainee Removals and Reliance on Assurances."** **Background:** From September to November 2010, the OIG conducted a review of the Department's role in obtaining, validating and monitoring the diplomatic assurances of humane treatment of persons transferred to another country from August 2009- August 2010. **Findings:** During the reporting period, DHS did not seek or obtain assurances or remove any alien based on assurances; therefore, OIG focused its review on DHS's process for obtaining and validating assurances. **Recommendations:** While the OIG report does not contain recommendations, the OIG said the Department's assurances process may lack sufficient internal guidance and controls and, as a result, the OIG was not able to assess the steps DHS has taken to improve its assurances process or collaboration with the Department of State. **Response:** As the report indicates, DHS did not seek or obtain assurances or remove any alien based on assurances during the reporting period. The Department is committed to an assurances process that is appropriately transparent and carries substantial procedural safeguards.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **December 10**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will deliver remarks to the Special Operations medical community about chemical threats at the 2011 Special Operations Medical Association Conference in Tampa, FL. Open press.
- From **December 11 to 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Alan Bersin will travel to Arizona to tentatively participate in several media events, including a roundtable with reporters to discuss CBP's FY 2011 year end apprehension and seizure numbers, meet with local stakeholders, including ranchers at the Nogales Border Patrol station and the Maricopa Association of Governments at Nogales City Hall. Specific press TBD.

- On **December 12**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator for the Office of Global Strategies John Halinski will discuss the global security perspective on international aviation security at the American Association of Airport Executives Aviation Security Summit in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Charlottesville, VA to participate in a “Conversation about U.S. Immigration Policy” as part of the University of Virginia’s Miller Center Forum. The discussion will have an audience of students, faculty and local residents and will be broadcast on PBS. Open press.
- From **December 12 to 14**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will participate in a panel discussion at the National Homeland Security Consortium in Miami, FL about lessons learned from Hurricane Irene. The meeting will address Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8) and the National Preparedness System. Closed press.
- On **December 12 and 14**, staff from the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will facilitate two roundtables, a plenary session on engagement, and two training sessions at a two-day conference on the implementation of the U.N. Human Rights Council’s Resolution 16/18, titled “Combating Intolerance, Negative Stereotyping and Stigmatization of, and Discrimination, Incitement to Violence and Violence Against, Persons Based on Religion or Belief.” Closed press.
- On **December 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a training and information session for domestic service providers in partnership with the Department of Health and Human Services regarding immigration issues for victims of domestic violence and crime in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a stakeholder engagement titled, “Citizenship Education Strategies for Older Applicants,” to discuss citizenship education strategies for older applicants. Open press.
- On **December 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Seattle, WA to participate in a business roundtable hosted by the Microsoft Corporation to discuss employment-based immigration issues. The session will include representatives from a number of companies based in the Seattle area, including Boeing, Amazon, Nintendo, T-Mobile, Expedia, Weyerhaeuser and Costco. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with Waffle House leadership to discuss emergency management issues and collaboration opportunities. Closed press.
- From **December 14 to 16**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will visit Las Vegas, San Francisco, San Jose, and Monterey to highlight Pre✓™ expansion as well as partnerships with the Department of Defense (DoD). TSA recently began testing a military ID card reading pilot for U.S. Armed Services members traveling out of Monterey Peninsula Airport who can present their DoD identification to the travel document checker at the checkpoint where it will be scanned as part of the card reading pilot. Open press.
- From **December 14 to 19**, FEMA Associate Administrator William Carwile will travel to Japan to deliver remarks about lessons learned from recent U.S. disasters at the *Second Expert Group Meeting on the Great East Japan Earthquake* hosted by the Cabinet Office Japan and the Asian Disaster Reduction Center. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Phoenix, AZ to visit the newly-opened USCIS field office and meet with employees and local stakeholders such as local community-based organizations, representatives from state and local government, practitioners and other immigrant-serving organizations. Open press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **December 13**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrators Bob Bray and Michael Novak and Federal Air Marshal Service (FAMS) Deputy Director Roderick Allison will testify on FAMS operations.

## **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Building, and Emergency Management**

- On **December 13**, a FEMA Assistant Administrator Damon Penn will testify on the effectiveness of our nation's public alert system.

### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Appropriations Committee**

- On **December 12**, FEMA Assistant Administrator, National Continuity Programs Damon Penn will brief staff about the initial findings and plans for analyzing the recent IPAWS/Emergency Alert System Test. Closed press.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, House Appropriations Committee, and Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **December 13**, staff will attend an Observer Day hosted by the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office on data collection activities for the Straddle Portal Prototypes, which are scanning systems designed to increase the effectiveness of primary scanning of intermodal cargo containers. Staff will learn about the On-Dock Rail Program, view concepts of operations for scanning on-dock rail cargo in an operational environment, and watch stream-of-commerce data collection efforts at the Port of Virginia in Norfolk, Virginia. Closed Press.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **December 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief committee staff on smuggling tactics used at JFK Airport following an article in the *New York Post* describing passenger bags unwittingly used to smuggle narcotics. Closed press.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **December 14**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Customs and Border Protection, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and the United States Coast Guard will deliver a classified border threat briefing to staff.

#### **Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **December 14**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will provide a classified briefing to staff on the Plans, Policy, and Performance Management office, as part of the committee's ongoing review of I&A.

#### **House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **December 19**, FEMA will brief the staff from both committees on PPD-8 implementation progress. Closed press.

### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will provide a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center for members of the Senate Judiciary, Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, and Senate Intelligence Committees. Closed press.

## **V. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***American Immigration Council v. DHS and U.S. Customs & Border Protection (District of Columbia; Judge James E. Boasberg)***, On **November 8**, the organization American Immigration Counsel filed a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia against U.S. Customs & Border Protection (CBP) challenging CBP's response to a Freedom for Information Act (FOIA) request. Plaintiff's FOIA request sought records relating to attorneys' actions on behalf of clients who are interacting with CBP. Plaintiff alleges it is seeking this information because "CBP officers have prevented attorneys from accompanying their clients during inspection, limited the scope of representation, refused to accept supporting documentation proffered by attorneys, and actively dissuaded noncitizens from hiring attorneys." Plaintiff also alleges that "CBP's policies on access to counsel are difficult to ascertain and are arbitrarily applied." Absent an extension, the Government's responsive pleading will be due in 30 day.

- ***Reichle v. Howards* (U.S. Supreme Court)**, On **December 5**, the Supreme Court of the United States granted a writ of certiorari in this case. The case stems from an incident in which U.S. Secret Service agents (USSS) who were guarding then-Vice President Cheney on a trip to Colorado arrested an individual who had approached and allegedly touched the Vice President. The individual who was arrested filed suit against certain USSS agents in their individual capacity claiming the arrest was in retaliation for him exercising his First Amendment rights because the USSS agents overheard him telling someone on his phone that he was going to ask the Vice President how many kids he had killed that day. The Tenth Circuit ruled that the plaintiff could proceed with his lawsuit against the USSS agents, holding that even though the USSS agents had probable cause to arrest the plaintiff, that fact did not prevent the plaintiff from bringing his claim for retaliatory arrest. The Tenth Circuit's decision is at odds with other circuits that have ruled the existence of probable cause for an arrest precludes a claim for retaliatory arrest. Although the USSS agents are represented by private counsel, the Government did file a brief in support of a grant of certiorari here. The next stage of the case is briefing on the merits before the Supreme Court, and it is likely that the Government will file another brief addressing the merits.
- ***American Airlines, Inc. v. Transp. Security Admin., et al.*, No. 10-1418 (D.C. Cir.)**: On **December 6**, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit granted American Airlines' (American) petition for review and ordered that the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) decision to deny reimbursement to American for a \$30 million project to install a baggage security system at John F. Kennedy International Airport project be vacated, and the case remanded for further proceedings. TSA argued that it had discretion to prioritize airport security projects based on risk and other security factors, and was therefore entitled to assign a lower funding priority to completed projects, like American's Terminal 8 project, than to those designed to address unmet needs. The court of appeals held that while deference was due to TSA's policy determinations, the agency acted arbitrarily and capriciously because it either did not make a prioritization list as required by the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, or acted arbitrarily and capriciously in deviating from the prioritization list by denying American's reimbursement request without providing a sufficient rationale on the record for doing so.

#### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **December 12**, FEMA will publish a Notice in the *Federal Register* for public comment which proposes a revised procedure for the analysis and mapping of non-accredited levees on FEMA's Flood Insurance Rate Maps in response to initial public feedback.

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **December 2**, DHS made a 17<sup>th</sup> production in response to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense and Foreign Operations' investigation into Advanced Imaging Technology units.
- On **December 2**, DHS made a first production in response to an inquiry from Representative Ed Markey, Ranking Member of the House Committee on Natural Resources, requesting information related to former DHS contracts with EG Solutions and MultimaxArray Firstsource as well as their subcontractor GTSI Corp.
- On **December 6**, DHS sent a letter to Chairman Carl Levin of the Senate Committee on Armed Services in response to his October 17 request for information relating to the policies and procedures of Customs and Border Protection and the importation of counterfeit semiconductors into the United States.
- On **December 9<sup>th</sup>** DHS expects to make a second and final production of materials to the Subcommittee on Transportation Security of the House Committee on Homeland Security in response to its request for documents pertaining to the RFP and subsequent contract award decision made to perform contract screening services under the Screening Partnership Program at the Kansas City International Airport.
- On **December 15**, a fourth transcribed interview will be held as part of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform's investigation into the Transportation Security Administration's Sensitive Security Information designation process.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to collect documents responsive to requests on the following topics: Advanced Imaging Technology Units; the impact of the LightSquared network on the Global

Positioning System (GPS) signal; electronic communication generated by, transmitted to, or possessed by a DHS employee related to or involving his work with a fusion center; the impact of power sector regulations recently proposed or finalized by the EPA on the nation's Critical Infrastructure and Key Resources; and the personnel file for a former Federal Security Director.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 9, Stefan Kamph**, with the *New Times Broward-Palm Beach* in Fort Lauderdale, FL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records regarding communication between ICE and Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz since January 1, 2011 and records regarding a proposed ICE detention facility in Southwest Ranches, FL.
- On **November 9, Uriel Garcia**, with **Cronkite News Service**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) data on businesses that have been "raided" by DHS and/or ICE in Arizona, including their names, since 2003, as well as the charges against the employers and the dollar amount of the fines as part of the charges.
- On **November 14, Kevin Crowe**, with **The Watchdog Institute** at San Diego State University's School of Journalism and Media Studies, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) data tables containing information about detained and deported individuals processed as part of ICE's Enforcement and Removal Operations through 23 specified field offices.
- On **November 29, Jon Campbell**, a freelance journalist in San Diego, CA, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) records relating to OIG report entitled *The State of California's Management of Urban Areas Security Initiative Grants Awarded During Fiscal Years 2006 through 2008*.
- On **November 29, Michael Wishnie**, an attorney with the **Yale School of Law**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) all records related to the Criminal Alien Program (CAP), as well as to the series of Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and ICE programs out of which CAP developed, including the INS Alien Criminal Apprehension Program, INS Institutional Hearing Program, INS/ICE Institutional Removal Program, and ICE National Criminal Alien Removal Plan.
- On **November 29, Jason Smathers**, a blogger with **MuckRock**, in Somerville, MA, requested from DHS all records concerning the April 2011 request for the Alien File of Barack Obama Senior to be provided to the DHS Deputy Chief FOIA Officer in an unredacted format after redacted responsive records were released in response to a FOIA request.
- On **November 30, Robert Deasy**, with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) any documents provided to any employees of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) from any other office within DHS related to immigration documentation, status and protocols or procedures for TSA to work on its own authority or in collaboration with any other DHS entity to detain or arrest any person relating to immigration documentation or status issues.
- On **November 30, John Althen**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records concerning the November 8, 2011 incident near Escobares, TX, in which as many as 15 gunmen crossed the Rio Grande after a shootout with the Mexican military.
- On **November 30, Amanda Myers**, with *The Associated Press*, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records relating to sustained complaints, violations, terminations, investigations and/or criminal charges pertaining to employees and contractors of CBP since 2007 as well as annual reports from CBP's Internal Affairs Division since 2006.
- On **December 1, Steven Emerson**, President of **SAE Productions**, in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS records released to the Council on Islamic Relations (CAIR) in response to their FOIA request concerning funding provided to each state for counterterrorism training and records related to the training.
- On **December 2, Charles F. Elsesser, Jr.**, an attorney with **Florida Legal Services, Inc.'s Community Justice Project** in Miami, FL, requested from DHS records relating to the proposed development of a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention center in South Florida.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 30**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Jeffrey Kerr** with **The PETA Foundation**, correspondence between TSA and the Iditarod Trail Committee regarding the 2011 Iditarod Sled Dog Race.
- On **December 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Maria Zamudio** with *The Chicago Reporter* records pertaining to McHenry County Jail and Tri-County Jail.
- On **December 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with **MuckRock**, in Somerville, MA, records relating to a previous FOIA request for immigration information relating to Barack Obama Senior.
- On **December 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Pamela Browne** with the **Fox News Network** immigration information relating to Anwar Nasser Aulaqi.
- On **December 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Nathaniel Oleson** with the **United States Justice Foundation** in Ramona, CA immigration documentation relating to Barack Obama Senior from January 1959 to December 1964.

#### **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (November 28<sup>th</sup> to December 4<sup>th</sup>):** TSA referred 1 passenger to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 27 firearms and 4 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **December 2<sup>nd</sup>**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 298 AIT units at 68 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of December 3, 306,334 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 994,521 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 3.3 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **December 7**, President Obama has signed 234 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$15.6 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.



**Department of Homeland Security**

*Weekly Report*

December 15, 2011

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$279 million in cost avoidances through implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to reduce expenditures associated with applicant security background investigations and other security-related component-specific initiatives.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Reports*

- On **December 16**, GAO is expected to release a report titled “**Immigrant Integration: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Could Better Assess Its Grant Program.**” **Background:** From December 2010 to November 2011, the GAO conducted a review of the USCIS grant program, which supports the immigrant integration work of USCIS. **Recommendation:** GAO recommends USCIS establish interim milestones for conducting planned internal and external evaluations of its grant program. **Response:** DHS and USCIS are committed to maintaining our tradition of welcoming immigrants to the United States and helping ensure our newest citizens are prepared to meet their responsibilities and exercise their rights. Given the importance of the grant program in supporting immigrant civic integration, USCIS will establish milestones for conducting an internal evaluation of the grant program in FY12 and an external evaluation of the grant program in FY13.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **December 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) staff will brief the International Committee of the Red Cross in Washington, D.C. on CBP operations along the border and at ports of entry focusing on vulnerable migrants and unaccompanied children. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will tentatively host a stakeholder engagement in Washington, DC regarding Guatemalan adoptions. Open press.
- On **December 21**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O’Toole will discuss research and development and acquisition at the Department of Defense - DHS Capability Development Working Group meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

**III. Legislative Issues**

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **December 19**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will brief staff on its enterprise and mission support activities, at the Committee’s request.

*Legislative Issues*

- On **December 12**, the Senate passed an amended version of the House bill that would require the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to develop expedited screening procedures for members of the military traveling in uniform on official orders.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*Rules and Regulations*

- On **December 13**, DHS submitted to OMB the Notice titled, Identification of Foreign Countries Whose Nationals Are Eligible to Participate in the H-2A and H-2B Nonimmigrant Worker Programs. Under DHS regulations, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services may approve petitions for H-2A and H-2B nonimmigrant status only for nationals of countries that the Secretary of Homeland Security, with the

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concurrence of the Secretary of State, has designated by notice published in the Federal Register. DHS must renew that notice each year. This notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is identifying 58 countries whose nationals are eligible to participate in the H-2A and H-2B programs for the coming year.

*FOIA Releases*

- On **December 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, data regarding the issuance of Notices to Appear.
- On **December 7**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Bob Cusack**, with *The Hill* copies of TSA FOIA logs.
- On **December 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jennifer Kay**, with *The Associated Press* a copy of the Alien File of a named individual.
- On **December 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse NY, records from the ENFORCE database, a database that ICE uses to track immigration enforcement cases.
- On **December 16**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will release to **Meg Stalcup** with *Washington Monthly* in Seattle, WA training materials that reference Islamic culture and jihad.
- On **December 19**, DHS will release to **Andy Medici** with the *Federal Times* travel data for the Office of the Secretary from FY 2007 to FY 2011.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (December 5 to December 11):** TSA referred 7 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 29 firearms and 1 artfully concealed prohibited item at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **December 9**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 302 AIT units at 72 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **December 10**, 307,815 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 998,093 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 3.7 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **December 14**, President Obama has signed 234 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$15.8 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

December 21, 2011

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$6.4 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to utilize federal facilities for conferences, meetings and trainings instead of renting private space.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **January 5 or 6**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Governor of Coahuila (Mexico) Ruben Moreira Valdez.
- On **January 9**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with members of the Homeland Security Advisory Council. Closed press.
- The **week of January 9**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a roundtable with representatives from law enforcement, first responders, airlines, and hotels to discuss human trafficking and announce a new effort to promote trainings to identify signs of human trafficking in these industries as part of the Blue Campaign. Press TBD.
- On **January 10**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, NV as part of the Leaders in Technology Program's Innovation Policy Summit. Her remarks will focus on cybersecurity and the need for public-private collaboration. Open press. The Secretary will also participate in an event at the Las Vegas airport highlighting the expansion of the Transportation Security Administration's PreCheck program.
- On **January 17**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in the Aspen Homeland Security Winter meeting. Press TBD.
- On **January 18**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with International Civil Aviation Organization General Secretary General Raymond Benjamin.
- On **January 19**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the National Sheriffs' Association Winter Conference in Washington, D.C. Press TBD.
- On **January 20**, Secretary Napolitano will attend a Federal Air Marshal graduation ceremony at the Transportation Security Administration Training Center in Atlantic City, NJ. Press TBD.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **January 3**, Deputy Secretary Lute will host the weekly Personal Name Record Interagency Working Group meeting.

### **III. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **December 31**, Grayling Williams will leave his position as Director of the Office of Counternarcotics Enforcement.

### **IV. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- In **January**, *Popular Science* is expected to run a story by Roger D. Hodge entitled, "Borderworld, How the U.S. is Reengineering Homeland Security." U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) contributed field interviews for this piece and CBP Assistant Commissioner Borkowski was also interviewed.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **December 21**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will launch TSA CARES (Call Ahead if you Require Extra Support), a hotline specifically dedicated to passengers with disabilities or medical

conditions this week. Travelers can call a toll free number prior to traveling to address questions about screening policies, procedures, and what to expect at the security checkpoint.

- On **December 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will issue a press release announcing the delivery of the ninth aircraft for its Unmanned Aircraft System. This Predator-B unmanned aircraft will be permanently stationed in Sierra Vista, AZ, and brings the total unmanned fleet in Arizona to four.
- On **December 23 or 27**, the Department of Homeland Security will release the DHS U Visa Law Enforcement Certification Resource Guide. The Guide will be available as a resource to educate state, local, tribal and territorial law enforcement about tools available to support investigations and prosecutions involving immigrant victims of crime.
- On **December 28**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will release a recommendation to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) regarding the adjudication of employment-based immigrant petitions filed on behalf of individuals with extraordinary ability in the sciences, arts, education, business or athletics, outstanding professors and researchers and exceptional ability professionals in the sciences, arts or business. This recommendation focuses on ways USCIS can provide more consistency in these adjudications.
- By the **end of December**, construction is expected to be complete 12 U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP)-owned land ports of entry which were modernized with funding CBP received in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.
- In **January**, the U.S. Coast Guard expects to release to Congress both the fiscally-constrained version of the Fleet Mix Analysis (FMA II) and the DHS Cutter Study. The latter study considers mixes of major cutters other than the existing Program of Record, while the Fleet Mix Analysis considers the total fleet required to meet mission requirements within realistic fiscal constraints.
- During the **week of January 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will issue a joint press release on the fiscal year 2011 Intellectual Property Rights seizures. CBP and ICE's efforts resulted in 24,792 seizures, totaling \$1.1 billion, in FY11, a 24 percent increase over FY10.
- On **January 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Office of Disability Employment will sign a formal Alliance in Washington, D.C. to ensure that CBP is a model workplace for individuals with disabilities. This initiative is designed to provide employees with information, guidance, and access to resources that will help them to recruit, hire, and advance workers with disabilities and to make individuals with disabilities in the general public aware of opportunities for hiring and advancement within CBP. CBP will be the first federal agency to be a part of this Initiative. Open press.
- In **January**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will release the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Confidentiality and Immigration Remedies Training for DHS personnel. This training focuses on the requirements and protections created by the VAWA and other protections afforded immigrant victims of domestic violence and other certain crimes

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution: December 28, Web Posting: January 6. "FEMA's Process for Tracking Public Assistance Insurance Requirements." Background:** The OIG assessed the strengths and weaknesses of FEMA's process for tracking Public Assistance insurance requirements and issued six recommendations designed to improve the management and oversight of this process. This review covers Public Assistance for 'Category E' work, which includes facilities owned by state, tribal, and local governments, as well as private nonprofit organizations. **Findings:** Noting that some Public Assistance recipients do not comply with the requirement to obtain and maintain insurance, the OIG says that current Public Assistance monitoring may not be sufficient to ensure that Public Assistance recipients do not receive financial aid for damages that are, or should be, covered by insurance. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommends several changes to FEMA's automated insurance data tracking systems, increased oversight of insurance reviews, and completion of the rulemaking process initiated in 2000 and issuance of a final rule that resolves the longstanding problems with Public Assistance insurance regulations. **Response:** FEMA

concur or partially concur with all of the OIG's six recommendations and has taken several steps to address the OIG's concerns, including engaging with regional personnel to conduct a new review process designed to streamline the insurance review process; implementing quality controls at two stages of project review to ensure that all pertinent insurance information is entered correctly into insurance databases; and examining its Public Assistance insurance regulations and evaluating necessary changes in an attempt to complete the rulemaking process initiated in 2000.

- **Expected Congressional Distribution: December 30, Expected Web Posting: January 9. "The Preparedness Directorate's Anti-Deficiency Act Violations for Fiscal Year 2006." Background:** The OIG report assesses whether the Preparedness Directorate violated the Anti-Deficiency Act (ADA) when it used program appropriations to pay for crosscutting services such as training, facilities enhancements, and business office operations of mutual benefit to internal components and offices in FY 2006. **Findings:** The OIG found that the Directorate did violate the ADA and recommends that the current National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) conduct reviews of its shared services transactions from FY 2007 to 2010 to identify and report any ADA violations for those years. The OIG found that 21 ADA violations occurred, totaling \$28.3 million due to the use of program funds to support Management and Administration costs. The OIG recognized that due to the fact that the Preparedness Directorate only existed for slightly more than a year, producing documentation and rationale for decisions made at the time was difficult for NPPD personnel. **Response:** NPPD has taken many corrective actions to prevent recurrence of the actions identified in the OIG report and to ensure compliance with appropriations law and financial regulations and is committed to continuing to strengthen internal controls.

#### *Other Reports*

- On **December 28**, GAO is expected to release a report titled "**Critical Infrastructure Protection: Cybersecurity Guidance Available, but More Can be Done to Promote Its Use.**" **Background:** From October 2010 to October 2011, GAO assessed DHS's efforts to protect cyber critical infrastructure while disseminating and promoting cybersecurity guidance across all critical infrastructure sectors. **Recommendations:** GAO makes one recommendation for DHS, in collaboration with the sector-specific agencies and industry partners, to determine whether it is appropriate to have key cybersecurity guidance listed in sector plans. **Response:** A wide variety of cybersecurity guidance is available to owners and operators of our nation's cyber-reliant critical infrastructure. Leading this effort for the federal government, DHS and its public and private sector partners jointly developed and are implementing the National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP), providing a unifying structure for integrating current and future critical infrastructure protection and resilience efforts. DHS will continue to work with its partners under through the Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council, in accordance with the NIPP framework, to determine whether it is appropriate to have cybersecurity guidance drafted for each sector.

## **V. Legislative Issues**

### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **January 5**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief staff about its biometric program.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **December 22**, FEMA will brief minority staff on the National Level Exercise Program. Closed press.

## **VI. Legal Issues**

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **December 22**, the U.S. Coast Guard will publish a notice in the *Federal Register* announcing the public posting of the *Processing of Merchant Mariner Credentials (MMC) for Mariners Not Requiring a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC)* policy letter. This letter describes the short-term and long-term steps that the Coast Guard is taking to implement the requirements of Section 809 of reference (a), which excludes certain mariners from the statutory requirement to obtain and hold a TWIC in order to receive a MMC.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the **week of December 19**, DHS expects to produce a response to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce request for information from National Protection and Programs Directorate regarding the impact of power sector regulations recently proposed or finalized by the EPA on the nation's Critical Infrastructure and Key Resources.
- On **December 20**, DHS received a letter from Senator Chuck Grassley inquiring about recent foreign travel by senior DHS officials.
- On **December 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement briefed staff in response to a December 8 request from Chairman Michael McCaul of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight Investigations and Management relating to the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious.
- On **December 21**, DHS expects to produce electronic communication generated by, transmitted to, or possessed by a DHS employee related to or involving his work with a fusion center as requested by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations as part of its investigation into fusion centers.
- On **December 21**, DHS expects to produce documents requested by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations at its December 13 briefing by DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis on the Illinois Fusion Center.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to collect documents responsive to requests on the following topics: Advanced Imaging Technology Units; the impact of the LightSquared network on the Global Positioning System (GPS) signal; the impact of power sector regulations recently proposed or finalized by the EPA on the nation's Critical Infrastructure and Key Resources; and the personnel file for a former Federal Security Director.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **December 9**, **Janet Sosa**, with **The Southern Poverty Law Center Immigrant Justice Project** in Atlanta, GA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records related to the Pearl, MI, Police Department's interactions with and policies regarding ICE.
- On **December 9**, **Leslie Patton**, with **Bloomberg News**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a list of McDonald's, Burger King, Wendy's, Taco Bell, Dunkin' Donuts, and Jack-in-the-Box restaurants nationwide that ICE investigated in 2011 for hiring illegal immigrants, including the date the investigation officially began, the type of investigation, the date, if applicable, when ICE sought documents related to hiring, the number of employees investigation, and the outcome of each, i.e., fines issued, number of employees fired and/or deported, and whether the store was close permanently or temporarily.
- On **December 12**, **Susan Carroll**, with **The Houston Chronicle**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records regarding I-9 audits in November and December 2011.
- On **December 13**, **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, requested from DHS the following records: 1) records provided to the Chairman Darrell Issa, whose office had in January 2011 requested from DHS various data concerning the administration of FOIA; and 2) a copy of correspondence sent to Chairman Issa's office on the subject of the January 2011 inquiry in addition to any correspondence sent to Chairman Issa's office on the subject of FOIA.
- On **December 13**, **Michael Morisy**, a blogger with **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, requested from DHS a copy of any initial FOIA requests, processing documents regarding that request, and the resulting responsive documents to any requests received from Senator Ron Wyden or his office relating to Operation In Our Sites, domain seizures, or dajaz1.com. Morisy also requested documents created or compiled in preparation of the seizure of the web domain dajaz1.com as part of Operation In Our Sites.
- On **December 13**, **Eric Tucker**, with **The Associated Press**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a list containing a breakdown of gang affiliations, criminal charges, and deportation histories of the more than 20,000 individuals arrested by ICE since 2005 under Operation Community Shield.



- On **December 14**, **Geoff Newman**, an individual in Lancaster, CA, requested from DHS documents pertaining to Occupy Wall Street and the Occupy Movement 2011.
- On **December 14**, **Ginger Allen**, with *CBS 11 News* in Dallas, TX, requested from the Transportation Security Administration records of all passenger complaints regarding body imaging and scanning machines from June 2008 through the present.
- On **December 14**, **Thomas Dinges**, with *The Star Ledger* in Newark, NJ, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) correspondence between members of Governor Chris Christie's administration and ICE's Office of Congressional Relations, Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations, New Jersey Field Office, and the Office of Detention Policy and Planning.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted a document entitled "Enforcement and Removal Operations Facts and Statistics – December 12, 2011" to its online FOIA library.
- On **December 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jason A. Malinsky**, an attorney with **Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project (IRAP)** in San Francisco, CA, information regarding overseas adjudications of refugee cases.
- On **December 13**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, a list of names and additional data of all U.S. Customs and Border Protection employees arrested, charged, convicted and/or sentenced on corruption-related charges from March 1, 2003, to the present.
- On **December 15**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **David Shapiro**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union's National Prison Project** in Washington, D.C., reports of investigation pertaining to sexual abuse of detainees in U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement custody.
- On **December 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted its August 2011 FOIA Log to its online FOIA library.
- On **December 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Joe Kloc**, with *The Atavist* in San Francisco, CA, records regarding "Operation Lunar Eclipse", an investigation into the loss and recovery of the Apollo 17 "goodwill" moon rocks that were given to the Government of Honduras.
- On **December 20**, DHS released to **Julia Harumi Mass**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of California** in San Francisco, CA correspondence relating to workplace immigration enforcement operations.
- On **December 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY data from the ENFORCE database for 2004 and 2005.
- On **December 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release to **Michael Tan**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union Immigrants' Rights Project** in New York, NY data relating to individuals detained as criminal aliens.
- On **December 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Kevin Crowe**, with **The Watchdog Institute at San Diego State University**, the number of individuals apprehended, detained, and deported by ICE in San Diego, CA.
- On **December 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release to **Matt O'Brien**, with **Bay Area News Group** in Walnut Creek, CA, statistics regarding arrests made through the Secure Communities program in California.
- On **December 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD correspondence concerning the loss of records in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack.
- On **December 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release to **Marcus Stern** with *Reuters* a list of employer violations including the fine amount and other penalties.
- On **December 23**, DHS will release to **Eileen Sullivan** with *The Associated Press* correspondence relating to the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill.



## **VII. Additional items of importance not covered above**

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**Department of Homeland Security**

*Weekly Report*

January 5, 2012

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through the implementation of the IT Inventory Management initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have redeployed excess IT equipment within the Department, avoiding costs of \$16.8 million to date.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **January 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Department of Labor will sign a Disability Hiring Alliance Agreement to support the President's Executive Order 13548 to hire 100,000 federal workers with disabilities in the next five years. The cooperative agreement will support CBP's efforts to increase recruitment, hiring, advancing and retaining workers with disabilities.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 10**, the Science & Technology Directorate will discuss efforts to support the design development of the World Trade Center site including the planning for the deployment and use of chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear countermeasures and response activities with local, state, and federal representatives in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **January 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Todd Keil will discuss intelligence information sharing efforts at the National Infrastructure Advisory Council meeting in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **January 10**, FEMA will host the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF) stakeholder engagement session in Overland Park, KS. The forum, titled *Strengthening Disaster Recovery for the Nation*, is part of a multi-city stakeholder outreach to introduce the NDRF and seek further input on the implementation of the NDRF in state and local communities and how these concepts can be used to drive recovery efforts after a disaster. Closed press.
- From **January 10 to 12**, the Science and Technology Directorate will coordinate a Canadian and U.S. Food Protection Exercise focusing on assisting agencies in communications between the countries during an intentional food contamination event. The exercise will take place via webinar and participants include U.S. and Canadian officials with the responsibilities for food regulation, health, and homeland security. Closed press.
- From **January 10 to 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will hold naturalization ceremonies in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day in Tampa, FL; New York, NY; Atlanta, GA; and Pittsburgh and Philadelphia PA. Open press.
- On **January 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to release a video on human trafficking as part of the DHS Blue Campaign's public education efforts and National Human Trafficking Awareness Month.
- On **January 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder event in Washington, D.C. for the DHS Blue Campaign in honor of Human Trafficking Awareness Day. Leadership and subject matter experts from the Departments of Justice, Labor, Health and Human Services, Transportation, and from Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will participate in a listening session with community-based organizations, advocates, and state and local government partners. Closed press.
- On **January 11**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a teleconference on U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' (USCIS) Validation Instrument for Business Enterprises (VIBE) to hear from employer-petitioners on how VIBE has affected USCIS filings, processing

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times, RFEs, and decisions. VIBE is a tool designed to enhance USCIS adjudications of certain employment-based immigration petitions. VIBE uses commercially available information to validate basic information about companies or organizations petitioning to employ alien workers. Open press.

- On **January 11 and 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss aviation security initiatives and progress in implementing the Declaration on Aviation Security at the International Civil Aviation Organization regional meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Closed press.
- On **January 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host the second in a new series of small external group engagements, *Conversations with the Director*, to discuss a recently updated EB-5 policy memorandum, which provides context to the adjudications standard, define the relevant elements of the program, and contextualize the adjudications and decision-making process. Closed press.
- On **January 12**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the Improvised Nuclear Device (IND) summit at the Argonne National Laboratory in Argonne, IL. The event will focus on the private sector and is part of a continuing joint IND planning program between FEMA Region V, the City of Chicago, and the State of Illinois. Closed press. FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will do local/ regional press as part of this trip.
- On **January 12**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Baltimore Field Office will host a panel presentation to discuss verification issues related to immigrant benefits. The panel will include representatives from the USCIS Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman's Office, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration and the Social Security Administration. Closed press.
- On **January 12**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey and Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will participate in a briefing hosted by the National Governors Association for state Homeland Security Advisors and D.C. Office Directors on the Beyond the Border action plan. Closed press.
- From **January 14 to 21**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Warren Stern will travel to Tel Aviv, Israel to participate in a bilateral "Black Cloud" Radiological Dispersion Device exercise run by the Israeli Ministry of Defense and meet with Israeli officials. Closed press.

### III. Legal Issues

#### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **January 11**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Temporary Protected Status (TPS) Notice titled, *Extension of the Designation of El Salvador for TPS and Automatic Extension of Employment Authorization Documentation for TPS Beneficiaries* will be published in the *Federal Register*. The Notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security has extended the designation of El Salvador for TPS for 18 months from its current expiration date. The Secretary has determined that the extension is warranted because the conditions in El Salvador that prompted the TPS designation continue to be met. The Notice also sets forth procedures necessary for nationals of El Salvador with TPS to re-register and to apply for an extension of their Employment Authorization Documents with USCIS.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement created a new section in their online FOIA Library entitled "Office of Detention Oversight Detention Facility Compliance Inspections."
- On **December 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted the following documents to its online FOIA Library: 1) the 2011 Santa Ana Jail Compliance Inspection report; 2) the Secure Communities Fiscal Year 2011 3rd Quarter Congressional report; and 3) Fiscal Year 2011 year-to-date Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Statistics.
- On **December 20**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Alison Gendar** with the *New York Daily News*, audit work papers consisting of expense data and quarterly reports of the World Trade Center Captive Insurance Company.

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- On **December 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the following documents to their online FOIA Library: 1) the 2011 Glades County Detention Center Compliance Inspection report; 2) the 2011 Morgan County Adult Detention Center Compliance Inspection report; and 3) the Henderson Detention Center Compliance Inspection report.
- On **December 23**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) released to **Jason Smathers**, with *MuckRock.com* in Boston, MA, a list of training videos produced by FLETC in Fiscal Year 2011.
- On **December 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Dan Stein**, with the **Federation for American Immigration Reform** in Washington, D.C., memoranda and emails related to ICE's prosecutorial discretion policies.
- On **January 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Craig Keller** with **Respect Washington** in Seattle, WA copies of correspondence between ICE and Washington Governor Christine Gregoire and Oregon Governor John Kitzhaber regarding Secure Communities.
- On **January 5**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will release to **Kary Moss**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan**, lesson plans related to the training of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement personnel.

#### **IV. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (December 26 to January 1):** TSA referred 1 passenger to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 23 firearms and 1 artfully concealed prohibited item at checkpoints.
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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

January 12, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- DHS has identified more than \$13.4 million in cost avoidances, since 2009, by reducing travel expenditures through the elimination of non-mission critical travel and by leveraging web-base communications in lieu of travel to conferences.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **January 18**, the Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Capabilities Assistant Administrator Robin Kane will kick off the TSA Pre<sup>√</sup>™ pilot at Los Angeles International Airport. Open press.
- On **January 19**, Associate Administrator for FEMA's Federal Insurance and Mitigation Management David Miller will be interviewed on flood mitigation efforts for an Association of State Floodplain Managers' publication slated for publication in February.
- On **January 19**, FEMA will issue a press release highlighting the recipients of the Champions of Change series coordinated with the White House and DHS. The release will highlight sixteen individuals for their innovative work to prepare their communities for disasters and build a more resilient nation.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **January 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will issue a draft policy memorandum for public comment to address certain foundational issues in the EB-5 Program to ensure that the immigrant's investment of capital is in a new commercial enterprise that creates jobs. The memo will provide context to the adjudications standard, define the relevant elements of the program, and contextualize the adjudications and decision-making process.
- On **January 18**, the San Ysidro Port of Entry will hold an official ribbon cutting ceremony recognizing the opening of the new Ready Lanes, dedicated primary vehicle lanes for travelers entering the U.S. at land border ports of entry. Travelers who obtain and travel with a Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative compliant Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) enabled travel document may use Ready Lanes to expedite the inspection process while crossing the border.
- On **January 19**, the United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) and the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will launch a training effort for all US-CERT personnel focused on identifying and preventing civil rights and civil liberties issues in US-CERT's cybersecurity activities.
- On **January 20**, the Secure Flight program will begin receiving records from the DHS Watchlist Service, enabling real-time updates from the Terrorist Screening Center to Secure Flight for all terrorist watchlist records including the No Fly and Selectee lists.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on January 12, Web Posting on January 23: "Fire Station Construction Grants Funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009." Background:** From February to June 2011, the OIG examined FEMA's use of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds in Fire Station Construction (FSC) grants, a new grant program established by the Recovery Act. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommended improved program monitoring in order to analyze grant program performance measures identified in the FSC Recovery Act plan. The OIG also recommended that FEMA ensure that corrective actions from FSC grant financial desk reviews are communicated to FEMA's Grants Program Directorate leadership. **Response:** FEMA concurs with both recommendations and recognizes the importance of continuing to improve the grants management process. Significant progress

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has been made and an improved monitoring plan and protocols for the station construction grants are in development, addressing an OIG recommendation.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 17**, Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will visit the El Paso Intelligence Center in El Paso, TX and will meet with General Charles Jacoby, Commander of U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM).
- On **January 17**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak at the National Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Disaster Management Summit in New Orleans, LA (open press). While in New Orleans, Fugate will also deliver the keynote address at the International Disaster Conference and Expo, where he will discuss public-private partnerships (closed press).
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- On **January 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will address community-based organizations, advocates, and state and local government partners regarding the analysis that USCIS officers use when evaluating evidence submitted in support of the Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker. Closed press.
- On **January 18**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will participate in a White House Council on Women and Girls roundtable discussion on protections for the victims of domestic violence and other crimes hosted by the Inland Empire Hispanic Leadership Council in Riverside, CA. Closed press.
- On **January 18 and 19**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host the U.S. Secret Service and multiple law enforcement agencies in the National Capital Region including U.S. Capitol Police, U.S. Park Police, and the FBI for training to prepare for the State of the Union in Cheltenham, MD.
- On **January 18 and 19**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center's Rural Policing Institute will deliver law enforcement training in support of the White House's Drug Endangered Children Initiative and will provide a workshop on sex crimes investigations aimed at assisting tribal law enforcement officers in investigating and prosecuting sexual assault cases in Dulce, NM. Closed press.
- On **January 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher is scheduled to give brief remarks on the Border Patrol National Strategy, the strategic plan for strengthening the security of the nation's border between the ports of entry, at the National Sheriffs' Association Winter Conference in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 19**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will meet with stakeholders in San Jose, CA to share information about the work of the Ombudsman's Office and discuss issues related to the delivery of immigration services and benefits in their area. Closed press.
- On **January 19**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will host its quarterly meeting of the NGO Civil Rights and Civil Liberties committee with national civil rights and advocacy organizations in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **January 19**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss issues relating to general aviation, including the Large Aircraft Security Program, Repair Station Rule, Alien Flight Student Program, Private Charter Standard Security Program, Temporary Flight Restrictions, and Secure Flight with stakeholders at the General Aviation Coalition Meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **January 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks at the grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for USCIS' newest field office in Queens, NY. The Queens office is the first full service immigration office in New York City outside of Manhattan. Representative Carolyn Maloney will speak at the event. Open press.
- On **January 21, 28, and 30**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will participate in White House Hispanic Community Action Summits in San Jose, CA; Phoenix, AZ; and



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Tucson, AZ to share information about DHS and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' efforts to implement our nation's immigration laws. Contreras will also highlight the Department's work in support of victims of domestic violence and other crimes. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **January 25, TBD** DHS representatives will testify on DHS's strategy to address evolving and emerging threats.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Ways and Means Committee**

- On **January 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will meet with staff to discuss CBP's trade initiatives.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **January 18 and 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide staff with a tour of the El Paso Intelligence Center and provide a border intelligence fusion section briefing at staff's request. The focus of the briefings will be on Homeland Security Investigations Border Enforcement Security Task Force and interagency coordination among law enforcement agencies along the border. Closed press.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigation and Management**

- On **January 19**, the Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) will brief staff on HSAC membership.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **January 16 to 21**, representatives from U.S. Secret Service, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection will provide a Country Team briefing on Peru and Columbia to congressional staff from House and Senate Appropriations Committees regarding Project Colombia and Project Peru counterfeit operations in Cartagena, Colombia and will give a tour of operations at the Port of Cartagena.



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- On **January 18**, Customs and Border Protection will brief staff from Senator Feinstein's office on staffing issues at the Los Angeles International and Oakland airports.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *Litigation*

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **January 18**, the DHS Notice titled, "**Identification of Foreign Countries Whose Nationals are Eligible to Participate in the H-2A and H-2B Nonimmigrant Worker Programs**" will publish in the *Federal Register*. Under DHS regulations, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services may approve petitions for H-2A and H-2B nonimmigrant status only for nationals of countries that the Secretary of Homeland Security, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, has designated by notice published in the *Federal Register* which must be renewed each year. This notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is identifying 58 countries whose nationals are eligible to participate in the H-2A and H-2B programs for the coming year. New countries on this year's list include Haiti, Iceland, Montenegro, Spain, and Switzerland.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted the list of detainee deaths and the November 2011 FOIA log to its online FOIA Library.
- On **January 5**, DHS posted to its online FOIA Library FOIA logs from October and November.
- On **January 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Azadeh Shahshahani**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia** in Atlanta, GA, copies of contracts, agreements and detention reviews concerning detention facilities in Georgia.
- On **January 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Carroll**, with *The Houston Chronicle* documents concerning the January 13, 2011 death of Juan Palomo-Rodriquez while in ICE custody.
- On **January 10**, DHS released to **Conor Kennedy** with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC)** in Washington, D.C. records relating to DHS's use of social media.
- On **January 10**, DHS released to **Sean Dunagan** with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C. correspondence relating to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's prosecutorial discretion guidance as implemented in Baltimore, MD and Denver, CO.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (January 2 to January 8):** TSA found 21 firearms and 1 artfully concealed prohibited item at checkpoints.
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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

January 19, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified \$3.9 million in cost avoidances, since 2009, through continued implementation of the Energy Efficiencies and Energy Management Efficiency Review initiatives as well Component-led efforts to reduce energy consumption, through such means as installing energy efficient lighting and implementing power-management settings on desktops and laptops.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **February 7**, Individuals across nine states will participate in the 2012 Great Central U.S. ShakeOut. FEMA has begun to send news releases regarding the upcoming ShakeOut and will highlight the participation of private sector partners.

### *Upcoming Policy Announcements*

- On **January 20**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will announce that Alaska Airlines will join the TSA Pre✓™ program to focus on pre-screening of individuals who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying in order to expedite the process for lower-risk, known travelers whenever possible. Specific airports and timing of enrollment are TBD while the airline works through system changes.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on January 23; Web Posting on January 31: “CBP's Management Controls over Bonded Facilities.” Background:** December 2010 to November 2011, the OIG conducted a review of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) cargo security systems at bonded facilities, privately owned and operated buildings in which merchandise may be stored without payment of duty for up to five years from the date of importation, to determine whether CBP has effective management controls at these facilities. **Findings:** The OIG findings state CBP does not yet have effective management controls to ensure employees are properly vetted at bonded facilities. **Recommendations:** The OIG made four recommendations to standardize and improve vetting of bonded facility employees. **Response:** CBP has a layered approach to cargo security and takes a number of actions to mitigate security risks through cargo targeting and screening before the cargo arrives at a bonded facility. In addition, the bonded facilities used by CBP have physical and custodial security measures in place to ensure the safety and security of the merchandise.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a teleconference to discuss the EB-5 Immigrant Investor program. The focus of this engagement will be with state government partners and will address issues raised by state and local governments related to the EB-5 program. Open press.
- On **January 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will participate in the monthly American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators Outreach Teleconference. USCIS will provide an overview of the I-20 certification that a student is eligible for an F-1 visa. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with African American community leaders as follow up to the August 2011 African American Leadership Summit. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman is tentatively scheduled to travel to Canada to conduct Beyond the Border outreach with Public Safety Canada counterparts, provide Canadian officials with a brief on the DHS Northern Border strategy, meet with his Citizenship and Immigration Canada

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counterpart and U.S. Ambassador to Canada David Jacobson, and participate in media interviews with Canadian outlets.

- On **January 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host a national stakeholder engagement in Washington, D.C. to discuss USCIS's 2011 accomplishments and 2012 priorities. Open press.
- On **January 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will meet in Washington, D.C. with the Naturalization Working Group, a group of national stakeholders in citizenship and naturalization policy issues. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Todd Keil will deliver remarks at the Las Vegas Regional Resiliency Assessment Program in Las Vegas, NV. The program is an interagency effort to assess specific critical infrastructure combined with regional analysis of surrounding infrastructure including key resources to reduce vulnerability to all-hazards threats. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will meet with Botswana Permanent Secretary Newman Kahiya in Washington, D.C. and to discuss U.S. preparedness efforts. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to New Orleans, LA to participate in the Bilateral Senior Leadership Meeting with Canada Border Services Agency officials to discuss the implementation of the Beyond the Border plan. Closed press.
- From **January 24 to 26**, the *Stop. Think. Connect.* Campaign will host meetings and events in Miami with state, local, and academic stakeholders as well as the public to promote safe online habits. Open press.
- On **January 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will host a cultural repatriation of a Pissarro painting to the government of France at The Kreeger Museum in Washington, D.C. The painting was allegedly stolen in 1981, was discovered as stolen work prior to auction in 2003, seized in 2006 and forfeited to the U.S. government in 2010. ICE Director John Morton and French Ambassador François Delattre will give remarks. Open press.
- On **January 25**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement Assistant Administrator John Sammon will discuss standards for integrated supply chain security at the 2012 Transportation Research Board of the National Academies meeting in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **January 25**, US-VISIT Director Bob Mocny will deliver remarks on the US-VISIT modernization efforts and other initiatives at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement Biometrics for National Security and Defense conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **January 25 and 26**, the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will conduct a joint USA-Sweden exercise using DHS S&T's Standard Unified Modeling, Mapping & Integration Toolkit (SUMMIT) with counterparts from Sweden's National Center for Crisis Management Research and Training and the Swedish Civil Contingency Agency to evaluate local and international interoperability and demonstrate connectivity among diverse multi-national emergency response and communications systems. No anticipated public impact. Open press.
- On **January 26**, the Science and Technology Directorate will demonstrate an inflatable tunnel plug at West Virginia University's test tunnel in Morgantown, WV. The tunnel plug is designed to prevent flooding in mass transit tunnels, and will be tested to meet specific requirements provided by a U.S. mass transit agency to determine whether it will install tunnel plugs in its system. No public impact expected. Closed press.
- On **January 26**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will conduct the first national Think Tank conference call to discuss ideas generated from the Idea Forum. Think Tank is a forum to engage FEMA partners, promote innovation, and facilitate discussions in the field of emergency management. Calls are open to the public and press.
- On **January 28 and 30**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will participate in White House Hispanic Community Action Summits in Phoenix, AZ and Tucson, AZ, to share information about DHS efforts to implement our nation's immigration laws. Contreras will also highlight the Department's work in support of victims of domestic violence and other crimes. Open press.

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- On **January 30**, U.S Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik will deliver the keynote address on Guardian Unmanned Aerial Surveillance operations and the future of the unmanned program at the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI) Maritime Unmanned Systems Conference which is being held concurrently with the International Maritime Conference in Sydney, Australia. Open press.
- On **January 30**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will speak at a Beyond The Border and Regulatory Cooperation Council stakeholder outreach event hosted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **January 25**, DHS Office of Policy, Office of Strategic Plans Deputy Assistant Secretary Alan Cohn will testify on DHS's strategy to address evolving and emerging threats.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **January 30**, the U.S. Coast Guard 7<sup>th</sup> District Commander Rear Admiral William Baumgartner and Director of Response Policy Rear Admiral Cari Thomas will testify on Coast Guard oil spill response to spills off the coasts of Cuba and the Bahamas.

#### **House Energy and Commerce Committee**

- On **February 3**, a TBD representative from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on DHS's Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS).

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **February 7**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify on the Screening Partnership Program.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Commerce Committee and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **January 23**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on the screening of inbound international air cargo, the Standard Security Program, and the National Cargo Security Program.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **January 25**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on air the screening of inbound international air cargo, the Standard Security Program, and the National Cargo Security Program.

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- On **January 27**, FEMA Chief Human Capital Officer Sheila Clark will brief staff about FEMA's initiatives relating to the Partnership for Public Service's Best Places to Work survey.

#### **House and Senate Appropriations Committees, Subcommittees on Homeland Security**

- On **January 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski will brief staff on the status of the Arizona technology deployment plan at the request of the committees. Closed press.
- On **January 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Tomscheck will brief staff on CBP integrity programs, including polygraph examinations, background investigations, and periodic re-investigations, at the request of the committees.

#### **House Appropriations Committee and Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **January 27**, DHS will brief staff on the Department's enhanced biographic exit plan, biometric implementation plan, and visa overstays.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **January 23 to 26**, FEMA Grants Programs Directorate Assistant Administrator Elizabeth Harman will brief staff from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Senate Appropriations Committee, and House Committee on Homeland Security on managing grants for sustainability in Fiscal Year 2012 and beyond; the risk methodology informing funding decisions for the Fiscal Year 2012 preparedness grant programs; and an overview of efforts for expediting the draw-down of preparedness grant funds. This briefing will also serve as a listening session for the Committee's expectations for the Fiscal Year 2012 preparedness grant programs. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with Senators Charles Schumer and Richard Durbin, and representatives of national immigration groups at the Senators' request. Closed press.
- On **January 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with Resident Commissioner Pedro Pierluisi of Puerto Rico in Washington, D.C. to discuss drug-related violence in Puerto Rico at Pierluisi's request. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legal Issues**

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 13**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Eileen Sullivan**, with *The Associated Press* records submitted to the Office of the Executive Secretariat collected in response to the Secretary's January 21, 2009 directive regarding transportation security.
- On **January 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Jason Malinsky** with the **Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project**, documents regarding the review of refugee cases and overseas adjudications.
- On **January 23**, DHS will release to **Michael Grabell** with *ProPublica*, emails and fact sheets regarding backscatter advanced imaging technology units and the company Rapiscan.

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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

January 26, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$335 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce training costs by converting instructor-led trainings to online courses, reducing reliance on training vendors by developing courses in-house, and aligning training needs to agency priorities.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **January 24**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) announced that Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport will join the TSA Pre✓™ program and on **January 31** New York's JFK International Airport will join the program. TSA Pre✓™ pre-screens individuals who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying in order to expedite the process for lower-risk, known travelers whenever possible.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- The **week of January 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) expects to publish the DHS Language Access plan, as required under Executive Order 13166, *Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency*, (August 11, 2000), which describes the Department's resources and strategies for providing meaningful access to DHS programs and activities to people with limited English proficiency.
- On **January 30**, the Coast Guard will release revision 6 of the Maritime Security Directive 104-6 that will remove Sri Lanka and add the Gulf of Guinea to the list of High Risk Water Areas. This Directive only applies to U.S. flagged vessels subject to the Maritime Transportation Security Act on international voyages through or in designated high risk waters, and provides additional counter-piracy guidance and mandatory measures for these vessels operating in these areas where acts of piracy and armed robbery against ships are prevalent.
- By **January 31**, as part of its broader cargo security initiative, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will release the conversion of the Certified Cargo Standard Security Program regulatory vehicle to participating shippers in accordance with the Air Cargo Final Rule, which will permit shippers to screen air cargo following strict facility, process, personnel and chain of custody requirements to support the 100 percent screening requirements of the 9/11 Act for cargo transported on passenger aircraft. TSA will also update Air Cargo Standard Security programs for passenger and all-cargo airlines with a planned effective date of June 2012 that will provide for 100 percent screening of inbound passenger air cargo by the end of 2012.
- On **February 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will post the Transfer Directive, issued on January 4, on their website. This Directive establishes new prioritized transfer determinations that are meant to minimize, to the extent possible, detainee transfers outside the area of responsibility and to generate cost savings.
- On **February 7**, individuals across nine states will participate in the 2012 Great Central U.S. ShakeOut.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on January 30, Web Posting on February 7: "The Preparedness Directorate's Anti-Deficiency Act Violations for Fiscal Year 2006 Shared Service Administrative Assessments."** **Background:** The OIG report assesses whether the Preparedness Directorate violated the Anti-Deficiency Act (ADA) when it used program appropriations to pay for crosscutting services such as training, facilities enhancements, and business office operations of mutual benefit to internal components

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and offices in FY 2006. **Findings:** The OIG found that the Directorate did violate the ADA in FY 2006 and found that 21 violations occurred totaling \$28.3 million due to the use of program funds to support Management and Administration costs. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommends that the current National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) conduct reviews of its shared services transactions from FY 2007 to 2010 to identify and report any ADA violations for those years. **Response:** NPPD has taken many corrective actions to prevent recurrence of the actions identified in the OIG report and to ensure compliance with appropriations law and financial regulations and is committed to continuing to strengthen internal controls.

- **Congressional Distribution on February 1, Web Posting on February 9: “Allegations of Misconduct and Illegal Discrimination and Retaliation in the Federal Air Marshal Service.” Background:** From May 2010 to April 2011, the OIG assessed allegations of misconduct, discrimination and retaliation in the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service (OLE/FAMS). **Findings:** The OIG found no evidence of widespread discrimination or retaliation in OLE/FAMS. However, the report does state that employee perceptions of discrimination do exist and stem from poor communication with the workforce. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes twelve recommendations for TSA, which include formalizing in writing or clarifying policies or guidance in a variety of topics related to human capital, work assignments, discipline process and awards as well as the creation of an action plan to address workplace issues identified in the OIG’s workforce survey. **Response:** While the OLE/FAMS faces organizational challenges, the OIG notes that these challenges do not interfere with the mission of the agency. Through working groups, listening sessions, and advisory councils, FAMS leadership has demonstrated its commitment to improving communications within the workforce.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **January 28 to February 5**, DHS will participate in multiple events relating to Super Bowl XLV in Indianapolis, IN. On January 28 and 29, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will provide First Observer Super Bowl Training on counterterrorism and security awareness to transportation employees of the National Football League (open press). On February 2, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will discuss ICE’s efforts to combat Intellectual Property Rights-related violations during a joint National Football League press conference.
- On **January 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a discussion with business leaders the legal and policy issues related to the non-immigrant, short-term work visa commonly called the L-1 visa, hosted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar is meeting with the Director-General of Abu Dhabi Customs, Saheed Al Muhairi to discuss continued collaboration on customs and border security issues. Closed press.
- On **January 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary Bobbie Stempfley will discuss the National Cyber Incident Response Plan and the success of public-private partnerships at the Homeland Security Dialogue Forum in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 30**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will hold a conference call with representatives from the National Emergency Management Association, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials to discuss alignment of emergency management and health grants among the agencies. Closed press.
- On **January 30**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will speak at a Beyond the Border and Regulatory Cooperation Council stakeholder outreach event in Washington, D.C. hosted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in coordination with the Department of Commerce.
- On **January 31**, US-VISIT Director Bob Mocny will speak about developing a framework to address identity management at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C. Open press.



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- On **January 31**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan will participate on a panel to discuss DHS's protection of privacy and civil liberties at the Center for Strategic and International Studies Conference. Open press.
- On **January 31**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a webinar for current Citizenship and Integration Grant Program award recipients featuring representatives from Welcoming America, a national organization that works to promote cooperation between foreign-born and U.S.-born Americans, to discuss promising practices for immigrant receiving communities. Closed press.
- On **January 31**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the Labor Management Partnership Council. The remarks will focus on internal policy changes. Closed press.
- On **January 31 and February 2**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak at National Disaster Response Framework (NDRF) stakeholder engagement forums in Harrisburg, PA and Boston, MA as part of a multi-city stakeholder outreach to introduce the NDRF and seek input on how these concepts can be used to drive recovery efforts after a disaster. Closed press.
- On **February 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a teleconference on "Consular Notification Process on Immigrant and Non-immigrant Approvals as Related to Visa Issuance." Community-based organizations, advocates, and federal, state and local government partners have been invited to participate. Closed press.
- On **February 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder teleconference to discuss options and issues relating to the deployment and implementation of a potential administrative review process related to E-Verify final non-confirmations. Community-based organizations, general advocates, and federal, state and local government partners have been invited to participate.
- From **February 1 to 2**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning, and FEMA Grant Programs Assistant Administrator Elizabeth Harmon will speak at the National Governors Association Governors Homeland Security Advisors Council meeting in Arlington, VA. Discussions will include Hurricane Irene Recovery, outcomes from testing the Emergency Alert System, FEMA initiatives affecting homeland security, the future of Homeland Security grants, and Presidential Policy Directive-8 (PPD-8). Closed press.
- On **February 3**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak at the State Department's Tech@State event at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. The topic of the conference is how to use social media to create real-time awareness. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **January 30**, the U.S. Coast Guard 7<sup>th</sup> District Commander Rear Admiral William Baumgartner and Director of Response Policy Rear Admiral Cari Thomas will testify on Coast Guard oil spill response to spills off the coasts of Cuba and the Bahamas.

#### **House Energy and Commerce Committee**

- On **February 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will testify on DHS's Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS).

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **February 3**, DHS Office of Policy, Office of Strategic Plans Deputy Assistant Secretary Alan Cohn will testify on DHS's strategy to address evolving and emerging threats.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **February 7**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify on the Screening Partnership Program.

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**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations, and Procurement Reform**

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**Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

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*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **January 31**, FEMA will brief staff on the Pre-positioned Equipment Program. Closed press.

**House and Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittees on Homeland Security**

- During the **week of January 30<sup>th</sup>**, Coast Guard will brief staff on the status of Coast Guard Aviation Forces.
- On **February 1**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will brief staff on implementation of the findings of the OIG Report "Federal Emergency Management Agency Faces Challenges in Modernizing Information Technology," the initial effort to formulate the modernization plan for each major component within FEMA, and agency core capabilities. Closed press.

**House Committee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 1**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and FEMA will brief majority staff on DHS's involvement with fusion centers.

**House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **February 1**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will meet with staff on the FY 2012 Appropriations bill and accompanying committee reports. Closed press.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations**

- On **February 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief staff on detainees at the staff's request. Closed press.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **February 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski will brief staff on the Border Condition Index (BCI). This briefing is intended to serve as an introduction to the BCI and was requested by Committee staff. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

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- On **January 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge New York Jim Hayes will meet with Representative Joe Crowley and members of the Emerald Isle Immigration Center to discuss prosecutorial discretion and immigration enforcement in New York, NY at Representative Crowley's request. Closed press.
- On **January 31**, FEMA, and representatives from NOAA will host a webinar on winter weather predictions, FEMA Snow Policy, and Winter Preparedness open to all Hill staff. Closed press.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- During the week of **January 30**, the **U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Global Entry Program Final Rule** will publish in the *Federal Register*. This final rule adopts, with some changes, a notice of proposed rulemaking published in the *Federal Register* on November 19, 2009, which proposed establishing an international trusted traveler program called Global Entry. This voluntary program allows CBP to expedite clearance of pre-approved, low-risk air travelers arriving in the United States. This final rule establishes Global Entry as an ongoing voluntary regulatory program and does not substantially change the program other than the elimination of the minimum age for enrollment in the Global Entry Program.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Josh Gerstein**, with *POLITICO* material released on December 28, 2011 as part of the Secure Communities FOIA Litigation.
- On **January 25**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Emily Willard** with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C. documents regarding the training of personnel in Mexico for enhanced border protection through the Merida Initiative.
- On **January 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Susan Carroll** with the *Houston Chronicle* data related to worksite enforcement I-9 inspections and investigations.
- On **January 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Eric Tucker** with the *Associated Press* statistics relating to the number of gang members through Operation Community Shield.
- On **January 26**, DHS will release to **Robert O'Harrow** with the *Washington Post* records of correspondence between DHS personnel and contracting personnel from the firm First Source.

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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

February 2, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Since 2009, DHS has identified more than \$13 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce contract costs and improve contract management by consolidating contracts, transitioning to more effective contracts, leveraging bulk purchase discounts, and performing work in-house.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- From **February 3 to 8**, U.K. production company Electric Sky will film U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) operations at Los Angeles/Long Beach Seaport for the first episode of the second season of Discovery Channel 3D's *Super Systems*, which looks at companies, services, and infrastructures focusing on the difficult tasks performed daily that keep these organizations running. The date of airing is TBD.
- On **February 7**, nine states across the central United States will participate in The Great Central U.S. ShakeOut. As part of the event, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will attend an in-store drill at Walmart in Memphis, TN, with customers and employees as part of a daylong earthquake preparedness activity and will participate in media interviews.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **February 6**, FEMA will launch the Workforce Transformation initiative, an employee engagement initiative designed to ensure that all FEMA employees act as a prepared, well-trained, engaged and informed team. FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino, and FEMA Chief of Staff Jason McNamara will travel to each of the FEMA regions throughout the week to announce the new initiatives to FEMA employees. Closed press.
- On **February 6**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will announce to airlines the last phase of the Secure Flight final rule that will enhance security by vetting passengers who fly on international flights over the United States through the Secure Flight Program. TSA will begin working with industry to implement this component of the final rule in the coming month.
- During the **week of February 6**, DHS expects to publish the DHS Language Access plan, as required under Executive Order 13166, *Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency*, (August 11, 2000), which describes the Department's resources and strategies for providing meaningful access to DHS programs and activities to people with limited English proficiency.
- On **February 8 and 9**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Center for Domestic Preparedness will pilot two courses that will allow state, local and tribal responders to train for the first time with nonpathogenic biological materials (Ricin A-chain and Bacillus anthracis delta Sterne) along with nerve agents GB and VX. This new biological training is based on the need for increased biological response capabilities identified in the 2008 threat assessment by the Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation and Terrorism, the *Quadrennial Homeland Security Review Report* (Feb. 2010), and the *Bio-Response Report Card* (Oct. 2011).
- On **February 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will roll out its expansion of E-Verify Self Check to 50 states, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Guam and encourage job seekers to use Self Check. USCIS is planning for Director Mayorkas to headline a media event in Orlando, FL to include DHS and federal, state, and local partners. Open press.
- On **February 17**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the FY 2012 preparedness grant guidance.

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- **Congressional Distribution on February 10, Web Posting on February 21: “DHS Contracts Awarded Through Other Than Full and Open Competition During FY 2011.” Background:** As required each fiscal year since FY 2008, the OIG is required to review DHS’s contracts awarded through other than full and open competition to determine departmental compliance with applicable laws and regulations. **Findings:** The OIG concluded that the Department continued to show improvements during fiscal year 2011 with documenting support for noncompetitive contracting decisions, and that deficiencies with documentation for justification and approval, market research, acquisition planning, and past performance declined significantly over this 3-year period. **Recommendations:** The OIG made two recommendations to help DHS continue to improve acquisition management oversight. **Response:** As the OIG notes, DHS has significantly strengthened its acquisition management oversight by making improvements documenting support for non competitive contracting decisions in the areas of justifications and approvals, market research, and past performance.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **February 5 to 12**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will host an International Industry Representative Summit in Miami, FL to discuss international initiatives, including aviation security requirements for foreign air carriers. Closed press.
- From **February 7 to 9**, the Transportation Security Administration will host the International Air Marshal Training Workshop in Atlantic City, NJ which will focus on improvised explosive devices and related mitigation strategies. Closed press.
- On **February 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will speak at the National Narcotics Officers’ Associations’ Coalition Board of Delegates meeting in Washington, D.C., on CBP collaboration with state, local and other federal agencies on transnational organized crime along our borders. Closed press.
- On **February 8**, U.S. Fire Administration Administrator Ernest Mitchell will deliver keynote remarks at the National Mass Evacuation Framework Summit in Fairfax, VA. The summit is hosted by the National Governors Association, International Association of Fire Chiefs and National Fire Prevention Association. Open press.
- On **February 9**, Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will discuss current collaborative projects with Australian government counterparts as well as potential pathways forward in anticipation of the Australian Government’s realignment of its national security research and development portfolio in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **February 9 and 10**, Citizen and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will host stakeholder meetings in Cincinnati and Cleveland, OH to share information about the work of the Ombudsman’s Office and to discuss issues related to the delivery of immigration benefits and services in those communities, specifically focusing on employment-based immigration and T and U visa certification issues for victims of trafficking and crime. Closed press.
- On **February 10**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon and National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity Bobbie Stempfley will discuss cybersecurity threats at the Domestic Security Alliance Council Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

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- On **February 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will testify on ICE's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 28**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar is scheduled to testify on CBP's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Rand Beers will testify on NPPD's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 7**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Under Secretary Tara O'Toole will testify on S&T's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 8**, Secret Service Director Mark Sullivan will testify on the Secret Service's FY 2013 budget request in a closed hearing.

**House Homeland Security Committee**

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**House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

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**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations, and Procurement Reform**

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**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **February 29**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will testify on FEMA's FY 2013 budget request.

**Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **March 8**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.

**House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **March 22**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will testify on I&A's FY 2013 budget request in a closed hearing.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

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- On **February 6**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief staff on aviation safety and lessons learned.
- On **February 8**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief staff on the status of the Fast Response Cutter acquisition program.

#### **House Appropriations Committee**

- On **February 8**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide a classified threat briefing to members to discuss current threats to the homeland.

#### **House and Senate Appropriation Committees**

- On **February 7**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Norm Dong and FEMA Assistant Administrator for the National Continuity Programs Damon Penn will deliver a briefing on capital improvements at Mount Weather.
- On **February 7**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Norm Dong will deliver a briefing on Disaster Relief Fund methodology and report formatting.
- On **February 9**, FEMA, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, and the Office of Infrastructure Protection will brief staff on FY 2012 grants.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief minority staff on the seizure and forfeiture of website domain names as part of Operation In Our Sites at the staff's request. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 9**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss the Science and Technology Directorate with Representative Ben Quayle. Closed press.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a tour of CBP operations at the Port of Nogales, AZ for Representatives Grijalva, Gutierrez and Reyes. Closed press.
- On **February 10**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will provide a tour and briefing of the Glynco facility to Senator Saxby Chambliss and his staff. Closed press.

## **IV. Legal Issues**

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **February 1**, DHS submitted to OMB the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking titled, "Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility for Certain Immediate Relatives." On January 9, USCIS announced its intention to change its current process for filing and adjudication of certain applications for waivers of inadmissibility filed in connection with an immediate relative immigrant visa application. USCIS now proposes to amend its regulations to allow certain immediate relatives of U.S. citizens who are physically present in the United States to request provisional unlawful presence waivers under section 212(a)(9)(B)(v) of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, as amended (INA or Act), 8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(9)(B)(v), prior to departing from the United States for consular processing of their immigrant visa applications. Under the proposal, USCIS would grant a provisional unlawful presence waiver that would become fully effective upon the alien's departure from the United States and the U.S. Department of State (DOS) consular officer's determination at the time of the immigrant visa interview that, in light of the approved provisional unlawful presence waiver and other evidence of record, the alien is otherwise admissible to the United States and eligible to receive an immigrant visa. USCIS anticipates that the proposed changes will significantly reduce the length of time U.S. citizens are separated from their immediate relatives who are required to remain outside of the United States for immigrant visa application processing and during adjudication of a waiver of inadmissibility. USCIS also believes that the proposed process, which reduces the degree of interchange between the DOS and USCIS, will create efficiencies for both the U.S. Government and most applicants.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 31**, DHS released to **David Sobel** with the **Electronic Frontier Foundation** in Washington, D.C. correspondence relating to the High Level Contact Group.



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- On **January 31**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Robert Deasy** with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, D.C. the latest version of the Adjudicator's Field Manual.
- On **January 31**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Michael George** with *NBC Action News* in Tampa, FL records relating to security issues and threats for the Port of Tampa.
- On **January 31**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Mike Soraghan** with *Greenwire and E&E Daily* in Washington, D.C. memos and letters related to Jones Act waiver requests.
- On **February 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Steve Emerson** with **SAE Productions, Inc.** in Washington, D.C. communications between DHS and the Muslim Public Affairs Council of Western New York.
- On **February 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Bede Sheppard** with **Human Rights Watch** in New York, NY data related to unaccompanied alien children from China that were in immigration removal proceedings from FY 1999 to the present.
- On **February 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Yang Wang** with the *Houston Chronicle* data relating to the EB-5 Immigrant Investment Program.
- On **February 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Susan Long** with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse**, data regarding individuals ICE has placed detainers on from October 2007 to the present.
- On **February 3**, DHS will release to **Patrick McHugh** with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee**, correspondence between DHS and Hawaii Governor Linda Lingle.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (January 23 to January 29):** TSA found 31 firearms and 2 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **January 27**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 336 AIT units at 94 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 28**, 326,298 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than one million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 5.8 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **February 1**, President Obama has signed 236 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$16.5 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

February 9, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- On **February 7**, DHS launched eight new Efficiency Review initiatives, based on ideas submitted by DHS employees through the 2011 ThinkEfficiency Campaign. These employees proposed common-sense ideas that will improve DHS' day-to-day operations and save the Department more than \$50 million dollars over the next four years.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **February 13**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a number of calls with members of Congress, state and local leaders and other stakeholders to roll-out the Department's new grants vision in FY 2013, included in the President's budget.
- On **February 14**, Secretary Napolitano will have an off-the-record meeting with CNN reporter Fareed Zakaria. The Secretary will meet jointly with Senator Lieberman and Senator Collins for their regular monthly meeting and meeting with Congressmen Aderholt and Price about the FY 2013 DHS budget.
- On **February 15**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security and the House Committee on Homeland Security regarding the FY13 Budget.
- On **February 16**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs regarding the Department's cybersecurity efforts.
- On **February 20 and 21**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Tucson, AZ, Corpus Christi, TX and McAllen, TX for Southwest border security related events. A Fox News crew will accompany her on this trip for a special on border security.
- On **February 22**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Dutch Minister of Security and Justice Ivo Opstelten to sign a letter of intent on cybersecurity cooperation.
- On **February 23**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with World Customs Organization Secretary General Kunio Mikuriya.
- On **February 26**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the National Governors Association Dinner hosted by the President and First Lady.
- From **February 27 to March 1**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to travel to Mexico City, Mexico where she will sign a Declaration of Principles/Bilateral Strategic Plan focusing on priority initiatives that are underway such as prescreening pilots, bilateral port security committees, and the expansion of Global Entry in Mexico. She will also travel to Guatemala City, Guatemala, San Salvador, El Salvador and Costa Rica, where she will sign a bilateral advance passenger information sharing Memorandum of Understanding. Finally, the Secretary will go to Panama City, Panama to sign the Global Supply Chain Initiative statement of intent.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **February 13**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with Howard Schmidt and the Commerce Department to discuss a cyber incident at the Department of Commerce, Economic Development Agency.
- On **February 15**, Deputy Secretary Lute will attend the monthly meeting of the National Council on Federal Labor Management Relations at OPM.
- On **February 16**, Deputy Secretary Lute will hold a courtesy meeting with Representative Bennie Thompson.

### **III. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **February 10**, Todd Keil will leave his position as Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection.

## IV. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **February 14 and 16**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Assistant Administrator Robin Kane will kick off the TSA PreV™ pilot (a pre-screening initiative that enhances security by enabling TSA to focus its efforts on passengers the agency knows less about while providing expedited screening for travelers who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying) at Salt Lake City International Airport and John F. Kennedy International Airport, respectively.
- On **February 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will be interviewed for a segment on IBM – The Business of Government, a weekly radio show broadcast on *Federal News Radio*, about his career history, U.S. Coast Guard acquisitions and missions, and Arctic issues.
- On **February 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will be interviewed for the Pentagon Channel Interview about Arctic issues.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the **week of February 13**, DHS expects to publish the DHS Language Access plan, as required under Executive Order 13166, *Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency*, (August 11, 2000), which describes the Department's resources and strategies for providing meaningful access to DHS programs and activities to people with limited English proficiency.
- During the **week of February 13**, DHS plans to release the fact sheet, *The Impact of Counting Changes on Nonimmigrant Admissions: Preliminary Findings*, which will contain information about trends in nonimmigrant admissions and individuals from 2001 to 2010 by selected classes of admission, including temporary workers in specialty occupations, seasonal workers, academic students, and temporary visitors for pleasure.
- On **February 13**, in conjunction with the President's FY 2013 Budget roll-out, DHS/ FEMA will announce a series of measures to help accelerate the drawdown of more than \$8 billion of grant funding that has been awarded to, but not expended by grantees. These measures, based on direct input from grantees, will provide additional flexibility to focus on continuing to build and sustain core preparedness capabilities.
- On **February 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) will host the grand opening of the Karnes detention facility in Karnes City, TX. ICE Director John Morton will deliver remarks highlighting that Karnes is the first facility designed and built with ICE's civil detention reform standards in mind. Enforcement and Removal Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will give tours of the facility to NGOs and Congressional staff. Open press.
- On **February 17**, FEMA will release the FY 2012 preparedness grant guidance, which will provide guidelines and target allocations for the State Homeland Security Grant Program, Urban Area Security Initiative, Emergency Management Performance Grant Program, and Intercity Rail Grant and guidelines for the following competitive grants: Port, Transit, Operation Stonegarden, Tribal and Nonprofit Security.

### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- In **February**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to announce a Violence Against Women Act working group. The working group will have representation from all components to facilitate and coordinate the Department's support of victims of domestic violence and other crimes.
- In **February**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate, in conjunction with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), expects to release *Federal Information Security Memorandum 12-01, Protected BIOS for New Procurements of Desktop and Laptop Computers*, which outlines requirements that Federal Departments and Agencies must follow when procuring new computers.
- In **February**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate, in conjunction with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), expects to release *Federal Information Security Memorandum 12-02, FY 2012 Reporting Instructions for the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) and Agency Privacy Management*, which provides FISMA reporting instructions and FY12 FISMA metrics to the heads of Federal Departments and Agencies.

- In **February**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) expects to post the draft Community Planning Capacity and Building Recovery Support Function (RSF) Annex to the Federal Register in support of the roll out of the National Disaster Recovery Framework, which was published in 2011. In addition to publishing the draft RSF annex, FEMA expects to publish the draft Interagency Operations Plan, which supports the National Disaster Recovery Framework with corresponding planning guidance for State, local, Tribal and territorial governments, along with the draft annexes for the other 5 RSFs.
- In **February**, the U.S. Coast Guard expects to issue an interim final rule, amending its regulations on ballast water discharge management. The rule will establish an interim standard for the allowable concentration of living organisms in ships' ballast water discharged in waters of the U.S. The Coast Guard is also amending its regulations for engineering equipment by establishing an approval process for ballast water discharge management systems. These new regulations will aid in controlling the introduction and spread of non-indigenous species from ships' ballast in U.S. waters.
- In **February**, the U.S. Coast Guard expects to seek a renewal of the President's national declaration of emergency in accordance with section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)), continuing the national emergency with respect to Cuba and the emergency authority relating to the regulation of the anchorage and movement of vessels set out in Proclamation 6867, as amended by Proclamation 7757.
- In **February**, a *Federal Register* Notice for the Document Image System (DIS) is expected to be posted for review. The DIS will allow modernized communication between U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the trade sector by allowing trade members to provide documentation needed during the cargo release process to Federal agencies electronically. The Notice will announce CBP's plan to conduct a National Customs Automation Program test concerning the trade sector's ability to electronically send images of specific forms and supporting information to CBP.
- On **February 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) expects to award a contract for the development of the electronic Health Record System. This new system will enhance medical capabilities and allow real-time sharing of information within ICE medical facilities, resulting in improved patient outcomes
- In **late February**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement plans to announce the opening of the Export Enforcement Coordination Center in McLean, VA. This Center, required by the President's Executive Order on Export Control, will include representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Commerce, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection.
- In **February or March**, DHS will release a report titled, *Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States*.
- By **March**, DHS expects to conclude Joint Statements on supply chain security with Japan, Malaysia, the Republic of Korea, and Singapore.
- In **March**, DHS expects to publicly release the DHS Northern Border Strategy.
- In **March**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office plans to release the *DHS Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Implementation Plan; Joint Annual Interagency Review of the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Report (2012)* and the *Joint Interagency Annual Review of the National Strategic Five-Year Plan for Improving the Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Capabilities of the U.S. (2012)* to Congress.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to attain mutual recognition between the United States and Canada of the two countries' air cargo programs, as part of the Beyond the Border initiative. As a result, passenger air carriers flying from Canada to the U.S. will be allowed to operate solely under Canada's National Cargo Security Program (NCSP).
- In **March**, the Science and Technology Directorate will begin the process to apply for a conditional license from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Center for Veterinary Biologics for the first Foot and Mouth Disease vaccine ever licensed in the United States.
- In **March**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) plans to internally announce a new directive for processing Reasonable Accommodations for Individuals with Disabilities. The directive establishes CBP policy to comply with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, to provide reasonable accommodation to qualified employees and applicants with disabilities.

- In **mid-March**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP) will announce the selection of ten fusion centers across the United States to participate in the 2012 IP Field Resource Toolkit program, which provides access to IP tools, products, and resources that have value to fusion center critical infrastructure information sharing and analytic functions to achieve baseline capabilities. The Office will also announce ten Regional Resiliency Assessment Program projects based on clusters of high consequence critical infrastructure to coordinate protection efforts in major metropolitan areas.
- In **March or April**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled, *U.S. Naturalizations: 2011*, providing information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during fiscal year 2011.
- In **late March or early April**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to finalize the “border condition index” a collection of data to better reflect the general condition on the U.S. border. The index is a collection of security, facilitation and quality of life indicators that provide a general condition of the border.

#### *Reports*

- During the **week of February 13**, GAO is expected to release a report titled, “**Border Security: Opportunities Exist to Ensure More Effective Use of DHS’s Air and Marine Assets.**” **Background:** From June 2010 to January 2012, GAO conducted an audit to determine the extent to which U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Air and Marine (OAM) ensures the mix and placement of resources effectively met mission needs and addressed threats and met the needs of OAM customers (e.g., U.S. Border Patrol and Immigrations and Customs Enforcement). **Recommendations:** GAO recommends that CBP enhance documentation of its analyses for asset mix and placement and that DHS enhance oversight to ensure efficient and effective coordination of OAM and USCG resources, which executes its maritime security mission using its assets. **Response:** CBP leadership will continue documenting decisions based on related costs and benefits and will strengthen the documentation of its analyses, including mission requirements and threats, addressing a GAO recommendation. CBP also is coordinating multiple initiatives across air and marine activities to help DHS better leverage its resources and eliminating unnecessary duplication and enhance efficiencies, addressing a GAO recommendation.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **February 12 and 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss aviation security with key political and military leaders at the Aviation Leadership Summit in Singapore. Open press.
- From **February 12 to 14**, Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Warren Stern will visit Brookhaven National Laboratory and the National Urban Security Technologies Laboratory in New York to meet with laboratory management and discuss nuclear detection activities and programs. Closed Press.
- On **February 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder teleconference to discuss options and issues relating to the deployment and implementation of a potential administrative review process related to E-Verify final non-confirmations. Community-based organizations, general advocates, and federal, state and local government partners have been invited to participate.
- On **February 13**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will speak at the Center for Strategic and International Studies on Maritime Domain Awareness, Arctic issues, and the future of U.S. Coast Guard missions. Open press.
- From **February 13 to 16**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will discuss Air Cargo Advance Screening at the Airlines for America meeting in Chicago, IL. Closed press.
- From **February 13 to 17**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Tara O’Toole will discuss common areas of interests, including explosives, human factors and behavioral sciences, cyber security, and border and cargo security domains and first responder technologies with representatives from Israel at the DHS S&T U.S.-Israel Bilateral Meetings in Washington, D.C. as part of the Israeli delegation’s tour of DHS and other safety and security operations. Closed press.

- On **February 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders other community leaders to discuss CBP's work in the San Diego area. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, the Transportation Security Administration will conduct a technical exchange of U.S. airport assessments by Cuban officials with members of the Cuban Civil Aviation Authority in Washington, D.C. Closed press. As background, when TSA conducts foreign airport assessments, as a courtesy, we allow the host country's counterpart to come to the United States to conduct assessments of our airports. As we conducted airport assessments in Cuba, we invited the Cuban Civil Aviation Authority to visit JFK and Miami last year. This meeting will give TSA an opportunity to hear Cuba's recommendations based on their assessments of these two airports.
- On **February 14**, DHS plans to host a Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) videoconference with representatives from Europol, EU Member States, and the Los Angeles Police Department to discuss best practices for CVE training.
- From **February 14 to 16**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate along with FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino, and FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks at the National Advisory Council Meeting in San Francisco, CA on FEMA priorities. Closed press.
- On **February 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will attend a mass and host a luncheon to honor fallen Special Agent Jaime J. Zapata in Brownsville, TX to mark the first anniversary of his death. The attendees will be family and friends of Zapata, agency heads from federal, state and local law enforcement, as well as city and county officials from the City of Brownsville and County of Cameron. Closed press.
- On **February 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Cyber Security & Communications Assistant Secretary Greg Schaffer will discuss cybersecurity in the context of mobile devices at the "Executive Discussion on Cybersecurity and Mobility" hosted by the Initiative for Collaborative Government in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **February 16**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will present a one-day Terrorism Symposium to partner organizations and DHS components focusing on Countering Violent Extremism held in collaboration with the Science & Technology Directorate, Intelligence & Analysis, the National Counterterrorism Center and the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **February 16**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick will host a National Black History Month luncheon with local community leaders featuring keynote remarks by Ronald J. Boyd, Chief of the Los Angeles Port Police at FLETC headquarters in Glynco, GA. Open press.
- On **February 16**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman January Contreras will participate in a community roundtable meeting in Albuquerque, NM, as part of a DHS/White House Council on Women and Girls national outreach initiative. This meeting will focus on issues related to women and girls, will include information about DHS work in support of victims of domestic violence, crime, trafficking and other vulnerable populations, and will provide an opportunity to obtain feedback from individuals and organizations. Closed press.
- On **February 16**, a National Disaster Response Framework (NDRF) forum will be conducted in San Francisco, CA. The forum hosted by FEMA Region IX, titled *Strengthening Disaster Recovery for the Nation*, is part of a multi-city stakeholder outreach to introduce the NDRF and seek further input on the implementation of the NDRF in state and local communities and how these concepts can be used to drive recovery efforts after a disaster. Closed press.
- On **February 17**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will conduct the second Think Tank Meeting/Conference Call in San Francisco, CA. This event will address several of the ideas that have been proposed through FEMA's online Think Tank, a forum to engage FEMA partners, promote innovation, and facilitate discussions in the field of emergency management. Open press.

## V. Legislative Issues

### *Congressional Testimony*



### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 15**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will testify on ICE's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 28**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representatives, including Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher and Field Operations Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAllenan, will testify on CBP's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Rand Beers will testify on NPPD's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 7**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Under Secretary Tara O'Toole will testify on S&T's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on FEMA's FY 2013 budget request. *This hearing was rescheduled from February 16.*
- On **March 8**, Secret Service Director Mark Sullivan will testify on the Secret Service's FY 2013 budget request in a closed hearing.
- On **March 21**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás and Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dr. Tara O'Toole will testify on the Management Directorate's FY 2013 budget request. This hearing will contain a discussion of DHS facilities, including NBAF.

### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **February 15**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.

### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **February 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will testify in response to an OIG report regarding the processing of immigration benefits.

### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **February 16**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on the Department's cybersecurity efforts.

### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **February 16**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrators Robert Bray and Michael Novak as well as Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Deputy Director Roderick Allison will testify on the Federal Air Marshal Service.

### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Intelligence**

- On **February 16**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan and Operations Director Rich Chavez will testify on DHS's use of social media.

### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations, and Procurement Reform**

- On **February 17**, Chief Information Officer Richard Spiers will testify on DHS's efforts to reduce duplicative IT investments.

### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **February 29**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will testify on FEMA's FY 2013 budget request.

### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **March 8**, Secretary Napolitano is scheduled to testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.

### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **March 8**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.

## **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **March 21**, FEMA Protection and National Preparedness, Grant Program Directorate Assistant Administrator Elizabeth Harman will testify on FEMA's grant programs.

## **House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **March 22**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will testify on I&A's FY 2013 budget request in a closed hearing.

### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

## **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **February 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Chief Fisher will brief staff on the draft Border Patrol Strategic Plan. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 14**, FEMA will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 15**, the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations National Bulk Cash Smuggling Center (BCSC) staff will brief the staff on the BCSC at the committee's request.

## **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request, specifically trade and integrity issues.
- On **February 15**, the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 16**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Response Robert Fenton will brief staff on the status of FEMA's Pre-positioned Equipment Program and Urban Search and Rescue program.
- On **February 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request, specifically regarding US-VISIT.

## **Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard**

- On **February 17**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

## **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **February 14**, FEMA will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

## **Senate Commerce Committee**

- On **February 13**, the Transportation Security Administration will brief the staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

## **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **February 14**, the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will brief staff on S&T's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief the staff on ICE's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 14**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) Acting Officer Tamara Kessler and Deputy Director Veronica Venture will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request and CRCL programs.
- On **February 14**, FEMA will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 16**, the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 16**, Director of Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Warren Stern will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

## **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 16**, the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 23**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

- On **February 17**, FEMA will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

#### **House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation and House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Borders and Maritime Security**

- On **February 14**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

#### **House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **February 13**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will brief staff on I&A's Homeland Security Intelligence study, conducted in coordination with DHS's homeland security partners, which examined homeland security intelligence, its nexus with other national intelligence topics, and the ways in which it is considered in Intelligence Community intelligence integration efforts.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 13**, the Science & Technology Directorate will conduct a tour of the future National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility site in Manhattan, KS for Representative Tim Huelskamp. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) staff will brief the staff of Senator Charles Schumer, in Buffalo, NY, on HSI priorities and activities in the HSI Buffalo area of responsibility. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide a classified threat briefing to Senators Landrieu and Coats.
- On **February 15**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner and representatives from the Privacy Office will brief Representatives Meehan and Speires on DHS's use of social media prior to the February 16 social media hearing with the DHS Office of Privacy and Office of Operations Planning and Coordination.
- On **February 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) will brief the staff of Representative Chris Smith on ICE's work to combat human trafficking. Closed press.

## **VI. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***Arizona v. United States, 11-182***: On **February 6**, the United States Supreme Court scheduled oral argument in *Arizona v. United States*, 11-182, for April 25, 2012. Also on February 6, the State of Arizona filed its merits brief challenging the Ninth Circuit's decision to uphold a preliminary injunction against four provisions of the State's immigration law, S.B. 1070. The United States' response brief is due on March 19, 2012.

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **February 8**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking titled, "Internet Publication of Administrative Seizure and Forfeiture Notices" published in the *Federal Register*: This rule proposes to amend CBP regulations to allow for publication of notices of seizure and intent to forfeit on an official Government forfeiture website. CBP anticipates that the changes proposed in this rule would reduce administrative costs and improve the effectiveness of CBP's notice procedures as Internet publication would reach a broader range of the public and provide access to more parties who may have an interest in the seized property. This Notice is based on an initiative submitted by a DHS employee that was selected as a finalist for the President's 2010 SAVE Award.
- On **February 9**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking titled, "Exemptions from Entry Requirements and Report of Arrival Requirements for Certain Department of Defense Vessels and Aircraft" will publish in the *Federal Register*. Certain vessels and aircraft owned or

chartered by the Department of Defense (DoD) are exempt from entry requirements and, in some cases, reporting requirements upon their arrival in the United States from a foreign place. This rule proposes to expand those exemptions to include additional DoD-owned or chartered vessels and aircraft when transporting certain cargo or passengers.

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **February 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement held a call with staffers of Chairman Michael McCaul of the Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations and Management of the House Committee on Homeland Security, relating to the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious.
- During the **week of February 6**, DHS expects to respond to Congressman Louie Gohmert in response to questions he raised during Secretary Napolitano's October 10, 2011 appearance before the House Committee on the Judiciary regarding allegations of the inappropriate disclosure of Unclassified information by a current member of the Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC), Mohammed Elibiary.
- On **February 7**, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations interviewed a FEMA employee in conjunction with the subcommittee's ongoing investigation of Fusion Centers.
- On **February 15**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will accompany a Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) staff delegation visit to the Baltimore, MD Fusion Center as part of the SSCI audit and investigation.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to actively collect documents and/or information responsive to requests on the following topics: the Transportation Security Administration's SSI designation process; Advanced Imaging Technology units; the travel records of forty-six individuals; and the personnel file for a former Federal Security Director.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **January 20**, **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive**, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) documents from Fiscal Year 2008 through the present detailing the equipment maintenance or construction expenditures made by the Joint Task Force-North, including the maintenance, repair, and upgrading both of loaned DoD equipment and of non-DoD equipment.
- On **January 24**, **Ryan Jham**, with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee**, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), logs of communication between members of Congress and USCIS from January 1, 2008 through the present.
- On **January 25**, **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement documents, including internal reports and memoranda, raw data, letters, and background information regarding the evaluation of the Lateral Repatriation Program that took place in September 2003.
- On **January 25**, **Brian Haas**, with *The Tennessean* in Nashville, TN, requested from the Transportation Security Administration the false alarm/false positive rates for millimeter wave airport scanners both before and after newly installed privacy software went into place.
- On **January 26**, **Bryan Luhn**, with *WLOS News 13* in Asheville, NC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) all passenger complaints against TSA of missing or stolen items from checked or carry-on luggage from the Asheville Regional Airport and the Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport, both in North Carolina, from January 2007 through the present.
- On **January 26**, **Maria Sacchetti**, with *The Boston Globe*, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, a copy of Omar Okech Obama's (Onyango Obama) immigration file.
- On **January 30**, **Kate Doyle**, with **The National Security Archive**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) documents, including internal reports and memoranda, raw data, letters, and background information regarding the Government Accountability Office report in July 2010 on the Alien Transfer and Exit Program and the May 2010 GAO Report to Congressional Requesters on the Alien Transfer and Exit Program and complaints filed against ICE.

- On **January 30**, **Peter Wilgoren**, with **KCBS/KCAL** in Los Angeles, CA, requested from the Transportation Security Administration a copy of airport security tape video/audio related to an incident involving a possible security breach at a checkpoint at Los Angeles International Airport on January 26, 2012.
- On **January 30**, **Josh Margolin**, with **The New York Post**, requested from DHS records concerning the review of events and responses to the events surrounding the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11 attacks.
- On **January 30**, **Ryan Jham**, with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee**, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) all logs of communication between members of Congress and TSA from January 1, 2008 through the present.
- On **January 31**, **Christine Haas**, with **NBC 7** in San Diego, CA, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) all theft reports/incidents filed against TSA at San Diego International Airport from January 2010 through the present, as well as whether the claims were approved or denied and any amount paid out.
- On **February 1**, **Jason Leopold**, with **Truthout.org** in Beverly Hills, CA, requested from DHS copies of any records referencing his previous FOIA request.
- On **February 2**, **Vince Green**, with **Missing from the Front Page** a weekly Comcast Cable broadcast in Arlington, NJ, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) radar data from September 11, 2001 including radar data and aircraft clearance logs for the National Emergency Airborne Command Post that took off from Andrews Air Force Base on September 11, 2001.
- On **February 2**, **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services a copy of the weekly and monthly FOIA status reports or updates for the 2010 and 2011 calendar years.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 30**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Russell Carollo**, a journalist in Pueblo, CO, documents detailing travel by the USCG and/or financed by the USCG.
- On **January 30**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Lise Olsen**, with **The Houston Chronicle** data from the Refugee, Asylum and Parole System (RAPS), and Central Index System Consolidated Operational Repository (CISCOR).
- On **February 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Betsy Ginsberg** with the **Benjamin Cardozo School of Law** in New York, NY records relating to *Dent v. Holder*.
- On **February 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Azadeh Shahshahani**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in Atlanta, GA, records regarding the death of detainee Miguel Hernandez.
- On **February 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Susan Carroll** with the **Houston Chronicle** records regarding the death of detainee Juan Palomo-Rodriguez.
- On **February 7**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Kevin McKeon**, an attorney in Washington, D.C. correspondence between TSA and Representative Charlie Bass, Mike Fitzpatrick, Steve Chabot, and Steve Pearce.
- On **February 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Mike Maybay** with **KSTP TV** in Minneapolis, MN, data regarding N-648 "Medical Certification for Disability Exceptions) forms filed from January 2005 to May 2011.
- On **February 8**, DHS released to **Sarah Chacko**, with the **Federal Times** data relating to the number of jobs insourced from 2006 to the present.
- On **February 9**, DHS will release to **Emily Willard** with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C. a memo from DHS to the Department of Defense requesting support on the Southwest border.
- On **February 9**, DHS will release to **Stephanie Nielsen** with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** a letter from Representative Jeff Flake to DHS regarding Cuba.

#### **VII. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (January 30 to February 5):** TSA found 17 firearms and 1 artfully concealed prohibited item at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **February 3**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 348 AIT units at 100 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 4**, 328,895 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than one million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 6.1 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **February 8**, President Obama has signed 239 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$16.7 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

February 16, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Since 2009, DHS Components have avoided costs of \$12.6 million by disconnecting wireless devices that were no longer being used and by improving management of wireless communication services.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **February 20 and 21**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Tucson, AZ, where she will visit CBP's Joint Field Command to receive briefings, participate in a Border Patrol Muster and go to the Joint Intelligence Operations Center. The Secretary will also travel to McAllen, TX where she will visit the Port of Hidalgo and the Rio Grande City Forward Operating Base, participate in a Border Patrol Muster, and hold a media availability. A *Fox News* crew will accompany the Secretary on this trip for a special on border security.
- On **February 22**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Dutch Minister of Security and Justice Ivo Opstelten to sign a letter of intent on cybersecurity cooperation; Guatemalan Foreign Minister Harold Caballeros to discuss DHS engagement in Guatemala and her upcoming visit at the end of February; and Chicago Mayor Rahm Emmanuel to discuss homeland security issues in Chicago. The Secretary will also participate in a media interview with John Walsh of *America's Most Wanted* about human trafficking.
- On **February 23**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with World Customs Organization Secretary General Kunio Mikuriya. She will also join NSA Director Alexander for a visit to Fort Meade to receive briefings on cybersecurity issues.
- On **February 24**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with incoming Ambassador to India, Nancy Powell.
- On **February 26**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the National Governors Association Dinner hosted by the President and First Lady.
- From **February 27 to March 1**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to travel to Mexico City, Mexico where she will sign a Declaration of Principles/Bilateral Strategic Plan focusing on priority initiatives that are underway such as prescreening pilots, bilateral port security committees, and the expansion of Global Entry in Mexico. She will also travel to Guatemala City, Guatemala, San Salvador, El Salvador and Costa Rica, where she will sign bilateral advance passenger information sharing Memorandums of Understanding with each country. Finally, the Secretary will go to Panama City, Panama to sign the Global Supply Chain Initiative statement of intent.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **February 21**, Deputy Secretary Lute will host the weekly Interagency Personal Name Records working group.
- On **February 22**, Deputy Secretary Lute is tentatively scheduled to meet with Michael Rich, President and CEO of Rand Corporation.
- On **February 24**, Deputy Secretary Lute will attend the monthly Countering Violent Extremism Deputies' breakfast, held at the Department of Justice.
- On **February 27**, Deputy Secretary Lute will attend a meeting with the Council of Governors and Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta. FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp, and Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will also attend.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **February 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection San Diego Field Office will host a press event in advance of the opening of the pilot pedestrian Ready Lane at the Otay Mesa port of entry on February 23.



The pedestrian lane will expedite border crossing for any traveler on foot who has an approved travel document that has Radio Frequency Identification technology.

- On **February 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a tour for the State Department Foreign Press Corps at Washington Dulles International Airport to educate foreign visitors of what to expect during CBP's inspection process.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **February 23**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Alameda, CA to provide the first State of the Coast Guard Address outside of the DC area. He will discuss the current strategic environment and the way forward for the Coast Guard. Open press.
- On **February 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) expects to award a contract for the development of the electronic Health Record System. This new system will enhance medical capabilities and allow real-time sharing of information within ICE medical facilities, resulting in improved patient outcomes.
- On **February 29**, a *Federal Register* Notice for the Document Image System (DIS) is expected to be posted for review. The DIS will allow modernized communication between U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the trade sector by allowing trade members to provide documentation needed during the cargo release process to Federal agencies electronically. The Notice will announce CBP's plan to conduct a National Customs Automation Program test concerning the trade sector's ability to electronically send images of specific forms and supporting information to CBP.

#### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- In **late February**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate, in conjunction with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), expects to release *Federal Information Security Memorandum 12-01, Protected BIOS for New Procurements of Desktop and Laptop Computers*, which outlines requirements that Federal Departments and Agencies must follow when procuring new computers.
- In **late February**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate, in conjunction with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), expects to release *Federal Information Security Memorandum 12-02, FY 2012 Reporting Instructions for the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) and Agency Privacy Management*, which provides FISMA reporting instructions and FY12 FISMA metrics to the heads of Federal Departments and Agencies.
- In **late February or March**, DHS will release a report titled, *Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2011*.
- In **late February or March**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) expects to post the draft Community Planning Capacity and Building Recovery Support Function (RSF) Annex to the Federal Register in support of the roll out of the National Disaster Recovery Framework, which was published in 2011. In addition to publishing the draft RSF annex, FEMA expects to publish the draft Interagency Operations Plan, which supports the National Disaster Recovery Framework with corresponding planning guidance for State, local, Tribal and territorial governments, along with the draft annexes for the other 5 RSFs.
- In **late February or March**, the U.S. Coast Guard expects to seek a renewal of the President's national declaration of emergency in accordance with section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)), continuing the national emergency with respect to Cuba and the emergency authority relating to the regulation of the anchorage and movement of vessels set out in Proclamation 6867, as amended by Proclamation 7757. In February or March, DIIS plans to publicly release the DIIS Northern Border Strategy, articulating for the first time a one-DHS approach to managing the U.S.-Canada border.
- On **March 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will begin operations at the Export Enforcement Coordination Center in McLean, VA. This Center, required by the President's Executive Order on Export Control, will include representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Commerce, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

- In **March**, Secretary Napolitano expects to issue a Management Directive on the use of social media for investigative purposes and associated privacy guidelines to ensure the Department's use is in compliance with privacy policies.
- In **March**, the Department of Homeland Security Chief Privacy Officer expects to release the Fiscal Year 2012 Chief FOIA Officer Report.
- By **March**, DIIS expects to conclude Joint Statements on supply chain security with Japan, Malaysia, the Republic of Korea, and Singapore.
- In **March**, DHS expects to publicly release the DHS Northern Border Strategy.
- In **March**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office plans to release the *DHS Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Implementation Plan; Joint Annual Interagency Review of the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Report (2012)* and the *Joint Interagency Annual Review of the National Strategic Five-Year Plan for Improving the Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Capabilities of the U.S. (2012)* to Congress.
- In **March**, the Science and Technology Directorate will begin the process to apply for a conditional license from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Center for Veterinary Biologics for the first Foot and Mouth Disease vaccine ever licensed in the United States.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to attain mutual recognition between the United States and Canada of the two countries' air cargo programs, as part of the Beyond the Border initiative. As a result, passenger air carriers flying from Canada to the U.S. will be allowed to operate solely under Canada's National Cargo Security Program (NCSP).
- In **March**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP) will announce the selection of ten fusion centers across the United States to participate in the 2012 IP Field Resource Toolkit program, which provides access to IP tools, products, and resources that have value to fusion center critical infrastructure information sharing and analytic functions to achieve baseline capabilities. The Office will also announce ten Regional Resiliency Assessment Program projects based on clusters of high consequence critical infrastructure to coordinate protection efforts in major metropolitan areas.
- In **March or April**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled, *U.S. Naturalizations: 2011*, providing information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during fiscal year 2011.
- In **March or April**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled, *U.S. Legal Permanent Residents: 2011*, providing information on the number and characteristics of persons who became legal permanent residents during fiscal year 2011.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **February 20 to 22**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Advisor Bruce McConnell will discuss cybersecurity with British officials at the London Forum for Critical Infrastructure Protection in the United Kingdom. Open press.
- On **February 21**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will hold an introductory meeting with their Chinese counterparts in Beijing, China to discuss aviation security initiatives of mutual concern. Closed press.
- On **February 21**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss ongoing cybersecurity programs and opportunities for collaboration with the Netherlands in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **February 21**, the Science and Technology Directorate and the U.S. Department of Agriculture will meet with the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C., to discuss the updated Site Specific Risk Assessment for the National Bio and Agro Defense Facility (NBAF), which was conducted to satisfy congressional requirements and to provide additional mitigation strategies for the design and operations of the facility. Open press.
- On **February 21**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will visit Japan to outline the newly released Global Supply Chain Strategy, discuss the proposed US-Japan Joint Statement on Supply Chain Security, and Visa Waiver Program information sharing agreements. Closed press.

- On **February 21**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak at the Center for Homeland Security Conference in Monterey, CA. The conference will address critical homeland security issues, with a focus on terrorism, budgets and disasters. Closed press.
- From **February 21 to 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) will brief the U.S. Ambassador to the Dominican Republic on the Caribbean Border Interagency Group, a multi-agency effort between the USCG, ICE, Puerto Rico Police Department, U.S. Attorney's Office and CBP focused on the interdiction of illegal migration and contraband into Puerto Rico.
- On **February 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host an Information Summit in Moffett Field, CA for 100 industry and government leaders to launch the USCIS Entrepreneurs in Residence Initiative. The Summit will open with a naturalization ceremony, including awarding several recipients with the Outstanding American by Choice award. Representative Zoe Lofgren will attend and provide remarks. Open press.
- On **February 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with World Customs Organization (WCO) Secretary-General Kunio Mikuriya to discuss trade facilitation missions and ongoing collaboration with the WCO. Closed press.
- On **February 22**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will deliver remarks to students at the Stanford Medical School in San Jose, CA on biosecurity and bioterrorism response. Closed press.
- On **February 22**, FEMA will host the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF) stakeholder engagement session in Milwaukee, WI. The forum is part of a multi-city stakeholder outreach effort to introduce the NDRF and seek further input on the implementation of the NDRF in state and local communities and how these concepts can be used to drive recovery efforts after a disaster. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss transit security grants with the American Bus Association in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will participate in a panel at the Public Health Preparedness Summit in Anaheim, CA. The panel titled, "Fact or Fiction: The Science behind Movie Making and *Contagion*" will discuss the role DHS played in the movie. Open press.
- On **February 23**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks on FEMA's preparedness efforts and the Whole Community Approach at the 2012 Domestic Preparedness Workshop at the National Harbor in MD. Open press
- On **February 23**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver keynote remarks at the Homeland Security GeoCONOPS Meeting in Washington, D.C. The presentation will focus on Presidential Policy Directive 8: National Preparedness Report. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Alameda, CA to provide the first State of the Coast Guard Address outside of the DC area. He will discuss the current strategic environment and the way forward for the Coast Guard. Open press.
- On **February 23 and 24**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will travel to Bangkok, Thailand to deliver keynote remarks on the U.S. Global Supply Chain Security strategy to the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Transportation Working Group meetings, hold bilateral meetings with regional counterparts attending APEC, and will meet with counterparts in the Government of Thailand.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Puerto Rico Governor Luis Fortuño to discuss CBP operations in Puerto Rico. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Deputy Administrator Gale Rossides will attend a media event at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, NY to recognize members of the TSA workforce that have completed their certificate in homeland security and announce the expansion of the program that encourages Transportation Security Officers to advance their career development and education to all 50 states. Open press.
- On **February 26**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak to the National Governors Association (NGA), Homeland Security and Public Safety Committee as part of NGA's Winter Meeting. The session

titled, *The Changing Role of the National Guard* will be hosted by Governors O'Malley and Mead. General Craig McKinley of the National Guard Bureau will also speak. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 28**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representatives, including Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher and Field Operations Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAllenan, will testify on CBP's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Rand Beers will testify on NPPD's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 7**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Under Secretary Tara O'Toole will testify on S&T's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on FEMA's FY 2013 budget request. *This hearing was rescheduled from February 16.*
- On **March 8**, Secret Service Director Mark Sullivan will testify on the Secret Service's FY 2013 budget request in a closed hearing.
- On **March 21**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás and Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dr. Tara O'Toole will testify on the Management Directorate's FY 2013 budget request. This hearing will contain a discussion of DHS facilities, including NBAF.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **February 28**, TBD DHS representatives will testify on DHS's information sharing efforts with state and local partners.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **February 29**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will testify on FEMA's FY 2013 budget request.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **February 29**, Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Brian Salerno will testify on the Coast Guard's cruise ship safety efforts.
- On **March 7**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.

##### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **March 1**, Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Brian Salerno will testify on the Coast Guard's cruise ship safety efforts.

##### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **March 7**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.

##### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **March 8**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **March 8**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- **On March 21**, FEMA Protection and National Preparedness, Grant Program Directorate Assistant Administrator Elizabeth Harman will testify on FEMA's grant programs.

**House Armed Services Committee, Subcommittee on Military Personnel**

- **On March 22**, Coast Guard Master Chief Petty Officer Michael Leavitt will testify on the Coast Guard's efforts to limit hazing.

**House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- **On March 22**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will testify on I&A's FY 2013 budget request in a closed hearing.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology**

- **On February 21**, Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Warren Stern will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, and the House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- From **February 22 to 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief staff on CBP operations in El Paso, TX. Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will also host staff in Artesia, NM.

**House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- **On February 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- **On February 22**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will brief the staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- **On February 23**, the Coast Guard staff will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- **On February 24**, FEMA will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- **On February 27**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will brief Chairman Aderholt and Ranking Member Price on the FY 2013 budget request.
- **On February 27**, Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Warren Stern will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

**House Homeland Security Committee**

- **From February 22 to February 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the U.S. Coast Guard will host staff in Florida to see CBP and Coast Guard operations.

**House Financial Services Committee**

- **On February 23**, FEMA will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request, specifically the National Flood Insurance Program account.

**House Homeland Security Committee and Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- **On February 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations and Enforcement and Removal Operations staff will brief committee staff on ICE operations in the El Paso area of responsibility in El Paso, TX.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs**

- **On February 21**, the Office of Operations Coordination and Planning will provide staff with a tour of the National Operations Center in Washington, D.C.

**Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- **On February 21**, FEMA National Preparedness Directorate will brief staff on Individual and Community Preparedness.
- **On February 22**, FEMA will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- **On February 23**, Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Warren Stern will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- **On February 28**, the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **February 24**, Federal Protective Service (FPS) Director Eric Patterson will discuss FPS issues with staff.
- On **February 24**, FEMA will join FEMA's Emergency Support Function-6 (ESF-6) partner agencies to update staff on ESF-6 coordination.

#### **Senate Banking Committee**

- On **February 21**, the U.S. Secret Service will brief staff on counterfeit investigative operations and cybersecurity in the financial sector.
- On **February 23**, FEMA will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request, specifically the National Flood Insurance Program.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **February 19 to 22**, Representative Peter King and staff are scheduled to visit the UK, focusing on terrorism and radicalization.
- On **February 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations San Francisco Field Office will brief Representative Mike Thompson, Sheriff Doug Koford, Napa Police Chief Richard Melton, and Napa County District Attorney Gary Lieberstein in Napa, CA on the Secure Communities initiative at Representative Thompson's request. Closed press.
- On **February 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief Representative Pedro Pierluisi in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on CBP operations in Puerto Rico.
- On **February 24**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Capabilities Assistant Administrator Robin Kane will brief Senator Rand Paul on Risk-Based Security initiatives.
- On **March 1**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will brief Representative Jackie Speier on TSA's international operations including security coordination and airport inspection.
- On **March 2**, Senators Mary Landrieu and Robert Aderholt will attend the Bollinger Dedication hosted by Bollinger Shipyard for the newest Coast Guard "Fast Response Cutters" in Lockport, LA with Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp and Vice-Admiral Brice-O'Hara.

## **V. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***Ibrahim v. Department of Homeland Security*, --- F.3d ---, 2012 WL 390126 (9th Cir.):** On **February 8**, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit issued a published panel decision in a case concerning an alien who alleges that her name was wrongly included on the No Fly List in 2005. The court held that Ibrahim -- who had been in the United States on a student visa, had traveled to Malaysia for a Stanford-sponsored conference, and had intended to return after a brief trip abroad -- has established a "substantial voluntary connection" with this country such that she can assert constitutional rights under the First and Fifth Amendments while living abroad, and can challenge the Terrorist Screening Center's alleged decision to list her on the No Fly List based on those constitutional rights. Ibrahim has challenged the Transportation Security Administration's implementation of the No Fly List on similar grounds. *Ibrahim v. DHS*, 06-1218 (D.C. Cir.). That case remains pending in the D.C. Circuit where it had been stayed pending the outcome of the case in the Ninth Circuit.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **February 10**, DHS made a first production in response to the request from the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform for the personnel file for a former Federal Security Director.
- On **February 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief Chairman Michael McCaul and Ranking Member Keating of the Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations and Management of the House Committee on Homeland Security, relating to ICE's role in Operation Fast and Furious.
- On **February 17**, DHS will make a seventh production of electronic communications generated by, transmitted to, or possessed by a DHS employee related to or involving his work with a fusion center as requested by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations as part of its investigation into fusion centers.

- From **February 21 to 24**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will accompany a Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) staff delegation visit to fusion centers in Los Angeles, Orange County, San Diego, and El Paso as part of the SSCI audit and investigation.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to actively collect documents and/or information responsive to requests on the following topics: the Transportation Security Administration's SSI designation process; Advanced Imaging Technology units; and the travel records of forty-six individuals.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 3**, **Max Newfield**, with *CNN Presents*, requested from DHS a copy of the contracts the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office awarded to Raspican on October 11, 2011.
- On **February 3**, **Susan Carroll**, with *The Houston Chronicle*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records, documents, e-mails, etc. related to a U.S. Citizen who was deported after using a false name and falsely claiming to be a Colombian citizen.
- On **February 3**, **Dan Schulman**, with *Mother Jones* in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records regarding Koch Industries and possible customs violations.
- On **February 6**, **Heather Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) documents regarding the TSA Choir that sang for passengers in airports in 2011.
- On **February 6**, **Sean Reilly**, with *The Federal Times*, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General OIG a list of all investigations opened in Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011 of potential misconduct by DHS contractors or employees.
- On **February 7**, **Michael Wilt**, with *Cause of Action* in Washington, D.C., requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) documents and communications from any executive branch entity "referring or relating to" non-contractual awards, including requests for such awards from any federal, state, or local governments or elected officials or any other entity.
- On **February 7**, **Bill McGinty**, with *WCNC-TV*, Charlotte, NC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) information regarding a damage claim made by a Charlotte-based traveler arising out of an incident at the Tucson International Airport, including the videotape of TSA employees searching the traveler's bag.
- On **February 7**, **Andrew Wyner**, with *The Project on Government Oversight* in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records that reflect the operative policies, guidance, orders, and memoranda from January 1, 2005 to the present.
- On **February 8**, **Michelle Troscclair**, with the *New England Center for Investigative Reporting*, Allston, MA, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) any records relating to complaints made against TSA by passengers at Boston-Logan International Airport, including disposition or resolution of such complaints, from January 2009 to the present.
- On **February 8**, **Josh Margolin**, with *The New York Post*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records concerning reviews, correction plans, and corresponding records pertaining to security problems, breakdowns, and lockdown incidents at all TSA functions in the New York/New Jersey area from January 2011 to the present.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **February 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Maria Sacchetti**, with *The Boston Globe* a partially redacted list of names, crimes, and last-known states of residence of convicted criminals who have been released in the U.S. after serving their sentences because ICE did not deport them, and the reasons they were not deported.
- On **February 8**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, with *Cox Media Group* in Washington, D.C., correspondence between the OIG and Members of Congress.
- On **February 10**, DHS released to **Constantine G. Papavizas**, an attorney with **Winston & Strawn, LLP** in Washington, D.C., and **Jonathan Waldron** with **Blank Rome, LLP** in Washington, D.C., records regarding the Jones Act and Jones Act waivers.



- On **February 10**, DHS released to **Senators Mary Landrieu** and **David Vitter** documents related to drawdown of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve beginning June 23, 2011.
- On **February 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **John Verdi** with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, D.C. information regarding the procurement of automatic license plate readers.
- On **February 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Emily Willard** with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C. documents regarding the deployment of National Guard personnel in Operation Phalanx.
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- On **February 15**, DHS released to **Russell Carollo**, a journalist in Pueblo, CO data regarding travel by DHS employees.
- On **February 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will release to **James Wilson**, with **Chitwood, Harley, & Harnes, LLP** in Atlanta, GA and **Margaret McAvoy Riess**, with **Fowler, Rodriguez, Valdes-Fauli** in New Orleans, LA, documents related to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
- On **February 16**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will release to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock*, a copy of the video "Behavioral Science Division Five Step Interview/Suspect Interview" produced by FLETC as well as all training videos produced by FLETC in fiscal years 2005-2010.

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## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

February 23, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing to use the Department-wide and the Federal government-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for office supplies, DHS has achieved a cost avoidance of \$10.7 million since 2009.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **February 24**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with incoming Ambassador to India, Nancy Powell.
- On **February 26**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the National Governors Association Dinner hosted by the President and First Lady.
- From **February 27 to 29**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Mexico City, Mexico where she will sign a Declaration of Principles/Bilateral Strategic Plan focusing on priority initiatives that are underway such as prescreening pilots, bilateral port security committees, and the expansion of Global Entry in Mexico; an Interconnectivity Security Agreement, to facilitate information sharing initiatives between DHS and its Mexican counterpart; and a Joint Statement on Global Supply Chain Security. She will also travel to Guatemala City, Guatemala, San Salvador, El Salvador and San Jose, Costa Rica, where she will sign bilateral advance passenger information sharing Memorandums of Understanding with each country, which will allow DHS to work with its Central American partners to collect, share, and analyze data on air passengers prior to their arrival at international airports. Finally, the Secretary will go to Panama City, Panama to sign the Global Supply Chain Initiative statement of intent and speak at the Integrated Border Management Seminar. DHS will issue daily readouts and blog posts during the trip. Additional press TBD.
- On **March 2**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Ottawa, Canada to participate in the Cross-Border Crime Forum with Attorney General Holder and Canadian Minister of Public Safety Toews. The forum will focus on Next Generation of Cross-Border Integrated Law Enforcement (NxtGen), information sharing, and the Administration's Northern Border Counternarcotics Strategy, among other topics. Open press.
- On **March 5**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with International Association of Fire Fighters President Harold Schaitberger.
- On **March 6**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Senators Dan Coats and Mary Landrieu to discuss the FY 2013 budget. She will also meet with IBM President and CEO Ginny Rometty.
- On **March 7**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the National Council of American Indians 2012 Executive Council Winter Session (press TBD). She will also participate in a Senate Cyber Exercise hosted by Majority Leader Harry Reid and led by DHS to demonstrate the impact of proposed cybersecurity legislation on the nation's ability to respond to cyber incidents.
- On **March 8**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security as well as the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the FY 2013 budget. Open Press.
- On **March 9**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York, NY to participate in a panel discussion at the Women in the World Summit event hosted by *Newsweek* and the *Daily Beast*. Open press.
- On **March 15**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in the Presidential Interagency Task Force Meeting on Human Trafficking hosted by Secretary Clinton. Press TBD.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **February 27**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with Swedish Minister of Justice Beatrice Ask to discuss Personal Name Records. She will also attend the Council of Governors Meeting at the Pentagon.
- On **February 28**, Deputy Secretary Lute will host the weekly recurring Interagency Personal Name Records Working Group.

- On **February 29**, Deputy Secretary Lute will give remarks to the CAPSTONE Class at the Pentagon. She will also meet with Afghan Interior Minister Bismullah Muhammadi Khan to discuss DHS cooperation with the Afghan Interior Ministry.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **February 28**, *CNN* will interview Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Warren Stern. The interview will air on March 11 as part of a larger story about nuclear detection technologies and scanning.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **February 22**, the Transportation Security Administration began offering a reduced fee option for obtaining a Hazardous Materials Endorsement (HME) to eligible individuals who hold a valid Transportation Security Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) card, which has at least one year remaining prior to its expiration date. The reduced fee for the HME stems from not needing to pay all required fees for a HME Security Threat Assessment (STA), as the TWIC STA would be considered comparable for purposes of HME vetting. This option is available in 11 states and the District of Columbia.
- On **March 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will begin operations at the Export Enforcement Coordination Center in McLean, VA. This Center, required by the President's Executive Order on Export Control, will include representatives from the Departments of Homeland Security, Justice, Energy, Treasury, Commerce, Defense, State and ODNI and is tasked with coordinating/de-conflicting interagency export enforcement activities.

#### *30-60 Day Look Ahead Highlights*

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- On **March 7**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a Senate Cyber Exercise hosted by Majority Leader Harry Reid and led by DHS to demonstrate the impact of proposed cybersecurity legislation on the nation's ability to respond to cyber incidents.
- In **March** (exact timing TBD), FEMA and the Corporation for National and Community Service will announce the establishment of a FEMA-devoted unit of 1,600 service corps members within AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps solely devoted to disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. This innovative partnership builds on the historic collaboration between the two agencies and will enhance the Federal government's disaster capabilities, increase the reliability and diversity of the disaster workforce, and achieve an estimated cost savings of more than \$350 million in the first five years. The first members will begin serving in August 2012 and the program will reach full capacity within 18 months. Announcement details pending potential White House involvement.
- In **March**, DHS expects to publicly release the DHS Northern Border Strategy (NBS), the first unified DHS strategy to guide the Department's policies and operations at our northern border. The *NBS* identifies three key goals: deterring and preventing terrorism and smuggling, trafficking, and illegal immigration; safeguarding and encouraging the efficient flow of lawful trade, travel, and immigration; and ensuring community resiliency before, during, and after terrorist attacks and other disasters.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on February 23; Public Posting on February 28: “Transportation Security Administration’s Use of Backscatter Units.” Background:** From February 2011 to June 2011, the OIG assessed the manner in which the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) inspects, maintains, and operates backscatter units used in passenger screening. This includes a review of the effectiveness and reliability of inspection plans, public health compliance, operator training, and interagency coordination. **Findings:** The OIG found that TSA was in compliance with standards regarding radiation exposure limits and safety requirements. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes six recommendations for TSA, which include ensuring that radiation surveys are conducted on backscatter units for any incidents of unintended radiation emissions, verifying that training requirements are completed, and developing procedures to ensure appropriate notifications of unintended radiation emissions and overdoses. **Response:** As a result of intensive research, analysis, and testing, third party analysis determined that potential health risks from full-body screening with these X-ray security systems are minuscule. Current safety protocols require all equipment manufacturers comply with nationally-recognized safety standards to ensure the safety of both passengers and operators, addressing an OIG recommendation.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **February 27 and 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss the future of information security and public-private partnerships for cybersecurity at the RSA Cybersecurity Conference, in San Francisco, CA. Closed press.
- On **February 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will deliver remarks on our working relationship with our Canadian partners at the Beyond the Border meeting in Toronto, Ontario. Closed press.
- On **February 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will speak at the National Treasury Employees Union Vigil of Lights Ceremony to honor the memory of fallen CBP officers at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **February 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss DHS goals and vision for 2012 at the American Fuels and Petrochemical Manufacturers Conference in Houston, TX. Closed press.
- On **February 28**, the Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will participate in a panel discussion, hosted by Catholic Charities of DC and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc, in Washington, D.C. to share information about the work of the Ombudsman’s Office and discuss issues related to the impact of prosecutorial discretion for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the delivery of immigration benefits and services. Closed press.
- On **February 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss DHS’ cybersecurity programs at the TechAmerica Cybersecurity CxO Council Meeting in San Francisco, CA. Closed press.
- On **February 29**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O’Toole will discuss technology market trends, their potential impact on national security, and the innovative technologies being developed in the private and public sectors with entrepreneurs, technology innovators, investors and government representatives at In-Q-Tel’s tenth annual CEO Summit in San Jose, CA. Closed press.
- On **February 29**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver keynote remarks at the U.S. Green Building Council Event/Luncheon at the National Press Club regarding environmental sustainability. Open press.
- On **March 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a quarterly Spanish-language *Enlace Engagemnt* for community-based organizations, advocates, and federal, state and local government partners on E-Verify Self-Check. Closed press.
- On **March 1**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks at the “Fukushima Lessons Learned” event, part of a two-day bilateral U.S.-Japanese seminar in Washington D.C., which will feature discussions among key individuals who worked the Fukushima response effort. Closed press.

## **IV. Legislative Issues**

### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 28**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on TSA's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representatives, including Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher and Field Operations Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAllenan, will testify on CBP's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Rand Beers will testify on NPPD's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 7**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Under Secretary Tara O'Toole will testify on S&T's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on FEMA's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 8**, Secret Service Director Mark Sullivan will testify on the Secret Service's FY 2013 budget request in a closed hearing.
- On **March 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will testify on ICE's FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 21**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás and Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dr. Tara O'Toole will testify on the Management Directorate's FY 2013 budget request. This hearing will contain a discussion of DHS facilities, including NBAF.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **February 28**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis State and Local Program Office Deputy Under Secretary Scott McAllister and Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Louis Quijas will testify on DHS's information sharing efforts with state and local partners.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **February 29**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will testify on FEMA's FY 2013 budget request.

#### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **February 29**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Fraud Detection and National Security Division Acting Director Steve Bucher will testify on USCIS's asylum fraud and refugee program.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **February 29**, Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Brian Salerno will testify on the Coast Guard's cruise ship safety efforts.
- On **March 7**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **March 1**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will testify on the Department's efforts to improve management integration.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard**

- On **March 1**, Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Brian Salerno will testify on the Coast Guard's cruise ship safety efforts.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **March 6**, Principal Deputy Coordinator for Counterterrorism John Cohen and a TBD witness from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will testify on the Department's efforts to reduce visa overstays.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure**

- On **March 6**, TBD witnesses from DHS will testify on the Chemical Facility Antiterrorism Standards (CFATS) program.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **March 7**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.

**Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **March 8**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **March 8**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on the Department's FY 2013 budget request.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **March 21**, FEMA Protection and National Preparedness, Grant Program Directorate Assistant Administrator Elizabeth Harman will testify on FEMA's grant programs.

**House Armed Services Committee, Subcommittee on Military Personnel**

- On **March 22**, Coast Guard Master Chief Petty Officer Michael Leavitt will testify on the Coast Guard's efforts to limit hazing.

**House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **March 22**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will testify on I&A's FY 2013 budget request in a closed hearing.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 27**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Warren Stern will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **February 27**, the Science and Technology Directorate will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 2**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will deliver a classified budget briefing to members to discuss I&A's FY 2013 budget request.

**House Committee on Science, Space and Technology Committee**

- On **February 28**, the Science and Technology Directorate will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.

**Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **February 29**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will brief staff on I&A's Homeland Security Intelligence study.

**Senate Committee on Finance, Subcommittee on Trade**

- On **March 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief staff on trade trends and provide an overview of recent CBP trade activities.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **March 2**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Caryn Wagner will deliver a classified budget briefing to staff on I&A's FY 2013 budget request.

**House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **March 2**, Director of Operations Coordination and Planning Richard Chávez will brief staff on the office's FY 2013 budget request.

**House Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Trade**

- On **March 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief staff on trade trends and provide an overview of recent CBP trade activities.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief Senator Susan Collins' staff on ICE and CBP operations in Maine. Closed press.

- On **February 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Transnational Crime and Public Safety Division representatives will brief Representative Frank Wolf on HSI National Gang Unit operations. Closed press.
- On **March 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will meet with Representative Dan Lungren to discuss cybersecurity initiatives.

### *Legislative Issues*

- During the **week of February 27**, the Highway Reauthorization Bill with an amendment from Senator Collins regarding Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Backscatter units is expected to be introduced on the Senate floor. The amendment requires DHS Science and Technology Directorate to conduct a study on the health effects of backscatter AIT units and for the Transportation Security Administration to improve visibility at airport checkpoints of alternative screening options to the AIT units. DHS opposes this legislation due to the results of the multiple independent studies regarding the safety of backscatter AIT units (see OIG report referenced above).

## **V. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***United States v. Utah, No. 11-0401 (D. Utah)***: On **February 17**, the United States District Court for the District of Utah held an oral argument on the preliminary injunction motion that the United States filed to enjoin Utah from implementing certain sections of H.B. 497, which seeks to regulate and enforce immigration law in the state. On February 21, the district court judge issued an order in the case stating that he will not rule on the Government's preliminary injunction motion until after the Supreme Court has issued its ruling in *Arizona v. United States*, 11-182, and that he will continue to temporarily enjoin H.B. 497 until that time.
- ***In re: Oil Spill by the Oil Rig "Deepwater Horizon" in the Gulf of Mexico, on April 20, 2010, MDL No. 2179 (E.D. La.)***: On **February 17**, the United States filed a consent decree pursuant to which defendant Moex Offshore 2007 LLC ("Moex") has agreed to resolve its liability in the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in a settlement with the United States valued at \$90 million. Moex owned a 10 percent interest in BP's Macondo Well. The terms of the settlement require Moex to pay \$70 million in civil penalties to resolve alleged violations of the Clean Water Act resulting from the spill. Of that sum, \$45 million will go towards replenishing the United States' Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund and \$25 million in penalty payments will go to the states of Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas. The settlement also calls for Moex to pay \$20 million toward supplemental environmental projects to facilitate land acquisition to preserve habitat and natural resources in the Gulf of Mexico region. The consent decree is subject to a 30-day comment period and final court approval.
- ***Kawashima v. Holder, No. 10-577 (SCOTUS)***: On **February 21**, the United States Supreme Court issued a ruling upholding the Ninth Circuit's decision below that willfully making and subscribing a false tax return and aiding and assisting in the preparation of a false tax return, violations of 26 U.S.C. §§7206(1) and (2) respectively, are crimes "involv[ing] fraud or deceit" such that they qualify as aggravated felonies under the Immigration and Nationality Act and thus may render a lawful permanent resident removable.

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **February 24**, DHS will make an eighth production of electronic communications generated by, transmitted to, or possessed by a DHS employee related to or involving his work with a fusion center as requested by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations as part of its investigation into fusion centers.
- In addition to this request, DHS continues to actively collect documents and/or information responsive to requests on the following topics: the Transportation Security Administration's SSI designation process; the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious; Advanced Imaging Technology units; and the travel records of forty-six individuals.



### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 3**, **Mary Cox**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee**, requested from DHS correspondence between Representative Connie Mack and DHS between January 2001 and October 2003.
- On **February 6**, **Josh Margolin**, with *The New York Post*, requested from DHS a copy of records regarding the review of events and responses associated with all events surrounding Super Bowl XLVI in Indianapolis, IN.
- On **February 7**, **David Tonyan**, with **Northwestern University**, requested from DHS the list of all FOIA requests pertaining to the Occupy Chicago protestors from September 24, 2011 to January 22, 2012.
- On **February 8**, **Scott MacFarlane**, with *COX Media* in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS all records regarding the Occupy Oakland protest from 2011 and 2012. MacFarlane also requested copies of communication between Secretary Napolitano and Governor Rick Perry from 2009 to 2012.
- On **February 9**, **Steven Emerson**, with **SAE Productions**, in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS records regarding the January 18, 2012 White House meeting among Secretary Napolitano, Attorney General Holder, and John Brennan.
- On **February 13**, **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Customs and Border Protection records regarding Operation Streamline.
- On **February 13**, **Michael Knuzelman**, with *The Associated Press*, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard email sent and received by Commandant Thad Allen from April 20, 2010 through July 31, 2010 regarding the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
- On **February 14**, **Amy Taxin**, with *The Associated Press*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) documents outlining the Standard Operating Procedures for prosecutorial discretion that have been drafted and/or implemented by each ICE Office of Chief Counsel.
- On **February 15**, **Michael Grabell**, with *Pro Publica* in New York, NY, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) documents regarding Z-backscatter vans, including: 1) past missions/deployments of the vans; 2) the Department's policies and procedures regarding the van and any training materials; 3) final policy decisions or interpretations of the law or any legal options as to when Z-backscatter van can or cannot be used; 4) any contracts and supplemental contracting documents; 5) any tests or reports regarding the radiation dose or other health and safety concerns, 6) records related to data storage, and 7) contents of the image databases used and/or created by the Z-backscatter van.
- On **February 15**, **Aaron Diamant**, with *WSB-TV* in Atlanta, GA, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General a copy of the report entitled "Transportation Security Administration Covert Testing of Access Controls to Secured Airport Areas."

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **February 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Michael Tan**, an attorney with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in New York, NY, documents regarding the number of individuals in ICE custody subject to "non-mandatory" and "mandatory" detention on the first day of each month of 2011 for each ICE Area of Responsibility.
- On **February 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted a copy of the December 2011 Kenosha County, Wisconsin Detention Center Compliance Inspection Report to its online FOIA Library.
- On **February 17**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Jon Campbell**, a journalist in San Diego, CA, work papers relating to the report entitled "The State of California's Management of Urban Areas Security Initiative Grants Awarded During Fiscal Years 2006 through 2008."
- On **February 21**, DHS released to **Dave Perera** with *Fierce Government* in Washington, D.C., quarterly DHS reports sent to Congress regarding the Secure Border Initiative.
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- On **February 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Andrea Knittle** with *The Oklahoman* in Oklahoma City, OK statistics regarding removals of illegal aliens from 2006 to 2011 in the Dallas area of responsibility.

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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

March 1, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$295 million in cost avoidances through implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to reduce expenditures associated with applicant security background investigations and other security-related component-specific initiatives.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **March 5**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate in a webinar with fellows from the Association of Health Care Journalists. The journalists will include fellows from Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota and Nebraska. The Webinar will include discussion on public health issues that FEMA, in coordination with other agencies, faces during and after disasters. Open press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **March 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will begin operations at the Export Enforcement Coordination Center in McLean, VA. This Center, required by the President's Executive Order on Export Control, will include representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Commerce, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection.
- On **March 2**, the Science and Technology Directorate will release an updated Site-Specific Risk Assessment (SSRA) for the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility, which incorporates recommendations from the National Academy of Sciences and the most recent design plans. The updated SSRA, which was provided to Congress in February, satisfies the Congressional requirements for demonstrating how calculated risks have been significantly reduced by incorporating mitigation measures into the risk assessment and updating the analysis to allow for a cumulative risk calculation.
- During the **week of March 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will post for public comment a new draft policy memorandum for the L1-B visa classification, which seeks to clarify the definition of "specialized knowledge" as it applies to applicants, as well as consolidate L1-B classification policy into one document.
- During the **week of March 5**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will publish a Funding Opportunity Announcement for the FY 2012 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program on grants.gov. USCIS will offer approximately \$5 million in competitive grant funding to non-profit immigrant-serving organizations to provide citizenship preparation services for permanent residents. USCIS anticipates making 31 awards under this funding opportunity and will announce the recipients in September.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on March 6, Public Posting on March 8: "Information Sharing on Foreign Nationals: Border Security." Background:** From August to December 2010, the OIG assessed how biometric and biographic information is shared among DHS components at air, land, and sea ports of entry, and land and maritime borders. The assessment focused on the screening and processing of foreign nationals who seek to enter the United States; the timelines and thoroughness of information sharing among DHS data systems; and communication among DHS components. This report is the second of three reports focusing on information sharing among Department of Homeland Security (DHS) components when they encounter a foreign national. **Findings:** The OIG found that DHS has invested considerable resources to improve staffing and infrastructure to facilitate information sharing. **Recommendations:** The report contains eight recommendations to improve communication, timeliness and thoroughness of information sharing among DHS components. **Response:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), U.S. Citizenship and

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Immigration Services (USCIS), U.S. Coast Guard (Coast Guard), U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) actively share information throughout DHS regarding foreign nationals who seek to enter the United States. The OIG determined that DHS has invested considerable resources to improve staffing and infrastructure to facilitate information sharing. DHS continues to take steps to further strengthen information sharing, communication, and coordination in this area, and address the OIG recommendations.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **March 5**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss upcoming risk-based security initiatives and TSA's Vision for the Future of Aviation Security at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **March 5**, DHS will host inspectors from federal, state, and local government agencies in South Carolina as well as representatives from regulated airports, air carriers, indirect air carriers, authorized representatives, Certified Cargo Screening Facilities, and surface security partners to discuss aviation and surface transportation security at a Multi-Modal Security Outreach Event in Charleston, SC. Closed press.
- From **March 5 to 8**, Office of International Affairs Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will travel to Mexico City and Tijuana to meet with Mexican immigration and enforcement officials and local community leaders regarding efforts to expedite the secure flow of travelers and trade across the border and improve law enforcement collaboration.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Mayor Raul G. Salinas of Laredo, TX in Washington, D.C. to discuss CBP operations in the area. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Fire Administration Deputy Administrator Glenn Gaines will deliver remarks on how the fire service can adapt to the current fiscal environment at the Center for Public Safety Excellence 2012 Conference in Las Vegas, NV. Open press.
- On **March 6 and 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher and Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition Mark Borkowski will speak at the Border Expo 2012 in Phoenix, AZ on CBP's efforts to secure ports of entry and to strengthen global supply chain security. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss the role of laboratories within DHS as well as opportunities to improve collaboration at a combined Lawrence Livermore National Security and Los Alamos National Security Board of Governors Directors Meeting at the University of California Washington Center in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will deliver remarks on DHS's cybersecurity efforts at the Morgan Lewis LLP "Cybersecurity Conference: Strategies and Trends in Energy Infrastructure Cybersecurity" in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will provide an update on FEMA tribal affairs and grants at the National Congress of American Indians Executive Board Winter Meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver a presentation at the Excellence in Government Program at the Center for Government Leadership in Washington, D.C., which aims to strengthen the leadership skills of GS-14 and GS-15 federal employees. Closed press.
- On **March 8**, FEMA Region IV will host the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF) stakeholder engagement session in Memphis, TN. The forum, *Strengthening Disaster Recovery for the Nation*, is part of a multi-city stakeholder outreach plan to introduce the NDRF. The event is being held to seek input on the implementation of the NDRF in state and local communities and explore how the concepts can be used to drive recovery efforts after a disaster. Closed press.
- On **March 9**, the Homeland Security Advisory Committee's Faith-based Advisory Committee will hold its first in-person meeting in Washington D.C., focusing on DHS information sharing efforts. Closed press.

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##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **March 6**, Principal Deputy Coordinator for Counterterrorism John Cohen and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Associate Director Pete Edge will testify on the Department's efforts to reduce visa overstays.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

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##### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Ways and Means Committee**

- On **March 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief staff on the Fiscal Year 2013 budget request.

##### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **March 5**, Director of Operations Coordination and Planning Richard Chavez will brief staff on the FY 2013 budget request.
- On **March 5**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will deliver a classified budget briefing to members to discuss I&A's FY 2013 budget request.

##### **House and Senate Select Committees on Intelligence**

- On **March 7**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will deliver a classified budget briefing to staff to discuss I&A's FY 2013 budget request.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) South Texas Commander Robert Harris will brief Representatives Blake Farenthold and Henry Cuellar, as well as Representative's Hinojosa's staff on the South Texas Campaign, a CBP initiative announced internally late last year that seeks to better align CBP South Texas resources and integrate CBP missions in South Texas. CBP is currently working on a public roll-out of this initiative.
- On **March 8**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will meet with Senator John Kerry to discuss DHS's cybersecurity efforts.

#### **IV. Legal Issues**

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- During the **week of March 5**, DHS expects the U.S. Coast Guard Final Rule: "**Standards for Living Organisms in Ships' Ballast Water Discharged in U.S. Waters**" to publish in the *Federal Register*. The Coast Guard is amending its regulations on ballast water management by establishing a standard for the allowable concentration of living organisms in ships' ballast water discharged in waters of the United States. The Coast Guard is also amending its regulations for engineering equipment by establishing an approval process for ballast water management systems. These new regulations will aid in controlling the introduction and spread of non-indigenous species from ships' ballast water in waters of the United States.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **February 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the year-to-date Fiscal Year 2012 Nationwide Interoperability Statistics to the online ICE FOIA Library.
- On **February 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Mark Miller** with *Capital News Service* in Washington, D.C. data regarding the 287(g) program.
- On **February 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **David Shapiro** with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in Washington, D.C. records regarding an individual who died in ICE custody in March 2010.
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- On **March 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Rudi Keller** with the *Columbia Daily Tribune* in Columbia, MO correspondence regarding an EB-5 immigrant investor Regional Center application.

#### **V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

March 8, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the IT Inventory Management initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of \$17.8 million to date.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **March 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host a media pen and pad session with reporters to discuss the 2012 USCIS priorities.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **March 10 to 15**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will share training/technology information and best practices with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Academy in Regina, Saskatchewan. Director Patrick will give keynote remarks at the cadets' graduation ceremony on March 12. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will meet with representatives from the World Economic Forum (WEF) to discuss collaboration between WEF and DHS to develop and synchronize risk assessments for the global supply chain. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar, Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski, and Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher are scheduled to attend the CBP-Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Summit in Messena, NY, and the Acting Commissioner will deliver opening remarks. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with a delegation of the Board of Directors and Young Leaders of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) during their annual meeting in Washington, D.C. to discuss HIAS's partnership with USCIS through the Citizenship and Integration Grant Program and refugee resettlement issues. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Archbishop Gomez of Los Angeles, CA; Bishop Taylor of Little Rock, AR; Bishop Eduardo Nevares of Phoenix, AZ; and Bishop John Wester of Utah in Washington, D.C. to discuss issues pertaining to Iraqi refugees, provisional waivers, and religious workers, among others. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, the DHS Sustainability and Efficiency Task Force will hold its first in-person meeting of 2012 in Washington D.C., which will feature briefings from federal government officials, as well as a number of local and private sector officials, who will discuss the Secretary's tasking on fleet management and data acquisition. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate and Customs and Border Protection will kick off a 3-month pilot demonstration in Fort Lauderdale, FL of the General Aviation Aircraft Scanner, which is a lightweight, mobile inspection system that provides rapid, nonintrusive inspection of general aviation aircraft for weapons, contraband, or other prohibited items and materials that may be stowed within the aircraft structure. The unit can also be used to scan automobiles, light trucks, and air cargo in warehouses or other constricted spaces. Closed press.
- On **March 13**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will deliver remarks on chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) defense to technology developers, acquisition professionals, first responders, and supporting industry at the Joint CBRN Conference and Exhibition in Baltimore, MD. Open press.

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- On **March 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will present a Baseline Assessment for Security Enhancement (BASE) award recognizing achievement in the mass transit and rail industry to the New Orleans Regional Transit Authority in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- On **March 13**, the Science and Technology Directorate will present a National Agro and Bio Defense Facility update as part of a larger presentation regarding DHS activities in the agriculture and food sector during the U.S. Animal Health Association and the American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians 2012 Government Relations meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Atlanta, GA to visit the USCIS District Office. On **March 14**, he will travel to Greer, SC for the USCIS Field Office facility opening. In both locations he will meet with employees and local stakeholders. Open press.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will host the grand opening of the Karnes detention facility in Karnes City, TX. ICE will lead a tour of the facility for NGOs and Congressional staff. Open press.
- On **March 13 and 14**, the U.S. Secret Service will provide training and briefings for law enforcement agencies supporting the Republican National Convention in Tampa, FL. Closed press.
- On **March 13 and 14**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza and Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dr. Tara O'Toole will deliver remarks on the DHS Chemical and Biological Defense Strategy and on S&T research priorities at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Lincoln Laboratory Homeland Protection Workshop Series in Lexington, MA. Closed press.
- From **March 13 to 15**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Douglas Smith will travel to Malaysia to speak at the International Air Transport Association conference in Kuala Lumpur, where he will participate in and deliver remarks at several panels, on topics including Air Cargo Advance Screening, customs regulations, supply chain management, and consignment security. Open press.
- On **March 14**, The Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will participate in a full-scale airport disaster drill at the Brunswick Airport in Brunswick, GA to train airport staff and other stakeholders in the planning and response procedures for responding to an airplane crash. No public impact. Open press.
- On **March 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with David Lyle, CEO of National Geographic Channel in Washington, D.C., to discuss ongoing collaboration including *Border Wars*, the documentary series that examines how CBP executes its border security mission. Closed press.
- On **March 14**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for National Preparedness and Protection Tim Manning will speak on FEMA's whole community effort in Pacific Island communities at the Pacific Risk Management 'Ohana in Honolulu, HI. The 'Ohana is a conference of stakeholders who work to enhance the preparedness and resiliency of the Pacific Islands through risk management. Open press.
- From **March 14 to 16**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Mexico City to meet with Mexican immigration and enforcement officials to address border and regional security efforts. Closed press.
- On **March 15**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak at the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF) stakeholder engagement session in New York, NY. Hosted by FEMA Region II, the forum, *Strengthening Disaster Recovery for the Nation*, is the last regional event as part of the multi-city stakeholder outreach. Closed press.
- On **March 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host a stakeholder engagement in Washington, D.C. on the 2012 USCIS Priorities. Closed press.
- On **March 15**, the DHS Private Sector Office will host the first *Private Sector for a Day* at the Visa and Verizon Operations Centers in Ashburn, VA. The *Private Sector for a Day* program was established to provide government representatives information on how the private sector addresses homeland security challenges. Representatives from the National Security Staff, the Office of Management and Budget, the Department of Treasury, the Department of Commerce, as well as DHS will participate in this event. Closed press.

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- On **March 16**, the Science and Technology Directorate and the U.S. Department of Agriculture will meet with the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C., to address their questions on the updated Site Specific Risk Assessment for the National Bio and Agro Defense Facility. Closed press.
- On **March 16**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will deliver keynote remarks about Coast Guard missions at the Kings Bay Council of the Navy League luncheon at the Kings Bay Naval Submarine Base in St. Marys, GA. Open press.
- On **March 24**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will speak at the White House Hispanic Outreach Summit in Milwaukee, WI. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight**

- On **March 13**, Balanced Workforce Program Management Office Executive Director Debra Tomchek will testify on the Department's Balanced Workforce Initiative.

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

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### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **March 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief majority staff on the Human Smuggling and Trafficking Center, in Washington, D.C. The briefing is in furtherance of an ongoing committee project examining interagency coordination and cooperation between law enforcement agencies and is being done at the committee's request.
- On **March 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Office of Intelligence Assistant Director James Chaparro will brief staff on HSI Illicit Pathways Attack Strategy, designed to support the Administration's transnational organized crime strategy by combating human trafficking and smuggling, weapons trafficking, intellectual property theft, cybercrime, money laundering and counter-proliferation, at the committee's request.

### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **March 14**, FEMA will brief staff on FEMA's delegation of authorities to the regions.

### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Appropriations**

- On **March 17**, FEMA will provide Senator Richard Shelby with a tour of the Noble Training Facility, the only facility in the U.S. dedicated to training healthcare professionals in disaster preparedness and response, in Anniston, AL.

### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief Representative Ben Quayle, on counternarcotics efforts jointly with the DEA in Phoenix, AZ at his request.
- On **March 15**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Warren Stern will travel to New York City, NY to attend a series of briefings and meetings with the New York Police Department and Congressional staff and members, including Representative Robert Aderholt, Representative David Price, Representative Nita Lowey, and Representative Charles Dent. Congressional members and staff will observe a demonstration of radiological and nuclear detection activities at Penn Station, tour the Lower Manhattan Security Initiative Coordination Center, and receive a briefing on the Securing the Cities program and other DHS-related activities. Closed press.
- On **March 16**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will provide a briefing on FEMA's flood preparedness and response activities to Members of Congress. This will detail flood safety awareness tips, and preparedness information. Closed press.

## **IV. Legal Issues**

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **February 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted to its FOIA log from January 2012 to its online FOIA Library.
- On **February 29**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Sean Reilly**, with *The Federal Times* travel vouchers for travel by OIG agents.
- On **March 6**, DHS released to **Senator Robert Menendez** copies of correspondence between his office and DHS from 2007 to 2011.
- On **March 6**, DHS released to **Mary Cox** with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** correspondence between Representative Connie Mack and DHS from 2001 to the present.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Betsy Ginsberg** with the **Benjamin Cardozo School of Law** a second interim response concerning the interpretation of *Dent v. Holder*.
- On **March 6**, DHS released to **Lynn Doan** with *Bloomberg News* documents regarding the processing of Jones Act Waivers.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Ryan Lengerich** with the *Rapid City Journal* in Rapid City, SD H-2B data for workers in South Dakota.

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Weekly Report

March 15, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified \$4 million in cost avoidances by leveraging a cross-Component contract that offers lower prices and better service for background investigations. In the first quarter of fiscal year 2012, DHS headquarters was able to achieve cost avoidances of \$138,000.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **March 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will interview with Jill Leibowitz for CNBC's *Crime Inc.* regarding media piracy which will profile criminals involved in piracy crimes involving large amounts of money. The interview is anticipated to air within the next two months.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on March 20, Public Posting on March 22: Department of Homeland Security's Compliance with the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010."**  
**Background:** As required by statute, the OIG assessed if DHS was in compliance with the *Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010*, if the Department's improper payment reporting was accurate and complete, and also evaluated the Department's efforts to reduce and recover improper payments in FY 2011. **Recommendations:** The OIG found that there were no instances of noncompliance with the Act but made six recommendations to improve controls to ensure completeness and accuracy of reporting, and to increase the recovery of improper payments. **Response:** As the OIG found, there have been no instances of noncompliance with the *Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010*. As the OIG noted, DHS has taken many significant actions to strengthen the Department's work in eliminating and recovering improper payments.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **March 19**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will host an Employee Town Hall meeting in Kansas City, MO. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Directorate Tara O'Toole will meet with the Department of Defense-Department of Homeland Security Capability Development Working Group in Washington, D.C. to discuss topics of mutual interest to the two Departments within the realms of science and technology, research and development, advanced concepts, testing, experimentation, and acquisition. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss the DHS's resilience goals and objectives, and the Administration's overarching critical infrastructure protection priorities at the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies' 2012 Water Policy Conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Compete America, a coalition of businesses and non-profit organizations that advocate for immigration reform on behalf of highly-skilled foreign workers, to discuss promoting job growth and economic activity through the immigration system. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, the Office of Health Affairs, in partnership with FEMA and U.S. Fire Administration will host a Blue Campaign event: "Promoting Awareness of Human Trafficking: Partnering with First Responders on the Front Lines" for local emergency medical services providers and other first responders. Closed press.

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- From **March 19 to 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations and Cyber Crime Center officials will train Thai law enforcement officials on first responder computer forensics and cyber crimes investigations in Bangkok, Thailand. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with the Ambassador-designate to Nicaragua Phyllis Powers to discuss next steps for DHS engagement in Nicaragua.
- On **March 20**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with Commanding Officer of the Israeli Home Front Command Major General Eyal Eizenberg in Washington, D.C. to discuss FEMA's goals and missions. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with the Florida Gubernatorial Fellows in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss NPPD's 2012 priorities at the American Bar Association's, National Civics & Law Academy for High School Students in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will announce the Air Cargo Advance Screening Strategic plan to enhance cargo security at the Air Cargo 2012 Conference and Expo in Miami, Florida. Open press.
- On **March 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss the rapid evolution of the smart grid at the IT Security Entrepreneurs' Forum in Stanford, CA. Open press.
- On **March 21**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will deliver remarks on the role of DHS in coordinating the exchange of intelligence with state, local, and tribal law enforcement at the National Military Intelligence Association's 2012 Intelligence Symposium in Fairfax, VA. Closed press.
- From **March 21 to 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to Germany and will speak about the future of joint border management at the Politics & Policy of Border Security conference hosted by the Migration Policy Institute in Berlin on March 22. He will also review CBP's Immigration Advisory Program operations at the Frankfurt Airport and meet with his counterparts from the U.S. European Command and U.S. Africa Command in Stuttgart. Closed press.
- On **March 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Kumar Kibble, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski, and U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Frederick Kenney will participate in a panel entitled "The Law Enforcement Agenda 2012" at the American Bar Association's 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Homeland Security Law Institute in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **March 22**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host its 26<sup>th</sup> New York Area Science and Technology Forum on Virtual USA® and the Next Generation Incident Command System, information-sharing and situational awareness initiatives that help federal, state, local and tribal first responders communicate during emergencies, in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **March 22**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will visit Camp Blanding, FL, to meet with the Adjutant General of Florida to discuss preparations for the upcoming hurricane season. Closed press.
- On **March 22**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host the Department of Justice in Glynco, GA to update and enhance lesson plans regarding Victim Witness Awareness in a variety of law enforcement training programs. Closed press.
- On **March 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Roberta Stempfley will discuss critical cyber security policy choices facing the nation at the Cyber Futures Conference and Technology Exposition in Oxon Hill, MD. Open press.
- On **March 23**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Office Douglas Smith will participate in a panel hosted by the U.S. Travel Association in Washington, D.C. to discuss the National Travel and Tourism Strategy. The Departments of State, Interior, and Commerce are also expected to participate as co-panelists. Open press.



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#### *Congressional Testimony*

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#### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **March 28**, a TBD representative from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will testify on performance based national detention standards.

#### **House Energy and Commerce Committee, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology**

- On **March 28**, a TBD representative from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on cybersecurity and communications network security.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **April 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify in a general oversight hearing.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **April 25**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify on the use of advanced imaging technology.

### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **March 19**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate and U.S. Secret Service will brief staff on Apex Projects, which are cross-cutting, multi-disciplinary efforts requested by DHS Components that are high priority, high-value, and short turn-around in nature. Closed press.

#### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

On **March 19**, the Coast Guard will brief staff on the status of the Offshore Patrol Cutter, Fast Response Cutter, and Command, Control, Communication, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C4ISR) acquisition projects.

- On **March 20**, Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Director Bob Bray will provide a briefing to members on air marshal operations.

#### **House Judiciary Committee**

- On **March 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will brief majority staff on the Judiciary on prosecutorial discretion at their request. Closed press.

#### **House Ways and Means Committee**

- On **March 21**, U.S. Immigration Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR Center) Director Lev Kubiak will brief staff on ICE's trade enforcement activities and the FY 2013 budget at their request.

### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief and provide Congressional staff from the Senate and House Agriculture Committees, the House Homeland Security Committee and the offices of Senators Cornyn, Moran and Gillibrand a tour of CBP operations at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, NY. The tour and brief will focus primarily on CBP's agriculture work at the airport. Closed press.

## **IV. Legal Issues**

### *Rules and Regulations*

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### *FOIA Releases*

- On **March 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), released to **Robert Deasy**, with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, D.C., information pertaining to O and P nonimmigrant visa classifications.
- On **March 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Steve Eder**, with the **Wall Street Journal**, data regarding the number of EB-5 visas that have been issued through each EB-5 regional center over the past five years.
- On **March 13**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Elizabeth Wagner**, with **KNTV NBC Bay Area News** in San Jose, CA, records regarding cruise vessel inspections.
- On **March 14**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Jennifer Kay** with the **Associated Press** the International Offshore Drilling Response Plan.

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- On **March 15**, the U.S. Coast Guard will release to **Randy Tyler** with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in Seattle, WA threat assessments in response to his request for documents concerning activist activities in Washington.
- On **March 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Vivek Mittal** with the **National Immigration Law Center** documents regarding Employment Authorization Documents.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **March 9**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 394 AIT units at 125 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **March 10**, 342,726 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than one million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 8 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **March 14**, President Obama has signed 243 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$17.3 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

March 21, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$3.4 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to eliminate printing and distribution of reports and documents that can be sent electronically or posted online.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **March 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony and media event in Phoenix, AZ to announce the expansion of Global Entry to the Phoenix-Sky Harbor International Airport. Participants include CBP Tucson Director of Field Operations, Phoenix Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix-Sky Harbor Airport Director Danny Murphy and the Phoenix-Sky Harbor CBP Port Director Cleatus Hunt. Open press.
- On **March 27**, *Discover Magazine* will interview the Science and Technology Directorate's Director of the Plum Island Animal Disease Center Larry Barrett on laboratory operations.
- On **March 28**, the *BBC* will visit the Science and Technology Directorate's Plum Island Animal Disease Center as part of a story regarding foot-and-mouth disease research. The focus of the visit is to interview USDA scientists at the lab however, Center Director Larry Barrett may be interviewed to discuss the DHS/USDA partnership.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **March 22**, the Transportation Security Administration will attain mutual recognition between the United States and Canada of the two countries' air cargo programs, as part of the Beyond the Border initiative. As a result, passenger air carriers flying from Canada to the U.S. will be allowed to operate solely under Canada's National Cargo Security Program (NCSP).
- On **March 23**, DHS expects the U.S. Coast Guard Final Rule: "Standards for Living Organisms in Ships' Ballast Water Discharged in U.S. Waters" to publish in the *Federal Register*. The Coast Guard is amending its regulations on ballast water management by establishing a standard for the allowable concentration of living organisms in ships' ballast water discharged in waters of the United States. The Coast Guard is also amending its regulations for engineering equipment by establishing an approval process for ballast water management systems. These new regulations will aid in controlling the introduction and spread of non-indigenous species from ships' ballast water in waters of the United States.
- Beginning the **week of March 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will launch its Entrepreneurs in Residence Initiative by hosting a tactical team at USCIS, comprised of business experts, who will work to ensure that the current immigration laws' potential to attract foreign entrepreneurial talent is fully realized by assessing policies and practices related to nonimmigrant visa classifications.
- During the **week of March 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will post for public comment a new draft policy memorandum for the L1-B visa classification, a visa allowing U.S. employers to transfer professionals with specialized knowledge relating to the organization's interests from one of its affiliated foreign offices to one of its offices in the United States, which seeks to clarify the definition of "specialized knowledge" as it applies to applicants, as well as consolidate L1-B classification policy into one document.
- On **March 27**, DHS will publish the DHS Language Access plan, as required under Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, (August 11, 2000), which describes the Department's resources and strategies for providing meaningful access to DHS programs and activities to people with limited English proficiency.

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- On **March 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will publish a technical amendment in the Federal Register updating the list of the airports that are now authorized by CBP to accept aircraft traveling to or from Cuba. In a statement issued on January 14, 2011, the President announced a series of changes to ease the restrictions on travel to and from Cuba, allowing additional U.S. airports to accept direct flights in accordance with procedures established by CBP.
- On **March 28**, DHS will release The No FEAR Act Annual Report to Congress, the Attorney General and the Director of OMB. The report will have specific information relating to each agency’s EEO complaints activity (including federal district court cases) and resulting disciplinary actions, Judgment Fund reimbursements, adjustments to agency budgets to meet reimbursement requirements, as well as an analysis of trends, causation, and practical knowledge gained through experience.

#### *Reports*

- On **March 27**, GAO is expected to release a report entitled “**Federal Protective Service: Better Data on Facility Jurisdictions Needed to Enhance Collaboration of State and Local Law Enforcement.**”  
**Background:** From February 2011 to March 2012, the GAO assessed the Federal Protective Service’s (FPS) efforts to collaborate with state and local law enforcement for assistance in responding to incidents at federal facilities. GAO also evaluated FPS’s process for managing data against existing standards for internal control in the Federal government. **Recommendation:** GAO makes one recommendation for revising the memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the General Services Administration (GSA) and FPS in order to ensure that efforts to identify the jurisdictions of all GSA buildings are completed and that this data is provided to FPS so they are better equipped to manage jurisdictional roles and responsibilities at federal facilities. **Response:** FPS and GSA have an established MOU that defines the services each agency provides to tenants of their facilities, as well as information shared between them. A revision of the MOU is under way, with FPS and GSA working collaboratively to ensure it includes key elements of the partnership such as information and data sharing.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **March 23 to 30**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Halinski will lead the U.S. delegation at the Aviation Security Panel of Experts Meeting in Montreal, Canada to discuss key aviation security issues facing the international community and to develop and revise security standards and recommended practices including baggage and air cargo screening. Closed press.
- On **March 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will discuss DHS’s partnership with 4-H for the *Stop. Think. Connect.* campaign in Chevy Chase, MD. Open press.
- On **March 26**, the Transportation Security Administration will hold a Federal Flight Deck Officer Stakeholder Meeting and Town Hall in Denver, CO regarding authorities, operations, and the FY 2013 budget with representatives of various pilot professional organizations, air carriers, and Flight Operations personnel. Closed press.
- On **March 27**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the 2012 National Hurricane Conference about a community-oriented approach to emergency management to achieve unity of effort in preparedness, response, and recovery in Orlando, FL. The Administrator will also participate in a press conference. Open press.



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- On **March 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will discuss cybersecurity issues and strategies at the National Emergency Management Association – Homeland Security Committee meeting in Alexandria, VA. Closed press.
- On **March 27**, Civil Rights Civil Liberties Acting Officer Tamara Kessler will participate in the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights public hearing concerning short term immigration detention and repatriation practices at the U.S.-Mexico border. Open press.
- On **March 27**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick and the DHS Office for State and Local Law Enforcement will discuss partnership opportunities to promote state, local and rural law enforcement training with the National Sheriff's Association. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will deliver remarks to students at the Director of National Intelligence Center of Academic Excellence Colloquium at the University of Maryland about homeland security and possible careers at DHS and throughout the homeland security enterprise. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will discuss cybersecurity and preventing cyber attacks with Danish Defense Minister Hækkerup and Defense Intelligence Service Head Ahrenkiel in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a public teleconference for immigration rights stakeholders with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Public Advocate, a new position within the Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations that will work closely with stakeholders on issues of concern. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, the U.S. Secret Service will host a tabletop exercise with interagency as well as state and local law enforcement partners using a scenario involving an incident at the White House to provide key stakeholders with the opportunity for critical dialogue as it pertains to both legal and operational factors in each division/department's role and response plan. No public impact is expected. Closed press.
- From **March 28 to 30**, Acting Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Debra Rogers and representatives from the Department of Justice (DOJ) will discuss the delivery of immigration services and benefits by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services in Kalamazoo, MI; Indianapolis, IN; and Chicago, IL. Closed press.
- On **March 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver the keynote address at the American Immigration Lawyers Association Conference in Washington, DC. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead and ICE Public Advocate Andrew Lorenzen-Strait will also participate in a forum at a conference addressing deferred action, prosecutorial discretion, and ICE priorities. Open press.
- On **March 30**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak to the International Association of Chiefs of Police in Alexandria, VA. The Administrator's remarks will focus on PPD-8 and building unity of effort to address the nation's most significant risks. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Oversight and Reform Committee and House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

- On **March 26**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Assistant Administrators Chris McLaughlin and Steve Sadler and U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Brian Salerno will testify in a general TSA and USCG oversight hearing covering topics such as Advanced Imaging Technology, Screening of Passengers by Observation Techniques, and the Transportation Worker Identification Credential program.

#### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **March 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Detention Policy and Planning Assistant Director Kevin Landy will testify on performance based national detention standards.

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**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **March 29**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Alex Garza will testify on the FY 2013 budget request.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight**

- On **March 29**, Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer, Balanced Workforce Executive Director Debra Tomchek will testify on the Department's Balanced Workforce Strategy.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **April 18**, Office of International Affairs Deputy Assistant Secretary Mark Koumans and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Global Strategies Assistant Administrator John Halinski will testify on DHS and TSA's international cooperation with counterparts in Asia.
- On **April 25**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify on the use of advanced imaging technology in a closed hearing.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technology**

- On **April 19**, Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will testify on how S&T works with the Department of Energy's National Labs.

**Senate Judiciary Committee**

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**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **May 8**, Coast Guard Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's major acquisition programs.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**Senate and House Appropriations Committees**

- On **March 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Assistant Director Gary Mead and Office of the Principal Legal Advisor Director for Field Legal Operations Jim Stolley will brief staff on ICE's quarterly prosecutorial discretion data. Closed press.
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- On **March 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief staff on the plan for allocating additional funding for the Visa Security Program included in the FY 2012 appropriations bill. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, representatives from Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) will provide semi-annual program briefings to staff regarding nuclear detection research, development, testing, and evaluation, as well as the radiological and nuclear terrorism risk assessment and DNDO architectural studies.
- On **March 29**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will deliver a classified counterintelligence briefing to staff. I&A will also deliver a classified briefing on Air Domain Intelligence Integration Element, an interagency effort to improve intelligence and information sharing across the air domain, to staff.

**Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee**

- On **March 27**, Deputy Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Huban Gowadia will provide a briefing to staff on radiation portal monitor deployments and procurement at ports of entry.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **March 27**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) representatives will provide program briefings regarding S&T's cybersecurity programs, Centers of Excellence, and S&T's work in the academic community.



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**Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **March 30**, U.S. Immigration Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble and Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will meet with staff to discuss ICE priorities. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 27**, Science and Technology Directorate Office of National Labs Director James Johnson will brief staff in Representative Tim Bishop's office on the National Bio and Agro Defense Facility. Closed press.
- On **March 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers on CBP Unmanned Aerial Surveillance operations. Closed press.
- On **March 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief staffs of Senator Boxer and Senator Akaka on CBP agriculture operations.

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- On **March 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), released to **David Bacon**, a reporter in Berkeley, CA, records pertaining to visas issued for H2-A, H2-B, and H1-B visas for Smithfield Foods, Carroll's Farms and Granjas Carroll de Mexico, for 1990- 2011.
- On **March 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the Laredo Service Processing Center Compliance Inspection Report and the February 2012 FOIA Log to its online FOIA Library.
- On **March 15**, DHS posted records related to the Jones Act Waivers for January 2011 through September 2011 to its online FOIA Library.
- On **March 21**, DHS will release to **Jason Leopold** with **Truthout.org** in Los Angeles, CA; **Grace Wyler** with *Business Insider* in New York, NY; **John Cook** with **Gawker Media** in New York, NY; **Sean Dunagan** with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C.; and **Mara Verheyden-Hilliard** with the **Partnership for Civil Justice Fund** in Washington, D.C. correspondence relating to the Occupy Wall Street movement.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

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- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (February 2012):** TSA referred 27 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 111 firearms and 10 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
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## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

March 29, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through the DHS Efficiency Review and Component efforts to optimize fleet management through such changes as “right-sizing” fleet inventory and transitioning to hybrid vehicles, DHS has identified more than \$98 million in cost avoidances through 2015.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **April 2**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in an interview with Scott Shane and Jo Becker from *The New York Times* about national security and counterterrorism as part of an article about the Administration’s efforts.
- On **April 4**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Phoenix, AZ to deliver the keynote address at the 2012 National Fusion Center Training Conference (open press). She will also participate in media interviews with Beth and Friends Morning Radio and the Arizona Republic Editorial Board.
- On **April 5**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks to the National War College on U.S. – Mexico border security policy and strategy. Press TBD.
- On **April 11**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Singaporean Deputy Prime Minister Teo Chee Hean. The Department is working with Singapore to finalize a Joint Statement on Supply Chain Security for a signing ceremony.
- On **April 12**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Artesia, NM to attend the U.S. Custom and Border Protection Border Patrol Academy’s 1,000<sup>th</sup> graduation. Open press.
- On **April 16**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks about cybersecurity at San Jose University and at the UCLA Burkle Center for International Relations as part of the Campus Lecture Series. Open press.
- On **April 18**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to meet with the leaders from the Jewish Federation of North America.
- On **April 20**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks to the American Bar Association Litigation Section Annual Meeting. Press TBD.
- On **April 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify at an oversight hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee.
- On **April 26**, Secretary Napolitano will attend a cultural repatriation ceremony at the Italian Embassy with Ambassador Claudio Bisogniero and Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton. Open press.
- On **April 28**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the annual White House Correspondents Dinner. Open press.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **April 5**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with Dr. Parney Albright, Director of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory to discuss the cybersecurity capabilities of the labs.

### **III. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **March 25**, Leonard Joseph began serving as the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy.
- On **March 30**, Tracy Hannah will leave her position as Counselor to the Director of Counternarcotics Enforcement.

### **IV. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **April 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will host a press conference to announce the results of National Operation Cross Check III. This operation highlights ICE efforts to locate, arrest, and remove dangerous criminal aliens from the country.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **March 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will publish a Federal Register Notice announcing that the National Customs Automation Program test known as “M1” has been successfully completed and that the trade industry will be provided six months from the date of publication to transition rail and sea manifest submissions to the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE). CBP is targeting the end of September 2012 for decommissioning of the legacy system for rail and ocean manifests. Additionally, in accordance with the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking published February 22, 2012, proposing various changes to the in-bond regulations, M1 will also eliminate the paper in-bond application (CBP Form 7512) and require carriers or their agents to electronically file the in-bond application for all ocean, rail, and truck cargo.
- On **March 30**, DHS expects to publish the DHS Language Access plan, as required under Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, (August 11, 2000), which describes the Department’s resources and strategies for providing meaningful access to DHS programs and activities to people with limited English proficiency.
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- During the **week of April 2**, the DHS Privacy Office will release a new online privacy awareness course, which will be required training for all Department employees. This course replaces the current *Culture of Privacy Awareness* training and is intended to raise awareness of privacy policies and help reduce privacy incidents within the Department.
- On **April 4**, DHS expects to publicly announce the initiation of joint stakeholder sessions with Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) on facilitating business travel as part of the Beyond the Border initiative. In May, DHS and CIC are planning to hold stakeholder sessions in Washington, D.C. and Toronto.

#### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- By **March 30**, the Department of Homeland Security and Federal Emergency Management Agency plan to submit to the 2012 National Preparedness Report to the President, meeting a requirement of PPD-8.
- On **March 30**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: “Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility for Certain Immediate Relatives” is expected to be posted online by the *Federal Register*. The rule proposes to make regulatory changes that will streamline the process for adjudicating certain waivers of inadmissibility for qualifying immediate relatives of U.S. citizens seeking to become legal immigrants to the United States. USCIS will issue a press release and notify stakeholders on March 30. The Notice is expected to be published on April 2.
- During the **week of April 9**, DHS expects to publicly release the DHS Northern Border Strategy (NBS), the first unified DHS strategy to guide the Department’s policies and operations at our northern border. The NBS identifies three key goals: deterring and preventing terrorism and smuggling, trafficking, and illegal immigration; safeguarding and encouraging the efficient flow of lawful trade, travel, and immigration; and ensuring community resiliency before, during, and after terrorist attacks and other disasters.
- During the **week of April 16 or 23**, Secretary Napolitano is expected to participate in a House Cyber Exercise led by DHS to demonstrate the impact of proposed cybersecurity legislation on the nation’s ability to respond to cyber incidents. This exercise will be similar to the recent Senate Cyber Exercise.
- In **April**, Secretary Napolitano will issue a Management Directive on the use of social media for investigative purposes and associated privacy guidelines to ensure the Department’s use of social media is in compliance with privacy policies.

- By the **end of April**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to launch a pilot of Credential Authentication Technology/Boarding Pass Scanning System (CAT/BPSS) technology at airports in San Juan, Washington Dulles, and Houston. CAT/BPSS ensures that identity credentials and boarding passes presented at the checkpoint have not been tampered with or are fraudulently produced.
- In **late April or May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release the USCIS Electronic Immigration System, transforming our paper-based agency into an electronic, online organization. This inaugural release of the transformation effort establishes the architecture for future releases, will allow applicants to electronically file and have adjudicated Form I-539, Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status, and includes the risk and fraud analyzer. USCIS anticipates future releases on a biannual cycle. \*POTENTIAL “We Can’t Wait Announcement”\*

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Delivered to Congress on April 3, Posted Publicly on April 5: “Effectiveness of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s (ICE) Secure Communities.”** **Background:** The OIG assessed whether Secure Communities was effective in identifying criminal aliens and if ICE appropriately prioritized cases for removal action. **Findings:** The OIG found that Secure Communities was effective in identifying criminal aliens, and in most cases ICE officers took enforcement actions according to agency enforcement policy. The OIG also found that under Secure Communities, ICE expanded its ability to identify criminal aliens, though field offices duplicated research during the identification process of criminal aliens and did not always sufficiently document their enforcement actions. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommends that ICE eliminate the duplication of research during the identification process and ensure that officers fully document their actions. **Response:** Secure Communities is an important tool in ICE’s efforts to focus its immigration enforcement resources on the highest-priority individuals who pose a threat to public safety or national security. ICE has taken steps to address both of the OIG’s recommendations, including the development of the modernized Alien Criminal Response Information Management System which will reduce duplication of research during the identification process. ICE is also continuing data quality initiatives to improve the accuracy of data entered into ICE systems and is developing a monthly report that will identify compliance rates for documentation entered in ICE databases.
- **Delivered to Congress on April 3, Posted Publicly on April 5: “Communication Regarding Participation in Secure Communities.”** **Background:** The OIG assessed whether U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) clearly communicated to States and local jurisdictions the intent of Secure Communities and their expected participation. **Findings:** The OIG did not find evidence that ICE intentionally misled the public or States and local jurisdictions during implementation, but did find that ICE did not clearly communicate to stakeholders the intent of Secure Communities and their expected participation. **Recommendations:** The OIG made three recommendations to ensure that participation is clearly communicated for Secure Communities and future ICE programs. **Response:** As the OIG notes, ICE has taken steps to clarify any confusion surrounding the implementation of Secure Communities through official correspondence and expanded outreach efforts with key stakeholders. DHS and ICE have also implemented additional guidance and direction on Secure Communities and ICE’s Civil Immigration Enforcement Priorities, strengthening communication of ICE priorities and the intent of the Secure Communities program and addressing an OIG recommendation.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **April 2**, Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Warren Stern will give a presentation on nuclear detection technologies at a meeting of the American Physical Society in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **April 2**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with representatives from DOJ and INTERPOL.
- On **April 2 and 3**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service, will present a class on money laundering to attendees from Hungary, Kosovo and Bulgaria at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Budapest, Hungary. Closed press.

- From **April 2 to 5**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and Science & Technology Directorate will discuss mass transit related security topics and security technology development including explosive detection and video analytics at a Mass Transit Security Workshop in Washington, D.C. with representatives from the U.S. government, France and the United Kingdom. Closed press.
- From **April 2 to 6**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will attend the Global Counterterrorism Forum in Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- On **April 3**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with the U.S. Ambassador-designate to Panama to discuss DHS engagement in Panama.
- On **April 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Counselor Bruce McConnell will discuss public-private partnerships at the French-American Defense Symposium in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 3 and 4**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss the policy on liquids, aerosols, and gels and air cargo security with European Commission Vice President and the Director-General for Mobility and Transport in Washington, D.C. While visiting the United States, representatives from the European Commission will also visit the Transportation Security Operations Center for a briefing and tour. Closed press.
- From **April 3 to 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Coast Guard, the Science & Technology Directorate, the National Protection and Programs Directorate, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives will speak at the U.S./Canada Border Security Summit in Dearborn, MI regarding Northern border security efforts. Closed press.
- From **April 3 to 5**, Under Secretary of Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will deliver a keynote address at the National Fusion Center Annual Training Event in Phoenix, AZ, which is hosted by DHS in conjunction with the Office of the Director of National Intelligence; Department of Justice; and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. The training will be attended by approximately 600 fusion center leadership, fusion center supervisory analysts, homeland security and law enforcement leaders, and Congressional staff. Closed press, with the exception of Secretary Napolitano's remarks on April 4.
- From **April 3 to 6**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will be in Oahu, HI where he will hold several all-hands meetings with over 800 U.S. Coast Guard personnel and conduct meetings with U.S. Pacific Command, the U.S. Pacific Fleet, and the Joint Interagency Task Force West to discuss collaboration in maritime homeland security, national defense, and law enforcement. Closed press.
- On **April 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble will speak at the TechAmerica Homeland Security Committee meeting in Washington, D.C. regarding ICE's use of technology and information-sharing within DHS and in collaboration with the private sector. Closed press.
- On **April 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a stakeholder teleconference to discuss a customer service initiative that will allow a customer to request an expedited review of his or her case and correction of the decision in certain circumstances when he or she believes an USCIS administrative error resulted in an adverse adjudicative action. Open press.
- On **April 4**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with dual status commanders to discuss the role of the National Guard in disaster response and coordination between FEMA and states. Closed press.
- On **April 5**, representatives from the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will participate in the White House Policy Conference for the Hispanic community in Los Angeles, CA to discuss civil rights and immigration issues. Open press.
- On **April 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host an external stakeholder meeting in Laguna Niguel, CA. The USCIS Service Center Operations Directorate will provide a general overview of its programs, processes, and initiatives and offer filing tips and best practices. Open press.

## **V. Legislative Issues**

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### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee**

- On **April 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief staff on seizures of counterfeit pharmaceutical imports.

#### **House and Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **April 2**, DHS will brief staff regarding quarterly border and immigration enforcement statistics. U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and DHS Office of Policy will attend.
- On **April 3**, Elizabeth Harman will brief the staff of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees on the NSSE Grants by Conference Call.
- On **April 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Executive Deputy Assistant Director of International Affairs, David Thompson, will brief staff on the development and implementation plan for the HSI Personnel Recovery Unit (PRU) in FY 2012. The PRU is the product of an ICE effort to develop a strategy to address HSI personnel who have been lost or captured in high-risk areas internationally. This unit will train personnel located in high-risk areas on what to do if captured, advanced first aid, tactical training and provide them with communications equipment. Closed press.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **April 2**, Federal Protective Service Director Eric Patterson will discuss general protection issues with staff.
- On **April 6**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will accompany staff on a visit to the Arizona Fusion Center following National Fusion Center Annual Training Event.

#### **House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **April 2**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center and a US-CERT briefing to staff in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 2**, Transportation Security Administration Federal Security Director for Austin-Bergstrom International Airport Mike Scott will provide a facility tour to Representative Michael McCaul.



- On **April 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral John Currier will join Senator Susan Collins in Portland, ME, where Senator Collins will deliver the keynote address at the Coast Guard's Rescue 21 Acceptance Ceremony for Sector Northern New England.
- On **April 4 and 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will provide a briefing and tour of Container Security Initiative operations at the Port of Kobe and Immigration Advisory Program operations at Tokyo-Narita Airport to Representatives Mike Rogers, Sheila Jackson Lee, and Billy Long.
- On **April 6**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will facilitate a visit from a delegation of Congressional staff members to observe the Protective Detail Refresher Program in Cheltenham, MD. Closed press.

### *Legislative Issues*

- On **March 20**, Senator Schumer and Senator Collins introduced the Restoring Integrity and Good-Heartedness in Traveler Screening Act (RIGHTS Act). The bill would require one advocate at 24 major U.S. airports for passengers to contact if they believe they have been mistreated. The Transportation Security Administration believes that many of the provisions already exist and the legislation is not necessary. The bill was referred to the Senate Commerce Committee.
- On **March 27**, the House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security marked up the Securing Maritime Activities Through Risk-Based Targeting for Port Security Act which directs DHS Components with maritime security responsibilities to improve coordination with law enforcement agencies. DHS generally opposes the bill due to the fact that DHS already does many of the activities included in the bill. The bill is expected to be considered by the full committee in early May.

## **VI. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***Villas at Parkside Partners v. City of Farmers Branch, Texas, No. 10-10751 (5th Cir. 2012)***: On **March 21**, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit struck down a housing ordinance that required all adults living in rental housing within the City of Farmers Branch, TX, to obtain an occupancy license conditioned upon the occupant's citizenship or lawful immigration status. The court of appeals upheld the district court's decision that the law is unconstitutional. Specifically, the Fifth Circuit concluded that the sole purpose of that ordinance is to exclude undocumented aliens from the City and thus the ordinance constitutes "an impermissible regulation of immigration" that is preempted by federal law. The U.S. Government had filed an amicus brief in this case in support of the argument that the ordinance is preempted by federal law.
- ***Florida v. Harris, No. 11-187 (SCOTUS)***: On **March 26**, the U.S. Supreme Court granted a petition for writ of certiorari filed by the State of Florida seeking review of a decision of the Supreme Court of Florida establishing a new evidentiary burden to demonstrate the reliability of a drug detection dog. In its decision, the Supreme Court of Florida held that evidence that a dog has been trained and certified to detect narcotics, standing alone, is not sufficient to establish a dog's reliability for purposes of determining probable cause, especially since training and certification is not standardized, and training and certification programs may differ with no meaningful way to assess them. Therefore, to meet the burden of establishing that an officer has a reasonable basis for believing a dog to be reliable in order to establish probable cause for the search of a vehicle, the State must present the dog's training and certification records, an explanation of the meaning of the particular training and certification of the dog, field performance records, and evidence concerning the experience and training of the handler, as well as any other objective evidence known to the officer about the dog's reliability in being able to detect the presence of illegal substances within the vehicle. In its petition for cert, the State of Florida argued, among other things, that the Florida Supreme Court improperly expanded the U.S. Supreme Court's definition of a well-trained drug dog and misinterpreted the Fourth Amendment's probable cause requirement by placing an excessive evidentiary burden on the State. Although the Federal Government is not a party to *Harris*, the case is likely to have significant implications for canine programs administered by federal law enforcement agencies.

### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **March 29**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice: “**Designation of Syrian Arab Republic for Temporary Protected Status (TPS)**” will be published in the *Federal Register*. Through this notice, DHS the designation of the Syrian Arab Republic (Syria) for TPS for a period of 18 months, effective. This designation allows eligible Syrian nationals (and aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Syria) who have both continuously resided in and been continuously physically present in the United States since the date included in the notice to be granted TPS.
- On **March 30**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: “**Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility for Certain Immediate Relatives**” is expected to be posted online by the *Federal Register*. The rule proposes to make regulatory changes that will streamline the process for adjudicating certain waivers of inadmissibility for qualifying immediate relatives of U.S. citizens seeking to become legal immigrants to the United States. USCIS will issue a press release and notify stakeholders on March 30. The Notice is expected to be published on April 2.
- During the **week of April 2**, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Notice: “**Employment Authorization for Syrian F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of Civil Unrest in Syria Since March 2011**” is tentatively expected to be published in the *Federal Register*. This notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security has suspended certain regulatory requirements for F-1 nonimmigrant students whose country of citizenship is Syria and who are experiencing severe economic hardship as a direct result of the civil unrest in Syria since March 2011. The Secretary has determined that a suspension of certain regulatory requirements for Syrian citizens who are F-1 nonimmigrant students is warranted because it will provide relief to these F-1 students so they may obtain employment authorization, work an increased number of hours while school is in session, and reduce their course load while continuing to maintain their F-1 student status.

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **March 26**, DHS made a second production of information to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations in response to a request for the travel records of forty-six individuals.
- On **March 30**, DHS will make a thirteenth production of electronic communications generated by, transmitted to, or possessed by a DHS employee related to or involving his work with a fusion center, as well as miscellaneous documents requested by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee’s Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations as part of its investigation into fusion centers.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to actively collect documents and/or information responsive to requests on the following topics: Advanced Imaging Technology units, the SSI designation process, the Department’s role in Operation Fast and Furious, and Border Patrol statistics and reports from the eight patrol stations in the Tucson Sector.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 21**, **Andrew Becker**, with **The Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) copies of travel records and schedules for the Acting Inspector General, the Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, the Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, and five OIG agents from Fiscal Year 2010 through the present in addition to records pertaining to the creation, formulation, launch, and/or planning for an OIG training center in Illinois.
- On **March 9**, **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington D.C., requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records of communications between TSA and any journalist or media organization regarding the video released on March 6, 2012, addressing alleged vulnerabilities of the “body scanners” utilized by the TSA and/or any of the claims contained in the video.
- On **March 12**, **Emily Pantelides**, with **WPEC-Channel 12 News** in West Palm Beach, FL, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) all complaints against TSA filed from the Palm Beach International Airport from 2009 through the present.

- On **March 12**, **Joanne Macri**, with the **New York State Defenders Association, Inc.**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) electronic records relating to detainees issued by ICE to law enforcement agencies or other institutions located within the State of New York since January 2009.
- On **March 14**, **Kristen Rasmussen**, with **The News Media & the Law** the quarterly magazine of **The Reporters Committee For Freedom of The Press**, in Arlington, VA, requested from DHS records related to the U.S. Department of Justice's (DOJ) investigation of the Internet domain site Dajazl.com.
- On **March 14**, **Julia Angwin**, with **The Wall Street Journal**, requested from DHS records concerning proposed changes to the unclassified "Memorandum of Agreement between the Attorney General and Director of National Intelligence on Guidelines for Access, Retention, Use and Dissemination by the National Counterterrorism Center of Terrorism Information Contained Within Datasets Identified as Including Non-Terrorism Information and Information Pertaining Exclusively to Domestic Terrorism," which took effect Nov. 4, 2008.
- On **March 15 and 21**, **Emily Aden**, with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC)**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records in the Worksite Enforcement Activity Record and Index for Don Kelly Construction, Inc., in Phoenix and Tucson, AZ; Sacramento, CA; Bozeman, MT; Santa Fe, NM; and Austin, TX.
- On **March 16**, **James Carroll**, with **The Louisville Courier-Journal**, requested from DHS copies of correspondence to and from members of Congress from Kentucky and Indiana regarding congressional support for specific projects and programs covering the time period from January 1, 2010 through March 16, 2012.
- On **March 19**, **William Sharp**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Kentucky** in Louisville, KY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records relating to the issuance and execution of immigration detainers by the ICE office in Louisville, KY.
- On **March 19**, **Jeremy Redmon**, with **The Atlanta Journal-Constitution** requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement the most up-to-date "Identified Aliens for Removal" and "Identified Aliens Departed/VR" statistics for the 287(g) program.
- On **March 21**, **Justin McCarthy**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS the travel calendar for Secretary Napolitano from January 1 to March 21, 2012.
- On **March 22**, **Moriah Balingit**, with the **Pittsburgh Post-Gazette**, requested from DHS the March 21, 2012 Occupy Wall Street FOIA request records that were released to Gawker Media and records regarding Occupy Pittsburgh.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **March 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jacob Kushner**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Milwaukee, WI, records showing the current or recent disposition or status of specific individuals, including whether each was repatriated to Haiti, released under ICE supervision, or continued to be detained under ICE custody.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the Immigration Centers of America-Farmville Detention Center and the Northwest Detention Center Compliance Inspection Reports to the ICE online FOIA Library.
- On **March 19**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) posted the Final Action Memorandum on the administrative investigation into the July 7, 2010 crash of CG 6017 to its online FOIA Library.
- On **March 27**, U.S. immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Jennifer Lynch** with the **Electronic Frontier Foundation** in Washington, D.C. records regarding DHS's plans to collect, analyze, and store DNA.
- On **March 27**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Laura Strickler** with **CBS News** correspondence regarding stimulus funding or the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act from February 1 to July 17, 2009.
- On **March 28**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Constance Murphy** with **KXAN-TV** in Austin, TX information relating to incidents involving threats or confiscated items at Austin-Bergstrom International Airport between August 1 and September 26, 2010.

## **VII. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **March 23**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 406 AIT units at 130 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **March 24**, 348,320 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.1 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 8.8 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **March 28**, President Obama has signed 246 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$17.6 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

April 5, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$3.8 million through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to provide electronic earnings and leave statements Department-wide. DHS began implementing this initiative in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010 and 98 percent of employees now receive paperless earnings and leave statements.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **April 12**, CNN is tentatively scheduled to film a demonstration of the Science and Technology Directorate's Controlled Impact Rescue Tool (CIRT) for first responders. CIRT is a new concrete breaching tool that is capable of penetrating a reinforced concrete wall up to four times faster than traditional methods which require drilling, chipping, or sawing to reach survivors trapped under collapsed concrete caused by natural and manmade disasters. Airdate TBD.
- On **April 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) San Diego will host a media roundtable event in San Diego, CA to highlight the successful Notario Fraud investigation and raise public awareness about fraud schemes. The Notario Fraud investigation targeted immigration scams involving the unauthorized practice of immigration law, which occurs when legal advice and/or representation regarding immigration matters is provided by an individual who is not an attorney or accredited representative. The investigation has identified 175 victims with an estimated loss totaling nearly \$1.2 million.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **April 5**, per the U.S.-Canada Beyond the Border Action Plan, DHS expects to announce the initiation of stakeholder sessions on facilitating business travel.
- During the **week of April 9**, the DHS Privacy Office will release a new online privacy awareness course, which will be required training for all Department employees. This course replaces the current Culture of Privacy Awareness training and is intended to raise awareness of privacy policies and help reduce privacy incidents within the Department.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on April 4, Web Posting on April 6: "U.S. Coast Guard's Acquisition of the Sentinel Class – Fast Response Cutter." Background:** Between June 2011 and October 2011, the OIG conducted an audit of the U.S. Coast Guard's oversight of the Fast Response Cutter acquisition to determine whether the provisions of the contract reflect the U.S. Coast Guard's stated operational requirements and if the contractor is meeting the contract requirements. **Findings:** The OIG found that the Coast Guard's oversight of the Fast Response Cutter acquisition has helped ensure that the provisions of the contract reflect the Coast Guard's operational requirements and that the contractor is meeting the contract's provisions. The OIG notes, however, that the Coast Guard's contracting strategy included an aggressive schedule that allowed construction of the Fast Response Cutters to start before all operational, design, and technical risks were completely resolved, resulting in schedule delays and construction rework. **Recommendations:** The OIG offered five recommendations to improve future acquisitions. **Response:** As the OIG notes, Coast Guard oversight of the FRC program has helped ensure that the provisions of the contract best reflect operational requirements. The FRC acquisition strategy properly followed the Coast Guard's and DHS's knowledge based acquisition process. The Coast Guard will work with DHS Program Accountability and Risk Management to address the OIG recommendation that approval of a schedule-driven acquisition should be supported by a risk assessment and cost benefit analysis.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **April 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) New Orleans will host a signing ceremony in Gulfport, MS with three Mississippi companies, totaling nearly 1,000 employees, that have agreed to participate in the ICE Mutual Agreement between Government and Employers (IMAGE) program. IMAGE assists employers in targeted sectors to develop a more secure and stable workforce by enhancing fraudulent document awareness through education and training. Governor Bryant and Representative Bennie Thompson will attend. Closed press.
- On **April 9**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Interpol President Khoo Boon Hui in Washington, D.C. to discuss DHS engagement with Interpol. Closed press.
- From **April 9 to 11**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will discuss high-security bio-containment facility cooperation between the United States and Canada at Canada's National Centre for Foreign Animal Disease in Winnipeg, Canada. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will participate in the International Association of Chiefs of Police International Policing Steering Committee meeting in Washington, D.C. to discuss the importance of information sharing. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, various DHS operational components and offices will host the U.S. Ambassador to Libya to discuss general DHS engagement in Libya. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss risk-based security with Airlines for America, the trade organization of the major U.S. airlines. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will speak at the groundbreaking ceremony for the South Texas Border Intelligence Center in Laredo, TX. Open press.
- On **April 11**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will provide an air cargo update to the Association of European Airlines in Washington, D.C. No new announcements. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will sponsor a joint exercise in New York City with federal, state, local, and academic stakeholders to test the integration of the Fire Department of New York's newly developed Electronic Command Board System with S&T's Virtual USA® and Next Generation Incident Command System systems to demonstrate the real-time capacity to simultaneously share locally generated significant incident data for first responders. No public impact expected. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for National Protection and Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver keynote remarks on lessons learned in emergency management at the 2012 Earthquake Engineering Research Institute's National Earthquake Conference in Memphis, TN. Open press.
- On **April 11**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will present the TSA-sponsored Gold Standard Award to the Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation in Indianapolis, IN. The award recognizes those public transit agencies that received the highest scores on their Baseline Assessment and Security Enhancement (BASE) assessments. Open press.
- On **April 11**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver keynote remarks at the Vincennes University Homeland Security Building Dedication in Vincennes, IN. Open press.
- From **April 11 to 20**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host students from the U.S. Coast Guard and Royal Canadian Mounted Police for an Integrated Maritime Cross-Border Law Enforcement Operations Training Program in Charleston, SC. Closed press.
- On **April 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver keynote remarks at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce National Chamber Foundation 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Aviation Summit in Washington, D.C. Open press.
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- On **April 12**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Alexander Garza will participate in a panel on medical and emergency health preparedness for catastrophic events at the Institute of Medicine’s Preparedness Forum in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Public Advocate Andrew Lorenzen-Strait will host a community roundtable in Philadelphia, PA for NGO stakeholder groups to discuss prosecutorial discretion. Closed press.
- On **April 16 and 17**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will discuss national preparedness training, education, and exercise priorities with Federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial training and exercise officials at the 2012 National Preparedness Directorate National Training and Exercise Conference in Emmitsburg, MD. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver the keynote address at the National Response to Catastrophic & Disruptive Threats Exercise at the Marine Corps Command and Staff College. The exercise is a multi-day event intended to expose the students to the myriad of complexities associated with Defense Support to Civil Authorities in a domestic crisis response situation. Closed press.

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**House Homeland Security Committee; Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **April 9**, the Office of Health Affairs will update staff on the National Biosurveillance Integration Center.
- On **April 12**, Transportation Security Administration will provide an update on the ongoing efforts to modernize the transportation threat assessment and credentialing infrastructure and will update staff on the implementation of Office of Inspector General recommendations on strengthening air cargo security.

**Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services and International Security**

- On **April 9, 10, and 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) representatives will brief staff on HSI export enforcement investigations, the asset forfeiture program, and cross border financial crimes and money laundering investigations.

**House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **April 11**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will brief the staff on progress on FEMA IT modernization efforts, updates on FEMA Corps, the FY 2013 budget proposal to eliminate funding from the State Share Program under the Disaster Assistance Direct Loan Program (which has not be exercised since 1996), and an update on improving FEMA's core capabilities.

**House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **April 12**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, and the Office of Naval Intelligence will deliver a classified briefing on Air Domain Intelligence Integration Element to staff.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a tour and briefing of CBP air and marine operations in Gulfport, MS for staff for Senator Thad Cochran. Closed press.
- On **April 9 and 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a tour and briefing on CBP operations for Representative Reid Ribble in Tucson, AZ.
- On **April 10 and 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection will provide a Congressional delegation led by Representatives Jim Sensenbrenner and Sheila Jackson Lee with a tour of ICE and CBP border operations in San Diego, CA. Closed press.
- From **April 10 to 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will join a Congressional Delegation led by Senator Mary Landrieu in Guatemala to meet with government officials and non-governmental organizations on issues surrounding adoption cases, as well as broader issues. Open press.
- On **April 11**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will provide Representative Mike McCaul with a briefing and tour of Austin International Airport.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will meet with Representatives Joe Heck and Mark Amodei at McCarran International Airport in Las Vegas, NV, to discuss staffing levels for the airport. Closed press.
- On **April 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will meet with Representative Allen West in West Palm Beach, FL, to discuss staffing and wait times at South Florida ports.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **March 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the Secure Communities year-to-date Nationwide Interoperability Statistics to the online ICE FOIA Library.
- On **March 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the updated list of detainees who have died to the online ICE FOIA Library.
- On **March 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Eric Tucker**, with *The Associated Press* a list containing a breakdown of gang affiliations, criminal charges and deportation history of the individuals ICE has arrested since 2005 under Operation Community Shield.

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- On **March 27**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Jon Campbell**, a freelance journalist in San Diego, CA, records regarding to the OIG report entitled “The State of California’s Management of Urban Areas Security Initiative Grants Awarded During Fiscal Years 2006 through 2008.”
- On **March 27**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with **The Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, copies of travel vouchers.
- On **March 28**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Sean Reilly** with the *Federal Times*, narratives of complaints received by the OIG Hotline.
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- On **April 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock* in Somerville, MA records regarding the processing of a previous FOIA request regarding the Administrative Site Visit and Verification Program.
- On **April 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Rachael Leven** with *The Hill* immigration documents relating to Anthony Blankley, former press secretary for former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich.
- On **April 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release to **Susan Long** with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY information contained in the Enforcement Case Tracking System.
- On **April 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will release to **Jackie Kucinich** with *USA Today* correspondence between CBP and the Office of Texas Governor Rick Perry.
- On **April 6**, DHS will release to **Jack Gillum** with *The Associated Press* correspondence between DHS and Senator Marco Rubio or his staff.

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## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

April 11, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- On **March 30**, DHS awarded a department-wide contract for tactical communications devices and services (e.g. radios), as required by the Efficiency initiative launched in July 2010. This contract leverages the purchasing power of the entire Department and is expected to achieve cost avoidances of \$120 million over the next five years.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **April 15**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Sergey Brin, co-founder of Google in San Jose, CA.
- On **April 16**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks about cybersecurity at San Jose University (open press) and participate in a cyber security roundtable. She will also participate in an editorial meeting with the *San Jose Mercury News*. The Secretary will then travel to Los Angeles and deliver remarks on the Department's international work at UCLA's Burkle Center for International Relations (open press) as part of the Campus Lecture Series.
- On **April 17**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a House cyber briefing to demonstrate the impact of proposed cybersecurity legislation on the nation's ability to respond to cyber incidents.
- On **April 18**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with the leaders from the Jewish Federation of North America as part of a White House meeting to discuss ongoing collaboration between DHS and the Jewish community.
- On **April 19**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a radio interview about cybersecurity with *KGO* in San Francisco, CA. She will also tour the St. Elizabeths campus.
- On **April 20**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks to the American Bar Association Litigation Section Annual Meeting. Press TBD.
- On **April 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify at an oversight hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee.
- On **April 26**, Secretary Napolitano will attend a cultural repatriation ceremony at the Italian Embassy with Ambassador Claudio Bisogniero and Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton. Open press.
- On **April 28**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the annual White House Correspondents Dinner. Open press.
- On **May 1**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks and receive the Gorowitz Institute Service Award at the Anti-Defamation League's National Leadership Conference. Open press.
- On **May 3**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the Women's Leadership Series hosted by the Center for American Progress. Press TBD.
- On **May 4**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Interior Minister Hans Peter Friedrich of Germany to discuss terrorism threats and cybersecurity cooperation.
- On **May 8**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Washington Conference on the Americas hosted by Council of the Americas on ways to continue to integrate security discussions into the hemispheric policy agenda. Press TBD.
- On **May 13**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial. Open press.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- From **April 18 to 21**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to New Delhi, India for the continuation of the U.S.-India Homeland Security Dialogue.
- From **April 21 to 24**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to Tokyo, Japan for bilateral meetings.

- On **April 25**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to Belgium for the signing of the Personal Name Records agreement. Press TBD.

### III. Senior Personnel Status and News

- On **April 9**, Lars Anderson began serving as FEMA's Director of Public Affairs.

### IV. Public Affairs

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **April 16**, CNBC's *Crime Inc.*'s Jill Leibowitz will interview U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak to discuss HSI's efforts to combat commercial fraud and counterfeit items. The interview is expected to air in the next few months.
- From **April 22 to 28**, FEMA is partnering with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to promote Severe Weather Awareness Week which will highlight the importance of planning and practicing how and where to take shelter before severe weather, such as tornadoes and severe thunderstorms. Media coverage is expected to begin the week of April 16. As part of this roll-out, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in a morning media satellite tour with outlets including the Weather Channel, CNN, MSNBC and an interview with the *Washington Post- Kids Post*. Deputy FEMA Administrator Rich Serino will also participate in a radio tour with NPR, CBS Radio, Fox News Radio, and NBC Radio.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **April 12**, DHS will release a report titled, U.S. Naturalizations: 2011, providing information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during fiscal year 2011.
- During the **week of April 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will post for public comment a new draft policy memorandum for the L1-B visa classification, a visa allowing U.S. employers to transfer professionals with specialized knowledge relating to the organization's interests from one of its affiliated foreign offices to one of its offices in the United States, which seeks to clarify the definition of "specialized knowledge" as it applies to applicants, as well as consolidate L1-B classification policy into one document.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the re-designation and extension of Temporary Protected Status for Somalia.
- On **April 18 or 19**, the DHS Office of International Affairs will publicly post The Considerations for United States-Canada Border Traffic Disruption Management document, which provides a planning framework for border traffic disruptions that require the involvement and coordination of multiple agencies, organizations, and entities.

#### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- On **April 17**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a House cyber briefing to demonstrate the impact of proposed cybersecurity legislation on the nation's ability to respond to cyber incidents.
- On **April 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify at an oversight hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee.
- In **April**, Secretary Napolitano will issue a Management Directive on the use of social media for investigative purposes and associated privacy guidelines to ensure the Department's use of social media is in compliance with privacy policies.
- In **late April or May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release the USCIS Electronic Immigration System, transforming our paper-based agency into an electronic, online organization. This inaugural release of the transformation effort establishes the architecture for future releases, will allow applicants to electronically file and have adjudicated Form I-539, Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status, and includes the risk and fraud analyzer. USCIS anticipates future releases on a biannual cycle. \*POTENTIAL "We Can't Wait Announcement"\*

- During the **week of May 1**, DHS expects to publicly release the DHS Northern Border Strategy (NBS), the first unified DHS strategy to guide the Department's policies and operations at our northern border. The NBS identifies three key goals: deterring and preventing terrorism and smuggling, trafficking, and illegal immigration; safeguarding and encouraging the efficient flow of lawful trade, travel, and immigration; and ensuring community resiliency before, during, and after terrorist attacks and other disasters.
- In **May**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will launch the Enhanced Interior Repatriation Initiative, a U.S.-Mexico initiative to provide a humane, safe, and orderly option for repatriating Mexican nationals; especially those who have criminal convictions. Aliens repatriated under this initiative will be removed to the interior of the country and, ultimately, to their places of residence. Previously, Mexican nationals were repatriated through ports of entry along the Mexican border.

#### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on April 13, Public Posting on April 17: "Obligation of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Funds by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection for Land Ports of Entry."** **Background:** From February through October 2011, the OIG examined the use of ARRA funds to determine if they were properly obligated according to ARRA guidelines, whether adequate oversight and monitoring procedures were established, and to identify the status of obligations and projects as of October 4, 2011. **Findings:** The OIG found that U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) properly obligated funds according to ARRA guidelines and concluded that CBP has established adequate oversight and monitoring procedures for construction and alteration projects. **Recommendations:** The OIG does not make any recommendations in its report. **Response:** CBP has established a disciplined oversight framework to ensure regular monitoring of the cost and schedule associated with LPOE projects and closely monitors the progress of ARRA-funded land port projects from inception to completion.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **April 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss the importance of cybersecurity at the Stop.Think.Connect.™ Campaign Kick-off in Minneapolis, MN. Open press.
- On **April 16**, the Science and Technology Directorate will demonstrate the information sharing capabilities of the Next-Generation Incident Command System, online incident map, and collaborative virtual white board that provides situational awareness to responders involved in an incident, during the Boston Marathon in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **April 16 to 19**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will travel to Hawaii to receive briefings at local intelligence facilities, including the Joint Interagency Task Force West. While in Hawaii, Under Secretary Wagner will discuss transit zone issues, DOD facilities to discuss cyber issues, the Coast Guard Cryptologic Unit, the Coast Guard Sector Honolulu, and the Pacific Regional Information Clearinghouse. She will also meet with the Hawaiian Homeland Security Advisor. Closed press.
- From **April 16 to 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will present several law enforcement training courses at the International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association Conference and Expo in Wheeling, IL. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will present the Gold Standard Award to Amtrak in Washington, DC. The award recognizes those public transit agencies that received the highest scores on their Baseline Assessment and Security Enhancement (BASE) assessments. Open press.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver the keynote address at a naturalization ceremony at the Lower East Side Tenement Museum in New York, NY in celebration of New York City's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Immigrant Heritage Week. Following the ceremony, Director Mayorkas will deliver remarks at an event at a museum exhibit which focuses on immigrant entrepreneurs. Open press.
- On **April 17**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility with the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

- On **April 17**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will discuss air cargo safety and security at the International Air Line Pilots Association conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- From **April 17 to 19**, Assistant Secretary of the Office of International Affairs Alan Bersin will participate in the Heads of Intelligence meeting in New Zealand, a meeting of customs officials from Australia, Canada, New Zealand, United Kingdom, and the United States, and will also hold bilateral meetings with New Zealand officials to discuss information sharing and Global Entry.
- On **April 18**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate on a panel at a George Washington University Seminar entitled, “Emergency and Disaster Response in the Past, Present, and Future: The Multi-faceted Role of Emergency Healthcare.” Closed press.
- On **April 19**, Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Warren Stern will deliver keynote remarks on developing nuclear detection technologies at the Center for Strategic and International Studies Project on Nuclear Issues spring conference at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Richland, WA. Closed press.
- On **April 19**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in the United States-Israel Steering Committee Meeting in Washington D.C. to sign the 2012 U.S. Israel Emergency Management Workgroup Protocol. Closed press.
- On **April 19**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with European Union Commissioner Kristalina Georgieva to discuss EU emergency management and to follow up on the projects planned under the US-EU arrangement regarding disaster management (closed press). Administrator Fugate will also meet with Claus Sorensen, European Commission Director General for Humanitarian Assistance and Civil Protection, to discuss the EU’s Host Nation Support Guidelines, which is similar to the U.S. Emergency Management Assistance Compact system, and the U.S. International Assistance System (closed press).
- On **April 19**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for National Preparedness and Protection Tim Manning will speak about “Environmental Resilience” as part of the Rockefeller Foundation Centennial Series, in Washington D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss the role of technology in homeland security at the Cyber Crime: #1 Threat to National Security meeting in Baton Rouge, LA. Open press.
- On **April 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will deliver remarks at the *Worksite Immigration Compliance Symposium* at Stanford University Law School in Palo Alto, CA. Director Morton will discuss best practices for employer compliance. Closed press.
- On **April 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton and ICE Public Advocate Andrew Lorenzen-Strait will participate in a Town Hall meeting with various non-governmental organizations in San Jose, CA, to discuss prosecutorial discretion and the newly created ICE Public Advocate position. Closed press.
- On **April 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Phoenix Field Office senior leadership will participate in a panel discussion on prosecutorial discretion and civil enforcement priorities at the White House Hispanic Action Summit in Tucson, AZ. Attendees will consist of community leaders, non-governmental organizations, and members of the Hispanic business community. Open press.
- On **April 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) New Orleans Field Office senior leadership will panel participate in a panel discussion on prosecutorial discretion at the Tennessee Bar Association’s *2012 Immigration Law Seminar* in Nashville, TN. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss DHS’ role in cyber operations with public and private sector stakeholders at the San Antonio Cyber Security Caucus Summit in San Antonio, TX. Open press.
- From **April 22 to 24**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Office Douglas Smith will travel to Los Angeles, CA to attend the first meeting of the U.S. Travel and Tourism Advisory Board, where he will provide the new Board with a briefing on DHS travel initiatives and a tour of the LAX port of entry.

## V. Legislative Issues

*Congressional Testimony*

**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee and House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

- On **April 16**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Finance and Administration Assistant Administrator Dave Nicholson will testify on the procurement, deployment, and storage of security screening equipment.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **April 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello and Office of Air and Marine Southwest Border Operations Executive Director Martin Vaughn will testify on the National Guard's support along the Southwest border.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **April 17**, Office of Health Affairs Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Dr. James Polk will testify on medical countermeasures for first responders.

**House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **April 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations, Transnational Crime and Public Safety Division Deputy Assistant Director Waldemar Rodriguez will testify on ICE's efforts to combat document and identity fraud.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **April 18**, Office of International Affairs Deputy Assistant Secretary Mark Koumans and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Global Strategies Assistant Administrator John Halinski will testify on DHS and TSA's international cooperation with counterparts in Asia.
- On **April 25**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify on the use of advanced imaging technology in a closed hearing.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technology**

- On **April 19**, Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein and Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Deputy Director Huban Gowadia will testify on how S&T works with the Department of Energy's National Labs.

**House Ways and Means Committee, Subcommittee on Human Resources**

- On **April 19**, Office of the Chief Information Officer Information Sharing Environment Executive Director Donna Roy will testify on the use of information sharing technology to increase government's effectiveness and efficiency.

**Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **April 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify in a general oversight hearing.

**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **April 26**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Brian Salerno will testify on Coast Guard prevention operations and regulatory projects.
- On **May 16**, Coast Guard Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's major acquisition programs.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **April 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will deliver the quarterly Coast Guard Acquisitions brief.

**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **April 17**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief staff on current acquisition programs.
- On **April 18**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief staff on the Jones Act.

*Other Briefings and Travel*



- On **April 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a tour of CBP operations at the Port of Dulles for district staff from the office of Representative Chris Van Hollen.
- On **April 17**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief the House and Senate Sergeant at Arms on the impacts of Risk Based Security measures when it comes to screening of Members of Congress. Closed press.
- On **April 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief Representative Jeff Landry and members of the offshore marine service vessel industry on applicability of Jones Act regulations to the movement of anchors and other vessel equipment at his request.
- On **April 18**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will meet with Senator Richard Blumenthal.

## VI. Legal Issues

### *Litigation*

- **Roberts v. Napolitano, No. 11-5226 (D.C. Cir.):** On **April 10**, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit affirmed the lower court's decision that a challenge to the Transportation and Security Administration's (TSA) use of Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) as a primary means of security screening at U.S. airports is a challenge to TSA's Standard Operating Procedure, which constitutes a final agency order. The court concluded that appellants had improperly filed their challenges to this order in the district court below because jurisdiction to review TSA orders lies exclusively in the Courts of Appeals pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 46110. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit had reached this same conclusion in February of this year in a case titled *Corbett v. United States*, No. 11-12426 (11th Cir. Feb. 12, 2012).

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **April 5**, DHS made a third production of documents to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations in response to a request for the travel records of forty-six individuals.
- On **April 13**, DHS will make another production of documents (electronic communications generated by, transmitted to, or possessed by a DHS employee related to or involving his work with a fusion center, as well as miscellaneous documents) requested by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations as part of its investigation into fusion centers.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to actively collect documents and/or information responsive to requests on the following topics: Advanced Imaging Technology units, the SSI designation process, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, and Border Patrol statistics and reports from the eight patrol stations in the Tucson Sector.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **March 8**, **Kristen Rasmussen**, with *The News Media & the Law* in Arlington, VA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records related to the U.S. Department of Justice's investigation of the Internet domain site *Dajazl.com* pursuant to the agency's authority to seize the Internet domain names of commercial websites accused of selling and distributing counterfeit goods and copyrighted material.
- On **March 20**, **Scott MacFarlane**, with *Cox TV* in Washington, D.C., requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) email from 2011 or 2012 sent by a DHS employee whose job title includes the terms "Assistant Secretary" or "Deputy Secretary" and includes either of the keywords "Mica," as in U.S. Representative John Mica (R-FL) or "Charlotte," as in Charlotte, NC.
- On **March 27**, **Christine Hass**, with *NBC 7* in San Diego, CA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the current policy regarding sex hormones for transgendered detainees in ICE custody, the names of the sex hormone medications provided for transgendered detainees, and the quantity of medication issued to those detainees from January 2010 through the present.

- On **March 28**, **Lucy Dalglish**, with *The News Media & the Law* in Arlington, VA, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) a copy of TSA's two oldest open FOIA requests, as well as any communications between TSA and the requesters in those cases.
- On **March 28**, **Angela Greiling Keane**, with *Bloomberg News*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) reports or other documents regarding the March 28, 2012 incident involving a pilot for JetBlue Airways.
- On **March 29**, **Clare Pastore** and **Margaret B. Kwoka**, with the **University of Southern California Gould School of Law**, requested from DHS information about the federal government's policies and practices regarding the three specific exclusions in the FOIA: 5 U.S.C. §§ 552(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3), including records from 1986 to the time through the present which were prepared, compiled, collected, received, transmitted, distributed and/or kept in custody by DHS and any of its subdivisions or offices.
- On **March 30**, **Jeremy Redmon**, with *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records relating to people who have been removed from the United States as a result of 287(g) programs nationwide.
- On **April 2**, **Laura Christensen**, with **Jackson, Gilmore, and Dobbs** in Baton Rouge, LA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) documents that reference, discuss, or evaluate whether there were sufficient resources available to respond during to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
- On **April 5**, **J. Keith Gates**, with **Cause of Action** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS and the Office of Inspector General records pertaining to the acquisition and use of commemorative items.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **April 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Sean Dunagan**, with *Judicial Watch* in Washington, D.C., information relating to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's prosecutorial discretion guidance as implemented in Baltimore, MD and Denver, CO.
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- On **April 3**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **J. Warrens**, with the **Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corporation** in Shreveport, LA, various claim forms and letters.
- On **April 4**, DHS posted records responsive to FOIA requests seeking information pertaining to Occupy Wall Street in the online DHS FOIA Library.
- On **April 11**, DHS will release to **Senator Robert Menendez** copies of correspondence between DHS and Senator Menendez.
- On **April 11**, DHS will release to the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** communication logs between members of Congress and DHS from January 2008 to the present.
- On **April 11**, DHS will release to **Stephanie Nielsen** with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** copies of correspondence between DHS and Senator Debbie Stabenow from 2001 to the present.
- On **April 11**, DHS will release to **Scott MacFarlane** with *COX Media* in Washington, D.C. copies of correspondence between Secretary Napolitano and Governor Rick Perry from 2009 to 2012.
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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

April 19, 2012

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### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$10 million in cost avoidances through efforts to reduce costs through improved management of DHS facilities. For example, Components have consolidated offices, cancelled planned office expansions, and purchased, rather than leasing office space to achieve cost avoidances.

## II. Public Affairs

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- On **April 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will sign an IMAGE agreement with Fresh Mark Inc., a northern Ohio meat supplier. IMAGE assists employers in targeted sectors to develop a more secure and stable workforce by enhancing fraudulent document awareness through education and training. Fresh Mark Inc. will become the first company in Ohio to join IMAGE. Open press.
- On **April 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to issue an updated draft policy memorandum to address certain foundational issues in the EB-5 Program: (1) the immigrant's investment of capital, (2) in a new commercial enterprise, (3) that creates jobs. The memo will provide context to the adjudications standard, define the relevant elements of the program, and contextualize the adjudications and decision-making process.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on April 23, Public Posting on April 25: "U.S. Coast Guard's Maritime Patrol Aircraft." Background:** Between May and November 2011, the OIG investigated whether the U.S. Coast Guard effectively awarded the 2010 Ocean Sentry Maritime Patrol Aircraft (MPA) contract. **Findings:** The OIG found that the U.S. Coast Guard generally awarded the Ocean Sentry Maritime Patrol Aircraft contract effectively, but could have improved its oversight of the contract. According to the OIG, U.S. Coast Guard personnel did not follow up with the subcontractor to ensure that it had implemented recommendations made by the Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) and did not obtain sufficient support to ensure the exclusion of non-chargeable costs when awarding the current contract. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes one recommendation to improve the award and oversight of this acquisition and future acquisitions. **Response:** The U.S. Coast Guard action in not considering DCAA findings for the initial contract award was in full compliance with the applicable regulations. In the case of the initial award of the MPA contract, submission of certified cost or pricing was not required or permitted under the FAR because the Contracting Officer appropriately determined that the proposed price was based on adequate competition. However, the U.S. Coast Guard agrees that for sole source contract options, it is important to give full consideration to the DCAA audit report and plans to use cost analysis that utilizes DCAA findings for any future modifications to the contract that require certified cost data. The U.S. Coast

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Guard is committed to ensuring that the Government receives a fair and reasonable price, in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **April 21 to 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to Punta del Este, Uruguay to attend the 15<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the Regional Conference of Customs Directors General and serve as the moderator of the Authorized Economic Operator panel during the conference. Open press. The Acting Commissioner will also have bilateral meetings with his counterparts from Canada, Brazil, and Colombia.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with the National Partnership for Immigrant Integration in Washington, D.C. to discuss USCIS's naturalization work, including the citizenship integration grant program, citizenship public education and awareness initiative, naturalization information sessions, and expanded multilingual information and resources to prepare for naturalization. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Douglas Smith will speak on a panel with representatives from the Departments of State and Commerce regarding travel and tourism initiatives at the U.S. Travel Association's trade show, International Pow Wow, in Los Angeles, CA. Representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the Privacy Office, and US-VISIT will also participate in the event and CBP will offer Global Entry enrollments for participants. Closed press.
- From **April 22 to 26**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss government and industry partnerships and provide a status update on the Air Cargo Advanced Screening pilot at the National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association Annual Conference in Hollywood, FL. Open press.
- On **April 23**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dan Gerstein will deliver keynote remarks on enhancing information sharing at the Network Science Workshop at West Point Military Academy in West Point, NY. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Warren Stern will host the State and Local Executive Steering Council in Washington DC, which was established to facilitate the exchange of information with senior level state and local leaders about programs, coordination, initiatives related to radiological and nuclear detection efforts. Closed press.
- From **April 23 to 25**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Australia, where he will deliver remarks on 21<sup>st</sup> century border security and trade facilitation as part of the University of Canberra's National Security Lecture series (open press). He will also meet with counterparts and participate in a roundtable discussion on countering violent extremism with members of the Australian Federal Police, the Attorney-General's Department, and the Australian Security Intelligence Organization.
- On **April 24**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will provide an update on DHS initiatives and a strategic outlook of the Department at the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Government Coordinating Council meeting in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, DHS will speak at a panel discussion on the Apprehension and Migration of Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC) at an event hosted by the National Center for Refugee and Immigrant Children in Washington, D.C. This panel will include representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman, and DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. The panel will engage with UAC advocates from community-based organizations and legal service providers, private pro-bono attorneys, and representatives from faith-based organizations. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will host the Defense Investigative Organization Enterprise-wide Working Group and discuss increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of operations through collaborative investigative efforts and sharing of information in Cheltenham, MD. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Office Douglas Smith will meet with the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce to discuss DHS travel and tourism initiatives. Closed press.

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- On **April 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Sally Brice-O'Hara will deliver remarks at the American Bureau of Shipping (ABS) Anniversary Gala in New York, NY and present and honorary award for ABS' 150 years of service to the public. Closed press.
- On **April 24 and 25**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) will host the first annual Global Nuclear Detection Architecture (GNDA) Symposium at George Mason University, which will focus on GNDA partners' perspectives on their planning, capabilities, needs, priorities and interests related to the GNDA mission. DNDO Director Warren Stern will provide opening remarks. Closed press.
- On **April 25**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss interagency efforts in diagnostics at the Interagency Diagnostics Strategy meeting at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **April 26**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will provide an overview of the Office of Health Affairs and the current threat picture at the National Governor's Association State Public Health and Homeland Security Preparedness Roundtable in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **April 26**, FEMA Assistant Administrator of the Grant Programs Directorate Elizabeth Harman will deliver remarks on the FY 2013 vision for the National Preparedness Grant Program at the Congressional Fire Services Institute Seminar "Establishing Budget Priorities for Department of Homeland Security Programs" in Washington D.C. (closed press). On April 25 at the same conference, U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) Administrator Ernest Mitchell will also deliver keynote remarks on his goals and vision for the USFA and the role of FEMA and the USFA in Homeland Security on **April 25** (open press).
- On **April 26 and 27**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Malaysia and Singapore to meet with counterparts in both countries. Closed press.
- On **April 26 and 27**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator Pistole will conduct town hall meetings with TSA employees in Omaha, NE. Closed press.
- On **April 27**, FEMA Deputy Administrator of Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks on the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive 8 at the International Association of Fire Chiefs' Board of Directors Meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host a 'Conversation with the Director' engagement discussion in Washington, D.C. on the EB-5 draft memorandum that will have been posted for public comment earlier in the week. Open press.
- On **April 27**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks about the importance of the emergency medical services (EMS) and FEMA's continued support for the EMS community at the National Volunteer Fire Council's general session in Washington, D.C. (closed press). U.S. Fire Administration Administrator (USFA) Ernest Mitchell will also deliver remarks about his goals and vision for the USFA (open press).
- On **April 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Sally Brice-O'Hara will travel to Alameda, CA to preside over the Coast Guard Pacific Area Change of Command. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **April 25**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify on the use of advanced imaging technology in a closed hearing.

#### **Senate Judiciary Committee**

- On **April 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify in a general oversight hearing.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **April 26**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Dan Gerstein will testify on S&T's biological security research.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**



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- On **April 26**, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Brian Salerno and Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards Jeffrey Lantz will testify on Coast Guard prevention operations and regulatory projects.
- On **May 16**, Coast Guard Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's major acquisition programs.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **April 23**, FEMA Chief Information Officer Jeanne Etzel will provide a quarterly information technology briefing to staff on improving information technology at FEMA. Closed press.

**House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **April 26**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide a classified briefing to staff on the updated DHS Program of Analysis; the review, approval and distribution processes for analytic products; and analytic product consumer survey results.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will participate in an Immigration Conference for constituents and stakeholders hosted by Senator Lautenberg at Monmouth University in West Long Branch, NJ. Open press.
- On **April 26**, FEMA will brief the Senate staff Geographic Information System Working Group on RISKMAP and how FEMA uses GIS in emergency preparedness and response. Closed press.
- On **April 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary Bobbie Stempfley will provide a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center to Senator Susan Collins and House Energy and Commerce Committee Members in Arlington, VA.
- On **April 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will participate in the Cyber Operations Monthly Briefing with Representative Dan Lungren. Closed press.
- On **April 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Representative Silvestre Reyes and El Paso Mayor John Cook in Washington, D.C. to discuss local initiatives to reduce wait times at El Paso area airports. Closed press.
- On **April 27**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will join House Appropriations Committee, Homeland Security Subcommittee Chairman Robert Aderholt at a town hall in Rainsville, AL, to discuss the status of recovery from the tornados in Alabama one year ago. Closed press.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **April 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the Mira Loma Detention Center Compliance Inspection report to the online ICE FOIA Library.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Betsy Ginsberg**, with the **Benjamin Cardozo School of Law** in New York, NY, records concerning the legal interpretation of *Dent v. Holder*.
- On **April 16**, DHS released to **Craig Cheatham** with **KMOV-TV** in St. Louis, MO, copies of FOIA requests submitted by David Barr on behalf of the Democratic National Committee.
- On **April 19**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) will release to **Jennifer Loren** with **KQCW-TV** in Tulsa, OK, incident reports made to the USCG concerning pollution events in Oklahoma from 2007 to the present.
- On **April 19**, the U.S. Coast Guard will release to **Bruce Alpert** with the *New Orleans Times-Picayune* correspondence from Senators David Vitter and Mary Landrieu regarding shipbuilding and renovation contracts for Bollinger Shipyards from September 2006 to December 2010.
- On **April 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release to **Maria Zamudio** with the *Chicago Reporter* statistical data relating to stipulated orders of removal.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (March 2012):** TSA referred 28 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 101 firearms and 19 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
  - **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **April 12**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 421 AIT units at 132 airports.
  - **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 14**, 361,708 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.1 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 10 million queries have been run through the system.
- FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **April 18**, President Obama has signed 246 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$17.9 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.



Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

April 26, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified \$23 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to streamline and eliminate duplication in their mission-critical processes (e.g. improving information sharing processes or deploying more efficient operational equipment).

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **April 26**, CBS' San Diego affiliate will begin airing a new series called "24 Hours on the Border." U.S. Customs and Border Protection hosted the series at the Otay Mesa passenger and cargo facilities, and the episodes will include passenger and cargo inspections, canine enforcement teams and maritime interdictions.
- From **May 1 to 4**, the Science and Technology Directorate Borders and Maritime Security Division will demonstrate the electronic chain of custody M-Lock program, a Secure Transit Corridors Apex Project designed to detect unauthorized door openings and provide encrypted in-transit tracking throughout the international supply chain in order to facilitate the secure flow of commerce, at Sandia National Laboratory in Albuquerque, NM. Open press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **April 26, May 1, and May 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will open American Recovery and Reinvestment Act-funded Land Ports of Entry for operations in Cannon Corners and Churubusco, NY and Pinnacle Road, VT, respectively.
- On **April 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release its response to the Task Force on Secure Communities' (SCTF's) recommendations. Secure Communities is a critical tool for enabling ICE to focus its limited enforcement resources on high priority individuals. In response to the recommendations of the SCTF, ICE is adopting a new policy regarding individuals arrested for minor traffic offenses. Under this policy, detainers issued upon individuals arrested solely for minor traffic offenses, who have not been previously convicted of other crimes and do not fall within any other ICE priority category, will become operative only upon conviction for the minor criminal traffic offense. This new policy will help better focus ICE resources on those who pose a threat to public safety or national security, as well as repeat or egregious immigration law violators and recent border crossers. ICE remains committed to working with our partners to improve Secure Communities and make our communities safer by protecting public safety and national security, border security, and the integrity of the immigration system.
- During the **week of April 30**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office plans to release the congressionally mandated DHS Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Implementation Plan.
- On **May 1**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice: "Extension and Designation of Somalia for Temporary Protected Status (TPS)" will publish in the *Federal Register*.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **April 30**, the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss methodologies and products to protect critical infrastructure from cyber attacks by enhancing internet infrastructure with members of Computer Emergency Readiness Team Australia in Fort Collins, CO. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak about *Whole Community* response efforts at an event for the logistics division of the National Guard. Closed press.
- From **April 30 to May 2**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with heads of delegation in Charlottesville,

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VA at the Five Country Conference (FCC), an annual forum on immigration issues, with Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. Closed press.

- From **April 30 to May 4**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will present the *Women in Law Enforcement* leadership training program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Bangkok, Thailand. Law enforcement agencies from Thailand, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Indonesia, Philippines, Vietnam, China, Macau, Hong Kong, East Timor and Cambodia will participate. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services California Service Center will host its quarterly EB-5 immigration investment program stakeholder engagement in Laguna Niguel, CA. Open press.
- On **May 1**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will speak at the American Geophysical Union Science Policy Conference in Washington, D.C. about improving public safety against natural hazards. Open press.
- On **May 2**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will give keynote remarks on risk-based security at the Association of Airport Executives Conference in Phoenix, AZ. Open press.
- On **May 2**, Deputy Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Huban Gowadia will speak at the DomPrep Executive Briefing in New York, NY about DNDO's role in implementing the domestic layer of the global nuclear detection architecture, transitioning towards a more responsive architecture, and the Securing the Cities program. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) Acting Officer Tamara Kessler will convene a meeting of the CRCL NGO Committee to discuss Secure Communities, the CRCL complaint process, U-visas, 287(g), and Northern border issues. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver keynote remarks regarding NPPD's vision, mission and priorities at the Chemical Manufacturing Sector-Specific Agency Partnership Roadshow in Herndon, VA. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver a presentation on Presidential Policy Directive 8 at the National Homeland Security Consortium (NHSC) in Washington, D.C. The NHSC is a voluntary group of 21 national emergency management associations that come together to collaboratively and strategically address homeland security related issues. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, Chief Information Officer Richard Spires will discuss DHS's cloud computing efforts on a panel at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual "Cloud Shoot Out and CyberSecurity Summit" sponsored by FedScoop. Open press.
- On **May 2**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will deliver remarks on transatlantic cooperation in cybersecurity at the Transatlantic Dimensions of Cyber Security meeting in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **May 3**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Deputy Director Ken Keene will deliver remarks at the Indian Country Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony in Artesia, NM that honors those law enforcement officers and agents from Indian country who have died in the line of duty. Open press.
- On **May 3**, the Transportation Security Administration will host 27 members of the Gulf Coordination Council including law enforcement and civil aviation officials from Oman, Bahrain, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait at the Transportation Security Operations Center and Systems Operation Control Section brief and tour in Herndon, VA. Closed press.
- On **May 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will deliver remarks on ICE's intellectual property enforcement strategies at the 2012 International Anti-Counterfeiting Coalition Annual Spring Conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **May 3**, the Transportation Security Administration will provide the Metropolitan Transportation Authority of New York with a brief and tour of the Transportation Security Operations Center in Herndon, VA. Closed press.
- On **May 3**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will hold an informal round table discussion on general labor issues with the Labor Management Policy Council in Chicago, IL. The Council is comprised of labor union representatives that associate with FEMA. Closed press.

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- On **May 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host the Joint Customs Coordination Council meeting in Washington, D.C.
- On **May 4**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will host a Region VI employee Town Hall in Denton, TX. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **May 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Director of Field Operations, Laredo Field Office Gene Garza will participate in a field hearing on using technology to facilitate trade and enhance security at ports of entry in Laredo, TX.
- On **May 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will testify on the 2012-2016 Border Patrol Strategic Plan.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge, Phoenix Matthew Allen will testify on ICE's anti-drug trafficking efforts at a field hearing in Phoenix, AZ.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittees on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies; and Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **May 9**, Science and Technology Directorate First Responder Division Director Dr. Robert Griffin will testify on DHS's development of technologies to support first responders.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **May 16**, Coast Guard Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's major acquisition programs.

##### **House Ways and Means Committee, Subcommittee on Trade**

- On **May 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble and a TBD representative from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will testify on ICE and CBP's trade enforcement and facilitation initiatives.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **April 30**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will brief staff on the non-National Intelligence Program portion of the Fiscal Year 2013 budget request.

##### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **May 1**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for the Grants Program Directorate Elizabeth Harman will provide staff with a quarterly briefing on FEMA grant programs. Closed press.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **May 4**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for the Grants Program Directorate Elizabeth Harman will conduct an informal meeting with minority staff. Closed press.

##### **House Oversight and Governmental Reform Committee**

- On **May 3**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response operations.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **April 30 to May 4**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) will participate in the annual National Conference on Immigration and Consular Affairs for Congressional Staff to provide an overview of the immigration system, in-depth procedural information about immigration laws and case processing, and information on how the U.S. Government documents American citizenship and provides assistance to Americans abroad. During the conference, ICE

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Director John Morton and CBP Acting Deputy Commissioner Tom Winkowski will speak to provide overview of their respective agencies. Closed press.

- On **April 30 to May 4**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will accompany the House Committee on Homeland Security staff on visits to the Providence, RI; Maynard and Boston, Massachusetts; Concord, NH; and Albany, NY fusion centers.
- On **May 1 and 3**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will brief Senator Lisa Murkowski's staff on TSA fee programs, air cargo, and commercial aviation. Closed press.
- On **May 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) will meet with Senator John Cornyn's staff in Dallas, TX to discuss HSI priorities in the Dallas area of responsibility. Closed press.

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **April 25**, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee marked up the DHS Audit Requirement Target Act, which states that DHS should take steps in order to obtain an unqualified audit opinion in FY 2013. DHS has no objections to this bill and DHS has already begun concentrating efforts on expanding the scope of the audit to remaining Statements of Budgetary Resources, Net Cost, and Changes in Net Position in FY 2012 to continue to ensure taxpayer dollars are managed with integrity, diligence, and accuracy, and that the systems and processes used for all aspects of financial management demonstrate the highest level of accountability and transparency.

#### **IV. Legal Issues**

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **May 1**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Notice: "Extension and Designation of Somalia for Temporary Protected Status (TPS)" will publish in the *Federal Register*. This notice announces that the Secretary is both extending the existing designation of Somalia for TPS for 18 months from September 18, 2012 through March 17, 2014, and redesignating Somalia for TPS for 18 months, effective September 18, 2012 through March 17, 2014. The extension allows currently eligible TPS beneficiaries who have been continuously residing in the U.S. to retain their TPS through March 17, 2014 due to conditions in that country that prevent Somalis who now have TPS from safely returning.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **April 18**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with **The Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, records regarding use of force and/or attempted use of force by DHS employees from 2003 to the present.
- On **April 19**, DHS posted DHS Directive 026-07 entitled "Scientific Integrity" to the online FOIA Library.
- On **April 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Edith Brady Lunny** with *The Pantagraph* in Bloomington, IL statistics regarding detainees issued at the McLean County jail.
- On **April 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **David Schneider** with **CBS News** investigative reports relating to ICE investigations into the sale of Mexican fuel condensate.
- On **April 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Gregory Korte** with *USA Today* correspondence between ICE and members from Congress from January 2011 to the present.
- On **April 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **David Shapiro** with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in Washington, D.C. a fourth interim response of documents pertaining to the death of an individual who died in ICE custody in March 2010.
- On **April 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Maria Sacchetti** with *The Boston Globe*, arrest data relating to ICE's Cross Check operation.
- On **April 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release to **Penny Starr** with **CNS News** data relating to removals of "Other Than Mexicans" in Fiscal Year 2011.

#### **V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

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- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **April 19**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 428 AIT units at 135 airports.
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Weekly Report

May 3, 2012

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified \$4.3 million in cost avoidances by leveraging a cross-Component contract that offers lower prices and better service for background investigations than the Office of Personnel Management. In the second quarter of fiscal year 2012, DHS achieved cost avoidances of \$204,000.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **May 3**, FEMA will publicly release the National Preparedness Report, the first assessment of national preparedness across 31 core capabilities. The report is part of a series of deliverables required under the Presidential Policy Directive / PPD-8: National Preparedness that was signed March 30, 2011 aimed at strengthening the security and resilience of the United States through systematic preparation for the threats that pose the greatest risk to the security of the Nation, including acts of terrorism, cyber attacks, pandemics, and catastrophic natural disasters. This report has gone through OMB and interagency review.
- On **May 9 and 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host *ABC Nightline* as they cover border security efforts in South Texas, including the Unmanned Aircraft System's support of Border Patrol Agents in that area. Air date TBD.
- On **May 10**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to issue a press release announcing the 1 millionth passenger screened through TSA Pre✓™.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **May 3**, Secretary Napolitano notified Congress of the decision to extend the deadline for the 100 percent scanning mandate established in Section 232 of the Security and Accountability for Every Port Act of 2006 (SAFE Port Act), P.L. 109-347, as amended by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, P.L. 110-53, for an additional two years because (1) use of available scanning systems will negatively impact trade capacity and the flow of cargo; and (2) systems to scan containers cannot be purchased, deployed, or operated at ports overseas because they do not have the physical characteristics to install such systems. Pursuant to the legislative language of the Safe Port Act, Secretary Napolitano also submitted the report "Scanning of Maritime Containers," which addresses what container traffic will be affected by the extension; provides supporting evidence to support the Secretary's certification of the basis for the extension; explains what measures the Secretary is taking to ensure that scanning can be implemented as early as possible at the port or ports that are the subject of the report; and indicates that DHS is currently pursuing a layered and risk-based approach to securing maritime cargo. This report has gone through OMB and interagency review.
- On **May 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar and EU Director General Heinz Zourek will sign the U.S.-EU Joint Customs Decision on mutual recognition between the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism and the EU's Authorized Economic Operator program, on the sidelines of the Joint Customs Coordination Council meeting hosted by CBP in Washington, D.C.

*Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- On **April 30**, a draft of the OIG report titled, "**U.S. Custom and Border Protection's (CBP's) Use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems in the Nation's Border Security**" was released to Congress. **Background:** From April through November 2011, the OIG conducted a review of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) work establishing the unmanned aircraft system (UAS) program to determine whether CBP has established an adequate operation plan to define, prioritize, and execute its unmanned aircraft mission.

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**Recommendations:** The OIG makes four recommendations, which CBP concurs with, to improve planning of its UAS program, including the level of operation, program funding, and resource requirements, along with addressing stakeholder needs. **Response:** CBP's Strategic Air and Marine Plan (the StAMP) details operational plans and capabilities assessments, which define CBP's planned UAS acquisition and sustainment over the next five years and beyond, addressing an OIG recommendation. In addition, CBP continues to develop and implement flexible and responsive procedures to coordinate and support stakeholder requests, addressing an OIG recommendation.

- **Delivery to Congress on May 8, Public Posting on May 10: "U.S. Customs and Border Protection Privacy Stewardship. Background:** From April to November 2011, the OIG conducted an audit to address U.S. Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) work to instill a culture of privacy that protects sensitive, personally identifiable information and ensures compliance with Federal privacy laws and regulations. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes, and CBP concurs with, three recommendations to strengthen privacy protections at CBP. **Response:** CBP is committed to ensuring appropriate privacy protections and has issued guidance recognizing the expansion of its privacy role, creating a Privacy Office, addressing an OIG recommendation.

#### *Other Reports*

- On **April 27**, GAO released a report titled, "**Checked Baggage Screening: TSA Has Deployed Optimal Systems at the Majority of TSA-Regulated Airports, but Could Strengthen Cost Estimates.**" **Background:** From December 2011 to January 2012, the GAO assessed Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) progress in deploying optimal checked baggage screening systems at airports across the nation, known as the Electronic Baggage Screening Program (EBSP). This includes TSA's efforts to replace aging machines that have or will soon reach the end of their useful life to improve performance, increase efficiency, and reduce cost. **Findings:** GAO found that reducing the portion of the costs that TSA pays for facility modifications associated with the installation of optimal baggage screening systems could lower the federal government's cost of the airport modification projects it supports by roughly \$300 million from fiscal year 2012 through fiscal year 2030. **Recommendations:** GAO recommends that TSA ensure that its lifecycle cost estimates conform to cost estimating best practices in order to strengthen the credibility, comprehensiveness, and reliability of cost estimates and related savings associated with the EBSP. **Response:** TSA is institutionalizing a cost estimating process in order to improve the quality, fidelity, and uniformity of life-cycle cost estimates, addressing a GAO recommendation.
- On **April 30**, GAO released a report titled, "**Border Security: Opportunities Exist to Ensure More Effective Use of DHS's Air and Marine Assets.**" **Background:** From June 2010 to January 2012, the GAO conducted an audit to determine the extent to which U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Air and Marine (OAM) ensures the mix and placement of resources effectively met mission needs, addressed threats, and met the needs of OAM customers (e.g., U.S. Border Patrol and Immigrations and Customs Enforcement). **Recommendations:** GAO recommends that CBP enhance documentation of its analyses for asset mix and placement and that DHS enhance oversight to ensure efficient and effective coordination of OAM and USCG resources. The GAO report acknowledges CBP's work issuing and updating its strategic plan for the Office of Air and Marine as well as its aircraft deployment plans. **Response:** CBP will continue documenting decisions based on related costs and benefits and will begin providing additional documentation of its analyses, including mission requirements and threats, addressing a GAO recommendation. In addition, CBP continues to coordinate multiple initiatives across air and marine activities to support DHS efforts to better leverage its resources, eliminate duplication, and enhance efficiencies, addressing a GAO recommendation.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **May 5 to 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Assistant Commissioner for International Affairs Charles Stallworth will travel to Beijing, China, to sign the CBP-China Customs Joint Training Program (JTP) Letter of Intent and lead the CBP delegation for the 2<sup>nd</sup> JTP Joint Working Group



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meeting. The Joint Training Program strengthens customs-to-customs ties through reciprocal exchanges of delegations, site visits, and delivery of training courses focusing on supply chain security, intellectual property rights enforcement, and the interdiction of illicit materials. Closed press.

- From **May 6 to 8**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss air cargo security with senior executives from airlines, freight forwarders and shippers at the Cargo Network Services Partnership Conference in Miami, FL. Open press.
- On **May 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks on the importance of information sharing to improve emergency preparedness with government and business leaders at the Atlanta Emergency Preparedness Leaders Institute and then provide brief remarks at the Region IV Watch Ribbon Cutting in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **May 7**, General Counsel Ivan Fong, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan, and DOJ Deputy Assistant Attorney General Bruce Swartz will co-host the next round of negotiations in Washington, D.C. with the European Union on a Data Protection and Privacy Agreement to facilitate law enforcement information sharing between the U.S. and Europe. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will participate in a CAN/AM Border Trade Alliance event in Ottawa. Bersin is also expected to begin in-person negotiations with Canadian counterparts on preclearance issues from the Beyond the Border Action Plan during this trip. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dan Gerstein will discuss homeland security technology needs at Intel Corporation's "Research@Intel US Government 2012" meeting at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Hillsboro, OR. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will discuss the future of transportation security mandates at the National Industrial Transportation League's Policy Forum in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **May 9**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Nebraska and Texas Service Centers, which both handle employment-based, petitions, will host an open house for business owners to share information on immigration related topics, including E-Verify and Transformation, in Lincoln, NE. Closed press.
- On **May 9**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Office of Citizenship will participate in a meeting of the U.S.-Germany Security Cooperation Group's Working Group on Citizenship, Communication and Integration in Berlin, Germany. This working group comprises representatives of the German Federal Ministry of the Interior and USCIS and meets to discuss relevant citizenship and integration issues. Closed press.
- From **May 9 to 11**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will offer a Law Enforcement Supervisor Leadership Training Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Gaborone, Botswana for law enforcement agencies from Botswana, Liberia, Rwanda, Sierra Leone and the Seychelles. Closed press.
- From **May 9 to 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar and Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will travel to Long Beach, CA, to deliver opening and closing remarks, respectively, as well as participate in a CBP Leadership Town Hall at the 2012 West Coast Trade Symposium.
- On **May 10**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss various airline issues and risk-based security at the Airlines for America Security Directors Security Council meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 10**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will discuss best practices, disaster workforce, rapid mobilization, and response planning at a meeting with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

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- On **May 8**, Office of International Affairs Deputy Assistant Secretary Mark Koumans and Transportation Security Administration Office of Global Strategies Assistant Administrator John Halinski will testify on DHS's efforts to build partnerships with the Asia-Pacific region.
- On **May 17**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator for Security Policy and Industry Engagement John Sammon will testify on airport access controls.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **May 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will testify on the 2012-2016 Border Patrol Strategic Plan.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge, Phoenix Matthew Allen will testify on ICE's anti-drug trafficking efforts at a field hearing in Phoenix, AZ.

**House Oversight and Government Reform Committee and House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

- On **May 9**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Assistant Administrator for Finance and Administration Dave Nicholson will testify on TSA's procurement, deployment, and storage of airport screening equipment.

**Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **May 9**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard's FY 2013 budget request.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittees on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies; and Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **May 9**, Science and Technology Directorate First Responder Division Director Dr. Robert Griffin will testify on DHS's development of technologies to support first responders.

**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **May 16**, Coast Guard Vice Admiral John Currier will testify on the Coast Guard's major acquisition programs.

**House Ways and Means Committee, Subcommittee on Trade**

- On **May 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will testify on ICE and CBP's trade enforcement and facilitation initiatives.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **May 7**, FEMA will provide staff with briefings on the PPD-8 framework. Closed press.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **May 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief staff on front companies, which serve as intermediaries for illegal procurements, technology transfer, including controlled technology and technical data transfers, dual-use technology and Iran at Chairman Peter King's request. Closed press.

**Senate Finance Committee**

- On **May 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief staff on the U.S.-EU Mutual Recognition Arrangement and current CBP activities with the World Customs Organization.

**House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **May 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding, Federal Protective Service Director Eric Patterson and Office of Infrastructure Protection Deputy Director David Wulf will provide staff with a CFATS Update briefing. Closed press.

*Legislative Issues*

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- On **May 8**, the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security is expected to mark up the FY 2013 DHS appropriations bill. The expected topline discretionary number is \$39.11 billion, or approximately \$350 million below the President's Budget Request.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **April 27**, DHS submitted the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Notice of Exemption: "Exemption from Transportation Work Identification Credential (TWIC) Expiration Provisions for Certain Individuals Who Hold a Valid TWIC" to OMB for review. TSA is proposing to grant a temporary exemption from certain TWIC regulations regarding card expiration and replacement requirements. This exemption applies to U.S. nationals who hold a valid TWIC expiring on or before December 31, 2014 and begins the date the notice is signed. The exemption permits eligible TWIC holders to obtain a replacement card that extends the expiration date of their current security threat assessment and TWIC by three years.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **April 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Alina Das**, with **Washington Square Legal Service, Inc.**, in New York, NY, information about the implementation of prosecutorial discretion in the ICE Newark Field Office from June 17, 2011 to December 6, 2011.
- On **April 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the 2010 Criminal Alien Population Projection Analysis projected arrests and releases to the online ICE FOIA Library.
- On **May 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Monty Ruiz Velasco**, with the **National Immigration Justice Center** in Chicago, IL information regarding cases where prosecutorial discretion has been considered, exercised, and/or requested from January 2010 to the present.
- On **May 3**, DHS will release to **Steven Emerson**, with **SAE Productions**, in Washington, D.C. records relating to the May 2010 Gaza flotilla incident.
- On **May 3**, DHS will release to **Jack Gillum** with the *Associated Press* correspondence between DHS and Senator Marco Rubio's office.
- On **May 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Beth Werlin** with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, D.C. records relating to how immigration applications and adjudications are impacted by Section 3 of the Defense of Marriage Act.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **April 26**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 437 AIT units at 138 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 28**, 366,616 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.1 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 10.8 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **May 2**, President Obama has signed 247 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$18.1 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

May 10, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified over \$195 million in cost avoidances by leveraging the purchasing power of the entire Department to acquire commonly used software licenses (such as Microsoft, Adobe, and Oracle) for DHS-wide usage.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **May 12**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver the Commencement Address at the Southern University of New Orleans in New Orleans, LA (open press). She will also attend the Top Cops event with President Obama in the Rose Garden (open press).
- On **May 13**, Secretary Napolitano, along with senior DHS leadership, will deliver remarks at the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial. Open press.
- On **May 14**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Valor Memorial Ceremony (press TBD). She will deliver remarks at the U.S.-Canada Facilitation Cross Border Business Stakeholder Meeting as part of the Beyond the Border Initiative (closed press). The Secretary will also attend an off-the-record dinner with reporters from the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, and *Chicago Tribune*.
- On **May 15**, Secretary Napolitano and senior DHS leadership will attend the 31st Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Day Services at the U.S. Capitol (open press). She will also meet with Senators Joe Lieberman and Susan Collins as part of their monthly outreach. She will also meet with Australian Attorney General Nicola Roxon as a follow-up to their meeting in Australia at the beginning of May.
- On **May 16**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver the Commencement Address at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT. Open press.
- On **May 17 and 18**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Munich, Germany to participate in the G6 Conference of Home Affairs Ministers.
- On **May 19**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Jerusalem, Israel to sign a Global Entry Agreement to allow vetted Israeli travelers to use Global Entry expedited customs clearance kiosks in the U.S., focusing resources on individuals more likely to pose a risk while facilitating the flow of lawful people and goods entering the U.S.
- On **May 21**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Amman, Jordan to sign an Immigration Advisory Program Agreement and meet with her Jordanian counterparts. Through the IAP, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officers stationed abroad identify high-risk travelers who are likely to be inadmissible into the United States and makes recommendations to commercial carriers to deny boarding.
- On **May 23**, Secretary Napolitano will host the Council on Veterans Employment Meeting co-chaired by Secretaries Shinseki and Solis. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to meet with the Homeland Security Advisory Council members at their annual meeting. Closed press.
- On **May 31**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to deliver remarks at the Migration Policy Institute's Transatlantic Council. Press TBD.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **May 15**, Deputy Secretary Lute will attend the President's Management Council's Luncheon at Department of Treasury.
- On **May 16**, Deputy Secretary Lute will participate in the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Annual Wreath Laying & Valor Memorial at the Ronald Reagan Building along with U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar. Closed press.

- On **May 17**, Deputy Secretary Lute will participate with members of DHS senior leadership in the “One DHS Day” on Capitol Hill to provide Congressional Members and staff with information on the Department’s missions and operations.
- On **May 18**, Deputy Secretary Lute will deliver remarks at the Vice Commandant Change of Watch Ceremony at Ft. McNair in Washington, D.C. Open press.

### III. Senior Personnel Status and News

- On **May 18**, U.S Coast Guard Vice Admiral John Currier will replace Vice Admiral Sally Brice-O’Hara as Vice Commandant.

### IV. Public Affairs

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the **week of May 14**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled, “Refugees and Asylees: 2011,” providing information on the number and characteristics of persons admitted as refugees or granted asylum in the United States in 2011.
- During the **week of May 14**, DHS expects to sign a Preventing and Combating Serious Crime Agreement with Iceland.

#### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

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- During the **week of May 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release the USCIS Electronic Immigration System (USCIS ELIS), transforming our paper-based agency into an electronic, online organization. This inaugural release of the transformation effort establishes the architecture for future releases, will allow applicants to electronically file and have adjudicated Form I-539, Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status, and includes the risk and fraud analyzer. USCIS anticipates future releases on a biannual cycle. \*POTENTIAL “We Can’t Wait Announcement”\*
- In **May**, Secretary Napolitano will issue a Management Directive on the use of social media for investigative purposes and associated privacy guidelines to ensure the Department’s use of social media is in compliance with privacy policies.
- In **May**, DHS expects to publicly release the DHS Northern Border Strategy (NBS), the first unified DHS strategy to guide the Department’s policies and operations at our northern border. The NBS identifies three key goals: deterring and preventing terrorism and smuggling, trafficking, and illegal immigration; safeguarding and encouraging the efficient flow of lawful trade, travel, and immigration; and ensuring community resiliency before, during, and after terrorist attacks and other disasters.
- On **June 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will launch the Enhanced Interior Repatriation Initiative, a U.S.-Mexico initiative to provide a humane, safe, and orderly option for repatriating Mexican nationals; especially those who have criminal convictions. Aliens repatriated under this initiative will be removed to the interior of the country and, ultimately, to their places of residence. Previously, Mexican nationals were repatriated through ports of entry along the Mexican border.
- By **mid June**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to complete nation-wide implementation of modifications to screening procedures for passengers 75 and older. In March, TSA began testing these measures in Chicago, Denver, Orlando, and Portland.

- Congressional distribution on May 10, Web Posting on May 14: “Transportation Security Administration’s Efforts To Identify and Track Breaches at Our Nation’s Airports.”** **Background:** From April to September 2011, the OIG assessed the Transportation Security Administration’s (TSA) efforts to identify and track security breaches at airports. Following media reports of breaches at Newark Liberty International Airport, the OIG initiated an investigation of the contributing factors that led to the security breaches and whether TSA had an effective mechanism to use information gathered from individual airports to identify measures that could be used to improve security nationwide. **Findings:** OIG found that, without a central mechanism to gather information about all security breaches, TSA is unable to monitor trends or make general improvements to security. The OIG determined that airports need a clear definition and guidance for identifying and reporting security breaches through Performance and Results Information System (PARIS) so TSA can capture an accurate understanding of security breaches occurring at airports nationwide. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes two recommendations to refine and use one comprehensive definition of what constitutes a security breach as well as a comprehensive oversight program to ensure accurate reporting and corrective actions take place. **Response:** TSA’s goal at all times is to maximize transportation security to stay ahead of evolving terrorist threats while facilitating the flow of legitimate commerce. TSA currently collects thousands of records of incidents and security breaches occurring at airports and other transportation facilities. TSA is working to centralize oversight of airport security breaches and will better leverage PARIS to more accurately report, track, and analyze trends. TSA is also updating its airport performance metrics to track security breaches and airport checkpoint closures at the national, regional, and local levels, addressing an OIG recommendation.
- Congressional distribution on May 10, Web Posting on May 14: “DHS Information Technology Management Has Improved, But Challenges Remain.”** **Background:** In 2004 and 2008, the OIG reported that the Chief Information Officer (CIO) did not have sufficient budget authority or staffing to effectively manage information technology. This follow-up audit was conducted to determine the Department’s progress in implementing an effective information technology management program. **Findings:** The OIG found that since their last report in 2008, the CIO has increased oversight and authority of IT by reviewing DHS component programs and acquisitions, enabling the CIO to make strategic recommendations to reduce costs and duplication. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes one recommendation to improve the budget review process to enable the CIO to identify and resolve issues before component investments are finalized. DHS concurs with this recommendation. **Response:** As the OIG notes, DHS has made significant progress in improving IT management functions, resulting in improved decision-making regarding IT investments and acquisitions. The CIO is firmly integrated into the budget and financial management decision-making process within DHS, addressing an OIG recommendation.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **May 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will speak to a group of nongovernmental organization representatives in Washington, D.C. regarding CBP’s priorities, including repatriation practices and I-94 automation efforts. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss supply chain security at the Federation of National Associations of International Freight Forwarders and Logistics Operators of Latin America and the Caribbean Congress in San Antonio, TX. Open press.
- On **May 14**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O’Toole will deliver remarks addressing the next generation of professionals at the Emerging Leaders in Biosecurity workshop hosted by UPMC in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host representatives from the Israel Security Agency in Washington, D.C. to discuss behavioral science research priorities and potential areas of collaboration. Closed press.
- On **May 15**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Assistant Administrator John Sammon will discuss TSA’s Strategic Plan for Risk-Based Security at the National Air Transportation Association Airline Services Council meeting in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

- On **May 15**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will meet with Puerto Rico Secretary of State/Lieutenant Governor Kenneth McClintock to discuss joint initiatives between DHS, the Department of State, the Department of Justice, and the Puerto Rico Public Safety Working Group (PSGW) as well as ongoing projects with the White House and ONDCP as part of the PSWG and the President's Task Force on Puerto Rico. Closed press.
- From **May 15 to 18**, the Science and Technology Directorate will perform explosive testing on scale models of reinforced concrete towers from bridges at Ft. Polk, LA. These tests will investigate the response of a bridge tower with a hardening retrofit to a formidable explosive threat. Closed press. No anticipated public impact.
- On **May 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss cybersecurity threats with private sector chief information officers at the DHS Cybersecurity Forum in Boston, MA. Open press.
- On **May 16**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Halinski will discuss how to most effectively streamline security standards, develop and integrate new technologies and techniques to combat evolving threats, and strike a balance between security and privacy at the National Journal Group's Policy Summit on "Securing the Skies: Aviation Security for Safer Global Airways" in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **May 16**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will speak about FEMA's operations in extreme weather conditions at the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research (UCAR) Board of Trustees meeting in Washington, D.C. UCAR is a consortium of 77 university members and 25 academic affiliates across the United States and Canada which conducts research in areas related to severe weather and climate impacts. Closed press.
- On **May 16**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will deliver remarks to Intelligence Community senior executives as part of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence program, "Leading the Intelligence Community." Closed press.
- On **May 17**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss virus interactions, diagnostics, vaccines, and control strategies at the inaugural African Swine Fever Symposium at the Biosecurity Research Institute at the Kansas State University in Manhattan, KS. Closed press.
- On **May 17**, the Science and Technology will discuss the Small Unmanned Aircraft System initiative and the recent successes of airborne sensor demonstrations at the Counter Terror Expo in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **May 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with John J. Koraleski, President and Chief Executive Officer of Union-Pacific, regarding the company's security measures. Closed press.
- On **May 17 and 18**, staff from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will speak at the American Bar Association immigration meeting in Memphis, TN on immigration enforcement priorities, prosecutorial discretion and immigration services delivery, respectively. Closed press.
- On **May 18**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will travel to Houston, TX address members of the Greater Houston Partnership (closed press) and host a press conference with the Partnership for a New American Economy, a bipartisan group of mayors and business leaders committed to raising awareness of the economic benefits of sensible immigration reform.

## **V. Legislative Issues**

### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

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#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**



- On **May 16**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator for Security Policy and Industry Engagement John Sammon will testify on airport access controls.

#### **House Ways and Means Committee, Subcommittee on Trade**

- On **May 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Kumar Kibble and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will testify on ICE and CBP's trade enforcement and facilitation initiatives.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **May 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Tom Winkowski, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Assistant Director for the Office of Professional Responsibility Timothy Moyniahn and Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator for the Office of Professional Responsibility James Duncan will testify on DHS's commitment to ethics.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittees on Science, Space, and Technology and Technology and Innovation**

- On **May 17**, U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) Administrator Ernest Mitchell will testify on his priorities for the USFA.

#### **Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and the Coast Guard**

- On **May 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Cari Thomas will testify on the Coast Guard's efforts with regards to marine debris created by last year's tsunami in Japan.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge, Phoenix Matthew Allen will testify on ICE's anti-drug trafficking efforts at a field hearing in Phoenix, AZ.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **May 16**, Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Warren Stern will brief staff on the recently submitted DHS Global Nuclear Detection Architecture (GNDA) Implementation Plan, which includes investments and strategic discussion for DHS implementation of the GNDA from 2013-2017.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **May 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Assistant Commissioner for Internal Affairs Jim Tomscheck will meet with Chairman Michael McCaul to discuss CBP's integrity efforts. Closed press.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **May 21**, FEMA will brief staff of on FEMA's capital improvement efforts at Mt. Weather and other priority projects in FY 2012. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **May 13 to 18**, the first Coast Guard Fast Response Cutter, the BERNARD WEBBER, will make a port call in Washington D.C.
- On **May 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with Representative Ruben Hinojosa and representatives from the City of Donna, TX in Washington, D.C., to discuss the City's request to expand traffic at the Donna-Rio Bravo International Bridge to include commercial vehicles. Closed press.
- On **May 16**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Representatives Kevin Brady and Jim McDermott in Washington, D.C., to discuss CBP's trade facilitation mission. Closed press.
- On **May 17**, FEMA will meet with Representative Luetkemeyer and representatives of the Missouri Board of Realtors to discuss FEMA's floodplain mapping process and procedure. Closed press.
- On **May 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief Senator McCaskill's staff on a recent antidumping and countervailing duties case involving honey.

### *Legislative Issues*

- On **May 15**, the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security is expected to mark up the FY 2013 DHS appropriations bill. The expected topline discretionary number is \$39.51 billion, or approximately \$50 million above the President's Budget Request.
- On **May 16**, the full House Appropriations Committee is expected to consider the FY 2013 DHS Appropriations Bill, with a topline discretionary number of \$39.11 billion.

## **VI. Legal Issues**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **May 11**, DHS will make a fourth production of documents in response to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform's letter requesting further information and documentation in relation to its investigation regarding DHS's SSI designation process. A majority of this production will be made available to the Committee *in camera*.
- On **May 11**, DHS will make a first production of documents in response to a request by Chairman Darrell Issa and Senator Chuck Grassley relating to their investigation of the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to actively collect documents and/or information responsive to requests on the following topics: Advanced Imaging Technology units, conferences, fusion centers, recent events in Cartagena, Columbia, the travel records of forty-six individuals, and Border Patrol statistics and reports from the eight patrol stations in the Tucson Sector.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 2**, **Steve Emerson**, with **SAE Productions** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records related to the Saudi national arrested by ICE in January 2012 for threatening to blow up the White House.
- On **April 16**, **J. Keith Gates**, with **Cause of Action** in Washington, D.C., requested from the U.S. Secret Service financial records of travel for Vice President Joe Biden for trips originating, terminating, or stopping in Delaware, including records of expenses and costs to the federal government and records of reimbursement by Vice President Biden for such expenses and costs.
- On **April 19**, **Molly Mathews**, with **FOX News**, requested from DHS records documenting the location, justification, and cost of each out-of-town convention/conference, including the cost of hotels, transportation, meals, gifts, and rental fees for facilities from January 1, 2012 through April 26, 2012.
- On **April 19**, **Evan Perez**, with **The Wall Street Journal**, requested from the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) copies of any USSS records related to an incident or incidents in June 2000 in Moscow, specifically seeking records related to conduct of the White House advance team, including the White House Communications Agency and the Secret Service, at a Moscow nightclub called The Hungry Duck before, during, or after President Bill Clinton's June 2000 visit to Russia.
- On **April 24**, **Andrew Becker**, with **Center for Investigative Reporting**, in Berkeley, CA, requested from DHS a copy of correspondence between DHS senior leadership and the Office of Inspector General (OIG) regarding an FBI/U.S. Department of Justice investigation and/or federal grand jury of the DHS Office of Inspector General and any related field offices, including but not limited to Dallas and McAllen as well as correspondence regarding misconduct and/or corruption allegations and/or investigations involving DHS employees conducted by and/or related the OIG.
- On **April 24**, **Whitney Ksiazek**, with **Fox News Channel**, requested from DHS documents pertaining to cases or filings of sexual harassment charges and complaints that have occurred at DHS from January 1, 2009 to the present.
- On **April 24**, **Scott MacFarlane**, with **COX TV** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS copies of email from any DHS employee whose job title includes "Assistant Secretary" or "Deputy Secretary" and that includes reference to Representative John Mica or the City of Charlotte, NC in 2011 or 2012.

- On **April 25, Jim Drummond**, with *The Yorba Linda Star* in Solana Beach, CA, requested from the Transportation Security Administration a list of all airports that have applied for the Screening Partnership Program (SPP) since November 2004; a list of airports that have been accepted into the SPP; a list of airports that have submitted an application and were denied approval; and a list of airports that have submitted an application and no decision has been made.
- On **April 25, Doug Irving**, with *The Orange County Register* in Anaheim, CA, requested from the Transportation Security Administration utilization data for Advanced Imaging Technology units, sorted by airport and showing the percentage of days on which each unit was used for 2010 through 2012.
- On **April 25, Josh Margolin**, with the *New York Post*, requested from DHS records concerning the review of events and responses associated with the October 2010 attempt to transport explosive devices via UPS and FedEx to locations in the United States.
- On **April 26, Peter Eisler**, with *USA Today* in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) and the United States Secret Service (USSS) records related to the conduct of USSS personnel in foreign countries, including any reports, memos and correspondence related to the behavior or conduct of USSS officers working abroad that reference allegations or investigations of misconduct or impropriety, official standards, or correspondence with other departments or agencies from January 1, 2000 through April 26, 2012.
- On **April 26, Jennifer Dixon**, with *The Detroit Free Press*, requested from FEMA a copy of all grants and cost share expenditure reports submitted by the State of Michigan for its Homeland Security Grant Program/Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grants funds since the inception of the program and the Biannual Strategy Implementation Reports filed by the State of Michigan with FEMA since 2004.
- On **April 26, Susan Long**, with **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** at Syracuse University in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) case-by-case information on each ICE removal (including returns) in April 2012.
- On **April 26, Steve Reilly**, with *Press & Sun-Bulletin* in Binghamton, NY, requested from FEMA records regarding FEMA assistance requests and awards associated to DR-1650, "New York Severe Storms and Flooding."
- On **April 27, Jim McElhatton**, with *The Washington Times*, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General records pertaining to travel fraud and/or employee misconduct at the U.S. Secret Service from January 1, 2008 through April 27, 2012.
- On **April 27, Melissa Arseniuk**, with *The Daily* in New York, NY, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General records documenting any communications and/or transactions between DHS personnel and Location Solvers personnel. She also requested records regarding payments made to Facebook, MySpace, Google/Gmail, Yahoo, MSN/Hotmail/Microsoft, and AOL in relation to requests for personal data and/or account information from 2009 through April 30, 2012.
- On **April 27, Kate Brumback**, with *The Associated Press*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records relating to I-9 audits of companies in Georgia since January 2009.
- On **April 27, Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., requested from the U.S. Secret Service all Standard Forms 50 (Notification of Personnel Action) in force and on file for any Secret Service employee earning \$225,000 or more, per year in total compensation from October 1, 2011 through April 27, 2012.
- On **April 27, Gary Martin**, with *The San Antonio Express*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) reports filed on incidents from April 16, 2012 through April 22, 2012 at the San Antonio International Airport involving TSA agents and Representative Francisco Canseco.
- On **April 27, Daniel Nasaw**, a reporter with *BBC News* in Washington, D.C., requested from the Transportation Security Administration seven procurement contracts, four of them with Lockheed Martin.
- On **April 30, Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General Memorandums of Understanding and/or Agreement between the OIG and U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the U.S. Secret Service, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the

Transportation and Security Administration, and the U.S. Coast Guard pertaining to investigations of employees.

- On **April 30**, **Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS communications with Nancy-Ann DeParle, any other member of the Obama administration, or any third party regarding the development and implementation of “alternative administrative measures” designed to make policies by “circumventing” the legislative branch.
- On **April 30**, **Susan Long**, with **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** at Syracuse University, in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) case-by-case information on each case ICE has found provisionally amenable to the exercise of prosecutorial discretion for cases in Immigration Courts.
- On **April 30**, **Daniel Nasaw**, with **BBC News** in Washington, D.C., requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records in TSA’s SPOT referral database pertaining to passengers arrested by Law Enforcement Officers after referral by TSA Behavior Detection Officers from May 29, 2004 through April 30, 2012.
- On **May 1**, **Damien Cave**, with **The New York Times**, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: 1) Interagency Agreements for 2000 through May 1, 2012 between CBP and its components and their Mexican counterparts or any arm of the Mexican government; 2) documents and/or database information tracking complaints against all CBP personnel deployed to the Southwest border year-by-year from 2000 through May 1, 2012; and 3) payments made by CBP in civil lawsuits filed against CBP or its personnel and contractors, year to year, from 2000 through May 1, 2012.
- On **May 1**, **Melissa del Bosque**, with **Texas Observer Magazine** in Austin, TX, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General records relating to shootings by U.S. Border Patrol agents from 2008 to 2012.
- On **May 2**, **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General travel records for the Deputy Assistant Inspector General of Investigations from Fiscal Year 2008 through May 2, 2012.
- On **May 2**, **Jeffrey Zeitz**, with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement copies of all records relating to violations, citations, or complaints regarding three companies: FMC Development, Inc.; FMC Partners, Ltd.; and Canseco Investments.
- On **May 3**, **Alicia Caldwell**, with **The Associated Press**, requested from the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) records of reports or requests for OIG investigations of wrongdoing, improper acts, or other concerns pertaining to United States Secret Service employees.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **April 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Jeremy Redmon**, with **The Atlanta Journal-Constitution** information relating to people removed/deported/returned as a result of the Secure Communities program.
- On **May 1**, DHS released to **Randy Herschaft**, with **The Associated Press** and **Scott MacFarlane** with **COX TV**, correspondence between Governor Rick Perry and DHS.
- On **May 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted the Year to Date FY 2012 Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Statistics to the online ICE FOIA Library.
- On **May 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., the number of immigration cases reviewed (for prosecutorial discretion) and the number of cases that were administratively closed during the pilot program conducted in Baltimore and Denver between December 4, 2011 and January 13, 2012.
- On **May 3**, DHS released to **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., and others, records related to the “Occupy Wall Street” movement. DHS also posted these records to its online FOIA Library.
- On **May 8**, DHS released to **Michael Kaufman** with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California** in Los Angeles, CA data related to FOIA fee waivers and fee category requests.
- On **May 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Emily Willard** with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C. records regarding complaints filed against ICE about the Alien

Transfer and Exit Program. ICE also released correspondence regarding the consequence delivery system as well as the U.S. Customs and Border Protection/ICE Enhanced Removal Initiative Concept of Operations.

- On **May 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release to **Peter Joseph** with the **Association to Invest in the USA** in Chicago, IL records regarding the EB-5 Program study completed by the USCIS Office of Policy and Strategy.

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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

May 16, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS Components have avoided costs of \$15.1 million by disconnecting wireless devices that are no longer being used and improving management of wireless communication services.

## **II. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **June 3**, Sarah Dietch will begin serving as Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator for Legislative Affairs. She currently serves as Chief of Staff for the DHS Office of Legislative Affairs.

## **III. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- During the **week of May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) San Diego Deputy Special Agent in Charge Joe Garcia and HSI special agents from the San Diego Tunnel Task Force will conduct briefings, interviews and demonstrations of tunnel detection equipment for a *GQ* magazine feature story about the task force and the tunneling phenomenon along the California/Mexico border. This article is expected to run sometime between August and October.
- During the **week of May 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will issue press materials for CBP's annual "Know Before You Go" summer travel awareness campaign, which offers travel tips for travelers entering the United States as well as information on CBP's efforts to mitigate wait times.
- From **May 21 to 25**, the FEMA *Ready* Campaign will support the Small Business Administration in promoting their online emergency preparedness development tools during the National Small Business Week.
- From **May 21 to 25**, FEMA will do press in advance of Hurricane Preparedness Week.
- On **May 23**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will hold a press conference at Washington Reagan National Airport to announce the national launch of expedited screening for passengers 75 and older, the extension of hours for the TSA Contact Center, and other summer travel tips.
- On **May 24**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza and U.S. Fire Administration Deputy Administrator Gaines will be interviewed on the XM Emergency Medicine Radio Program to promote the release of the EMS Medical Directors Handbook.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **May 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services issued an Administrative Appeals Office precedent decision (only the third in more than a decade) on the P-3 Culturally Unique Program. The classification applies to an artist or entertainer who comes to the United States temporarily to perform, teach, or coach as an artist or entertainer, individually or as part of a group, under a program that is culturally unique.
- On **May 15**, DHS signed a Preventing and Combating Serious Crime agreement with France.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **May 21**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will speak about the changing homeland security environment and the impacts of Presidential Policy Directive 8 at the 2012 National UASI & Homeland Security Conference in Columbus, OH. Open press.
- On **May 21**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will join the Mayor of Charlotte, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department, and Charlotte Area Transit System to announce an "If You See Something, Say Something <sup>TM</sup>" campaign partnership. Open press.

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- On **May 21**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will present the 2012 United States Coast Guard William M. Benkert Awards for Environmental Excellence to various private sector industry stakeholders to honor leadership, innovation and creativity in the field of marine safety. This award is presented as part of the Marine Executive and Tanker Conference Program Committees 2012 American Petroleum Institute Tanker Conference in Orlando, FL. Open press.
- On **May 21 and 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski, and Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Office of International Affairs Luis Alvarez, will participate in the DHS-Mexico Ministry of Finance and Public Credit Executive Steering Committee meeting in Cancun, Mexico to discuss issues relating to the incorporation of ICE-trained Mexico Customs agents into the ICE Attaché Mexico City Transnational Criminal Investigative Unit, exchange of customs data; pre-inspection pilot programs; progress towards Single Rail Manifest; coordinated southbound operations; and Trusted Trader implementation. Closed press.
- From **May 21 to 25**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will discuss capabilities for the handling of BSL-4 pathogens in large animals, operational challenges, and research efforts at the Australian Animal Health Laboratory in Geelong, Australia. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks on establishing a U.S. framework for immigrant integration policy at the Migration Policy Institute's National Center on Immigrant Integration Policy Symposium among government officials from Canada, Europe, and the United States. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a stakeholder meeting for civil surgeons on the immigration medical exam requirements and how to complete [Form I-693](#), Report of Medical Examination and Vaccination Record. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will deliver remarks on CBP's efforts to secure the Southwest border at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Institute for Defense & Government Advancement Border Management Southwest Conference in Tucson, AZ to an audience of federal, state and local law enforcement and private sector stakeholders. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host CBP Industry Day for more than 600 federal contractors and small business owners in Washington, D.C., which will include moderated panel discussions in the areas of Border Security; Trade and Travel; and Intelligence and Targeting. Open press.
- On **May 22**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with representatives from immigration service providers in Austin, TX to discuss the delivery of immigration services and benefits by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services in the Austin area. Closed press.
- From **May 22 to 24**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host the DHS Office of State and Local Law Enforcement's "Law Enforcement Training Options During Times of Budgetary Constraints" meeting in Glynco, GA for representatives from national state and local organizations to discuss ways the federal government can provide assistance in areas such as training and collaboration. Closed press.
- On **May 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will deliver remarks on leadership to students at the Army War College in Carlisle, PA. Closed press.
- On **May 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to New York, NY to participate in several events associated with Fleet Week. Closed press.
- On **May 23**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a teleconference for stakeholders to discuss how foreign nationals living in the United States can best prepare for travel abroad and what to expect upon return to the United States. The discussion will include information about the traveler's rights and responsibilities. Open press.
- On **May 23**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will speak about disaster relief and recovery in the private sector to private sector Corporate Security Officers as part of the FBI's Domestic Security Executive Academy in Quantico, VA. Closed press.



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- From **May 23 to 25**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will present Financial Crimes training to law enforcement agencies from El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico and Panama at the International Law Enforcement Academy in San Salvador, El Salvador. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, Assistant Secretary of the Office of Policy David Heyman will attend the second stakeholder consultation on facilitating cross border business, as required by the Beyond the Border Action Plan, hosted by Citizenship and Immigration Canada Minister Jason Kenney in Toronto, Canada. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, Transportation Security Administration Associate Administrator Doug Hofsass will discuss risk-based security with the American Society of Travel Agents in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a naturalization ceremony at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C. Former Secretary of State Madeline Albright will be the keynote speaker and the Smithsonian will announce an interactive learning tool developed jointly by USCIS and the museum for the civics portion of the naturalization test. This tool, entitled *Preparing for the Oath: U.S. History and Civics for Citizenship*, supports aspiring citizens' efforts to prepare for the naturalization test. USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas will administer the Oath of Allegiance and provide congratulatory remarks. Open press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge, Phoenix Matthew Allen will testify on ICE's anti-drug trafficking efforts at a field hearing in Phoenix, AZ.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **May 23**, U.S. Secret Service Director Mark Sullivan will testify on actions the Secret Service has taken in response to the recent situation in Columbia.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **June 6**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will testify on FEMA's preparedness initiatives.

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **May 21**, FEMA will brief staff on FEMA's FY 2012 facilities management funds. Closed press.

##### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee**

- On **May 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief committee staff on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) enforcement efforts at the National IPR Coordination Center in Arlington, VA.

##### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will meet with Representatives Jesse Jackson, Jr. and Luis Gutierrez and constituents to discuss the proposed detention center in Crete, IL. Open press.
- On **May 22**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak with Senator Charles Grassley, to discuss issues related to recovery from the 2008 floods in Cedar Rapids. Closed press.

##### *Legislative Issues*

- On **May 16**, the House will consider the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Extension Act. The bill would extend for one additional month, through June 30, authorities under the NFIP in order to provide additional time to reach agreement on a long-term reauthorization.

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- During the **week of May 21**, the full House is expected to consider the Border Tunnel Prevention Act of 2012. This bill criminalizes the construction, financing, or use of tunnels to smuggle persons, drugs, or other illegal goods across the border.

## V. Legal Issues

### FOIA Releases

- On **May 3**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with *The Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, records regarding Memoranda of Understanding regarding the investigation of employees.
- On **May 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Penny Starr**, with *CNS News* in Alexandria, VA, statistical information relating to all “Other Than Mexicans” from all countries for Fiscal Year 2011.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted the Compliance Inspection Reviews for the Etowah County Detention Center in Gadsden, AL; the Orleans Parish Prison in New Orleans, LA; and the McHenry County Adult Correctional Facility in Woodstock, IL to its online FOIA Library.
- On **May 15**, DHS released to **Randy Herschaft** with *The Associated Press* copies of correspondence between DHS and Governor Rick Perry from December 2000 to November 2011.
- On **May 16**, DHS will release to **Anthony Eliseuson** with **SNR Denton US LLP** in Chicago, IL correspondence related to “Tier III terrorist groups” as identified under the INA.
- On **May 17**, DHS will release an interim response to **Jason Leopold** with **Truthout.org** in Beverly Hills, CA or records relating to the processing of a previous FOIA request he made regarding the Occupy Wall Street movement.

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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

May 24, 2012

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### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Department-wide and the Federal government-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for office supplies, DHS has achieved a cost avoidance of \$13.2 million to date.

## II. Senior Personnel Status and News

- On **May 21**, Caitlin Durkovich began serving as Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection within the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD). She had previously served as Chief of Staff for NPPD.

## III. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **May 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host an on background media open house at the ICE field office in San Antonio, TX.

### *Reports*

- During the **week of May 28 or June 4**, GAO is expected to release a report titled, "Observations on the Coast Guard's and the Department of Homeland Security's Fleet Studies." **Background:** Between March 2012 and April 2012, GAO conducted an assessment of the U.S. Coast Guard's (USCG) Fleet Mix Phase 1 and Phase 2 studies and the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Cutter study to determine how useful these studies are to DHS, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and the Coast Guard in informing recapitalization decisions. **Findings:** GAO found that the \$24.2 billion Deepwater Program, as envisioned in 2007, is no longer achievable in terms of cost and schedule. **Recommendations:** GAO recommended that the Secretary of Homeland Security develop a working group that includes participation from DHS and the Coast Guard's capabilities, resources, and acquisition directorates to review the results of multiple studies to identify cost, capability, and quantity trade-offs that would produce a program of record that fits within expected budget parameters. **Response:** DHS concurs with GAO's recommendations and continues to balance investment in front line operations and recapitalization to address its highest operational risks. Prudent investment in USCG recapitalization remains a top priority.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **May 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with President of the Canada Border Services Agency Luc Portelance in Washington, D.C., to discuss the next steps for the Beyond the Border initiative. Closed press.
- On **May 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with representatives from the Business Alliance for Secure Commerce (a private sector organization that promotes the adoption of supply chain security practices and standards) in Washington, D.C., to discuss Authorized Economic Operator-type trade facilitation programs (e.g. C-TPAT) in Latin America. Closed press.
- On **May 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a teleconference with immigration services stakeholders to discuss the transition to centralized filing of Form I-601, Application for Waiver of Grounds of Inadmissibility. Closed press.
- On **May 30**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will discuss cooperation on the screening of liquids, staff screening with respect to EU-bound flights departing the United States, U.S. recognition of EU rules on air cargo security, and TSA rules on foreign repair

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stations/maintenance organizations at the European Commission's US-EU Open Skies/Joint Committee Meeting in Rome, Italy. This bi-annual meeting is led by the Department of State and encompasses all aspects of issues in aviation, including security. Closed press.

- On **May 30 and 31**, Assistant Secretary of the Office of Policy David Heyman, the Office of International Affairs, and Office of Intelligence and Analysis will co-host the US-Canada Countering Violent Extremism meeting in Ottawa, Canada. Closed press.
- On **May 31**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar, and representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will participate in the US-Mexico 21<sup>st</sup> Century Border Executive Steering Committee, in Washington, D.C.
- On **May 31**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks on FEMA's priorities at the Big City Emergency Manager's Spring 2012 meeting in Miami, FL. Closed press.
- On **May 31**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will host its annual Peace Officers Memorial Day ceremony in Glynco, GA in tribute of those FLETC graduates who lost their lives in the line of duty. Open press.
- On **May 31**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will host bilateral discussions with her counterpart from the United Kingdom on topics including the 2004 U.S.-UK Bilateral Agreement and outcomes of the 2011 Biological Horizon Scanning Workshop, biodefense, rapid diagnostics, and aviation security. No new announcements. Closed press.
- On **June 1**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss the importance and cost-effectiveness of homeland security focused research and development at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce National Security Task Force meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 1**, Coast Guard Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Alameda, CA to preside over the retirement ceremony for Rear Admiral Chris Colvin, Deputy Commander of Pacific Area. Open press.
- On **June 5**, U.S Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will deliver brief remarks regarding CBP's Southwest border security efforts at a U.S. Chamber of Commerce event in Washington, D.C in advance of a Chamber tour of the Southwest border. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **Senate Foreign Relations Committee**

- On **June 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Robert Papp will testify on how United States' accession to the 1982 Law of the Sea Convention would strengthen, advance, and support Coast Guard missions .

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **June 6**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will testify on FEMA's preparedness initiatives.

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- On **June 7**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify on passenger screening and the TSA workforce.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **June 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Peter Neffenger will testify on maritime domain awareness.

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **May 31**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Rand Beers will provide Members a briefing on Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards.

##### *Other Briefings and Travel*

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- On **May 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with Representative Brian Higgins in Washington, D.C. to discuss the cargo pre-inspection pilot.
- On **May 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) will provide a tour of ERO facilities and a briefing on ERO El Paso programs to the staff of Representative Silvestre Reyes in El Paso, TX at his request.
- On **May 31**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Karl Schultz will meet with members of the California delegation including Representatives Janice Hahn and Peter Stark in preparation for his upcoming assignment as the District 11 Commander.

## V. Legal Issues

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### *Expected Stories*

- On **June 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection El Paso Border Patrol Sector will hold a Border Safety Initiative press conference and a swift-water rescue demonstration, to educate the public on the dangers faced by immigrants exploited by smugglers. Officials from the Mexican Police and the Office of the Mexican Consulate will also participate.
- On **June 7**, **CBS Radio** (Chas Henry) will interview U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp on Arctic issues. Air date TBD.
- On **June 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will hold a media event to open its new Yuma Air Branch facility. This LEED Certified Silver facility replaces small leased hangars and offices.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 4**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak at the National Preparedness Leadership Initiative in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **June 4**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with the Director General of Colombian Customs to discuss U.S. Customs and Border Protection's engagement in Colombia, including Authorized Economic Operator and trusted shipper program support, as well other DHS initiatives in Central America, including the regional border police training program. Closed press.
- From **June 4 to 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will participate in the American Council on International Personnel's annual conference in Arlington, VA. USCIS representatives will participated in a panel discussing H-1 and L visas and other employment-based immigration benefits and TSA will discuss risk-based security. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss DHS cybersecurity initiatives at Bisnow's 2012 Cybersecurity Summit in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **June 5**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss risk-based security initiatives at the Washington Homeland Security Roundtable Acquisitions Industry Forum in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs Alexander Garza will deliver keynote remarks on DHS's programs and initiatives for food, drug and medical devices at the annual meeting of the Association of Food and Drug Officials in Providence, RI. Open press.
- On **June 6**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan will present on the recently completed joint Statement of Privacy Principles under Beyond the Border at the U.S.-Canada Information Sharing discussions in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a naturalization ceremony as part of the launch for "Chicago's Uniting America, Uniting Chicago Initiative," which will bring together the city, the state, and the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights as well as business, faith, and community partners to educate and serve immigrants applying for citizenship. Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel will deliver remarks, and USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas will administer the Oath of Allegiance. Open press.

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- On **June 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at a Wal-Mart/Sam's Club preparedness event in Houston, TX. He will address the importance of public-private partnership in preparedness. The event is a pilot for a Big Business/Small Business mentoring initiative which will pair large business like Sam's Club with local small businesses along the Gulf and Atlantic coasts to help them increase their preparedness. Open press.
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- On **June 8**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will speak to the International Association of Emergency Managers in Emmitsburg, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 8**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will discuss Canadian training practices for intelligence gathering and collaborative training opportunities with a delegation from the Canadian Security and Intelligence Service in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **June 8**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss ways in which strategic investments in life sciences are critical to strengthening U.S. national security at an event to mark the release of the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Center for Biosecurity report titled "The Industrialization of Biology: Implications for National Security, Strategy, and Disease Diagnostics" in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 8**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp is scheduled to participate in War of 1812 Anniversary Events in Norfolk, VA commemorating the Bicentennial of the War of 1812 and the writing of the Star-Spangled Banner, along with representatives from the U.S. Navy and the Marines.

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#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **June 8**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify on the Transportation Worker Identification Credential.
- On **July 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Peter Neffenger will testify on maritime domain awareness.

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#### *Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will meet with Senator Kelly Ayotte.
- On **June 5**, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) National Gang Unit will brief the staff of Senator Marco Rubio on HSI's efforts to combat criminal activity of gangs at his request. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Deputy Director Huban Gowadia will provide a presentation discussing how technological advancements have increased radiation detection capabilities at a Federation of American Scientists-sponsored briefing for staffers on Capitol Hill. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, the American Red Cross and NOAA/NWS representatives will speak at the 2012 Hurricane Season Preparedness Congressional Briefing. Open press.



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- On **June 6**, the Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with Congressman Brian Higgins, the new Ranking Member for the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, at his request.
- On **June 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief Representative Albio Sires on current cargo screening and scanning efforts at his request.
- On **June 8**, FEMA Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery William Carwile will hold a Quarterly Congressional Briefing on major FEMA programs and initiatives that include updates from the Office of Response and Recovery and Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, the Response Directorate's "Workforce Initiative," and the Mitigation Framework. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, FEMA and the Corporation for National and Community Service will brief the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on FEMA Corps and the FEMA Qualification System. Closed press.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- During the **week of June 4**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Notice of Exemption: "Exemption from Transportation Work Identification Credential (TWIC) Expiration Provisions for Certain Individuals Who Hold a Valid TWIC" is expected to be published in the *Federal Register*. TSA is proposing to grant a temporary exemption from certain TWIC regulations regarding card expiration and replacement requirements. This exemption applies to U.S. nationals who hold a valid TWIC expiring on or before December 31, 2014 and begins the date the notice is signed. The exemption permits eligible TWIC holders to obtain a replacement card that extends the expiration date of their current security threat assessment and TWIC by three years.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Emily Willard** with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C. records regarding boomerang helicopter operations conducted by Mexican officials from U.S. territory from 2008 to the present.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **May 24**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 472 AIT units at 145 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 26**, 375,037 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.1 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 12.7 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **May 30**, President Obama has signed 248 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$18.5 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

June 7, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$7.8 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to utilize federal facilities for conferences, meetings and trainings instead of renting private space.

## II. Senior Personnel Status and News

- On **June 4**, Gale Rossides announced she will retire as Deputy Administrator at the Transportation Security Administration.

## III. Public Affairs

### *Reports*

- On **May 31**, GAO released a report titled “**Critical Infrastructure Protection: DHS Could Better Manage Security Surveys and Vulnerability Assessments**” to Congress and will post it publicly on July 2. **Background:** From June 2011 to May 2012, the GAO assessed the extent to which DHS has taken action to conduct security surveys and vulnerability assessments among high priority critical infrastructure and key resources (CIKR). GAO also sought to determine the extent to which DHS shared the results of security surveys and vulnerability assessments with asset owners and operators as well as Sector Specific Agencies. **Findings:** GAO found that DHS has undertaken a number of activities to conduct voluntary security surveys and vulnerability assessments while providing information to private sector partners and evaluating the effectiveness of security surveys and assessments. **Recommendations:** GAO makes seven recommendations for DHS to develop plans with timeframes and milestones in order to improve the collection and organization of data on high priority assets and the timeliness of survey results. **Response:** Since 2009, the Department, through its Protective Security Advisors, has worked closely with owners and operators of high priority CIKR to conduct more than 2,800 security surveys and vulnerability assessments. In 2011 alone, the DHS National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection assessed more than 680 critical infrastructure sites and conducted Regional Resiliency Assessments on clusters of high consequence critical infrastructure to coordinate protection efforts in major metropolitan areas. DHS has refined timeframes and milestones for managing its efforts to improve the timely delivery of the results of security surveys and vulnerability assessments to asset owners and operators and continues to develop and implement performance measures relating to completion of security surveys and vulnerability assessments, addressing GAO recommendations.
- On **June 18**, GAO is expected to release a report titled: “**Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP): DHS Needs to Assess Risks and Strengthen Oversight Functions.**” **Background:** GAO reviewed U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s (ICE) fraud prevention and detection procedures and examined the extent to which ICE has identified and assessed risk in SEVP and developed and implemented policies and procedures to prevent and detect fraud during the initial school certification process and before schools begin accepting foreign students. **Recommendations:** GAO makes eight recommendations, including that ICE identify and assess program risks; implement procedures for ensuring schools’ eligibility; address missing school case files; institute a process to monitor state licensing and accreditation status of all types of schools; and establish target time frames for notifying flight schools that lack required FAA certification that they must re-obtain FAA certification. **Response:** ICE is developing a new policy to better identify and assess risks within SEVP by evaluating prior cases of school noncompliance and identifying trends. This policy will be implemented in the fall of 2012, addressing a GAO recommendation. Additionally, SEVP and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) are working

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together to develop procedures for notifying flight schools that must obtain FAA re-certification, addressing a GAO recommendation.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 11**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet in Washington, D.C. with a delegation from Turkey, including the Deputy Minister of Interior and the Deputy Minister of Customs and Trade to share best practices on border security, customs, and counterterrorism operations. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with a delegation from Dubai Customs, including Director-General Ahmed Butti Ahmed to discuss training, port operations, and recruiting and hiring. The delegation will visit seaport operations at the Port of Baltimore and airport operations at Baltimore-Washington International Airport, tour the National Targeting Center – Passenger, and visit the training facilities at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks on the importance of the private sector in responding to, recovering from, and preparing for disasters at the Contributions Council Dinner. The Contributions Council advances the practice of corporate philanthropy by underscoring its importance to corporations and society. Open press.
- On **June 11**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks on the role of science in FEMA decision making at The American Meteorological Society’s Summer Policy Colloquium in Washington D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 11 and 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding along with representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss voluntary chemical security initiatives and the Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) program at the American Chemistry Council’s ChemSecure Conference in Houston, TX. Open press.
- From **June 11 to 13**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Montreal to speak at an International Economic Forum conference regarding the Beyond the Border (BTB) initiative and its efforts involving preclearance and cargo facilitation; visit the Port of Montreal and rail station, and meet with the International Civil Aviation Organization. Open press.
- From **June 11 to 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will travel to Panama City, Panama, to meet with Panamanian security officials and conduct a roundtable with the American Chamber of Commerce and the Business Alliance for Secure Commerce. Winkowski will also review CBP operations, including the Joint Security Program and the Targeting Center at Panama City-Tocumen International Airport, and Container Security Initiative operations at the Balboa Seaport. Closed press.
- From **June 11 to 14**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner for Air and Marine Michael Kostelnik will travel to the Puerto Rico and Dominican Republic for a site visit and assessment of the Guardian Unmanned Aircraft System’s deployment in the region. Closed press.
- On **June 12**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver opening remarks at a DHS Center for Faith-based & Neighborhood Partnerships event, “Faithful Readiness Lessons Learned,” a conference to engage diverse faith-based and community groups in emergency management. Closed press.
- On **June 12 and 13**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will discuss current efforts between S&T and partner agencies in the Canadian government at the U.S.-Canada Bilateral Meeting for S&T Cooperation for Critical Infrastructure Protection and Border Security in Ottawa, Canada. Closed press.
- From **June 12 to 14**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning, and other FEMA senior leadership will speak to 12 new State Emergency Management Directors at the Annual National Emergency Management Association New

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Directors Course in Emmitsburg, MD. They will address FEMA's priorities and policies regarding emergency management. Closed press.

- On **June 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Deputy Associate Director Peter Edge will discuss best practices in the prosecution of human rights violators during a roundtable discussion with representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigations and several non-governmental organizations on Human Rights Violators at an event hosted by the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. The audience will include stakeholders in war crime investigations. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, Chief Information Officer Richard Spires will deliver keynote remarks at the TechAmerica Foundation Awards Dinner and will receive the 2012 Government Technology Executive of the Year Award. Open press.
- On **June 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a quarterly Enlace Engagement – “A Conversation with USCIS - Un dialogo con USCIS.” These Spanish-language quarterly engagements provide updates on USCIS programs and policies. Open press.
- On **June 13**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will participate in a meeting of the President’s Task Force on Puerto Rico and will update Task Force members on the progress DHS components have made toward the recommendations the Task Force issued in its March 2011 report. Closed press.
- On **June 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will conduct a naturalization ceremony at the Maryland Historical Society Museum to celebrate Flag Day. The ceremony will include the unrolling of a large U.S. flag by all 50 naturalization candidates and will feature the original Star Spangled Banner, handwritten by Francis Scott Key. USCIS Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will deliver the Oath of Allegiance and provide congratulatory remarks. Open press.
- On **June 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will provide keynote remarks at the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) annual immigration law conference in Nashville, TN. U.S. Immigration and Enforcement, U.S. Custom and Border Protection, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, and the Office of Policy will also participate in the conference. Open press.
- On **June 14**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will discuss shared health and security goals as part of a White House roundtable discussion sponsored by Director-General Dr. Margaret Chan of the World Health Organization. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

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- On **June 20**, Counterterrorism Working Group Deputy Counterterrorism Coordinator John Cohen will testify on DHS’s efforts to counter violent extremism.

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- On **June 21**, TBD representatives from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the U.S. Coast Guard, and the Transportation Security Administration will testify on DHS operations in Puerto Rico.

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## **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

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### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

## **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 15**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host staff in Cheltenham, MD for a tour and briefing. Closed press.

## **House Ways and Means Committee**

- On **June 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will provide a briefing and tour of the Intellectual Property Rights Center for members at their request. Closed press.

### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief staff of Representative Lois Capps on ICE initiatives and activities in Santa Barbara, CA. Closed press.
- On **June 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will meet with staff of Representative Judy Chu and area NGOs on Prosecutorial Discretion in El Monte, CA. Open press.

### *Legislative Issues*

- During the **week of June 11 or 18**, the full Senate is expected to consider the DHS FY 2013 Appropriations Bill. The House began consideration of their bill on June 6.

## **V. Legal Issues**

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 24**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with *The Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, a list of OIG investigations for which prosecution was denied, and the number of OIG arrests, indictments, and convictions.
- On **May 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted a report on the ICE Director's official travel from May 2009 through February 2012 to the ICE online FOIA Library.
- On **June 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Susan Long** with **TRAC** in Syracuse, NY data regarding individuals who have been in ICE custody since October 1, 1998.
- On **June 7**, DHS will release to **J. Keith Gates** with **Cause of Action** in Washington, D.C. documents regarding the acquisition of commemorative items.

## **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **May 31**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 477 AIT units at 149 airports.
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## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

June 14, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Since 2009, DHS has achieved \$3.6 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to eliminate printing and distribution of reports and documents that can be sent electronically or posted online.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **June 18**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the White House Immigration Community Leader Briefing. The Secretary is also attending the Joint Intelligence Community Council Meeting.
- On **June 19**, Secretary Napolitano and DHS senior leadership will participate in the Eagle Horizon government continuity exercise designed to educate and prepare participants for potential catastrophic events. The Secretary will also attend a dinner with Ambassador and Mrs. Al-Sabah of Kuwait.
- On **June 20 and 21**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Copenhagen, Denmark to participate in the EU Justice and Home Affairs Ministerial.
- On **June 21 and 22**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Paris, France to meet with counterparts on the Terrorist Information Sharing Arrangement (HSPD-6).
- On **June 22 and 23**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Brussels, Belgium to meet with counterparts on the Terrorist Information Sharing Arrangement (HSPD-6).
- On **June 26**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service National Stakeholder Symposium (closed press). She will also deliver remarks at the Women in Federal Law Enforcement 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Leadership Training Conference in Orlando, FL (open press).
- On **June 27**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with immigration groups as part of the Department's regular outreach.
- On **June 30**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the National Latino Peace Officers Association in Dallas, TX. Open press.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **June 21**, Deputy Secretary Lute is scheduled to deliver the Oath of Allegiance at a Naturalization Ceremony in commemoration of World Refugee Day being held at the State Department. Open press.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **June 18 and 19**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will announce the launch of TSA Pre<sup>√</sup>™ at Boston Logan International Airport. TSA Pre<sup>√</sup>™ enhances aviation security by enabling TSA to focus on a risk-based, intelligence driven approach. By learning more about travelers through information they voluntarily provide, and combining that information with TSA's multi-layered system of aviation security, TSA can better focus limited resources on higher-risk and unknown passengers while providing expedited screening for travelers who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 15**, the National Academies of Science will release a report on the Bio- and Agro-Defense Facility (NBAF) Updated Site-Specific Risk Assessment.

#### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- In **June**, DHS expects to sign Preventing and Combating Serious Crime (PCSC) Agreements with Singapore and Japan. In July, DHS expects to sign a PCSC Agreement with Poland.

- By the **end of June**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to begin incorporating Federal Judges into TSA PreV™ expedited screening. The Administrative Office of the US Courts anticipates that the majority of approximately 1,900 Federal Judges will choose to participate.
- By **June 30**, FEMA expects to submit to the President a set of national planning frameworks that address prevention, protection, mitigation, and response, meeting a requirement of Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8).
- During the **end of June or early July**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to announce the Fiscal Year 2012 grant awards. Most FY 2012 grant allocations were released in February, except the Transit, Port and Operation Stonegarden grants, which are all competitive and will be announced for the first time.
- In the **summer**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) plans to implement a pilot to automate filings of Form I-94 at a select Port of Entry (location to be determined jointly with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services). I-94 departure forms and data have been used for over 20 years as a key source of information regarding immigration status. Use of the I-94 departure form and number are embedded in many verification processes and forms that Federal/State agencies and employers use to verify a non-immigrant visitor's status and eligibility for benefits or work authorization. Automation of the I-94 will improve the accuracy and timeliness of the data since it will be created in real time using the same information the officer uses for the primary inspection. In addition, CBP anticipates significant savings in data entry costs as a result of the I-94 automation program. \*POTENTIAL "We Can't Wait Announcement"\*
- In the **summer**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will launch the Enhanced Interior Repatriation Initiative, a U.S.-Mexico initiative to provide a humane, safe, and orderly option for repatriating Mexican nationals; especially those who have criminal convictions. Aliens repatriated under this initiative will be removed to the interior of the country and, ultimately, to their places of residence. Previously, Mexican nationals were repatriated through ports of entry along the Mexican border.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 18**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy David Heyman will speak at Stanford University on border security in Latin America, titled "Borders and Borderlands in the Americas," sponsored in conjunction with the U.S. Coast Guard Naval Postgraduate School. Closed press.
- From **June 18 to 20**, the Science and Technology Directorate will showcase research, technologies, and tools related to law enforcement at the National Institute of Justice Conference in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- From **June 18 to 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will provide Human Trafficking training and discuss the Blue Campaign and U-Visas at the National Sheriffs Association conference in Nashville, TN (open press). Additionally, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will deliver remarks on Secure Communities and other ICE operations at the conference (closed press).
- From **June 18 to 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Canada Border Services Agency will conduct a NEXUS recruitment and enrollment effort in Ottawa, Ontario, as part of the Beyond the Border initiative action plan. The NEXUS program allows pre-screened travelers expedited processing by United States and Canadian officials at dedicated processing lanes at designated northern border ports of entry and at NEXUS kiosks at Canadian Preclearance airports. *CBP has issued a press release announcing this effort.*
- From **June 18 to August 23**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will jointly deliver the Mexican Customs Investigations Training Program in Charleston, SC to 24 Mexican Customs officers. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will deliver remarks on the Air Cargo Advance Screening Program, a voluntary trusted shipper initiative allowing carriers and shippers to submit electronic data about cargo before it is shipped, at the Express Association of America, the association of the four largest shipping services – UPS, FedEx, DHL and TNT – at its annual meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.



- On **June 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss modernization of critical infrastructure industries at the Critical Infrastructure Communications Policy Summit in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **June 19**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will deliver opening remarks at the DHS small business event in Jacksonville, FL. Approximately 250 small businesses in Florida that have an interest in doing business with the Department will be in attendance as part of the White House Initiative on Small Business Contracting. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will co-host a webinar to discuss how foreign nationals living in the United States can best prepare for travel abroad and what to expect upon return to the United States with regard to documentation and processing. Participants include non-citizens seeking information about travel abroad; representatives from non-profit, faith-based, and advocacy organizations; trade and legal associations; private practitioners; and local, state, and federal government partners. Open press.
- On **June 20**, the U.S. Secret Service will present on money laundering methodology utilized by criminals through investment and insurance vehicles at the PSA Insurance & Financial Services' Anti-Money Laundering Compliance Conference in Hunt Valley, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 20**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration's Transportation Worker Identification Credential office will discuss the future of access management at the Security Industry Association 2012 Government Summit in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Michael Locatis will discuss DHS cybersecurity initiatives at the Internet Security Alliance Board Meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Fong Yong Kian, the Director-General of Singapore Customs to discuss best practices in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 21**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a delegation from India for a Transportation Security Operations Center and Systems Operations Control Section brief and tour. Closed press.
- On **June 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a webinar for stakeholders, including government partners and advocacy groups, on USCIS's new Electronic Immigration System. Closed press.
- On **June 21**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will deliver keynote remarks on how emergency medicine residency prepared him for his current job at the 2012 University of Nebraska Medical Center Emergency Medicine Resident Graduation in Omaha, NE. Closed press.
- On **June 21**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of International Affairs Alan Bersin and representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection will travel to Ottawa, Canada to participate in the first meeting of the US-CAN Executive Steering Committee, an Assistant Secretary level bi-national oversight body for the Beyond the Border Action Plan. Closed press.
- On **June 22**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Douglas Smith and representatives from the Office of International Affairs and U.S. Customs and Border Protection will answer questions regarding the Beyond the Border Action Plan at an outreach event in Detroit, MI hosted by the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce. Open press.
- On **June 22**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss public-private partnerships at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **June 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host an engagement with members from the EB-5 stakeholder community to discuss how EB-5 Regional centers measure job creation. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **June 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Executive Associate Director for Homeland Security Investigations James Dinkins, U.S. Coast Deputy Commandant for Operations Policy and Capabilities Rear Admiral William Lee and a U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison Assistant Commissioner Donna Bucella will testify on emerging border security threats and border security operations.

### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **June 19**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Kelly Hoggan will testify on the Credential Authentication Technology – Boarding Pass Scanning Systems used at airport checkpoints.
- On **June 29**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Chris McLaughlin will testify on risk-based screening for members of the armed forces.

### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 20**, Deputy Counterterrorism Coordinator John Cohen will testify on DHS’s efforts to counter violent extremism.

### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **June 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Domestic Operations Assistant Director Janice Ayala, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik and Field Operations Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, and U.S. Coast Guard Director of Response Policy Rear Admiral Cari Thomas will testify on DHS operations in Puerto Rico.

### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **June 27**, TBD representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will testify on DHS efforts to combat immigration fraud.

### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **June 28**, a TBD representative from U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will testify on ICE’s efforts to counter state-sponsored espionage targeting U.S. companies.

### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **July 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Peter Neffenger will testify on maritime domain awareness.

### **Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees, and Border Security**

- On **July 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Director John Woods will testify on the Student Exchange Visitor Program.

### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management**

- On **July 24**, FEMA Associate Administrator David Miller will testify on building codes and other factors that could help with disaster mitigation efforts.

### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

### **House Homeland Security Committee and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **June 19**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will brief staff on “One Search,” a federated search capability for data and intelligence.
- On **June 20**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will brief staff on the 2011 Fusion Center Assessment.

### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **June 20**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will brief staff on its transformational research portfolio and advanced technology demonstration projects.

### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **June 21**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, National Counterterrorism Center, and Federal Bureau of Investigation will brief staff on the Joint Counterterrorism

Awareness Workshop Series, which applies the scenario presented in the Mumbai, India 2008 attack to urban areas in the U.S.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 19**, a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief the staff of the Congressional Research Service on ICE removal statistics and how ICE collects and maintains data at their request.
- On **June 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Representatives Trent Franks, Chris Smith, and Emanuel Cleaver to discuss religious minorities from Iran at Representative Franks' request. Closed press.
- On **June 20**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Representative Rick Larsen's staff on the Transportation Worker Identification Credential.
- On **June 21**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will meet with Senator Dan Coats.

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **June 15**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will hold a conference call with press in support of specific legislation currently in the House and Senate that would allow federally recognized tribal governments to make a request for a federal emergency or disaster declaration directly to the President. Currently, only states and their governors can make such requests. If passed, an amendment to the Stafford Act would acknowledge the right of federally recognized tribes to ask for direct assistance in a major disaster scenario.

### **V. Legal Issues**

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **June 15**, DHS will make a fourth production of documents in response to a request by Chairman Darrell Issa and Senator Chuck Grassley relating to their investigation of the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious.
- On **June 15**, DHS will make a fifth production of documents in response to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform's letter requesting further information and documentation in relation to its investigation regarding DHS's SSI designation process.
- On **June 15**, DHS will make a production of documents requested by the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations as part of its investigation into fusion centers.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to actively collect documents and/or information responsive to requests on the following topics: Advanced Imaging Technology units, electronic production of documents, spending on conferences, the travel records of forty-six individuals, Border Patrol statistics and reports from the eight patrol stations in the Tucson Sector, and investigation and analysis information regarding Mujahedeen-e-Khalq.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 9**, **Steven Emerson**, with **SAE Productions, Inc.**, in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS records regarding a community roundtable the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) hosted in Texas that was attended by representatives of the Texas chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations. Emerson also requested correspondence from former CRCL Officer Dan Sutherland that references the "Project on Terrorism."
- On **May 16**, **Justin McCarthy**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records and reports of Mexican Government incursions, encounters, and sightings on the U.S. and Mexico border from January 1, 2010 through May 16, 2012.
- On **May 22**, **Joe Yerardi**, with the *San Antonio Express-News*, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a database listing all contraband items seized by CBP personnel at San Antonio International Airport from 2000 to 2011.
- On **May 23**, **Tamara Zwinak**, with *Hubdai Daily* in Los Angeles, CA, requested from the U.S. Secret Service copies of expenditures billed by Secret Service personnel on the advance team to Cartagena,

Columbia for the Summit of the Americas in April and expenditures incurred by the Secret Service advance team for the President's trip to El Salvador in 2011.

- On **May 25, Brad Racino**, with *Investigative NewsSource* in San Diego, CA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection copies of incident and arrest records from January 1, 2008 through May 25, 2012 pertaining to waterborne drug or human trafficking within San Diego County.
- On **May 29, Courtney Mabeus**, with *The Frederick News-Post* in Frederick, MD, requested from the U.S. Secret Service copies of after action reports following the G-8 Summit at Camp David this past May.
- On **May 29, Kevin Zeese**, a blogger with *MuckRock.com* in Boston, MA, requested from the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) documents describing the USSS involvement in enforcement against people involved in the Occupy Wall Street movement.
- On **May 30, Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., requested from FEMA communications regarding the legality of collecting overpayments or wrongful payments, including disbursements under FEMA's Emergency Food and Shelter Program.
- On **May 30, Jason Ryan**, with *ABC News*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the alleged solicitation of prostitutes by TSA employees and security officers along with the disposition of the allegations, and any resulting disciplinary action.
- On **May 31, Melissa Crow**, with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, D.C., requested from the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties records that describe, refer or relate to the actual or purported use of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) personnel to provide interpretation and/or translation services to local, state or other federal law enforcement agencies from January 2009 through the present. Crow also requested records regarding the participation of CBP personnel in 911 dispatch activities.
- On **May 31, Brentin Mock**, with *The Nation*, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services correspondence between DHS and the Florida Secretary of State's office from September 1, 2011 through May 31, 2012, regarding a request from the Florida Secretary of State's office to access the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) database to verify the citizenship of individuals on Florida voter registration rolls.
- On **June 1, Brian Bennett**, with *The Los Angeles Times*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) copies of ICE's first semi-annual report to Congress entitled *Deportation of Parents of U.S. Born Citizens*.
- On **June 1, Jeff Plungis**, with *Bloomberg News*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration and FEMA copies of their respective agency head's travel records for Fiscal Year 2011.
- On **June 4, Laura W. Christensen**, with **Jackson, Gilmour & Dobbs, PC**, in Baton Rouge, LA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) National Pollution Funds Center decision memoranda pertaining to the Oil Pollution Act and the authorization of payments of claims for economic losses or damages associated with the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.
- On **June 4, Cornelius Frolik**, with *Dayton Daily News* in Dayton, OH, requested from the Transportation Security Administration records related to internal investigations conducted at the Dayton International Airport, from January 1, 2010 through June 4, 2012.
- On **June 5, Bart Jansen**, with *USA Today*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration copies of two reports from the Homeland Security Institute entitled *General Aviation Risk Assessment* and *General Aviation Aircraft Impact Damage Analysis*.
- On **June 5, Paul Merrion**, with *Crain's Chicago Business*, requested from the U.S. Secret Service a list of expenditures on goods, services and personnel, including overtime, related to the 2012 NATO summit in Chicago.
- On **June 5, Luke Rosiak**, with *The Washington Times* in Washington, D.C., requested from the Transportation Security Administration records regarding complaints lodged from January 1, 2007 through June 5, 2012.
- On **June 6, Jeff Bliss**, with *Bloomberg News*, requested from DHS travel records for Secretary Napolitano for Fiscal Year 2011.

- On **June 6**, **Jason Smathers**, a blogger with *MuckRock.com* in Boston, MA, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) any records pertaining to a TSA Blog poster known as Trollkiller.
- On **June 6**, **Lee Zurik**, with *WVUE-TV FOX 8 News* in New Orleans, LA, requested from FEMA information regarding all FEMA trailers used during Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.
- On **June 7**, **Russell Carollo**, with *The Sacramento Bee* in Sacramento, CA, requested from DHS information related to drones and unmanned submersibles.
- On **June 7**, **Harry Fotinos**, with the *JJ Chronicles* in San Diego, CA, requested from the U.S. Secret Service the list of invitees to the Vice President's annual party for White House correspondents set to occur this summer in addition to the list of those invited to "The Biden Beach Boardwalk Bash" held on June 11, 2011.
- On **June 7**, **Charlie Frago**, with the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* in Little Rock, AR, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement monthly totals of detainers issued as a result of the Secure Communities program in each county in Arkansas from 2009 through June 7, 2012.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Leslie Patton**, with *Bloomberg News*, a list of McDonald's, Burger King, Wendy's, Taco Bell, Dunkin' Donuts, and Jack-in-the-Box restaurants investigated by ICE in 2011 for hiring illegal immigrants.
- On **June 1**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Dane Schiller**, with the *Houston Chronicle* reports regarding narcotics found or seized since January 1, 2012 along the Texas Coast.
- On **June 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted year-to-date Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Statistics and Detention Facility Compliance Inspection Reports to the ICE online FOIA Library.
- On **June 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) posted the May 2012 FOIA Log to the ICE online FOIA Library.
- On **June 8**, DHS released to J. Ham of the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee**, communication logs between members of Congress and DHS since January 1, 2008.
- On **June 12**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Bradley Cooper** with *The Kansas City Star* a list of complaints received against TSA screeners at Kansas City International Airport from December 27, 2010 to May 31, 2011.
- On **June 13**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Daniel Krauth** with *WPTV-5* in West Palm Beach, FL data related to companies that have assisted TSA with screening for explosives in various Florida locations.

#### **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Monthly Statistics (May 2012):** TSA referred 20 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 112 firearms and 34 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **June 7**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 480 AIT units at 151 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **June 9**, 378,542 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.1 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 13.6 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **June 13**, President Obama has signed 248 major disaster declarations and 44 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$18.6 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

June 21, 2012

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$307 million in cost avoidances through implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to reduce expenditures associated with applicant security background investigations and other security-related component-specific initiatives.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 25**, DHS and the Department of Justice (DOJ) expect to release the US-Canada Joint Privacy Principles, a deliverable of the Beyond the Border Action Plan which were jointly negotiated by DHS, DOJ, Public Safety Canada, and Justice Canada.

*Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on June 21, Web Posting on June 25: “DHS Needs to Address Portable Device Security Risks.”** **Background:** The OIG reviewed the effectiveness of DHS’s efforts to secure and deploy portable devices (such as Blackberries, iPads, and thumb drives) on DHS networks and to maintain and dispose of these devices. **Findings:** The OIG found that while DHS has taken actions to govern, track, categorize, and secure portable devices, the Department still faces challenges in using the devices. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes three recommendations of the Chief Information Officer (CIO) to implement controls to mitigate the risks associated with the use of portable devices to protect the sensitive information that these devices store and process. DHS concurred with these recommendations. **Response:** Component CIOs are currently implementing a process to record USB thumb drives as sensitive personal property in their asset management systems, increasing accountability of these drives and addressing an OIG recommendation. Additionally, CIO is enhancing the annual IT security awareness training to remind users of responsibilities when using a government-issued portable device, addressing an OIG recommendation.
- **Congressional distribution on June 25, Web Posting on June 27: “FEMA’s Progress in Implementing Employee Credentials.”** **Background:** In 2006, Congress passed the *Post-Katrina Emergency Management and Reform Act*, which created a basis for credentialing emergency response providers. To meet this requirement, FEMA’s Disaster Reserve Workforce Division launched an agency-wide credentialing effort in June 2008, resulting in the FEMA Qualification System (FQS) in 2010. **Findings:** The OIG found that work remains to complete implementation of the credentialing plan as well as an information technology system to track the training, development, and deployment of disaster employees. **Recommendations:** The OIG made three recommendations to assist FEMA in completing the credentialing process. FEMA concurs with the recommendations. **Response:** Since November 2011 (not reflected in the period of time in which the OIG conducted its review), FEMA has made significant progress in its efforts to implement employee credentialing. In FY 2012, FEMA will develop a project plan to establish and implement FQS to ensure adequate project planning and transparency, addressing an OIG recommendation.

*Other Reports*

- On **June 29**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman’s Office will release its 2012 Annual Report to Congress which highlights accomplishments of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and identifies ways of solving issues that stakeholders report experiencing with USCIS.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

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- On **June 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss managing risks with chief security officers and chief information security officers at the ISACA World Congress in San Francisco, CA. Open press.
- On **June 25**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will discuss budget issues, training, new initiatives, and general program management at a Federal Flight Deck Officer Stakeholder meeting with personnel from TSA, the Air Line Pilots Association, the Coalition of Airline Pilots Association, the Federal Flight Deck Officer Association, and major airline security operations personnel in Chicago, IL. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate National Cyber Security Division Director John Streufert will discuss Federal cybersecurity for mobile and cloud technologies at Meritalk's Cyber Security forum in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **June 26**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss risk-based security and challenges in aviation security at the International Security Management Association Conference in Seattle, WA. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Acting Officer Tamara Kessler will participate in an interagency forum for the Muslim, Sikh, and South Asian community groups and community leaders hosted by the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver congratulatory remarks at a naturalization ceremony at the League of United Latin American Citizens National Convention and Exposition in Orlando, FL. Open press.
- From **June 27 to July 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to Brussels, Belgium to attend a Border Five Meeting and the World Customs Organization (WCO) Council Session. Closed press.
- On **June 28**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Mexican counterparts as part of the second DHS-Secretariat de Gobernacion (SEGOB) Executive Steering Committee Meeting in Baja California, Mexico. Closed press.
- On **June 28**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak about preparedness and the whole community approach to emergency management at the Preparedness Workshop Kick-Off with the American Red Cross in Washington D.C. Open press.
- On **June 28**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will host the FEMA Think Tank Conference Call with the Department of Health and Human Services. The focus of this month's call is *Emergency Management, Healthcare, and Public Health: Increasing Coordination and Collaboration*. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **June 28**, U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations National Security Investigations Assistant Director John Woods will testify on ICE's efforts to counter state-sponsored espionage targeting U.S. companies.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

- On **June 28**, Office of Policy Screening Coordination Office Senior Director Kelli Ann Walther and U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify on the Transportation Worker Identification Credential.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

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*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House and Senate Appropriations Committees, Subcommittees on Homeland Security**

- On **June 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Michael Borkowski will provide updates to committee staff on Border Security Fencing, Infrastructure, and Technology (BSFIT) acquisitions and the Border Condition Index. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 27**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with House Homeland Security Chairman Peter King.
- On **June 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with Representative Ed Pastor and Carl Newman, Assistant Aviation Director of the Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport to discuss their concerns with CBP Officer staffing levels and the Reimbursable Fee Agreement Proposal included in the Senate's Fiscal Year 2013 Appropriations bill. Closed press.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **June 13**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Josh Margolin**, with *The New York Post*; **Peter Eisler**, with *USA Today*; **Alicia Caldwell**, with *The Associated Press*; and **Jim McElhatton**, with *The Washington Times*, complaints received by the OIG pertaining to disciplinary or behavioral allegations against Secret Service personnel.
- On **June 13**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Melissa del Bosque**, with *The Texas Observer Magazine* in Austin, TX, tracking sheets from the OIG's investigative database and a list of complaint narratives pertaining to shootings by U.S. Border Patrol agents.
- On **June 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Maria Zamudio**, with *The Chicago Reporter* statistical data reflecting the type of removal for each of the removals from the Chicago Field Office from 2009 to 2011.
- On **June 13**, DHS posted FOIA logs for April and May 2012 to the DHS online FOIA Library.
- On **June 13**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) posted to its online FOIA Library a redacted list of narratives of complaints received by the OIG Hotline from 2003 to the present pertaining to misconduct by Secret Service employees.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Antonio Olivo** with *The Chicago Tribune* information regarding various EB-5 Regional Centers and the EB-5 visa program.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **June 14**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 489 AIT units at 157 airports.
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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

June 28, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the IT Inventory Management initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of \$19.5 million to date.

## **II. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **July 1**, John Halinski will begin serving as Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Deputy Administrator. Halinski previously served as TSA Assistant Administrator for the Office of Global Strategies.
- On **July 2**, Jonathan Cantor will begin serving as the Deputy Chief Privacy Officer.

## **III. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **June 28**, *Reuters TV* will interview and participate in a ride along with U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine and Border Patrol representatives in Southern California as part of a story on maritime smuggling. Air date TBD.

### *Reports*

- During the **week of July 2**, GAO is expected to release a non-SSI version of its report titled, "General Aviation Security: The Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Process for Ensuring Foreign Flight Students Do Not Pose a Security Threat." **Background:** From March 2011 to June 2012, GAO assessed TSA and the general aviation industry actions to strengthen security as well as efforts to ensure foreign flight students do not pose a security threat. This includes vetting foreign flight student applicants through its Alien Flight Student Program (AFSP). **Findings:** GAO found that TSA has taken steps to enhance communications with general aviation industry stakeholders as well as improve the vetting of foreign nationals enrolling in U.S. flight schools. They found that weaknesses exist in the vetting process and in DHS's process for identifying flight students who may be in the country illegally. **Recommendations:** GAO makes four recommendations for identifying how often and why foreign nationals are not vetted under AFSP, identifying the costs and benefits of taking additional steps to verify the identity of prospective flight students claiming U.S. citizenship, and developing a plan for assessing the results of these efforts. TSA concurs with the recommendations. **Response:** TSA vets Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) certificates against the Terrorist Screening Database on a daily basis and conducts additional criminal history records checks and a check for derogatory immigration-related information, addressing a GAO recommendation. TSA is developing an automated mechanism to help the agency identify foreign nationals who are not required to apply to AFSP prior to obtaining flight training by August 2012, addressing a GAO recommendation.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **July 5**, Assistant Secretary of the Office of International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with the Director General of Customs of the United Arab Emirates Saeed Al Muhairi in Washington, D.C. to discuss customs issues and engagement in the International Law Enforcement Academy. Closed press.
- On **July 6 and 7**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will provide an overview of the aviation threat at the Regional Seminar for Safety and Security of Civil Aviation in Africa in Dakar, Senegal. Closed press.

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- On **July 9**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks on balancing the costs of resilience with the costs of response to and recover from major water shocks at the Chatham House Conference on Water in London, England. Open press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

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##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **July 12**, a TBD representative from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will testify on ICE's efforts to counter the international IED threat.
- On **July 26**, a TBD representative from the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) will testify on gaps in nuclear detection capability and steps DNDO is taking to mitigate the risks.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations**

- On **July 17**, a TBD representative from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will testify on ICE's money laundering investigations.

##### **House Judiciary Committee**

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##### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

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- On **June 28 or 29**, the Senate is expected to pass the National Flood Insurance Program reauthorization which will prevent gaps in flood insurance coverage.

## V. Legal Issues

### FOIA Releases

- On **June 18**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Lisa Song**, with *InsideClimate News* in Somerville, MA, written transcripts and audio recordings of phone calls placed to the National Response Center on July 26, 2010, regarding an oil pipeline spill in Marshall, MI.
- On **June 18**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) posted to its online FOIA library, logs of Congressional correspondence received by the OIG from 2010 to the present.
- On **June 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Laura Wides-Munoz**, with *The Associated Press*, a list of Cubans requesting entry into the United States through the 2006 Medical Professional Parole, including the country in which the individual had worked most recently, responsive to her request for records related to data for name changes at the time individuals became naturalized citizens of the United States over the past 10 years.
- On **June 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Miriam Jordan**, a with *The Wall Street Journal*, statistical data related to name changes for naturalized citizens over the last ten years.
- On **June 18**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Michael Grabell**, with *ProPublica* in New York, NY, administrative injury claim files regarding backscatter and millimeter wave Advanced Imaging Technology units.
- On **June 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Michael Tan** with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in San Francisco, CA records regarding the number of individuals in ICE custody each month in Fiscal Year 2010 and 2011 for each detention facility in California.
- On **June 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Maria Sacchetti**, with *The Boston Globe* information regarding fugitive aliens with outstanding warrants for arrest.
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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

July 5, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- DHS has identified more than \$13.6 million in cost avoidances by reducing travel expenditures through the elimination of non-mission critical travel and by leveraging web-based communications in lieu of travel to conferences.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **July 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton is scheduled to return a collection of cultural property, art, and antiquities to Peruvian Ambassador Harold Forsyth during a cultural repatriation ceremony at the Embassy of Peru in Washington, D.C. The repatriation is a result of six ICE investigations in coordination with U.S. Attorneys' office in the Southern District of New York, the District of Delaware, and the Southern District of Texas, and INTERPOL Washington. The collection includes pre-Columbian pottery, an Andean textile, an 18<sup>th</sup> century monstrance, and School of Cusco colonial-era paintings.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional distribution on July 5; Web Posting on July 9: "The Federal Emergency Management Agency's Requirements for Reporting Homeland Security Grant Program Achievements."**  
**Background:** From October 2010 to July 2011, the OIG evaluated FEMA's requirements for states to report progress in enhancing first responder capabilities to prevent, deter, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks, major disasters, and other emergencies as a result of grant funding. **Findings:** The OIG found that FEMA did not have a system in place to determine the extent to which homeland security grant funds enhanced the states' capabilities to prevent, deter, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks, major disasters, and other emergencies before awarding more funds to the states. The audit also found that FEMA did not require states to report progress in achieving milestones as part of the annual project justifications. **Recommendations:** The OIG made four recommendations to help strengthen management, performance, and oversight of ongoing state homeland security projects. **Response:** All states and territories that receive federal preparedness assistance are required to submit an annual State Preparedness Report (SPR) capability assessment. In 2011, FEMA redesigned the SPR assessment to account for capability targets relevant to the jurisdiction and to measure current capability levels for each of the 31 core capabilities associated with the National Preparedness Goal. As a result of this redesign, all grantees are required to demonstrate how proposed projects address gaps and deficiencies in core capabilities, addressing an OIG recommendation. In addition, FEMA proposed a new vision for homeland security grants in the FY 2013 President's budget that focuses on building and sustaining core capabilities associated with the five mission areas within the National Preparedness Goal (NPG) that are readily deployable and cross-jurisdictional, helping to elevate nationwide preparedness. Using a competitive, risk-based model, this proposal envisions a comprehensive process to assess gaps, identify and prioritize deployable capabilities, limit periods of performance to put funding to work quickly, and require grantees to regularly report progress in the acquisition and development of these capabilities, addressing many of the issues raised by the OIG.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **July 8 to 13**, representatives from the U.S. Secret Service will discuss international law enforcement cooperation in developing transnational counterfeit investigations and the latest trends in counterfeiting techniques at a meeting with Europol in The Hague, Netherlands. Closed press.



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- On **July 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will participate in a stakeholder teleconference to discuss the recent DHS memorandum directing deferred action for certain young people who meet several key criteria. Closed press.
- On **July 10**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás and Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dr. Tara O’Toole will deliver remarks at the Homeland Security Academic Advisory Council meeting. The meeting will be open to the public and will feature reports and recommendations from the council’s five subcommittees, as well as an in-depth discussion on academic research. Open press.
- On **July 10**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will host a delegation from the United Arab Emirates for a Transportation Security Operations Center brief and tour. Closed press.
- On **July 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will travel to McAllen, TX, to visit ICE Special Agent Kelton Harrison, who is in the hospital after being shot while on duty outside of Hagrill, TX. Harrison is expected to make a full recovery.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

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*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Natural Resources Committee, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources**

- On **July 9**, the Coast Guard will brief staff on safety zone operations for Arctic Drilling platforms.

**House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- During the **week of July 9**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) will provide staff with tours of USCG operations in Seattle, WA and Alaska, including the icebreakers POLAR STAR and HEALY.

**House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **July 10**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) will meet with staff to discuss DNDO product acquisition and deployment, focusing on technology development, procurement, and deployment for nuclear detection systems.

**Senate Armed Services Committee**

- On **July 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief staff on Operation Chain Reaction, a comprehensive initiative targeting counterfeit items entering the supply chains of the Department of Defense and other U.S. government agencies. Closed press.

**House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **July 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief staff on human trafficking and the Blue Campaign. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 10**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with Senators Joe Lieberman and Susan Collins.
- On **July 11**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with Representative Peter King.
- On **July 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Chicago Field Office Director Ricardo Wong will meet with Representative Luis Gutierrez and his staff at the ICE Chicago Field Office to discuss prosecutorial discretion. Closed press.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **June 25**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Jaclyn Allen**, with **KMGH-7** in Denver, CO, data related to an investigation into a Great Lakes Aviation Flight attendant who tried to pass through Denver International Airport security with two guns in May 2009.

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- On **June 25**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Jonathan Corbett**, a blogger in Grandville, MI, records consisting of TSA incident reports.
- On **June 27**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Kevin Bogardus**, with *The Hill*, correspondence and attachments sent to TSA from members of Congress during the period January 1, 2009, through November 24, 2010, that mention the following companies: American Science & Engineering; Brijot Imaging Systems; L-3 Communications; OSI Systems, Inc.; Rapiscan Systems, Inc.; ThruVision Ltd.; Trex Enterprises Corporation; Sago Systems; and Smiths Detection.
- On **June 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted detention facility compliance inspection reports to its online FOIA Library.
- On **June 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement posted updated year-to-date Secure Communities Nationwide Interoperability Statistics to its online FOIA Library.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (June 2012):** TSA referred 19 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 99 firearms and 31 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
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## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

July 12, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- As part of the Efficiency initiative to leverage the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of furniture in the National Capital Region, DHS issued several new strategically sourced contracts in the fall of 2011. To date, DHS has avoided costs of \$17.2 million through this initiative.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **July 15**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in the Council of Governors meeting as part of the National Governors Association Annual Meeting in Williamsburg, VA. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Australian Home Affairs Minister Jason Clare to review progress on issues discussed during the Secretary's recent visit to Australia, including information sharing, developing a joint trusted traveler program, and countering violent extremism.
- On **July 18**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with National Security Agency Director General Alexander.
- On **July 19**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on the Department's immigration enforcement efforts before the House Judiciary Committee. Open press.
- On **July 23**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Energy Secretary Chu and private sector representatives from the electric and nuclear industry. Closed press.
- On **July 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify with National Counterterrorism Director Matthew Olson on the Administration's counterterrorism efforts before the House Homeland Security Committee. Open press.
- On **July 27**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Customs Minister Maurice Williamson of New Zealand as follow-up to her trip in May.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **July 17**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to Rome where she will deliver remarks on international cybersecurity cooperation at the 29<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Global Security. She will also meet with Haydar Berk, Turkish Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Council and Jaak Aaviksoo, Estonian Minister of Education & Research.
- On **July 18**, Deputy Secretary Lute will travel to Brussels to speak with the Political & Security Committee regarding strengthening U.S.-EU cybersecurity cooperation. The Deputy will also meet with U.S. Ambassador Kennard, EU Commissioner Cecilia Malmström, and Vice President of the European Commission Neelie Kroes about cybersecurity.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **July 9**, *Vanity Fair* interviewed U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar for a story on the border in Arizona, CBP operations in Arizona, and how border security has evolved over the last four years. Publication date TBD.
- On **July 9**, the fourth season of National Geographic Channel's *Border Wars* premiered. The new season continues 36 previously aired episodes that follow U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel throughout the United States.
- On **July 18**, *Radio One* will interview U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of Diversity and Civil Rights Assistant Director Scott Lanum with Blacks in Government National President J. David Reeves to discuss ICE's diversity and inclusiveness efforts, including the No Fear Act and Veterans outreach programs.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **July 20**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to sign a Memorandum of Cooperation with the Portuguese Civil Aviation Authority (INAC) in Lisbon. This agreement establishes the conditions under which TSA and INAC may cooperate on matters related to aviation security, including on cooperation in civil aviation security technical visits, the exchange of information, training, development of compatible security measures, operational testing, and the provision of resources, including equipment loans and personnel exchanges.

### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- On **July 19**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on the Department's immigration enforcement efforts before the House Judiciary Committee.
- On **July 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on the Department's counterterrorism efforts before the House Homeland Security Committee.
- On **July 27**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 State Preparedness Report (SPR) tool to 56 states and territories. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities. The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 requires an SPR for any state/territory receiving federal preparedness assistance administered by DHS. The SPR methodology allows states and territories to measure current capabilities relevant to the capability targets they have established based upon their unique threat/hazard profile.
- In **July**, DHS expects to sign a Preventing and Combating Serious Crime Agreement with Singapore, Japan, Poland, and San Marino.
- In **July**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to recognize the New Zealand National Cargo Security Program in accordance with the TSA National Cargo Security review process.
- In the **summer**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) plans to publish an Interim Final Rule and implement a pilot to automate filings of Form I-94 at a number of Ports of Entry (locations to be determined jointly with USCIS). I-94 departure forms and data have been used for over 20 years as a key source of information regarding immigration status. Use of the I-94 departure form and number are embedded in many verification processes and forms that Federal/State agencies and employers use to verify a non-immigrant visitor's status and eligibility for benefits or work authorization. Automation of the I-94 will improve the accuracy and timeliness of the data since it will be created in real time using the same information the officer uses for the primary inspection. In addition, CBP anticipates significant savings in data entry costs as a result of the I-94 automation program. \*POTENTIAL "We Can't Wait Announcement"\*

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- **Congressional Distribution on July 16, Public Posting on July 18: "Implementation and Coordination of the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Secure Flight Program. Background:** From May to October 2011, the OIG reviewed the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Secure Flight program to determine whether it is screening all appropriate persons and whether the processes for aircraft operators to submit passenger data and receive boarding pass instructions are timely and effective. The OIG also assessed how the program's screening processes are tested for accuracy, prioritization, and timeliness. **Findings:** The OIG recognizes that Secure Flight is a valuable program and has provided more consistent passenger prescreening. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes four recommendations to identify and eliminate system overrides, prioritize passenger data, standardize compliance, and improve communication and collaboration with partners. TSA non-concurs with two of the recommendations. **Response:** TSA appreciates that the OIG recognizes the significant value that the Secure Flight program adds to its layered security system and TSA continues to work to improve the effectiveness of the program. When Secure Flight identifies aircraft operators inappropriately overriding inhibited boarding results, TSA takes steps to ensure screening is performed and initiates a compliance investigation, addressing an OIG recommendation. Additionally, TSA has specific processes in place for reporting potential compliance issues and will formally document these processes, addressing an OIG recommendation.

### *Other Reports*

- On **July 16**, GAO is expected to release a report titled, “Secure Communities: Criminal Alien Removals Increased but Better Technology Planning Needed.” **Background:** From July 2011 to July 2012, GAO conducted an audit on U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Secure Communities to assess enforcement trends, ICE’s adherence to best practices in acquiring Secure Communities -related technology and ICE safeguards to help protect against potential civil rights abuses. To identify trends in ICE’s enforcement actions related to the Secure Communities program, the GAO reviewed alien removal data from October 2008 through March 2012 and analyzed arrest charges for aliens removed from the United States during fiscal year 2011, when ICE began collecting arrest charge data, and the first half of fiscal year 2012. The GAO also examined ICE’s policies and procedures for identifying and removing criminal aliens, and documents related to enforcement actions and detainees. **Findings:** GAO summarizes data related to removals attributed to Secure Communities. The draft report also describes several safeguards ICE has in place ensure protection of civil rights under Secure Communities including: the revised detainer form to report civil rights violations; training materials currently in development for state and local law enforcement and ICE officials on how to protect civil rights; statistical analysis of arrest information to identify potential civil rights abuses; and existing Department of Homeland Security complaint process (i.e., Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties) for addressing Secure Communities concerns. **Recommendations:** GAO makes three recommendations, all with which DHS concurs. GAO recommends that ICE develop well-defined requirements, an integrated master schedule that accounts for all activities for its technology contracts, and a plan for workforce changes in preparation for full technology deployment. **Response:** ICE appreciates GAO’s recognition of our efforts to focus on identifying potentially removable national security and public safety threats, including criminal aliens in state and local law enforcement custody. In an effort to better support the analysis of immigration status determinations under Secure Communities, ICE is currently developing a proposal to consolidate four Interoperability Response Centers into one central location and standardize processes at the central location, addressing a GAO recommendation.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **July 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will deliver remarks on securing state systems from cyber attacks at the National Association Secretaries Conference in San Juan, PR. Open press.
- From **July 16 to 20**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will visit regional FEMA offices in Boston, MA; Philadelphia, PA; and New York, NY for town hall meetings. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Acting Officer Tamara Kessler will meet with the Department of Justice, non-governmental organizations, other government agencies, and academics to discuss civil rights recommendations to the 2010 Universal Periodic Review. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will deliver a keynote address on U.S. efforts along the Southwest border at the Woodrow Wilson Center event “How to Build a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Border.” Closed press.
- On **July 17 and 18**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host delegations from the U.S. Department of State and Office of the Director of National Intelligence as well as Transport Canada and the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff for an overview, tour, and demonstration of the manufacturing and testing process for the Secure Hybrid Composite Container, which provides 6-sided container security throughout the supply chain as part of the “Beyond the Border” initiative. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, Chief Financial Officer Peggy Sherry will discuss DHS’s efforts to increase efficiency on a panel at the Government Executive Media Group’s forum titled, “Building a Leaner Government of the Future.” Open press.
- On **July 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Michael Locatis will deliver remarks on cyber initiatives at the Partnership for Critical Infrastructure Security Quarterly Business Meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

- On **July 18**, Transportation Security Administration Associate Administrator Doug Hofsass will discuss risk-based security including TSA Pre✓™ and Global Entry at the Airport Consultants Council’s Summer Workshop Series in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **July 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will deliver remarks on the need for cybersecurity partnerships at the U.S. Cyber Challenge Camp in Pomona, CA. Open press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations**

- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Programs Assistant Director Leigh Winchell will testify on ICE’s money laundering investigations.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

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- On **August 2**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Deputy Administrator John Halinski will testify on TSA workforce training, performance, and accountability.

##### **House Judiciary Committee**

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##### **House Science, Space, and Technology Committee**

- On **July 19**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Huban Gowadia will testify on the science behind the development of threat detection technologies.

##### **Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees, and Border Security**

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##### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

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#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight and Government Management**

- On **July 31**, Chief Privacy Officer Mary Ellen Callahan will testify on federal privacy and data security law.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **August 6 and 7**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify as part of a field hearing in Kodiak, AK on the Coast Guard's Arctic infrastructure and operations.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **July 16**, FEMA will provide a briefing to the staff on a recent report stemming from the Redundancy Elimination and Enhanced Performance for Preparedness Grants Act.
- On **July 17**, FEMA Grant Programs Directorate Assistant Administrator Elizabeth Harman will brief minority staff on the Port Security Grant Program.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **July 19**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will deliver a classified briefing to staff on Iraqi Refugee Screening.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 17**, the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) Division will conduct a briefing for staff from the Office of Senator Thad Cochran on IPAWS-related issues.
- On **July 19 and 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will conduct a stakeholder outreach session with Congressional representatives in Lee's Summit, MO. The USCIS National Benefits Center will provide overviews on the Family-Based Adjustment of Status process, adoptions, and provide a tour. Staffers will then visit the National Records Center in the afternoon. Closed press.
- On **July 20**, the Science and Technology Directorate will brief the Congressional Unmanned Systems Caucus to discuss the Robotic Aircraft for Public Safety program, which will develop a knowledge base for the first responder and homeland security communities by testing and evaluating small unmanned aircraft systems platforms and associated sensors. Closed press.
- On **July 20**, FEMA will provide a briefing to staff from the Senate Appropriations Committee and from Senator Leahy's office on planning efforts at FEMA. The briefing will cover FEMA's active planning efforts and lessons learned from previous efforts, as well as how FEMA's planning efforts link with the Integrated Planning System.
- On **July 25**, the Coast Guard will honor Representative Howard Coble as the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Bertholf Award Recipient. The Bertholf Award recognizes a member of Congress who has demonstrated long-term vision and leadership, supported the men and women of the Coast Guard and enhanced the ability of the Coast Guard to carry out its missions.

## **V. Legal Issues**

### *Litigation*

- ***Rattigan v. Holder*, No. 10-5014 (D.C. Cir., July 10, 2012):** On **July 10**, by a 2-1 majority, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit denied the Government's petition for panel rehearing. The panel majority had previously held that while the Supreme Court's decision in *Navy v. Egan* prohibits judicial review of decisions made by Security Division personnel about whether someone is eligible to hold a security clearance, it does not prohibit review of decisions by other employees who report security concerns. The Government sought rehearing and argued that decisions to report security concerns fall within *Egan's* scope because they "involve precisely the same type of predictions about risks to national security" as decisions to grant or deny a security clearance. Although the panel rejected this argument, it did limit its earlier holding. Specifically, the panel held that when asserting a reviewable retaliation claim under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 the plaintiff must demonstrate that the "reporting employee actually knew at



the time of the reporting that the information he provided was actually false.” This knowingly false standard is a higher standard than the preponderance of the evidence standard that the court had previously upheld. The panel explained that the change was necessary because a preponderance of the evidence standard would allow a jury to infer pretext and find liability if an employee reported dubious or potentially irrelevant information and such a finding would conflict with Executive Order 12,968’s requirement that employees with access to classified information report “any information that raises doubts.” To avoid a chilling effect on security reporting generally, the court thus concluded that a knowingly false standard would be more appropriate. Judge Kavanaugh dissented from the majority’s decision because he believes that *Egan* prohibits judicial review of all predictive judgments about security risks that are made by agency personnel, regardless of job title or expertise. He also stated in his dissent that if the Government were to seek rehearing en banc he would “urge the full Court to grant it.”

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **July 13**, DHS will make a sixth production of documents in response to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform’s letter requesting further information and documentation in relation to its investigation regarding DHS’s SSI designation process.
- On **July 12**, DHS will make an eighth production of documents to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations in response to a request for the travel records of forty-six individuals.
- In addition to these requests, DHS continues to actively collect documents and/or information responsive to requests on the following topics: Advanced Imaging Technology units, spending on conferences, the Department’s role in Operation Fast and Furious, the electronic production of documents made by the Department to Congress, and investigation and analysis information regarding Mujahedeen-e-Khalq.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **June 27**, **Jason Leopold**, with **Truthout.org** in Beverly Hills, CA, requested from the DHS records pertaining to the handling of dissident and protest activities in the U.S. and the handling of violent extremism in the U.S.
- On **June 27**, **Jennifer Lynch**, with the **Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF)** in San Francisco, CA, requested from DHS records discussing, concerning, or reflecting the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to collect, sample, analyze and store DNA.
- On **June 27**, **Joseph Pleasant**, with **WKRN News 2** in Nashville, TN, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) copies of complaints made regarding TSA at the Nashville International Airport from January 1, 2010, through June 27, 2012.
- On **June 28**, **Melissa Correa**, with **KRGV-TV** in Weslaco, TX, requested the number of Cuban nationals allowed to cross into the United States by way of the international bridges in Brownsville, TX, including totals nationwide and in Brownsville from 2007 through June 28, 2012.
- On **July 2**, **Josh Margolin**, with **The New York Post**, requested from the U.S. Secret Service records concerning reports dealing with disciplinary or behavioral allegations regarding Secret Service personnel on assignment from January 1, 2007, through July 2, 2012.
- On **July 3**, **Rich Jones**, a blogger with **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, requested from the DHS records mentioning Z Backscatter Vans or “ZBVs,” produced by American Science & Engineering in Billerica, MA.
- On **July 5**, **Emily Willard**, with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records regarding the trial of former border patrol agents and brothers Raul and Fidel Villarreal.
- On **July 5**, **Paola Bichara**, with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C., requested from DHS and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records regarding the July 13, 2009, meeting in Mexico among the ICE Assistant Secretary, the ICE Chief of Staff, and Mexican Government Cabinet members.

## *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Tony Hernandez**, with the *Northwest Arkansas Times* in Fayetteville, AR, records responsive to his FOIA request seeking a list of the names, charges filed, and case numbers of all arrests through investigation conducted by ICE and 287(g) law enforcement agencies from the Washington County (AR) Sheriff's Office; the Springdale (AR) Police Department; the Rogers (AR) Police Department; and the Benton County (AR) Sheriff's Department for the years 2007 through 2011.
- On **July 6**, DHS's Science and Technology Directorate released to **Amie Stepanovich**, with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, D.C., records pertaining to terahertz technology, which is able to scan people from a distance.
- On **July 10 and 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **John Althen** with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C. and **Maria Sacchetti** with *The Boston Globe*, records regarding Onyango Obama.
- On **July 12**, DHS will release to the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** correspondence between DHS and members of Congress from 2010 to the present.
- On **July 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will release to **Gordon Hanson** with the **Center on Emerging and Pacific Economies at the University of California, San Diego** apprehension and enforcement data from 1999 to the present.

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- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 7**, 385,711 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.1 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 15 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **July 11**, President Obama has signed 254 major disaster declarations and 46 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$18.9 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

July 19, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$3.9 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Energy Efficiencies and Energy Management Efficiency Review initiatives as well Component-led efforts to reduce energy consumption, through such means as installing energy efficient lighting and implementing power-management settings on desktops and laptops.

## II. Senior Personnel Status and News

- On **July 16**, Pia Carusone began serving as Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs.

## III. Public Affairs

### *Reports*

- On **July 17**, GAO released a report titled, “Student and Exchange Visitor Program: DHS Needs to Assess Risks and Strengthen Oversight Functions.” **Background:** Foreign students interested in studying in the U.S. must first be admitted to a school or university certified by the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) before applying for a visa. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) is responsible for managing the SEVP. Specifically, SEVP certifies schools as authorized to accept foreign students in academic and vocational programs. In its audit, the GAO reviewed ICE’s fraud prevention and detection procedures and examined the extent to which ICE has identified and assessed risk in SEVP and developed and implemented policies and procedures to prevent and detect fraud during the initial school certification process and before schools begin accepting foreign students. **Recommendations:** The report recommends eight actions for ICE, including to: develop and implement a process to identify and assess risks in SEVP; conduct an analysis of how to allocate SEVP’s resources based on risk; consistently implement procedures for ensuring schools’ eligibility and verifying “in lieu of” letters<sup>1</sup>; establish a process to identify and address all missing school case files; and develop and implement a process to monitor state licensing and accreditation status of all SEVP-certified schools. **Response:** ICE has an important role overseeing the SEVP. With more than 850,000 foreign students currently enrolled in nearly 10,000 U.S. schools and universities, ICE takes very seriously its work ensuring fraud prevention and detection for the SEVP. In its report, the GAO praised ICE for its risk-based approach to overseeing the SEVP and made several recommendations for improvement. ICE has already begun addressing the GAO recommendations to further develop and implement policies that further guard against fraud and abuse.
- On **July 19**, GAO is expected to release a report titled, “Data Center Consolidation: Agencies Making Progress on Efforts, but Inventories and Plans Need to be Completed.” **Background:** GAO conducted a follow-up review to its July 2011 report regarding 24 agencies’ progress on OMB’s Federal Data Center Consolidation Initiative. GAO was asked to evaluate the extent to which the agencies updated and verified their data center inventories and plans; evaluate the extent to which agencies have adequately completed key elements of their consolidation plans; and identify agencies’ notable consolidation successes and challenges. **Findings:** GAO recognized that agencies continue to report significant planned data center facility reductions and cost savings. **Recommendation:** GAO makes one recommendation directed to DHS that component agencies implement recognized best practices when completing required program schedules and cost-benefit analyses. **Response:** DHS is pleased that GAO recognized that agencies, including DHS, continue to report progress in data center facility reductions and cost savings. As of June 2012, DHS has completed the consolidation of 12 legacy data centers to the DHS Enterprise Data Centers. DHS expects to avoid approximately \$2.8 billion in costs due to the completed and planned migrations in the future.

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<sup>1</sup> “In lieu of letters” are letters issued by schools that have not received Department of Education accreditation confirming that their credits and graduates will be unconditionally accepted at accredited institutions.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **July 21 to 25**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and Transportation Security Administration will discuss employment opportunities with 1,500 attendees at the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Training Conference in Little Rock, AR. Open press.
- On **July 23**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with Navajo Nation President Ben Shelly to discuss the proposed Stafford Act legislation as well as ways that the Navajo Nation can work together with FEMA. Closed press.
- On **July 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas, U.S. Customs and Border Protections Acting Commissioner David Aguilar, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will participate in a Deferred Action Outreach Call with stakeholders.
- On **July 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will attend the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in Little Rock, AR. Open press.
- On **July 23**, Transportation Security Administration Associate Administrator for Risk Based Security Doug Hofsass will deliver remarks on risk-based security and provide a general threat update at the Global Business Travel Association's Annual Convention in Boston, MA. Open press.
- On **July 23**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks at the FEMA Private Sector Division Public Private Partnership Conference at Colorado Springs, CO. Open press.
- On **July 24 and 25**, the Science and Technology Directorate will sponsor a Research and Technology Transition Workshop at the Mississippi e-Center in Jackson, MS, which will focus on identifying best practices in transitioning research and technology from academia to DHS stakeholders, end users, and the private sector. Closed press.
- On **July 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss DHS's cybersecurity efforts at the Black Hat conference in Las Vegas, NV. Open press.
- On **July 25**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss using environmental information to prepare and respond to emergencies with attendees from federal, state, and local governments at the Annual Interagency Workshop in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **July 25**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey and leadership from the U.S. Coast Guard will host staff from Governor Bobby Jindal's office to discuss the status of Deepwater Horizon recovery efforts. Closed press.
- From **July 25 to 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement representatives will provide intellectual property rights investigations training to Thai law enforcement officials and prosecutors. Closed press.
- From **July 25 to 27**, the Office of Health Affairs will host an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Information Sharing Workshop in Washington, D.C. for state and local EMS officials. At this workshop, DHS will provide a brief overview of the national network of fusion centers, review information sharing programs currently in place with public health and the fire service, and assess EMS engagement with the national suspicious activity reporting initiative. Closed press.
- From **July 25 to August 14**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), and U.S. Secret Service (USSS) will participate in the U.S. Embassy Joint Operations Center and the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will participate in the Threat Integration Center in London, United Kingdom in support of the 2012 Summer Olympic Games. TSA Transportation Security Specialists will also be located at airports throughout the United Kingdom to support airport authorities and air carriers, and DHS personnel from CBP, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, USSS, National Protection and Programs Directorate, U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services, and other DHS offices will be deployed throughout the United Kingdom to assist with Olympic security efforts. Closed press.
- On **July 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with representatives of the National Association of Attorneys General in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

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- On **July 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will deliver remarks on the Department's cyber strategy at DEFcon 20 in Las Vegas, NV. This conference is a meeting with the underground hacking community to discuss new capabilities and innovations.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees, and Border Security**

- On **July 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Director John Woods will testify on the Student Exchange Visitor Program.

##### **House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement**

- On **July 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Transnational Crime and Public Safety Division Deputy Assistant Director Waldemar Rodriguez and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Fraud Detection and National Security Directorate Associate Director Sarah Kendall will testify on DHS efforts to combat immigration fraud.

##### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management**

- On **July 24**, FEMA Associate Administrator David Miller will testify on building codes and other factors that could help with disaster mitigation efforts.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **July 25**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on DHS's counterterrorism efforts.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security**

- On **July 25**, FEMA Grant Program Directorate Assistant Administrator Elizabeth Harman will testify on grants management practices at federal agencies.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **July 24**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Federal Protective Service (FPS) Director Eric Patterson will testify at a FPS oversight hearing.
- On **July 26**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Acting Director Huban Gowadia will testify on gaps in nuclear detection capability and steps DNDO is taking to mitigate the risks.

##### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **July 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will testify on the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program.

##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

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##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight and Government Management**

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##### **House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Government Organization, Efficiency, and Financial Management**

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##### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **August 2**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Deputy Administrator John Halinski will testify on TSA workforce training, performance, and accountability.

##### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

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**House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management**

- On **August 16**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Response Robert Fenton will testify at a field hearing in California on emergency preparedness and response issues relating to the California Delta.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **July 24**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and FEMA will brief members on the risk assessment and analysis that determines grant allocations.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **July 24**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Huban Gowadia will provide a classified briefing for members on nuclear threats and the Radiological and Nuclear Terrorism Risk Assessment in advance of her hearing on the same topic.

**Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **July 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide staff with a tour and briefing of the CBP Office of Information and Technology, Laboratories and Scientific Services in Springfield, VA.
- On **July 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide staff with a tour and briefing of CBP operations at the Baltimore Seaport and Baltimore-Washington International Airport.

**Senate and House Appropriations Committees, Subcommittees on Homeland Security**

- On **July 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and the DHS Office of Policy will brief staff on Department-wide anti-human trafficking efforts.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight Investigations and Management**

- On **July 25**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and the National Protection and Programs Directorate will brief members on plans in place to counter an attack by Iran or its proxies.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 24**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Capabilities Assistant Administrator Kelly Hoggan will provide a briefing and tour of the Transportation Security Integration Facility to Representative Robert Aderholt. Closed press.
- On **July 25**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Dan Abel will meet with congressional members located in the U.S. Coast Guard First District including Representatives Mike Michaud, Rodney Frelinghuysen, Jim Langevin, and David Cicilline.
- On **July 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a Global Entry Mobile Enrollment Event for members of Congress and Congressional staff at the Capitol Visitors Center in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **July 26**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senator Lisa Murkowski's staff on the International Maritime Organization's Polar Code.

**V. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **July 10**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, records regarding use of force by DHS employees from 2003 through 2012.
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him that were submitted for reimbursement and/or at government expense, for each trip from his confirmation to the present.

- On **July 12**, the DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis released to **Josh Margolin**, with *The New York Post*, records related to the review of events associated with the October 2010 attempt to transport explosive devices via UPS and FedEx to locations in the U.S.

#### **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **July 12**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 508 AIT units at 160 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 14**, 387,692 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.1 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 15 million queries have been run through the system.
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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

July 26, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- As part of the DHS Efficiency Review initiative to leverage the purchasing power of the Department to acquire commonly used software licenses for DHS-wide usage, DHS recently finalized various enterprise license agreements which have achieved cost avoidances of \$76 million to date.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **July 30**, the Office of International Affairs and U.S. Customs and Border Protection expect to sign an Advanced Passenger Information (API) MOU with the Dominican Republic. The API MOU will lay the groundwork for DHS to work with the Dominican Republic to promote the sharing and analysis of advance passenger data for flights entering and departing the Dominican Republic.

### *Reports*

- On **July 25**, GAO released a report titled “DHS IT Governance and Oversight.” **Background:** From October 2011 to June 2011, the GAO audited DHS’s new Information Technology (IT) governance process to assess the progress of its supporting policies and procedures and to determine if they followed best practices. **Findings:** GAO found that DHS’s IT governance framework followed Office of Management and Budget guidance and GAO’s IT Investment Management best practices for managing projects and portfolios. GAO noted that the Department’s new approach includes a greater mechanism for oversight through the inclusion of key staff in program decisions and focuses on functional portfolios to avoid duplication. **Recommendations:** GAO recommended that DHS finalize IT governance supporting policies and procedures, specifically those involving the Investment Review Board, investment selection and prioritization, and implement the new governance strategy by developing coordinated plans, fully defined measures to monitor implementation and mechanisms for capturing lessons learned. **Response:** DHS concurs with both recommendations. DHS’s new IT governance process includes a three-tiered oversight structure that defines distinct roles and responsibilities throughout the Department following OMB and GAO’s IT Investment Management best practices.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **July 30**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Panamanian Minister of Security Raul Mulino and the Director of the Panamanian National Police Julio Molto to discuss ongoing and planned DHS engagement in Panama. Closed press.
- On **July 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will moderate a panel discussion with the Entrepreneurs in Residence Tactical Team at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, GA to outline plans for continued efforts and engagement with the entrepreneurial community. This event will be live-streamed on the USCIS website. Mayorkas will also tour the Advanced Technology Development Center, Georgia Tech’s startup incubator, and hold a national press call following the panel discussion. Open press.
- On **July 30 and 31**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss Liquids, Aerosols, and Gels, cargo, prohibited items, and other matters related to transportation security at the QUAD High Level Group in Sydney, Australia. Closed press.
- On **July 31**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers and Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss efforts to increase protection and resilience of the chemical sector at the 2012 Chemical Sector Security Summit in Baltimore, MD (open press). Representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will also discuss federal agency collaboration in the chemical

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sector and will moderate a panel discussion on the testing and evaluation of Ammonium Nitrate at the Summit (open press).

- On **August 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on the importance of bolstering cybersecurity to sector practitioners at the Emergency Service Sector Summit 2012 in Denver, CO. Open press.
- From **August 1 to 3**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will travel to Canberra and Perth, Australia to meet with Australian Attorney General Secretary Roger Wilkins on various preparedness topics; sign the 2012-2013 U.S.-Australian Work Plan on Emergency Management; and deliver remarks at the 2012 Annual Local Government Convention about Presidential Policy Directive 8 and the National Preparedness System. Closed press.
- On **August 2**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss indoor location tracking technologies at the Assistance to Firefighters Grants Research and Development Meeting in Denver, CO. Open press.
- On **August 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on cybersecurity at the American Bar Association Annual meeting Panel Program on “Cybersecurity: The Legal Puzzle,” in Chicago, IL. Open press.
- On **August 3**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will preside over the commissioning of the second Fast Response Cutter CGC ETHERIDGE in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Open press.
- On **August 4**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy David Heyman will participate on a panel discussing the Beyond the Border implementation at the Chicago American Bar Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL. Closed Press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

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#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Appropriations Committee**

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- On **July 30**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on the status of air cargo security requirements and the Transportation Worker Identity Credential program.

#### **House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **August 1**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff on the status of Passenger Screening Program/Explosive Detection System Spend Plans and Competitive Procurement.
- On **August 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement representatives will brief staff on State Criminal Alien Assistance Program and temporary worker visa fraud.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **July 31**, FEMA Associate Administrator of the Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration David Miller will brief staff on the National Flood Insurance Program Reauthorization.
- On **August 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement representatives from Enforcement and Removal Operations will brief staff on the Alternatives to Detention Program.
- On **August 2**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for the Grant Programs Directorate Elizabeth Harman will provide staff the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarterly briefing on FEMA's efforts to maintain and sustain existing capabilities through grant funding.
- On **August 6**, FEMA will brief staff on the findings of the Public Assistance Bottom-up Review and the resulting courses of action being taken in light of the review's findings.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Special Agent in Charge Newark Andy McLees will meet with Representative Rodney Frelinghuysen to discuss HSI investigative priorities in the Newark area of responsibility.
- On **July 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Representative Edolphus Towns in advance of his appearance before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Government Organization. Closed press.
- On **August 3**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will represent the U.S. Coast Guard at a Congressional Roundtable on Cruise Ship Safety hosted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

#### **IV. Legal Issues**

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 12**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, records of complaints received by the OIG from 2003 to 2010.
- On **July 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Kevin Curran**, with **KPNX 12 News** in Phoenix, AZ, records covering interaction between ICE and the late Jason Todd Ready or his organization "U.S. Border Guard."
- On **July 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Christine Hass**, with **NBC 7 San Diego**, the policy regarding sex hormones for transgendered detainees in ICE custody.
- On **July 19**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA records pertaining to the cost of an OIG Office of Investigations conference in Denver, CO.
- On **July 19**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Keith Gates**, with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, records including narratives of whistleblower complaints that were investigated, a list of FOIA requests pertaining to whistleblowers, and other records pertaining to personnel actions.
- On **July 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, records regarding the number of aliens with final orders of removal awaiting and/or unable to obtain travel documents.
- On **July 24**, DHS released to **Amie Stepanovich** with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, DC explosive detection research reports regarding new terahertz technology to electronically search individuals at a distance.

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- On **July 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release to **Adam Rappaport** with **Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington**, in Washington, DC correspondence between USCIS and the office of Representative Michael Grimm.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **July 19**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 510 AIT units at 161 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 21**, 389,387 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.1 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 16 million queries have been run through the system.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

August 2, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$335 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce training costs by converting instructor-led trainings to online courses, reducing reliance on training vendors by developing courses in-house, and aligning training needs to agency priorities.

## **II. Senior Personnel Status and News**

- On **July 31**, Jonathan Cantor began serving as the Acting Chief Privacy Officer.
- On **August 1**, Mathew Nosanchuk began serving as the Associate General Counsel for Legal Counsel in the Office of the General Counsel.

## **III. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- The **week of August 5**, *Emergency Management* magazine will interview National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford on the DHS role in addressing cyber threats to physical infrastructure. Publication TBD.
- The **week of August 5**, *Federal Times* will interview Federal Network Security specialists on trends in network security including, red team/blue team services, high demand skills and services by other agencies and associated challenges in meeting these demands. Publication TBD.
- On **August 8**, *Federal News Radio's* will interview National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary Michael Locatis on DHS cybersecurity efforts. The program is pre-taped and will run one week later.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **August 7**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office expects to sign the Practical Arrangement between DHS and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). The DHS-IAEA Practical Arrangement is a non-binding memorandum of understanding between DHS and IAEA, to enhance cooperation and the exchange of information for nuclear security.
- On **August 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to begin implementing a deferred action process for certain young people who were brought to the United States as young children, do not present a risk to national security or public safety, and meet several key criteria. Those who demonstrate that they meet the criteria will be eligible to receive deferred action for a period of two years, subject to renewal, and will be eligible to apply for work authorization.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- On **August 6**, OIG will release a report titled, "CBP Acquisition of Aviation Management Tracking System." **Background:** The OIG is conducting an ongoing audit to assess whether DHS and its components have developed efficiencies for acquisition, conversion, and maintenance of U.S Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) helicopters. **Response:** CBP and USCG released a Joint CBP/USCG Strategy – Aviation Information Management Systems that commits to unifying CBP and USCG logistic and maintenance systems and unify relevant CBP and USCG information management systems. CBP will continue to consider options for replacing the outdated Computerized Aircraft Reporting and Material Control system to improve mission efficiency and effectiveness.

### *Other Reports*

- On **August 8**, GAO will release a report titled, "Defense Cybersecurity: Management Improvements Needed to Enhance Programs Protecting the Defense Industrial Base from Cyber Threats." **Background:** From August



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2011 to June 2012, the GAO assessed DHS's efforts to protect companies from the Defense Industrial Base (DIB) while disseminating and promoting cybersecurity guidance across all critical infrastructure sectors.

**Recommendation:** GAO recommended that DHS, in collaboration with the sector-specific agencies and industry partners, enhance information sharing between the government and private sector. **Response:** DHS concurs with the recommendation and is developing a mechanism to enable participating DIB companies to report cyber threat information to the government.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **August 6**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks about the importance of the Whole Community in disaster resiliency at FEMA's inaugural meeting of the Youth Preparedness Council in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **August 6 to 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to southern Arizona to conduct site visits of CBP operations in Tucson, Douglas, Naco, Sierra Vista and Nogales. Closed press.
- From **August 6 to 9**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss risk-based security, TSA Pre✓™, Known Crew Member and TSA's strategic vision for aviation security at the Air Line Pilots Association Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **August 7**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with the Governor of the Mexican State of Durango Jorge Herrera in Washington, D.C. to discuss DHS engagement in Durango. Closed press.
- On **August 7**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will meet with representatives from five Department of Energy Laboratories to discuss strengthening existing partnerships between DHS and the national laboratories. Closed press.
- On **August 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver opening remarks on the importance of national preparedness and whole community partners in emergency management at the FEMA National Preparedness Symposium 2012, *Increasing Preparedness to Build Community Resilience* in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- From **August 7 to 9**, FEMA Grants Program Directorate will hold its National Conference in Washington, DC. The conference will consist of a series of workshops and plenary discussions with DHS and FEMA leadership. The conference will also serve as a forum to collect stakeholder feedback from states, territories, tribes, faith-based and non-profit organizations and the private-sector community. Closed press.
- From **August 7 to 9**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection (DNDO) Office will host the 16<sup>th</sup> State and Local Stakeholders Working Group in Austin, TX to discuss radiological and nuclear detection issues. DNDO Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will provide opening remarks. Closed press.
- On **August 8**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will sign a Memorandum of Agreement regarding Federal Air Marshals with the Ambassador of Uruguay at the U.S. Embassy. Closed press.
- On **August 8**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will deliver remarks on public private partnership efforts and information sharing at the Security Innovation Network Summit in Chicago, IL. Open press.
- On **August 8 and 10**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in community outreach and discussions in Little Rock, AR and Memphis, TN, respectively, to discuss ICE roles and responsibilities in the communities.
- On **August 9**, DHS will hold a series of outreach sessions in Washington, D.C. with foreign embassy representatives on the application of prosecutorial discretion as it relates to people brought into the U.S. as young children. Closed Press.
- On **August 9**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will participate in a conference call to discuss the enhancements to TSA's Security Threat Assessment system with Customs Brokers Forwarders Association and Express Delivery and Logistics Association. Closed press.
- On **August 10**, the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will host the first of two stakeholder listening sessions in Washington, D.C. for the Civil Rights on Emergency Preparedness Interagency Task Force, which

engages a number of non-governmental organizations on civil rights and disaster management issues. Closed press.

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##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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#### V. Legal Issues

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- On **July 25**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis released to **Brian Hill**, with **USWGO Alternative News**, open source and DHS reports.
- On **August 2**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Joel Chow** of **WBNS-TV**, in Columbus, OH, customer complaints about AITs.
- On **August 2**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Mark Vinson**, with **American Federation of Government Employees**, in Washington, DC, TSA Vacancy Announcements for all non-Federal Security Director and non-Transportation Security Officer positions announced in Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New York and New Jersey from November 1, 2010, through November 1, 2011.
- On **August 3**, DHS will release to **Julia Angwin**, with **The Wall Street Journal**, records concerning proposed changes to the unclassified "Memorandum of Agreement between the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence on Guidelines for Access, Retention, Use and Dissemination by the National Counterterrorism Center of Terrorism Information Contained with Datasets Identified as Including Non-Terrorism Information and Information Pertaining Exclusively to Domestic Terrorism."

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Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

August 9, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- DHS expects to achieve cost avoidances of \$30 million by leveraging the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of intelligence analyst services beginning in fiscal year 2013.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- From **August 6 to 31**, National Geographic will begin filming for the *Drugs, Inc.* series in Puerto Rico. *Drugs, Inc.* is a ten-episode documentary examining drug trafficking and will include U.S. Customs and Border Protection's drug interdictions efforts. Anticipated airdate in spring 2013.
- On **August 21**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host a press event to highlight the importance of multi-band radios, which allow emergency responders to communicate with partner agencies at a lower cost, at the Association for Public-Safety Communications Officials Conference in Minneapolis, MN. Multi-band radio pilots have been conducted across the nation, culminating in this transition from scientific development to use by the emergency response community. Open press.
- On **August 23**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will be interviewed by *Aviation Security International* about the Transportation Security Laboratory's mission and capabilities as part of a larger story they are working on with the Transportation Security Administration about new screening technology. Publication TBD.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **August 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host a media event at the Port of Entry in San Luis, AZ to highlight the opening of several additional Ready Lanes and a new AM radio station that will provide travel information in Spanish and English for travelers on both sides of the border.
- On **August 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will begin implementing a deferred action process for certain young people who were brought to the United States as young children, do not present a risk to national security or public safety, and meet several key criteria. Those who demonstrate that they meet the criteria will be eligible to receive deferred action for a period of two years, subject to renewal, and will be eligible to apply for work authorization.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- On **August 6**, OIG released a report titled, "Effects of a Security Lapse on Federal Protective Service's (FPS) Michigan Guard Services Contract." **Background:** From August to December 2011, the OIG assessed whether a company that provides guard services for Michigan Federal buildings breached its contract when it did not properly attend to an improvised explosive device and whether that performance has been sufficiently remedied. **Findings:** The OIG found that company breached several provisions of the contract's statement of work, which were the result of poor judgment and not systemic problems within the company. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommended that FPS clarify procedures related to clearing facilities of unauthorized items, enhance training, and update curriculum for contract guards to reflect the most recent requirements for operational equipment. **Response:** FPS has established and implemented specific guidelines on the proper response to unattended and suspicious packages and is finalizing a national policy directive and handbook for dissemination to all regions by fall 2012 to ensure that the FPS contract guard process provides consistency and quality on a national level.

### *Other Reports*

- On **August 13**, GAO will release a report titled, "Critical Infrastructure: DHS Needs to Refocus Its Efforts to Lead the Government Facilities Sector" **Background:** From December 2011 to August 2012, the GAO

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assessed the Federal Protective Service's (FPS) efforts as the lead agency for the government facilities sector. **Recommendation:** The GAO recommends the FPS develop and publish an action plan that identifies sector priorities and resource requirements, and address steps to implement a risk management approach. **Response:** FPS has taken actions to enhance coordination efforts as the sector-specific agency for the government facilities sector, including establishing new stakeholder relationships and engaging stakeholder groups to identify and address cross-cutting issues for the government facilities sector while capitalizing on existing partnerships and coordination mechanisms.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **August 14**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss software that will aid law enforcement officers in the investigation and extraction of evidence from computers in an active criminal or terrorist investigation at the Crimes Against Children Conference in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- On **August 15**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss TSA Pre✓™ and Risk-Based Security initiatives at the Airports Council International – North America Public Safety and Security Conference in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- From **August 15 to 19**, Assistant Secretary of International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel with the Mexican Ministry of Government Under Secretary Gustavo Mohar to tour Mexico's southern border management operations, including immigration centers and port infrastructure. Closed Press.
- On **August 16**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss screening for radioactive contamination and measuring radiation levels in the surrounding environment following an accident at New York Area Science and Technology Forum on "Responding to the Radiological Impact of Fukushima" in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **August 17**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will discuss the recently signed Memorandum of Agreement to partner on research and development projects relating to innovative training technologies and methodologies for law enforcement and force protection with representatives from the Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **August 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with Washington, D.C. Chief of Police Cathy Lanier. Closed press.
- On **August 17**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks on best practices and the importance of building codes as a tool for mitigation at the Central United States Earthquake Consortium Board Meeting in Hoffman Estates, IL. Closed press.
- From **August 19 to 22**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss the role of cybersecurity in the nation's communications networks, the challenges the modern public safety network may face, and how to best protect the Public Safety Broadband Network from attack at the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials Annual Conference in Minneapolis, MN. Open press.
- From **August 19 to 24**, US-CERT will host technical and tactical practitioners from incident response and security response teams responsible for securing government information technology systems and providing private sector support at the annual Government Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **August 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss public and private roles in cybersecurity at the Aspen Forum in Aspen, CO. Open press.
- On **August 20**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a delegation of Puerto Rican dignitaries in Glynco, GA to identify additional opportunities for collaboration in support of the White House Task Force on law enforcement in Puerto Rico. Closed press.
- On **August 21**, US-VISIT Director Robert Mocy will discuss ways to improve the application of technologies and data exchange in immigration inspection and service at the International Conference on Immigration Inspection and Service in Shanghai, China. Open press.
- On **August 22**, Acting Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Dr. Huban Gowadia will deliver a presentation on nuclear terrorism and domestic nuclear response at the Public Policy and Nuclear Threats

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Training Program hosted by the University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation in La Jolla, CA. Closed press.

- On **August 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on infrastructure protection at the National Defense Industrial Association Homeland Security Division Meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management

- On **August 16**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Response Robert Fenton will testify at a field hearing in California on emergency preparedness and response issues relating to the California Delta.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### House Committee on Homeland Security

- On **August 23**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and FEMA will deliver a joint briefing on grant funding for fusion centers to staff.

##### Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

- On **August 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will brief committee staff on Secure Communities and ERO operations.

##### Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard

- From **August 13 to 17**, staff members will travel to Pacific Area, District Eleven, and Coast Guard Training Center Petaluma.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- During **the week of August 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host staff of Senator Lisa Murkowski for tours of ports in Anchorage, Juneau, Sitka, and Ketchikan, AK. Closed press.
- From **August 12 to 19**, Senator Begich's staff will visit various Coast Guard units in Alaska.
- From **August 19 to 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host the 2012 Northern Border Congressional Staffers' Academy in Buffalo, NY. Staff will receive briefings on CBP mission, structure, strategy and enforcement techniques and include field and site visits. Closed press.

### IV. Legal Issues

#### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **August 9**, DHS will publish the **CBP Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: Extension of Border Zone in the State of New Mexico** in the Federal Register. Under current DHS regulations, certain nonimmigrant Mexican nationals presenting a Border Crossing Card, or other proper immigration documentation, are not required to obtain a CBP Form I-94 (Form I-94), Arrival/Departure Record, if they remain within 25 miles of the border (75 miles in Arizona). This document proposes to amend the DHS regulations to extend the distance these visitors may travel in New Mexico without obtaining a Form I-94 from 25 miles to 55 miles. This change is intended to promote commerce and tourism in southern New Mexico, while still ensuring that sufficient safeguards are in place to prevent illegal entry to the United States.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 30**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Craig Cheatham**, with **KMOV-TV** in Saint Louis, MO, the OIG's response to a letter from Mississippi Governor Haley Barbour.
- On **July 30**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), released to **Steven Miller**, with the **New York Post** in Washington, DC, correspondence between New York members of Congress and USCIS.
- On **July 31**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **J. Keith Gates**, with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, documents pertaining to awards given to eligible employees.

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- On **July 31**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Jennifer Lynch**, with **Electronic Frontier Foundation** in San Francisco, CA, records from 2008 to the present concerning USCIS's plans to collect, sample, analyze and store DNA.
- On **July 31**, DHS released to **Grace Wyler**, with *Business Insider* in New York, NY, records dated September 15, 2011 to November 16, 2011 related to the "Occupy Wall Street" movement.
- On **July 31**, DHS released to **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, **Mara Verheyden-Hilliard**, with the **Partnership for Civil Justice Fund** in Washington, DC, **Geoff King**, an attorney, and **Christopher Cook**, an individual, records related to the "Occupy Wall Street" movement.
- On **August 1 and 2**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, documents pertaining to planning and costs of DHS OIG conferences and training in fiscal year 2012 and documents on DHS OIG policies, handling and funding of confidential informants by DHS OIG, from fiscal year 2003 to the present, respectively.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (July 2012):** TSA referred 24 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 120 firearms and 22 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **July 26**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 509 AIT units at 161 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **August 4**, 392,911 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 17.2 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **August 8**, President Obama has signed 260 major disaster declarations and 46 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$19.2 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

August 23, 2012

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified over \$287 million in cost avoidances by leveraging the purchasing power of the entire Department to acquire commonly used software licenses (such as Microsoft, Adobe, and Oracle) for DHS-wide usage.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **August 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host a media event to announce the expansion of Global Entry to the San Antonio International Airport. Open press.
- On **August 30**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will be interviewed on national resilience, preparedness efforts, and public-private partnerships for online distribution via Newsweek or The Economist magazines.
- On **August 31**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino and Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will participate in media interviews highlighting this year's National Preparedness Month, *Pledge to Prepare*, encouraging the public to take steps to ensure that their homes, workplaces and communities are prepared for disasters, as part of the 2012 National Preparedness Month Radio and Satellite Media Tour.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- From **August 21 to 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Law Enforcement Spanish Immersion Training Program pilot in Artesia, NM, focusing on introducing students from federal law enforcement agencies to mission-critical Spanish terminology. Closed press.
- Beginning **August 31**, DHS will offer eligible Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) holders the opportunity to replace their expiring TWICs with a three-year extended expiration date (EED) card for a reduced fee of \$60.00. DHS considers the EED card equivalent to a standard TWIC and will allow port and vessel operators to accept EED cards as they accept standard TWICs.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- On **August 17**, OIG released a report titled, "Survey of Hazard Mitigation Planning." **Background:** From October 2011 to January 2012, the OIG examined FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Program to evaluate effectiveness and efficiency and determine whether a broader audit was necessary. **Findings:** The OIG found that FEMA has made progress implementing the hazard mitigation planning program since the passage of the *Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000* and that FEMA receives high marks from mitigation grantees that rely on the program's guidance, technical assistance, and training. The OIG also determined that further audit work is not warranted at this time. **Recommendations:** The OIG offered two recommendations to assist FEMA with management and oversight and to improve FEMA's ability to track participants' progress and respond to states' concerns about plan reporting requirements. **Response:** FEMA concurs with both recommendations and has begun the process to engage in a rulemaking to consider changes to the frequency of plan updates for State Mitigation Plans. FEMA is also testing an Interim Action Measure Collection tool to begin tracking areas where identified mitigation actions have been initiated.
- On **August 20**, OIG released a report titled, "US-VISIT Faces Challenges in Identifying and Reporting Multiple Biographic Identities." **Background:** From September 2011 to March 2012, the OIG reviewed US-VISIT's internal control over biographic identities, examining whether (1) there were indications that individuals had attempted to enter the U.S. using different identities, and (2) US-VISIT had sufficient



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processes and procedures in place to identify individuals who attempt to use multiple biographic identities to enter the United States. **Findings:** The OIG found that US-VISIT faces challenges in identifying potential fraudulent use of biographic data and that while most discrepancies were likely attributable to data collection errors, there were instances where it appeared that individuals had supplied fraudulent biographic data at a port of entry. **Recommendations:** The OIG recommended that US-VISIT review data inconsistencies identified during the review to determine if examples of biographic fraud exist; and refer individuals who attempt to use multiple biographic identifiers to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) for appropriate follow-up. **Response:** US-VISIT concurred with both recommendations and has reviewed all of the data provided by the OIG to date, and has found no instances of fraud. US-VISIT proactively reviews IDENT records to identify potential fraud by individuals attempting to enter the U.S. or obtain immigration benefits.

- On **August 23**, OIG released a report titled, “Efficiency and Effectiveness of TSA’s Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response Program Within Rail and Mass Transit Systems.” **Background:** From August to December 2011, the OIG assessed efforts by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to deploy Visible Intermodal Response (VIPR) teams to augment security in rail and mass transit systems. **Findings:** The OIG found that TSA has improved the VIPR program, but organizational, programmatic, and operational challenges remain. **Recommendations:** The OIG made sixteen recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the program. **Response:** TSA concurs with twelve recommendations and does not concur with four recommendations concerning the length of personnel assignments and allocation of field office resources. VIPR operational plans are developed with a risk-based methodology in conjunction with local transportation security stakeholders and conducted jointly by TSA, local law enforcement, and transportation security resources.

#### *Other Reports*

- On **August 23**, GAO released a report titled, “Critical Infrastructure Protection: DHS Is Taking Action to Better Manage Its Chemical Security Program, but It Is Too Early to Assess Results.” **Background:** From February 2012 to July 2012, the GAO assessed the extent to which DHS’ Infrastructure Compliance Security Division (ISCD), which administers the implementation of the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) program, has taken actions to address concerns noted in a leaked 2011 memorandum intended to highlight various challenges. **Findings:** The GAO found that DHS has begun to take various actions to address the issues identified in the ISCD memorandum and has developed a 94-item action plan to track its progress. GAO also found that DHS is heading in the right direction, but it is too early to tell if individual items are having their desired effect. **Recommendations:** The GAO makes one recommendation for DHS to explore practical opportunities to measure its performance in implementing its action plan to address human capital management, mission, and administrative challenges related to the CFATS program. **Response:** Since the inception of the CFATS program, more than 1,800 facilities completely removed their chemicals of interest and more than 900 other facilities have reduced their holdings of chemicals of interest to levels resulting in the facilities no longer being considered high risk. DHS has updated its Action Plan for CFATS to include developing metrics for measuring implementation of action items, including processes for periodic monitoring and indicators for corrective actions.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **August 22 to 30** and from **August 29 to September 6**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration, Customs and Border Protection, and U.S. Secret Service will deploy to support security efforts at the Republican and Democratic National Conventions.
- From **August 27 to 30**, Assistant Secretary of the Office of Policy David Heyman will travel to Miami Coast Guard District 7, United States Southern Command Miami, Key West Joint Interagency Task Force South, and Guantanamo Bay Cuba for briefings focused on operational capabilities and mass migration. Closed press.

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- During the week of **August 27**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will discuss S&T's SAFETY Act and SECURE programs as well as cybersecurity research in Stockholm, Sweden as part of the U.S.-Sweden Bilateral Conference. Open press.
- On **August 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in a community stakeholder event in New York, NY with Representative Tim Bishop on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will discuss the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process with the Federal Bar Association in Washington, DC.
- On **August 29**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will co-host an outreach event in Charleston, SC. The event will focus on each agency's deferred action roles and responsibilities. Representatives from the American Immigration Lawyers Association, foreign consulates and local advocacy groups are expected to attend.
- On **August 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss critical infrastructure protection and resilience at the New Mexico Homeland Security Conference. Open press.
- On **August 29**, the Science and Technology Directorate will conduct the first in a series of rapid biological sensor tests in the Boston-area subway that would be used to alert authorities to the presence of biological material. No public impact anticipated. Open press.
- On **August 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Washington, D.C., to discuss the NextGen working group, which aims to enhance border security collaboration with our Canadian counterparts. Closed press.
- On **September 3 and 4**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will present the Financial Crimes course focused on money laundering and information sharing at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Budapest, Hungary. Closed press.
- On **September 4**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver opening remarks on catastrophic response at the State Department/NATO Civil Protection Group 2012 Seminar in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **September 5**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp is scheduled to take part in the keel laying of the Coast Guard Cutter Hamilton, the fourth national security cutter in Pascagoula, MS.
- On **September 5**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will meet with local college students and young professionals interested in careers in intelligence and related homeland security fields at the Intelligence and National Security Alliance's Intelligence Champions Event in Washington, DC. Open press.
- From **September 5 to 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner David Aguilar will visit CBP operations along the border in South Texas. Closed press.
- From **September 10 to 13**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will deliver remarks on competing biotechnology priorities, intellectual property related to biotechnology research, and biosecurity at the Annual Meeting of the New Champions, hosted by the World Economic Forum in Tianjin, China. Open Press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **September 11**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, National Protection and Programs Directorate and DHS Counterterrorism Working Group will testify on terrorist travel and the visa security system.

#### **House Energy and Commerce Committee**

- On **September 11**, a representative from National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**



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- On **September 13**, a representative from National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on Electromagnetic Pulse threats.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittees on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communication and Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies**

- On **September 13**, Undersecretary for Management Rafael Borrás and Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Office Dr. Alexander Garza will testify on the BioWatch program.

**Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **September 19**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on general threats to the homeland. Federal Bureau of Investigation Director Mueller and National Counterterrorism Center Director Olsen will also testify.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- From **September 5 to 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide Representatives Aderholt and McIntyre and committee staff a tour of CBP operations in Tucson, AZ.

**House Committee on Homeland Security**

- On **September 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Center Director will brief majority staff on IPR Center operations.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will provide staff of Representatives Conaway and Reyes a tour of CBP operations in El Paso, TX.
- From **September 5 to 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a Florida Congressional staff delegation in St. Augustine and Cape Canaveral, FL, to demonstrate CBP air and marine capabilities.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*Rules and Regulations*

- On **August 10**, DHS submitted the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Notice: Extension of Employment Authorization for Haitian F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of the January 12, 2010 Earthquake in Haiti to OMB. This notice informs the public of the extension of an earlier notice, which suspended certain requirements for F-1 nonimmigrant students whose country of citizenship is Haiti and who are experiencing severe economic hardship as a direct result of the January 12, 2010 earthquake in Haiti.
- On **August 10**, DHS submitted the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Notice: Extension of the Designation of Haiti for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) to OMB. The notice announces that the Secretary is extending the designation of Haiti for TPS for 18 months from January 23, 2013 through July 22, 2014. The Secretary has determined that an extension is warranted because the conditions in Haiti that prompted the initial 2010 TPS designation and the 2011 redesignation continue to be met.

*FOIA Releases*

- On **August 8 and 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services issued to **Justin McCarthy**, a researcher with *Judicial Watch* in Washington DC, and **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, a full denial in response to his FOIA request seeking records pertaining to Mohamed Atta.
- On **August 9**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services issued a no records determination to **Dan Mihalopoulos**, with the *Chicago Sun Times*, in response to records pertaining to named individuals and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Summit.
- On **August 9**, DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, an investigation pertaining to a former Secret Service employee.
- On **August 9**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Ian Urbina**, *The New York Times* in Washington, DC, records consisting of Navigation and Inspection Circulars, memos, and the Foreign Tank Vessel Examination Book.

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- On **August 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, records of available versions of the ENFORCE Alien Removal Module Data Dictionary.
- On **August 13**, DHS Science and Technology Directorate released to **Craig Cheatham**, with **KMOV-TV** in St. Louis, MO, Congressional and stakeholder correspondence and talking points regarding the National Bio Argo Defense Facility.
- On **August 13 and 14**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, annual reports to the Attorney General from 2003 to the present and travel costs associated with the DHS-OIG Office of Investigations conference in Denver, CO.
- On **August 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Emily Willard**, with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records regarding the arrest of Central American immigrants in Houston, TX on March 23, 2012.
- On **August 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Justin Storch**, a law student at the **American University Immigrant Justice Center** in Washington, DC, statistics concerning reports of human trafficking received at ICE from 2007 through the present
- On **August 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Jason Cherkis**, with the **Huffington Post**, the number of illegal immigrants who were hospitalized while in custody during 2011 and the number of illegal immigrants who were placed in solitary confinement during 2011.
- On **August 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Janet Sosa**, with the **Southern Law Poverty Center** in Atlanta, GA, records regarding ICE cooperation with the City of Pearl Police Department in Mississippi.
- On **August 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Dianne Solis**, with the **Dallas Morning News**, the names of companies that contracted with ICE for transportation and removal programs at ICE's Dallas Field Office for Enforcement and Removal Operations.
- On **August 16**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Cornelius Frolik**, with the **Dayton Daily News** in Dayton, OH, sub-grantees and agencies in Ohio who received grants, how much they received, and how long they waited to receive funds.
- On **August 16**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Melissa Crow**, with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, DC, U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel in 9-1-1 dispatch activities from January 2009 through the present.
- On **August 21**, DHS released to **Jordy Yager**, with **The Hill** in Washington, DC, the Secretary and Deputy Secretary's travel logs.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Mark Roberts**, with **Tech Serve Alliance**, in Alexandria, VA, documents pertaining to the issuance of H-1B visas.
- On **August 22**, DHS released to **The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** in Washington DC, communication logs between members of Congress and DHS from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **August 16**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 521 AIT units at 160 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **August 18**, 395,912 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 18.2 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **August 22**, President Obama has signed 261 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$19.3 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

September 6, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS Components have avoided costs of \$18 million by disconnecting wireless devices that were no longer being used and improving management of wireless communication services.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **September 12**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will provide a media interview to PopTech about the role of government in national resilience, preparedness, and public-private partnerships.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **September 7**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled, Immigration Enforcement Actions: 2011, providing information on the apprehension, detention, return and removal of foreign nationals during fiscal year 2011.
- From **September 10 to 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center expects to deliver the Advanced Human Trafficking Training Program (AHTTP) pilot to members of Anti-human Trafficking Coordinating Teams in support of the DHS Blue Campaign to fight human trafficking. The training will focus on how to investigate human trafficking crimes, strategies for conducting rescue operations, and pre-trial/trial strategies to prepare to take a human trafficking case to trial. Participants will include representatives from ICE Homeland Security Investigations, Federal Bureau of Investigation, US Attorney's Office, Department of Labor and victim assistance specialists.
- On **September 13**, the Office of International Affairs expects to sign a Preventing and Combating Serious Crime agreement with Slovenia.
- On **September 14**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Resident Nonimmigrant Population in the United States: 2010, providing estimates on the resident nonimmigrant population by category of admission, country of citizenship, state of destination, age and gender.

### *GAO Reports*

- On **September 7**, GAO will release a report titled, "Information Security: Better Implementation of Controls for Mobile Devices Should be Encouraged." **Background:** From November 2011 to July 2012, the GAO sought to identify common security threats and vulnerabilities on mobile devices, the security features available to mitigate these risks, and the extent to which the public and private sectors are addressing such vulnerabilities. **Findings:** The GAO found that relevant public and private sector entities have taken steps to improve the security of mobile devices; however security controls are not always consistently implemented. **Recommendations:** The GAO makes two recommendations for DHS to take steps to better measure progress in raising national cybersecurity awareness. **Response:** DHS will work with federal government counterparts to examine the creation of a baseline measure of consumer awareness and behavior related to mobile security including communicating approaches and strategies for the public to keep themselves safe online.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **September 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks on high skilled immigration issues at the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of

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Commerce in Seattle, WA. Open press. The Director will also visit USCIS's Seattle Field Office and hold a town hall with local employees.

- On **September 7**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will discuss the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in San Antonio, TX.
- On **September 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in an information session with Representative Lois Capps on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process session in San Luis Obispo, CA. Closed press.
- From **September 9 to 12**, Transportation Security Administration Associate Administrator Doug Hofsass will discuss risk-based security at the Airports Council International of North America's World Conference in Calgary, Canada. Open press.
- From **September 9 to 13**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner and other senior agency intelligence officials U.S. will visit the Honolulu Fusion Center, the U.S. Pacific Command, Joint Interagency Task Force West, and the NSA Hawaii/Coast Guard Cryptologic Unit to discuss regional information/intelligence sharing and other issues.
- On **September 10**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in an information session on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process hosted by the San Francisco City and County's Office of Immigrant Affairs and Civic Engagement in San Francisco, CA.
- On **September 10 and 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford and Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Michael Locatis will discuss cyber crime at the Security Standard Conference in New York, NY. Open press.
- From **September 10 to 13**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss biotechnology priorities, intellectual property related to biotechnology research, and biosecurity at the Annual Meeting of the New Champions as well fast-emerging multinational companies and the role they play in sustainability in the global business landscape at the World Economic Forum in Tianjin, China. Open Press.
- From **September 10 to 14**, Science and Technology Directorate Homeland Security Advanced Research Projects Agency Director Paul Benda will discuss current and future aspects of terrorism and counter terrorism at the World Summit on Counter Terrorism in Herzliya, Israel. Open press.
- From **September 10 to 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Advanced Human Trafficking Training Program pilot to members of Anti-Human Trafficking Coordinating Teams in support of the DHS Blue Campaign in Glynco, GA. The training will focus on how to investigate human trafficking crimes, strategies for conducting rescue operations, and pre-trial/trial strategies to prepare to take a human trafficking case to trial. Closed press.
- On **September 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will join Senior Advisor to the President Valerie Jarrett to participate in a naturalization ceremony at the Alexandria Town Hall in Alexandria, VA. The Director will administer the Oath of Allegiance and Valerie Jarrett will deliver keynote remarks. Open press.
- On **September 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in an information session on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process hosted by the Latino Resource Center in Jackson, WY. Closed press.
- On **September 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services International Operations Division will hold its quarterly meeting with the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss protecting critical infrastructure from cyber threats at the International Strategic Dialogue on Cyber Security in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Al Gina will deliver remarks on efforts to improve Intellectual Property Crime Enforcement through international engagement at the 2012 International Law Enforcement Intellectual Property Crime Conference in Panama City, Panama. The event is co-hosted by INTERPOL and the Policia Nacional de Panama. Closed press.



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- On **September 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will participate in the “Immigration Issues in Policy and Implementation” panel at the Maryland Chiefs of Police and Sheriff’s Associations’ Training Seminar. Closed press.
- On **September 11**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will deliver remarks on DHS policy in Latin America and the Caribbean to the Council of the Americas in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **September 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in a community stakeholder event on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process hosted by the New York Legal Assistance Group in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **September 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Public Advocate Andrew Lorenzen-Strait will participate in a panel discussion at the Human Rights First event, “Dialogues on Detention,” focused on applying the lessons from criminal justice reform to the immigration detention system. Open press.
- On **September 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in information sessions on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process at community centers in Winter Haven, FL and Apopka, FL. Closed press.
- On **September 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Terrorist-Related Inadmissibility Grounds (TRIG) Working Group will host its quarterly stakeholder meeting to provide updates regarding the TRIG workload and to answer TRIG-related questions and issues in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Texas and Nebraska Service Centers will host a joint engagement on refugee and asylee issues in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- On **September 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with the Vice-Minister of the General Administration of China Customs in Washington, D.C to discuss intellectual property rights (IPR) and visit the IPR Center in Virginia. Closed press.
- On **September 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss intelligence and public policy at the George Mason University School of Public Policy in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 13**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino is tentatively scheduled to participate in the FEMA Corps Induction Ceremony as well as the Think Tank event, “Engaging the Next Generation in Public Service and Emergency Management,” focused on how to improve emergency management, in Vickburg, MS. Open press.
- On **September 13**, Science and Technology Directorate Borders and Maritime Division Program Manager John Appleby will discuss technologies and issues related to Unpiloted Aerial Systems (UAS) including control of multiple units, training requirements, sensor data exploitation, role in alienating host populations, and industry involvement at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in an information session hosted by the Haitian American Youth of Tomorrow in Miami, FL and in a community stakeholder event in Bridgehampton, NY with Representative Timothy Bishop on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process. Closed press.
- On **September 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss the future of cybersecurity at the Edward Oates Symposium in San Jose, CA. Open press.
- From **September 14 to 19**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Afghanistan for meetings with senior U.S. government and International Security Assistance Force officials and tours of border areas.
- On **September 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Intellectual Property (IP) Rights Coordination Center Assistant Director Lev Kubiak will deliver keynote remarks regarding counterfeit goods at the 2012 IP Law Summit in Las Vegas, NV. Closed press.
- On **September 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in an information session at the Immigrants Connect 2012 Government and Community Resources for Immigrants and Small Businesses

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conference in Roosevelt, NY and in LULAC and NCLR led community event in Orlando, FL on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process. Closed press.

- On **September 17**, in recognition of Citizenship Day and Constitution Day, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will feature special naturalization ceremonies around the country to celebrate citizenship. High level speakers currently participating include: Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy Dr. John Holdren, (Sept. 8, Arlington, VA), Secretary of Labor Hilda Solis (Sept. 15, Arlington, VA), Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Mark Koumans (Sept. 17, Shelburne, VT), Management Chief of Staff Vincent Micone (Sept. 17, Chicago, IL), Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás (Sept. 18, Campbell, CA) and U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Vice Admiral John Currier (Sept. 20, Boston, MA). Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **September 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement National Security Investigations Division Assistant Director John Woods, Office of Policy Screening Coordination Office Deputy Assistant Secretary Kelli Ann Walther and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will testify on terrorist travel and the visa security system.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **September 11**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halsinki will testify on aviation security.

#### **House Energy and Commerce Committee**

- On **September 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Undersecretary Rand Beers will testify on the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **September 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection, Infrastructure Analysis and Strategy Division Director Brandon Wales will testify on Electromagnetic Pulse threats.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittees on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communication and Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies**

- On **September 13**, Undersecretary for Management Rafael Borrás and Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Alexander Garza will testify on the BioWatch program.

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **September 11**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify on maritime security.
- On **September 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant Rear Admiral Ronal Rabago will testify on the challenges of maintaining legacy assets.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence**

- On **September 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Refugee, Asylum and International Operations Directorate Refugee Affairs Director Chief Barbara Strack, and the Office of Intelligence and Analysis Deputy Undersecretary Dawn Scalici will testify on terrorist exploitation of refugee programs.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **September 19**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on general threats to the homeland. Federal Bureau of Investigation Director Mueller and National Counterterrorism Center Director Olsen will also testify.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **September 12**, Office of Health Affairs (OHA) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary and Deputy Chief Medical Officer Dr. Polk will provide an OHA 101 overview briefing to Senator Susan Collin's staff.



## Senate Appropriations Committee

- On **September 21**, FEMA Office of Policy and Program Analysis Director Dave Kaufman and Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration Director Sandra Knight will join the Office of Policy and the Science and Technology Directorate at a briefing to the staff about initiatives to improve resiliency and reduce the costs and losses associated with disasters.

### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations will meet with Representative Maurice Hinchey to discuss confidential informants.
- On **September 12**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and Federal Bureau of Investigation will deliver a joint domestic threat briefing to Representative Benny Thompson.
- On **September 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Senator Mary Landrieu to discuss CBP's legislative proposal for reimbursement authority. Closed press.
- On **September 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a tour for Representative Tim Scott in Charleston, SC. Closed press.

## V. Legal Issues

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 16**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Melissa Crow**, with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to U.S. Customs and Border Protection providing interpretation services to other law enforcement agencies.
- On **August 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Damien Cave**, with *The New York Times* in Mexico City, Mexico, records from the ICE Office of Professional Responsibility regarding allegations of misconduct for ICE employees stationed in Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central America.
- On **August 20**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **G.W. Schulz**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Austin, TX, complaints received by DHS-OIG addressing misconduct among employees and government contractors with the U.S. Border Patrol.
- On **August 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Grace Meng**, with **Human Rights Watch** in New York, NY, ICE individual record data for all non-citizens referred by ICE or U.S. Customs and Border Protection for criminal prosecution under 8 U.S.C. §1.325 for "Improper Entry by Alien," and/or under 8 U.S.C. §1326 for "Reentry of Removed Aliens," from FY2004 through the present.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Rebecca Evans**, with **ThreeBeats Media** in Auburndale, MA, the status of detainees apprehended during the Michael Bianco Operation in New Bedford, MA on March 6, 2007
- On **August 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Joel Millman**, with *The Wall Street Journal* in Portland, OR, a list of United States religious schools and the number of students attending with F1 visas from China, South Korea, and Vietnam.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Charlie Frago**, with the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* in Little Rock, AK, the number of detainers issued as a result of the Secure Communities program in Arkansas from FY 2009 through the present.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Lewis Kamb**, a reporter with *The News Tribune* in Tacoma, WA, ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations apprehensions, detentions, and deportations from the Northwest Detention Center and nationwide.
- On **August 22**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Michael Worsham**, in Forest Hill, MD, TSA environmental consideration records.
- On **August 22**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Mark Roberts**, with *Tech Serve Alliance* in Alexandria, VA, records pertaining to the issuance of H2B visas.
- On **August 24**, the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties released to **Melissa Crow**, with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington DC, records pertaining to the use of U.S. Customs and

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Border Protection (CBP) personnel to provide interpretation and/or translation services to other law enforcement agencies from 2009 through the present and records pertaining to CBP personnel, including U.S. Border Patrol agents, in 9-1-1 dispatch activities from 2009 through the present.

- On **August 27**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Daniel Krauth**, with **WPTV-Newschannel 5** in West Palm Beach, FL, TSA passenger complaints and claims data from West Palm Beach International Airport from January 1, 2010 through June 1, 2011.
- On **August 29**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Maria Ines Zamudio**, with the **Chicago Reporter**, data regarding H2A and H2B visas granted in Illinois.

#### **IV. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (August 2012):** TSA referred 17 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 109 firearms and 283 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints. (note: 258 rounds of .22 ammunition found in one incident)
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **August 30**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 524 AIT units at 161 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **September 1**, 398,667 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 19.1 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **September 5**, President Obama has signed 265 major disaster declarations and 48 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$19.3 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

September 13, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$321 million in cost avoidances through implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to reduce expenditures associated with applicant security background investigations and other security-related component-specific initiatives.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **September 17**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Office of Citizenship plans to announce recipients of the FY 2012 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. Nearly \$5 million will be awarded to approximately 31 organizations that support citizenship preparation services for permanent residents.
- On **September 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Brian A. Terry/Naco Border Patrol Station. The Brian A. Terry Memorial Act (P.L. 112-113) was signed into law by the President on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and names the Naco Border Patrol Station in honor of fallen Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry who was killed in the line of duty on December 15, 2010. Congressional stakeholders, including Representatives Barber, Issa and Duncan, local and state leadership, the media, and the general public will attend the ceremony. U.S. Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will deliver remarks. Open press.
- On **September 19**, film producer Gita Pullapilly with Sunny Side Up Films will film U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers at the Van Buren, ME port of entry. The film *Blue Potato* is a coming of age drama set during the fall potato harvest in a small town in Maine near the U.S./Canada border. Pullapilly is requesting to film the actors as they present themselves for inspection at the U.S./Canada border.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **September 13**, the Office of International Affairs signed a Preventing and Combating Serious Crime agreement with Slovenia
- During the week of **September 17**, Citizenship Day and Constitution Day, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will hold 158 special naturalization ceremonies around the country to celebrate citizenship and commemorate the 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Constitution. More than 32,000 immigrants will become citizens during this celebration. Open press.
- On **September 19**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on threats to the homeland before the Senate Homeland Security Committee along with Federal Bureau of Investigation Director Mueller and National Counterterrorism Center Director Olsen.
- By **September 21**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Resident Nonimmigrant Population in the United States: 2010, providing estimates on the resident nonimmigrant population by category of admission, country of citizenship, state of destination, age and gender.

### *GAO Reports*

On **September 12**, GAO released a report titled, "Improved Criteria Needed to Assess Eligibility and a Jurisdiction's Capability to Respond and Recover on its own." **Background:** The GAO analyzed federal disaster declarations from fiscal years 2004 to 2011 to determine the number of declarations, associated Disaster Relief Fund (DRF) obligations, the criteria used to recommend a declaration for public assistance (PA), cost share adjustments and the associated costs, and FEMA's administrative costs for declarations. **Findings:** The GAO analysis concludes that FEMA relied on an artificially low per capita damage indicator to recommend jurisdictions receive PA funding and suggests that the per capita indicator does not accurately reflect a

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jurisdiction's capability to respond to or recover from a disaster without federal assistance. **Recommendations:** The GAO recommends that FEMA develop a methodology to more accurately assess a jurisdiction's capability to respond to and recover from a disaster without federal assistance, develop criteria for 100% cost adjustments, and implement goals for and track administrative costs. FEMA concurs with three recommendations and partially concurs with the fourth recommendation. **Response:** When making disaster declaration recommendations, FEMA currently considers all factors, including the per capita indicator, estimated cost of the assistance, available resources of state and local government, localized impacts, insurance coverage, and recent disaster, among other factors. FEMA will examine factors that provide a more comprehensive assessment of a jurisdiction's capability to respond to and recover from a disaster and will annually track and monitor increased costs associated with adjustments to the federal cost share using existing financial information, addressing GAO recommendations.

On **September 12**, GAO released a report titled, "Biosurveillance: DHS Should Reevaluate Mission Need and Alternatives before Proceeding with BioWatch Generation-3 Acquisition." **Background:** The GAO examined DHS acquisition data and documentation related to the BioWatch program to determine the extent to which DHS used its acquisition life cycle framework to justify the need for the program and consider alternatives; the extent to which DHS developed reliable schedule, cost and performance expectations; and what remains to be done before the Generation-3 (Gen-3) technology can be produced and deployed. **Findings:** The GAO found that DHS did not fully engage in the early phases of its acquisition framework to ensure that the acquisition was grounded in a justified mission need and that it pursued an optimal solution. **Recommendations:** The GAO offered two recommendations designed to help ensure that Gen-3's public health and risk mitigation benefits justify the cost, and that DHS bases its acquisitions decisions on reliable performance, cost, and schedule information developed in accordance with guidance and best practices. GAO recommended that before moving forward with the Gen-3 acquisition, DHS (1) re-evaluate mission need and systematically analyze alternatives based on cost-benefit and risk information; and (2) update other acquisition documents to reflect any changes that result from the reevaluation of mission needs and alternatives. DHS concurs with the two recommendations but plans to move forward with the request for proposals for Gen 3 performance testing while addressing the recommendations. **Response:** DHS has implemented several enhancements to significantly improve acquisition management and program execution, including Management Directive (MD) 102-01 and Acquisition Review Boards (ARB). On August 16, 2012, the Department conducted an ARB after which an Acquisition Decision Memorandum (ADM) was issued directing BioWatch to complete and Analysis of Alternatives (AOA) and a Concept of Operations, addressing a GAO recommendation to analyze alternatives to the BioWatch system based on cost-benefit and risk information.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

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- On **September 17**, the Transportation Security Administration will host China's Director General Song for a tour of the Transportation Security Integration Facility in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Office of Citizenship plans to announce recipients of the FY 2012 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. Nearly \$5 million will be awarded to approximately 31 organizations that support citizenship preparation services for permanent residents.
- On **September 17**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Mark Koumans will participate in a naturalization ceremony at the Shelburne Museum in Shelburne, VT. Open press.
- On **September 17**, Management Directorate Chief of Staff Vincent Micone will participate in a naturalization ceremony at the Richard J. Daley Center in Chicago, IL. Open press.
- On **September 18**, Under Secretary of Management Rafael Borrás will participate in a naturalization ceremony at the Campbell Heritage Theater in Campbell, CA. Open press.

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- On **September 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski, Assistant Secretary for State and Local Law Enforcement Louis Quijas, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will deliver remarks at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual National Native American Law Enforcement Association National Training Conference in Las Vegas, NV. On **September 19**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will also deliver remarks at the conference. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Michael Locatis will discuss measuring and managing risk in cyberspace at the Software Assurance Forum in McLean, VA. Open press.
- On **September 18**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will speak to students at the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security in Monterey, CA about on the National Preparedness System, the National Preparedness Goal, and the National Planning Frameworks. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss strategies and best practices for exchanging and leveraging threat intelligence and cyber attack indicators with security professionals in government and industry at the Advanced Threats Summit in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a stakeholder engagement meeting in Los Angeles, CA to discuss USCIS issues and on **September 19** will join Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa to announce "citizenship corners" – local hubs for citizenship information – coming to all 73 City of Los Angeles public libraries. Director Mayorkas and Mayor Villaraigosa will also participate in a citizenship ceremony for children at the Los Angeles Central Library in Los Angeles, CA. Open press.
- On **September 19**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will travel to Minneapolis to participate in a naturalization ceremony at the Sabathani Community Center and a stakeholder engagement discussing immigration and the economy with local business leaders. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant John Currier will participate in a naturalization ceremony at Faneuil Hall Marketplace in Boston, MA. Open press.
- On **September 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss cybersecurity roles, responsibilities and priorities in DHS and the government at the Homeland Security & Defense Business Council's Executive Roundtable in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, the Science and Technology Directorate Homeland Security Advanced Research Projects Agency Director Paul Benda will deliver remarks at "The Implications of Maritime Security in Weapons of Mass Destruction Transportation and Global Supply Chain Security" workshop in Rome, Italy. Open press.
- On **September 20**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will visit several port facilities in the New Orleans area and address Transportation Worker Identity Credential stakeholders at the Port of St. Bernard Facility Security Officer Workgroup in New Orleans, LA. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in a community stakeholder event in Joliet, IL with St. Francis University on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in a community stakeholder event in Dallas, TX with New Hope Immigration Services at the Templo Esmirna Assemblies of God Church on the recently announced Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will join New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg to participate in a naturalization ceremony at the Morris Educational Campus in New York, NY. Director Mayorkas will administer the Oath of Allegiance and Mayor Bloomberg will provide keynote remarks. Open press.



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- On **September 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR Center) Assistant Director Lev Kubiak will deliver opening remarks on emerging threats in combating IP and commercial fraud crimes at the IPR Center Symposium for federal employees and industry stakeholders in Crystal City, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, Acting Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Dr. Huban Gowadia will participate on a panel titled, “Integrated Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosives (CBRNE) Detection and Response: Challenges and Opportunities” about CBRNE technological capabilities hosted by the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will deliver remarks emphasizing interagency collaboration and cooperation at the Import Safety Conference at the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, a component of the Department of Agriculture, in Riverdale, MD. Closed press.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver plenary keynote remarks on USCIS efforts to promote citizenship and immigrant integration at the National Immigrant Integration Conference in Baltimore, MD. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **September 21**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Acquisitions Assistant Administrator Karen Shelton Waters, a representative from the Management Directorate, and a representative from U.S. Customs and Border Protection will testify on acquisition and program management, with particular focus on the GAO report, “DHS Requires More Disciplined Investment Management to Help Meet Mission Needs.”

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **September 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant Rear Admiral Ronal Rabago will testify on the challenges of maintaining legacy assets.

#### **House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **October 2**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Deputy Director Huban Gowadia and representatives from the Office of Health Affairs and the Science and Technology Directorate will testify on weapons of mass destruction.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **September 19**, Secretary Napolitano will testify on threats to the homeland. Federal Bureau of Investigation Director Mueller and National Counterterrorism Center Director Olsen will also testify.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations**

- On **September 27**, Under Secretary of Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will testify on fusion centers.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 19**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host staff from the House Committee on Homeland Security in Glynco, GA to observe a Countering Violent Extremism class and receive a tour of the facility. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- From **September 19 to 22**, representatives from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will provide recruitment information for positions at FLETC at the Congressional Black Caucus Conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.



#### IV. Legal Issues

##### FOIA Releases

- On **August 30**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Michael Vartinen**, with *The Associated Press*, records regarding staffing, budgeting, confiscated items, and passenger throughput at the Albany International Airport. On **August 31**, DHS released to **Mark Flatten**, with the *Washington Examiner* correspondence logs which track communications from members of Congress from January 1, 2011, through July 3, 2012.
- On **September 4**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Daniel Ford**, with **Columbia Legal Services** in Seattle, WA, complaint intake documents and narratives pertaining to U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel participation in 9-1-1 dispatch activities.
- On **September 5**, DHS released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, communications between DHS personnel in response to his request for records regarding a Federal Bureau of Investigation, and/or Department of Justice, and/or federal grand jury investigation of the DHS Office of Inspector General and any related field office as well as records regarding misconduct and/or corruption allegations and/or investigations involving DHS employees from February 2012 through April 24, 2012.
- On **September 6**, DHS released to **Steven Emerson**, with *SAE Productions* in Washington, DC, records pertaining to the January 18, 2012, meeting on Countering Violent Extremism in which Secretary Napolitano participated.
- On **September 6**, DHS released to **Khaliyah Barnes** and **Ginger McCall**, with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, DC, information pertaining to the January 18, 2012, White House Conference on Domestic Terrorism.
- On **September 14**, DHS will release to **Dan Mihalopoulos**, with *The Chicago Sun-Times*, correspondence from Secretary Napolitano pertaining to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization summit meeting held in May 2012.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **September 6**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 530 AIT units at 163 airports.
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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

September 20, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the IT Inventory Management initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of \$21.5 million to date.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **September 24**, Secretary Napolitano and Lowes Hotels will host a press conference in New York, NY to jointly announce that Lowes will pay the application fee for its YouFirst premier members to apply for Global Entry membership. Open press.
- On **September 25**, Federal News Radio will interview Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford and Deputy Under Secretary for Management Chris Cumiskey on DHS efforts to secure federal networks and critical infrastructure and respond to cyber incidents of national significance.
- On **September 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will be interviewed for "The Business of Government Hour" on Federal News Radio to discuss USCIS's transformation program and the launch of USCIS Electronic Immigration System (ELIS). Open press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- By **September 21**, DHS expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Resident Nonimmigrant Population in the United States: 2010, providing estimates on the resident nonimmigrant population by category of admission, country of citizenship, state of destination, age and gender.
- By **September 25**, FEMA expects to submit to the President a set of federal interagency operational plans which address the critical tasks to be performed under the respective National Framework, meeting a requirement of Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8).
- On **September 25**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will expand its Pre✓™ initiative, which enhances aviation security by enabling TSA to focus on a risk-based, intelligence drive approach to Washington Dulles International Airport. By learning more about travelers through information they voluntarily provide, and combining that information with TSA's multi-layered system of aviation security, TSA can better focus limited resources on higher-risk and unknown passengers while providing expedited screening for travelers who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying. In **September**, TSA will also expand Pre✓™ to Newark International airport.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **September 19**, the OIG released a report titled, "FEMA's Management of Corrective Actions and Lessons Learned from National Level Exercises." **Background:** The OIG reviewed data from National Level Exercises (NLE) conducted between October 2007 and May 2011 to determine whether FEMA is managing and tracking corrective actions and lessons learned from NLE, as well as from other exercises and disasters. **Findings:** The OIG found that FEMA did not consistently track and manage corrective actions from exercises.

**Recommendations:** The OIG offered three recommendations designed to improve FEMA's efforts to track, manage, and validate corrective actions and disseminate lessons learned. FEMA concurs with these recommendations and is taking steps to implement them, but clarifies that FEMA is not responsible for certain specific issues raised in the OIG's report. **Response:** Each issue identified during an NLE that requires resolution is assigned to a department, agency, or directorate with the appropriate expertise to develop, complete, and validate the corrective action. It is each department, agency, and directorate's responsibility to validate the completed corrective action. FEMA does not have the authority to require the implementation of corrective actions identified by or assigned to other Federal departments and agencies.

### *Other Reports*

On **September 18**, GAO released a report titled, “Information Sharing: DHS Has Demonstrated Leadership and Progress, but Additional Actions Could Help Sustain and Strengthen Efforts.” **Background:** From November 2011 through September 2012, the GAO examined whether DHS has made progress since 2010 in achieving its information-sharing mission. **Findings:** The GAO found that DHS has made significant progress in achieving its information-sharing mission and noted that DHS has demonstrated leadership commitment through the establishment of the Information Sharing and Safeguarding Governance Board (ISSGB) which has enhanced collaboration among DHS components, identified key initiatives, and developed a process for providing key initiatives with additional oversight and support. **Recommendations:** GAO recommended DHS revise policies and guidance to include processes for identifying information sharing gaps, analyzing causes of gaps, and identifying, assessing, and mitigating the risks of removing initiatives from its priority list; better track and assess the progress of key information-sharing initiatives; and establish the level of capabilities programs must implement to meet the Department’s vision for 2015. DHS concurs with the GAO’s recommendations. **Response:** DHS has initiated an effort to draft a Department-wide *Information Sharing and Safeguarding Implementation Plan*, to ensure that DHS information sharing and safeguarding efforts align with the FY2012-2017 *DHS Information Sharing and Safeguarding Strategy*. The ISSGB has also conducted preliminary planning efforts to incorporate the GAO’s recommended changes to their tracking process and has initiated planning efforts to track development of specific capabilities that certain programs must meet to achieve the Department’s 2015 information-sharing vision.

On **September 19**, GAO released a report titled, “DHS Requires More Disciplined Investment Management to Help Meet Mission Needs.” **Background:** The GAO reviewed documentation on acquisition decisions between November 2008 and April 2012 to determine: the challenges faced by DHS major acquisition programs; DHS policies and procedures to effectively manage individual acquisition programs and the portfolio of acquisition programs as whole; and actions taken by DHS to address the high-risk acquisition management issues GAO identified in previous reports. **Findings:** The GAO found that nearly all DHS program managers interviewed reported their programs experienced challenges, including workforce shortfalls and funding instability. **Recommendations:** The GAO recommends DHS modify its policy to better reflect key program and portfolio management practices, ensure acquisition programs fully comply with DHS acquisition policy, prioritize major acquisition programs department-wide and account for anticipated resource constraints, and document prerequisites for delegating major milestone decision authority. DHS concurs with these recommendations and believes two have been satisfied. **Response:** Several of the concerns referenced in this GAO report occurred prior to the time period of the audit and DHS has made measurable progress since the time of the audit, including launching eight Centers of Excellence for Acquisition and Program Management, increasing program compliance with Management Directive (MD) 102-01, which provides Department-wide guidance on acquisition management, and launching a Decision Support Tool to help the Department more accurately track and assess major investment programs.

On **September 20**, GAO released a report titled, “Coast Guard: Portfolio Management Approach Needed to Improve Major Acquisition Outcomes.” **Background:** The GAO reviewed the U.S. Coast Guard’s (USCG) acquisition data and programs to determine the planned cost and schedule of USCG’s portfolio of major acquisition programs; the steps USCG has taken to develop an affordable portfolio through its requirements process; and the extent to which the USCG is using cross-directorate teams to provide oversight and inform acquisition decisions. **Findings:** The GAO found that approved acquisition program baselines for several programs do not reflect current cost and schedule plans. **Recommendations:** The GAO recommends the Commandant of the Coast Guard conduct an updated, comprehensive portfolio review to develop revised acquisition program baselines and identify the Executive Oversight Committee as the governing body to oversee acquisitions with a portfolio management approach to help ensure USCG acquires a balanced mix of assets. USCG concurs with these recommendations. **Response:** The Coast Guard plans to conduct a portfolio-wide review following submittal of the President’s FY 2014 budget request, expected during the second quarter

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of Fiscal Year 2013 and is currently in the process of revising its Acquisition Program Baselines. The Coast Guard will also identify the Executive Oversight Committee as the governing body to oversee the Coast Guard's acquisition enterprise with a portfolio management approach.

On **September 21**, GAO will release a report titled, "Countering Violent Extremism: Additional Actions Could Strengthen Training Efforts." **Background:** From October 2011 through September 2012, the GAO examined DHS's Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Training efforts, assessing the extent to which DHS and the Department of Justice (DOJ) have identified and communicated topics that CVE-related training should address to DHS components and state and local partners; concerns raised by state and local partners who have participated in CVE-related training provided or funded by DHS or DOJ; and actions DHS and DOJ have taken to improve the quality of CVE-related training. **Findings:** The GAO found that DHS has made significant progress in developing and defining CVE training curriculum and noted that DHS has worked to communicate the content of CVE training to DHS components and state and local partners. The GAO had no recommendations for DHS. **Response:** The Department is pleased to note the report recognizes DHS's efforts to develop CVE training, communicate training topics and disseminate training guidance and best practices to help improve the quality of CVE training.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **September 21 to 29**, the U.S. Secret Service (USSS), U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Coast Guard and the Transportation Security Administration will provide support for the United Nations General Assembly meeting in New York, NY. The USSS has established protective details for the 113 visiting foreign heads of state and heads of government and the 55 spouses attending the event.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will provide keynote remarks on USCIS efforts to promote citizenship and immigrant integration at the National Immigrant Integration Conference in Baltimore, MD. Open press.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will attend a stakeholder engagement with Coptic Orthodox Charities regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in West Palm Beach, FL. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Assistant Director for Custody Management Division Tae Johnson will participate in Human Rights First's second detention reform event "Dialogues on Detention: Applying Lessons from Criminal Justice Reform to the Immigration Detention System," in Irvine, CA. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will deliver remarks on CBP initiatives along our northern border, including the Beyond the Border initiative, at the Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance Conference in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with the Director General of Swedish Customs and the Director General of the Swedish Coast Guard to discuss mutual border security and supply chain security in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) will host the Fifth Annual Women's Leadership Forum, "Trailblazers: Advocacy and Women in Leadership" in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with representatives from the city of Cleveland, OH, regarding local airport operations. The meeting will take place at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 24 and 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford as well as representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate, United States Coast Guard, industry, other federal agencies, law enforcement, and state and local authorities will discuss cybersecurity issues important to the transportation sector at the Transportation Security Administration's Cyber Security in Transportation Summit in Arlington, VA. Closed press.



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- From **September 24 to 28**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a State and Local Law Enforcement Training Symposium in Glynco, GA, which will include training for state, local, tribal and territorial law enforcement officers on areas such as Anti-Human Trafficking, Law Enforcement Control Tactics, Line Officer Suspicious Activity Reporting, and Active Shooter/Threat Training Program. Closed press.
- From **September 24 to 28**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss cooperative research, development, testing, and evaluation procedures to improve cybersecurity in petroleum industry digital control systems at the “Linking the Oil and Gas Industry to Improve Cyber Security” meeting in Orlando, FL. Closed press.
- On **September 25**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will announce the launch of TSA Pre✓™ at Washington Dulles International Airport. Open press.
- On **September 25**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak to students in the “Managing Global Catastrophes” course at Yale University about FEMA. Closed press.
- On **September 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on the importance of sharing best practices and information on critical infrastructure protection in the international community at the Critical 5 meeting in Ottawa, Canada, which brings together representatives from the United States, Canada, Australia, Great Britain and New Zealand to discuss infrastructure protection issues. Closed press.
- On **September 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with representatives from the Northern Border Coalition in Washington, D.C., regarding CBP enforcement actions on the northern border. Closed press.
- On **September 26**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks to the State Directors of Public Health Preparedness at their annual meeting in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press.
- On **September 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Michael Locatis will deliver remarks on ways the public and private sectors can work together to prevent current and emerging cybersecurity threats, at the Atlanta Corporate Security Symposium in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **September 27**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss the security of federal networks at the Cybersecurity Summit panel in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **September 27**, Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis William Tarry will deliver remarks on the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and its products and capabilities at the United Parcel Service’s Security Symposium in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **September 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on homeland security and emergency management issues related to critical infrastructure at the George Washington University’s Homeland Security Policy Institute’s Preparedness, Response, and Resilience Task Force in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will host the United Kingdom’s Director of the National Crime Agency for his visit to the San Diego area of responsibility to learn more about ICE operations.
- On **September 28**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate in the FEMA Corps Induction Ceremony in Vinton, IA. Open press.
- On **September 29**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in a stakeholder engagement at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Winter Haven, FL to discuss the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks on international emergency management at the NATO Civil Emergency Planning Committee Plenary in Brussels, Belgium. Closed press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Management**

- On **September 21**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Acquisitions Assistant Administrator Karen Shelton Waters, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski and DHS Management Directorate Chief Procurement Officer Dr. Nick Nayak will testify on acquisition and program management, with particular focus on the GAO report, “DHS Requires More Disciplined Investment Management to Help Meet Mission Needs.”

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **September 25**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify at a field hearing in Louisiana on DHS response and recovery efforts related to Hurricane Isaac.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations**

- On **September 27**, Under Secretary of Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner is tentatively scheduled to testify on fusion centers.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

- From **September 22 to 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host Chairman Robert Aderholt and Ranking Member David Price of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security for a tour of CBP and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement operations in El Paso, TX, Ciudad Juárez, Mexico and Mexico City, Mexico.

### **IV. Legal Issues**

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 7**, DHS released to **John M. Simpson**, with **Consumer Watchdog** in Santa Monica, CA, e-mails related to meetings occurring between January 1, 2010 through February 4, 2011, with representatives of entities outside the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) in connection with the preparation of the green paper Commercial Data Privacy and Innovation in the Internet Economy: A Dynamic Policy Framework, or other meetings during that period that were about NTIA’s online privacy or commercial data privacy policies.
- On **September 7**, DHS released to **Randy Herschaft**, with *The Associated Press*, correspondence between DHS and Willard Mitt Romney, Willard M. Romney, W. Mitt Romney, Bain Capital, Absolute Return Capital, Bain Capital Private Equity, Bain Capital (Europe) Limited; Bain & Co., Bain Capital Ventures, Brookside Capital, Sankay Advisors, Marriott International, Inc., Tyler Charitable Foundation, or Ann D., and W. Mitt Romney Charitable Foundation.
- On **September 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Joel Millman**, with *The Wall Street Journal*, the average daily population of DHS detainees housed in U.S. county jails, chiefly in Western States, since 2009.
- On **September 10**, DHS released to **Phillip Munson**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, the correspondence log for Representative W. Todd Akin.
- On **September 10**, DHS released to **Abraham Payton**, with **American Bridge 21<sup>st</sup> Century**, in Washington, DC, and **Melanie Mason**, with *The Los Angeles Times* and *Chicago Tribune*, the correspondence log for Representative Paul Ryan.
- On **September 11**, DHS released to **Jack Gillum**, with *The Associated Press*, correspondence logs pertaining to correspondence to or from Representative Paul Ryan or his staff from January 3, 1999 through the present.
- On **September 11**, DHS released to **Megan R. Wilson**, with *The Hill*, in Washington, DC, the July and August 2012 congressional correspondence reports.
- On **September 11**, DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **J. Keith Gates**, with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, a list of DHS-OIG employees or contractors who were denied access to DHS facilities, computer networks, and job tasks.



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- On **September 11**, DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Cornelius Frolik**, with the *Dayton Daily News*, work papers from DHS-OIG report number OIG-12-17 entitled, “The State of Ohio’s Management of State Homeland Security Program and Urban Areas Security Initiative Grants Awarded During Fiscal Years 2007 through 2009.”
- On **September 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Daniel Schulman**, with *Mother Jones* in Washington, DC, ICE Homeland Security Investigations TECS reports of investigation concerning Koch-Glitsch.
- On **September 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Rebecca Lindstrom**, with *WXIA-TV* in Atlanta, GA, contracts held between ICE and privately run detention facilities in Georgia.
- On **September 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Molly Matthews**, with *Fox News Channel*, a list of the quantities of ammunition purchased by ICE as well as a list of the contracts used for ammunition procurements.
- On **September 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Manuel Valdes**, with *The Associated Press*, worksite enforcement audits completed and fines issued during fiscal years 2009, 2010, and 2011.
- On **September 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Emily Willard**, with the **National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records concerning the training of personnel in Mexico for enhanced border protection through the Merida Initiative.
- On **September 14**, DHS released to **Steven Emerson**, with *SAE Productions* in Washington, DC, and **Eileen Sullivan**, with the *Associated Press* records pertaining to the April 18, 2012 meeting at the White House with leaders of the UJA-Federation, in which Secretary Napolitano participated.
- On **September 14**, DHS released to **Amy Woodward**, with the **Independence Institute** in Denver, CO, the 2010 consolidated list of lost, stolen and damaged inventories for DHS and all sub agencies.
- On **September 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **John Verdi**, with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center**, records concerning the customization or purchase of ALPR (automatic license plate reader) systems.
- On **September 17**, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Stephen Hudak**, with *The Orlando Sentinel*, records related to the termination for the Lake Buena Vista Regional Center.
- On **September 17**, DHS released to **Mary Cox**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee**, Congressman Cornelius McGillicuddy IV’s congressional correspondence.
- On **September 18**, DHS released to **Amy Woodward**, with the *Independence Institute* in Denver, Co, inbound and outbound e-mail records for Betsy Markey for April 9-11, 2012.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **September 13**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 541 AIT units at 164 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **September 15**, 401,018 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2012, over 20.1 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **September 18**, President Obama has signed 265 major disaster declarations and 48 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$19.6 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

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## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$7.7 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to utilize federal facilities for conferences, meetings and trainings instead of renting private space.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- On **October 3**, U.S. Custom and Border Protection officers from John F. Kennedy International airport will be featured in the National Geographic show, "To Catch a Smuggler."

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- By **September 28**, DHS expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Resident Nonimmigrant Population in the United States: 2010, providing estimates on the resident nonimmigrant population by category of admission, country of citizenship, state of destination, age and gender.
- On **October 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register to extend Temporary Protected Status for Haiti for an additional 18 months through July 2014.
- On **October 1**, in collaboration with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties expects to release a new online muster briefing titled, "*Explaining Secure Communities to Your Community*" with supplemental materials on Secure Communities and civil rights issues for state and local law enforcement around the country.
- On **October 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to release a Spanish-language version of its web resource I-9 Central to provide comprehensive information on using Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **October 10**, the OIG will release a report titled, "U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements Program Issues." **Background:** The OIG conducted an audit of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) program to determine whether USCIS had established processes to monitor user compliance with the rules of the SAVE program, enforce actions when users were noncompliant, and enable benefit applicants to request record corrections. **Recommendations:** The OIG made two recommendations in its report. The first recommendation, with which USCIS concurs, is to develop a process to compile and track SAVE benefit applicant requests and referral for records correction. The second recommendation, with which USCIS non-concurs, is to implement a process for SAVE database owners to report to the Verification Division whether changes to SAVE benefit applicant records were made. **Response:** USCIS has established processes to monitor user compliance with the policies of the SAVE program, as well as policies for follow up with users who are noncompliant with SAVE program requirements. Additionally, USCIS has already begun implementing the SAVE Case Check Initiative and a Customer Relationship Management (CRM) system which will enable SAVE benefit applicants to check the status of their case online. SAVE relies upon the database records owned by USCIS and U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and it does not have the legal authority to require database owners to report corrections to applicants' records. For this reason, USCIS non-concurs with the second OIG recommendation.

### *Other Reports*

On **September 26**, GAO released a report titled, "Information Technology: DHS Needs to Enhance Management of Cost and Schedule for Major Investments." **Background:** Recognizing the size and significance of DHS' IT investments, GAO reviewed the extent to which DHS IT investments are meeting their

cost and schedule commitments; the primary causes of any commitment shortfalls; and the adequacy of DHS' efforts to address these shortfalls and their associated causes. **Findings:** GAO found that 47 of 68 major IT investments were meeting cost and schedule commitments, but that the remaining 21 had one or more subsidiary projects that were not. GAO identified preliminary costs and schedule estimates that have changed; technology issues during the development phase; changes in agency priorities; lack of understanding user requirements; and dependencies on other investments that had schedule shortfalls as the primary drivers of the cost and schedule shortfalls. **Recommendations:** GAO recommends that DHS address these issues in its policy guidance on requiring documented corrective actions when investments experience cost or schedule variances and develop corrective actions for all major IT investments with these issues. DHS agrees with these recommendations. **Response:** DHS appreciates GAO's recognition that the Department is meeting cost and schedule commitments for the majority of its major IT investments. DHS is currently revising its Acquisitions Management Directive 102-01, which guides acquisition oversight regarding corrective actions for projects supporting major IT investments that experience cost and schedule shortfalls of 10% or greater.

On **September 27**, GAO expects to release a report titled, "Homeland Security: Agriculture Inspection Program Have Made Some Improvements but Management Challenges Persist." **Background:** From August 2011 through September 2012, the GAO conducted an audit of the Agriculture Quarantine Inspection (AQI) program, managed by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). This study is a follow-up to a 2006 GAO report that issued seven recommendations to DHS and USDA related to improving management of the AQI program. GAO examined the extent to which DHS and USDA implemented GAO's 2006 recommendations; the extent to which data on arrivals, inspections and interceptions are used for managing the program; and the extent to which the views of AQI agricultural specialists have changed since 2006. **Recommendations:** GAO makes six recommendations to continue to improve AQI program management. The recommendations relate to developing a joint strategic plan for the AQI program; developing a plan for implementing a staffing model; and taking further steps to improve the reliability of AQI data. DHS concurs with all recommendations. **Response:** The Department appreciates GAO's recognition of our efforts to improve AQI program management. U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and USDA have reconvened the Joint Agency Task Force to continue discussions to develop a joint strategic plan, and are working together to develop an evaluation method for reporting, collecting and analyzing data to ensure programs have reliable, meaningful data. CBP is also working on an Agriculture Specialist Resource Allocation Model, which will help determine appropriate Agriculture Specialist staffing at our ports of entry.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **October 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will kickoff National Cybersecurity Awareness Month at an event to raise awareness and educate Americans on cybersecurity with public and private sector stakeholders in Omaha, NE. Open press.
- On **October 2**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will deliver remarks on public-private partnerships and air cargo screening at the International Air Cargo Forum and Exposition 2012 in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **October 2**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will discuss infrastructure resilience at the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Government Coordinating Council Plenary in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a stakeholder engagement with Senator Dick Durbin and Representative Luis Gutierrez regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in Chicago, IL. Open press.
- On **October 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Assistant Director Lev Kubiak will meet with representatives from professional sports leagues, including the National Basketball Association, to discuss enforcement related to counterfeit products and content piracy. Closed press.

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- On **October 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Michael Locatis will deliver remarks on security in software assurance, at the IT Security Automation Conference 2012 in Baltimore, MD. Open press.
- On **October 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers and Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss current issues and efforts in the critical infrastructure community at the Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council Annual Plenary in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on cybersecurity for critical infrastructures at the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **October 3**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with Catholic Charities at the Pastoral Center in Pensacola, FL, with The True Alliance Center in Roxbury, MA and with the United Way of Northern New Jersey/Bound Brook Library in Bound Brook, NJ. Closed press.
- On **October 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Office of Field Operations will meet with the American Immigration Lawyers Association to discuss Notices to Appear and biometrics collection in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **October 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will deliver remarks on new detention standards, updates in immigration enforcement systems and risk management at the League of United Latin American Citizens' 2012 Immigration Summit in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **October 4**, Deputy Under Secretary for Management Chris Cummiskey will deliver keynote remarks at the 2012 Federal Energy and Water Management Awards, sponsored by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program, in Washington, D.C., where DHS will be recognized for two awards: a team Project Award for U.S. Coast Guard efforts in Puerto Rico, and an individual Exceptional Service Award for Daniel Gore, the Energy Program Manager for the U.S. Coast Guard. Closed press.
- On **October 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will deliver remarks on cybersecurity challenges in emergencies to federal, state and local senior government officials and military leaders at the Fleet Week Senior Leaders Seminar in San Francisco, CA. Closed press.
- On **October 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik will deliver remarks on the use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems in homeland security operations at the National Defense Industrial Association 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium on Targets, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles and Range Operations in Orlando, FL. Open press.
- On **October 5**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with Illinois Association of Hispanic State Employees in Chicago, IL and with Centro Cristiano Hispano Church in Brandon, FL. Closed press.
- On **October 5**, U. S. Fire Administration Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell will deliver remarks on Fire Service Roles in a Whole Community Approach to Emergency Management at the Urban Fire Forum in Quincy, MA. Open press.
- On **October 5**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of International Affairs Alan Bersin is tentatively scheduled deliver remarks on the international dimensions of the homeland security mission at the Heritage Foundation in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **October 5**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will participate in bilateral meetings with the Ministries of the Russian Federation for Civil Defense, Emergencies and Elimination of Consequences of Natural Disasters in Vladivostok, Russia. Open press.
- On **October 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate is tentatively scheduled to deliver remarks at the National Firefighters Memorial Service in Emmitsburg, MD. U.S. Fire Administration Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell will also deliver remarks during the memorial weekend. Open press.



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- On **October 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Office of International Affairs Assistant Director Peter Vincent will travel to Namibia to deliver remarks on prosecuting transnational crime at the African Prosecutors Conference. Closed press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard**

- On **October 11**, a representative from U.S. Coast Guard will testify at a field hearing in Anchorage, AK, on arctic issues.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate and House Committees on Appropriations, Subcommittees on Homeland Security**

- On **October 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief committee staff on the Puerto Rico Trust Fund (PRTF.) The PRTF uses collections of duties and taxes in Puerto Rico to fund inspection of passengers and merchandise entering Puerto Rico from foreign locations as well as help combat crime focused on using Puerto Rico as a gateway to illegally introduce narcotics to the U.S.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **October 2**, FEMA Acting Chief Information Officer Ken Murphy and FEMA Senior Advisor for Technology Ted Okada will meet with staff about FEMA IT issues.
- On **October 9**, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration Senior Policy Advisor Rachel Sears will provide a briefing to staff about FEMA's efforts to adapt to climate change.

### IV. Legal Issues

#### *Litigation*

*In re Electronic Privacy Information Center*, No. 12-1307 (D.C. Cir.): On September 25, in a per curiam order, the D.C. Circuit denied plaintiff EPIC's petition for writ of mandamus to force DHS/TSA to publish a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) concerning its use of Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) to screen passengers at airports. The court of appeals took notice of the Department's representation that it was in the process of finalizing the AIT rulemaking documents, and stated that it expected DHS/TSA to publish the NPRM by the end of March 2013.

*Rodriguez v. Robbins*, No. 07-3239 (C.D. Cal.): On September 25, the Ninth Circuit denied the government's motion to stay a preliminary injunction entered by the district court (C.D. Cal.) on September 13, 2012. The preliminary injunction requires the government to identify aliens detained within the judicial district for more than 180 days pursuant to Sections 235(b) and 236(c) of the Immigration and Naturalization Act (INA), and to provide, within 30 days of the date of the order, bond hearings before an Immigration Judge with the power to grant their release. Sections 235(b) and 236(c) of the INA require mandatory detention of certain arriving and criminal aliens during removal proceedings. The Ninth Circuit ordered the government to comply with the preliminary injunction by November 12, 2012.

#### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **October 1**, the *USCIS Notice: Extension of the Designation of Haiti for Temporary Protected Status* will be published in the Federal Register.
- On **October 1**, the *U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Notice: Extension of Employment Authorization for Haitian F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of the Jan 12 2010 Earthquake in Haiti* will be published in the Federal Register.

#### *FOIA Releases*

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- On **September 18**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, spreadsheets of data related to arrests, indictments, and convictions reported in the DHS-OIG Semi-Annual Report to Congress for years 2002 through the present and records related to all investigations declined for prosecution for years 2002 through the present.
- On **September 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **David Perera**, with **Fierce Homeland Security** in Washington, DC, presentations regarding the Secure Communities program and a presentation entitled “Exercising Prosecutorial Discretion Consistent with the Civil Immigration Enforcement Priorities”
- On **September 19**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Jon Campbell**, a freelance journalist in San Diego, CA, work papers relating to OIG report number OIG-11-46, entitled “The State of California’s Management of Urban Areas Security Initiative Grants Awarded During Fiscal Years 2006 through 2008.”
- On **September 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Claire Navarro**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records from the ICE Office of Homeland Security Investigations and the ICE Office of International Affairs pertaining to the Weekly Law Enforcement Working Group meetings related to the Merida Initiative in Mexico.
- On **September 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Jeremy Redmon**, with *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* in Woodstock, GA, statistical data on individuals removed as a result of all 287(g) programs nationwide.
- On **September 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Tia Ghose**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, the National Land Border Security Plan entitled “National Land Border Ports of Entry Assessment Fiscal Year 2009 Report to Congress” and use of force incident reports by CBP employees from 2003 to present.
- On **September 25**, DHS released to **J. Keith Gates**, with the **Cause of Action**, in Washington, DC, records pertaining to the acquisition and use of commemorative items.
- On **September 25**, DHS released to **Emily Willard** of the **National Security Archive** in Washington D.C., documents relating to the February 27, 2012 meeting between Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano and Mexican representatives in Mexico City.
- On **September 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jason Cherkis**, with **The Huffington Post**, and **Jack Gillum**, with **The Associated Press**, correspondence between ICE and Representative Paul Ryan’s office dated between January 1, 2004 to the present.
- On **September 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **John Althen**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., the ICE and DHS response to the House Judiciary Committee’s August 2011 request for information concerning the Secure Communities program.
- On **September 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C. a memorandum requesting that ICE be added as a member to the Financial Fraud Task Force.
- On **September 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, released to **Jennie Pasquarella**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California**, in Los Angeles, CA, records related to the vetting and adjudication of immigration benefits applications’ with national security concerns.
- On **September 26**, DHS released to **C.A. Baldwin**, an individual in Columbine Valley, CO, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center program memorandums.
- On **September 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Ginger McCall**, and **Kimberly Koopman**, with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, DC, policies related to the use, data collection and data storage of information amassed by License Plate Recognition systems used by CBP.
- On **September 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Sally C. Newman**, with the **Southern Environmental Law Center**, in Charleston, SC, agreements with the port authority and correspondence concerning the South Carolina State Ports Authority’s cruise operations in the City of Charleston.



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- On **September 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) re-released to **Tia Ghose**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting*, in Berkeley, CA, evaluations and assessments of contractors performing background investigations for CBP from 2003 through the present.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

October 4, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Since the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2009, DHS Components have achieved printing-related cost avoidances of \$4.6 million to date by posting documents online rather than printing and improving their print management processes.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **October 6**, Reuters will run a story about U.S. Coast Guard cutters in response to the recent GAO report on the condition of legacy vessels. Assistant Commandant for Capability Captain Scott Buschman was interviewed for the story.
- On **October 9**, U.S. Fire Administration Administrator Ernest Mitchell will join Consumer Product and Safety Commission Chairman Inez Tenenbaum in a press conference to discuss fire safety and emphasize fire prevention activities in conjunction with National Fire Prevention Week.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **October 3**, OIG released a report titled, "Transportation Security Administration Has Taken Steps To Address the Insider Threat But Challenges Remain." **Background:** From September 2011 to March 2012, the OIG reviewed the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) progress toward protecting its information systems and data from the threat posed by trusted employees. **Findings:** The OIG found that TSA has made progress in addressing the information technology insider threat and conducting vulnerability assessments. However, TSA can further develop its program by implementing insider threat policies and procedures for all employees. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes four recommendations aimed at improving and implementing TSA's insider threat program. TSA concurs with two recommendations related to the development of new policies and procedures, but does not concur with two recommendations concerning workforce awareness training and technical solutions because these activities are covered by existing measures. **Response:** TSA implements a risk-based strategy to address insider threat, including protective measures to detect and prevent unauthorized use of sensitive information outside TSA's network. While TSA does not concur with the OIG's recommendation to disable USB ports on desktop and laptop computers, TSA does plan to implement alternative software security solutions to mitigate insider cyber threats due to the operational need for USB ports.

On **October 5**, OIG will release a report titled, "CBP's Strategy to Address Illicit Cross-Border Tunnels." **Background:** From December 2011 to March 2012, the OIG conducted an audit to determine whether U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has developed an operational strategy to detect and remediate illegal cross-border tunnels and has acquired sufficient tunnel detection technology. **Recommendations:** The report contained four recommendations aimed at improving coordination among the DHS-related counter-tunnel efforts, as well as enhancing leadership and oversight of these efforts. DHS concurs with all four recommendations. **Response:** CBP has worked diligently to refine operations to better detect and respond to the threats posed by cross-border tunnels. CBP is currently conducting a study to identify how CBP will address tunnel detection capabilities across the Department. DHS reviews its acquisition portfolio annually and, beginning in 2013, will include the CBP Tunnel Detection and Technology program in its review, addressing a OIG recommendation.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

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- From **October 5 to 8**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will hold bilateral meetings with officials in the Russian Ministry of Emergency Situations (EMERCOM), including EMERCOM Minister Vladimir Puchkov to discuss Russian and American approaches to emergency services development, cooperation in disaster monitoring and forecasting, and opportunities for collaboration between government and educational institutions on emergency management.
- From **October 5 to 10**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in the National Emergency Management Association 2012 Emergency Management Policy & Leadership Forum in Seattle, WA (closed press). While in Seattle, the Administrator will also participate in a Region X Town Hall meeting.
- On **October 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will deliver remarks on ICE partnerships with Latino law enforcement officers across the country at the Hispanic American Police Command Officer's Association National Training Symposium in Long Beach, CA. Closed press.
- On **October 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will participate in an ICE Mutual Agreement between Government and Employers (IMAGE) signing ceremony with JBS USA, Holdings Inc. in Washington, DC. IMAGE assists employers in targeted sectors develop a more secure and stable workforce. It also enhances fraudulent document awareness through education and training. JBS is the world's largest processor of fresh beef and pork and has 31,700 employees based in the United States. Open press.
- On **October 9**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will deliver remarks on coordinating the numerous security programs impacting motor carriers including the Transportation Worker Identification Credential, Hazardous Material Endorsements, First Observer, and Baseline Assessment of Security Enhancements at the American Trucking Association Homeland Security Policy Committee in Las Vegas, NV. Open press.
- On **October 9 and 10**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will attend the Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series in Henderson, NV. Closed press.
- From **October 9 to 11**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will provide a briefing on global supply chain resilience as well as the recent Public-Private Partnerships for Disaster Resilience Report to be published by the U.S. Department of State at the Senior Disaster Management Officials Forum, hosted by the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation's Emergency Preparedness Working Group in Vladivostok, Russia. Open press.
- On **October 10**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Public Engagement Division will host a quarterly national stakeholder engagement in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 10**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with Queens College in Queens, NY.
- On **October 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss cyber awareness at the Minnesota Cyber Security Summit in Minneapolis, MN. Open press.
- From **October 10 to 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to Ottawa, Ontario for meetings with the Canada Border Services Agency and to attend the North American Forum. The North American Forum is a community of Canadian, Mexican, and American leaders, whose purpose is to advance a shared vision of North America, and to contribute to improved relations among the three neighbors. Closed press.
- On **October 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with the Community Affairs and Resource Center in Asbury Park, NJ.
- On **October 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will deliver remarks on the latest Customs issues at the annual Customs Town Hall meeting of the Automotive Industry Action Group in Sterling Heights, MI. Open press.

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- On **October 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with Wisconsin Technical College System at the Diversity and Affirmative Action Coordinators Meeting in Wisconsin Dells, WI.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard**

- On **October 11**, a representative from U.S. Coast Guard will testify at a field hearing on arctic issues in Anchorage, AK.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- From **October 8 to 12**, staff members will visit U.S. Coast Guard and U.S. Customs and Border Protection units in Charleston, SC, Savannah, GA, and Jacksonville and Clearwater, FL.

#### **House Energy and Commerce Committee**

- On **October 11**, Office of Health Affairs staff is tentatively scheduled to brief Committee staff on the BioWatch program.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee**

- On **October 9**, FEMA Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration will brief staff on FEMA's efforts to adapt to climate change. Closed press.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **October 10**, FEMA Associate Administrator to the Mission Support Bureau will meet with staff. Closed press.

#### **Senate Banking Committee**

- On **October 11**, FEMA Director of the Defense Production Act will brief staff on the Defense Production Act. Closed press.

### IV. Legal Issues

#### *Litigation*

*Cuellar De Osorio v. Mayorkas* and *Costello v. Napolitano*, Nos. 09-56786, 09-56846 (9th Cir.) (en banc). On September 26, 2012, in a 6-5 decision, the en banc court of the Ninth Circuit rejected the government's interpretation of a provision of the Child Status Protection Act (CSPA). Appellants are lawful permanent residents who filed suits challenging USCIS's denial of their requests for priority date retention for their offspring -- derivative beneficiaries of family-sponsored visas in the F3 and F4 family-sponsored visa preference categories. The derivative beneficiaries were under the age of 21 when the original petitions were filed, but turned 21 before appellants were able to immigrate or adjust status and, in the government's view, were no longer eligible for visas as "children" of the primary beneficiaries within the meaning of the Immigration and Naturalization Act. Contrary to the government's position, the Ninth Circuit held that priority date retention benefits under the CSPA apply not only to derivative beneficiaries of the F2A preference category, but also to derivative beneficiaries of other family-based visa preference categories, including the F3 and F4 categories. In so ruling, the Ninth Circuit joined the Fifth Circuit in finding the statute unambiguous, and rejected interpretations of the statute by the Second Circuit and the Board of Immigration Appeals. The government is considering whether to pursue further review in the Supreme Court.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 19**, DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, a with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, a second interim response consisting of 32 pages of e-mails and the final mission statement pertaining to the creation of the DHS-OIG Forensic Threat Analysis Unit.

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- On **September 21**, FEMA released to **Dina Cappiello**, with *The Associated Press*; **Diane Curran**, with **Harmon, Curran, Spielberg and Eisenberg, LLP**, on behalf of **Friends of the Earth (FOE)**, in Washington, DC; **Bill Dedman**, with *MSNBC.com*; **Jim Riccio**, with **Greenpeace**; **Takeshi Yamashina**, with the *Mainichi Newspapers* in New York, NY; **Jules Zacher**, with the **Lawyers Committee for Nuclear Policy** in Philadelphia, PA; **Brad Heath**, with *USA Today*; **Takao Ikeuchi**, with *Kyodo News* in Washington, DC; **Geoffrey Fettus**, with the **Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc.** in Washington, DC; **Roberta Rampton**, with *Reuters*; **Hannah Northey**, with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC; **Rebecca Smith**, with *The Wall Street Journal*; **Tetsuro Yamada**, with *Yomiuri Shimbun*, in Washington, DC; and **Deborah Solomon**, with *The Wall Street Journal*, e-mail records and Situation Reports pertaining to Japan's Fukushima Dai-ichi incident in March 2011.
- On **September 24**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Thomas Frank**, with *USA Today*, aggregated data reports from TSA's 2006 and 2008 Organizational Satisfaction Surveys and marketing and strategy reports prepared for TSA by private contractors.
- On **September 25**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Lisa Buie**, with the *Tampa Bay Times*, complaint intake documents filed within the last three months against Pasco County government or fire rescue regarding the Staffing For Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) grant for new firefighter positions.
- On **September 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Miriam Jordan**, with *The Wall Street Journal*, and **Alan Gomez**, with *USA Today* Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals statistics.

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## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$2.4 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Energy Efficiencies and Energy Management Efficiency Review initiatives as well Component-led efforts to reduce energy consumption, through such means as installing energy efficient lighting and implementing power-management settings on desktops and laptops.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **October 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services tentatively plans to publicly post the October monthly update of data related to the Deferred Action of Childhood Arrivals process.
- On **November 16**, the *Today Show*, in partnership with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, will air a live naturalization ceremony. In addition to the ceremony, *Today* will air daily profiles of the naturalization candidates leading up to the ceremony.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **October 5**, OIG released a report titled, “U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s Penalty Process – Statute of Limitations.” **Background:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is responsible for collecting revenues and enforcing trade laws, including assessing fines and penalties to deter noncompliance. From May 2011 to January 2012, the OIG conducted an audit to determine whether effective processes are in place to ensure that assessed penalties cases do not expire due to statute of limitations. **Recommendations:** The report includes two recommendations for CBP aimed at improving the management and oversight of the penalties process. CBP concurs with both recommendations, and the OIG considers both resolved. **Response:** CBP is developing an oversight plan to ensure field office compliance with CBP guidance related to penalties and penalty case management and to ensure effective processing of penalty cases.

On **October 9**, OIG released a report titled, “TSA Management and Oversight at Honolulu International Airport.” **Background:** From August 2011 to February 2012, the OIG evaluated whether the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) ensured that Transportation Security Officers complied with baggage screening procedures at Honolulu International Airport. This review came at the request of Representatives Mica and Chaffetz following a TSA investigation of improper screening allegations at the airport and assessed performance evaluations, guidance, training requirements, and use of the National Deployment Force. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes four recommendations aimed at developing and managing changes to security procedures that should improve airport screening operations. Although TSA concurs with the recommendations, it disagrees with OIG’s assertion that screening violations might not have occurred if TSA developed changes in screening procedures more comprehensively and fully evaluated the effects of such changes. **Response:** TSA’s security measures create a multi-layered system of transportation security that mitigates risk and maximizes transportation security to stay ahead of evolving terrorist threats while protecting privacy and facilitating the flow of legitimate travel and commerce. In July 2012, TSA launched a new training course designed to help supervisors establish a leadership presence while on duty as well as technical training to support security screening measures. TSA has also begun to develop and implement performance metrics to evaluate the supervision of checked baggage areas as part of supervisory performance plans- addressing OIG recommendations.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*



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- From **October 15 to 19**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will travel to the United Kingdom to meet with counterparts to discuss international chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear issues and collaboration on biological safety and homemade explosives research. Closed press.
- On **October 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers and Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss regional resilience at the National Infrastructure Advisory Council Business Meeting in Washington, D.C, which is a 30-member council appointed by the President from private industry, academia, and state and local government. Open press.
- On **October 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will deliver remarks on public and private sector coordination to secure the federal government's networks at the Virginia Tech University Protecting Government Civilian Networks conference in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **October 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host its quarterly EB-5 stakeholder engagement in Washington, D.C. to provide updates and answer questions on the EB-5 program, also known as the Immigrant Investor Program, which helps stimulate the economy through foreign investment. Closed press.
- On **October 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will recognize the accomplishments of the federal cybersecurity workforce at the U.S. Government Information Security Leadership Awards Ceremony, in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **October 16 and 17**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Tara O'Toole will deliver remarks on maritime surveillance and detection, container security, and first responder applications during the 6<sup>th</sup> annual U.S.-Singapore Bilateral Meeting in Singapore. S&T expects to sign project arrangements for cooperation in maritime threat detection and 3D image location tracking technology which supports first responders. Closed press.
- On **October 16 and 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher and Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik will deliver remarks at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement Border Management Conference and Technology Expo in El Paso, TX. Chief Fisher will discuss the new Border Patrol National Strategy and Assistant Commissioner Kostelnik will discuss evolving threats in the air and marine environments. Congressman Silvestre Reyes will also speak at the event. Closed press.
- From **October 16 to 18**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will participate in the National Advisory Council Meeting in Arlington, VA. The National Advisory Council, comprised of emergency managers, state, tribal, and local government emergency response providers, private sector, and nongovernmental organizations, advises the Administrator on all aspects of emergency management. Open press.
- From **October 16 to 18**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver remarks on aviation and risk-based security at the International Air Transport Association in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Open press.
- On **October 17 and 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Assistant Director for Intelligence James Chaparro will travel to Rabat, Morocco to present on ICE's Illicit Pathway Attack Strategy at the Transnational Security Challenges in the South Atlantic workshop at the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF). The GCTF comprised of 30 nations focused on identifying critical civilian counterterrorism needs, mobilizing expertise and resources and enhancing global cooperation. Closed press.
- On **October 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with Consumes River College in Sacramento, CA.
- On **October 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with La Casa de Don Pedro in Newark, NJ.
- On **October 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with National Immigrant Refugee Conference in Chicago, IL.

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- On **October 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with Federal Executive Board and Interagency Council Meeting in Philadelphia, PA.
- On **October 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a Chinese-language engagement, Jiao liu, which provides Chinese Limited English Proficiency stakeholders with the opportunity to engage with USCIS in their own language. Subject matter experts will respond to questions in both Mandarin and Cantonese on immigration-related issues. Closed press.
- On **October 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Mark Weatherford will deliver remarks on the future of cybersecurity and risk management at the 2012 North American Electric Reliability Corporation Grid Security Conference, in San Diego, CA. Open press.
- On **October 18**, the Science and Technology Directorate and Georgia Tech Research Institute will host the 2012 Open Cyber Security Summit in Washington, D.C. for leading experts in cybersecurity to discuss open source solutions, tools, applications, methods, and best practices for information sharing and collaboration. Closed press.
- On **October 18**, the Office of the CIS Ombudsman will host its Second Annual Conference in Washington, D.C., for more than 200 public and private stakeholders as well as federal, state and local officials. Topics include recent immigration-related policy initiatives, court cases and inter-agency partnerships. Representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will also participate in the event. Open press.
- On **October 18 and 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with British law enforcement counterparts in London, United Kingdom to discuss trans-Atlantic policing and increasing collaboration between the two countries. Closed press.
- On **October 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will deliver the keynote address to an audience of customs brokers and freight forwarders regarding CBP's trade facilitation mission at the 2012 Western Cargo Conference in San Diego, CA. Closed press.
- On **October 19**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in the retirement ceremony for General Craig McKinley from the National Guard. Open press.
- On **October 22**, FEMA Deputy Administrator, Richard Serino, will deliver keynote remarks on "Strengthening Regional Resilience: A Whole Community Approach" at the Northeast Disaster Recovery Information Exchange in Newport, RI. Open press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs**

- On **October 15**, representative from U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Transportation Security Administration will brief committee staff on air cargo security. This briefing was requested by committee staff.

#### **House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **October 24 and 25**, committee staff is tentatively scheduled to travel to Louisiana and Mississippi to observe communities affected by Hurricane Isaac and Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **October 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host Representative Susan Davis for a tour of the San Ysidro Port of Entry. Closed press.
- On **October 18**, Congressional staff from the Senate Finance; Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions; Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Senate Judiciary; and House Judiciary committees and staff from the offices of Representatives Fred Upton, Scott DesJarlais, Steve Chabot, Pete

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Stark, Joseph Crowley, Jeff Duncan and Senator James Risch will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection Cargo Security Initiative operations in Taiwan. Closed press.

- On **October 19**, FEMA Office of Response and Recovery (ORR) Associate Administrator William Carwile and Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration Administrator David Miller will brief FEMA's Authorizing and Appropriations staff on catastrophic housing, the Disaster Assistance Recoupment Fairness Act, WebEOC, and the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **October 2**, DHS briefed OMB on the U.S. Coast Guard, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) – Reader Requirements, which proposes requiring owners and operators of certain vessels and facilities regulated by the Coast Guard to use electronic readers designed to work with the Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) as an access control measure. This NPRM also proposes additional requirements associated with electronic TWIC readers, including recordkeeping requirements for those owners and operators required to use an electronic TWIC reader, and security plan amendments to incorporate TWIC requirements.
- On **October 4**, OMB concluded review of the DHS Guidance, *Protecting Responders' Health During the First Week Following a Wide-Area Anthrax Attack*, which provides recommendations for protecting personnel responding to a wide-area anthrax attack from developing anthrax as a result of exposure to aerosolized Bacillus anthracis spores and for minimizing the amount of exposure in the first week of a response. Protective measures include the same medical countermeasures (i.e., drugs, vaccine) that would be made available to the general population, personal protective equipment (PPE), and other possible work practices based on their job tasks. Publishing date TBD.

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 28**, the DHS released to **Paul Chassy**, with **Project on Government Oversight** in Washington, DC, the Balanced Workforce Strategy Tool.
- On **September 29**, DHS released to **Josh Margolin**, with the *New York Post*, events pertaining to the tenth anniversary of the 9/11 attacks.
- On **October 1**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Susan Ferriss**, with the **Center for Public Integrity** in Washington DC, I-130 data denial classifications for fiscal years 2000 through 2011 and a presentation regarding unlawful presence.
- On **October 1**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Lee Davidson**, with *The Salt Lake Tribune*, the amounts and types of potential weapons and other prohibited items surrendered or confiscated at security gates at each airport in the United States from January 1, 2005 through the present.
- On **October 1**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Sara Clarke**, with the *Orlando Sentinel*, TSA Incident Reports, TSA Incident Report Witness Summaries and Memoranda for Record from the Orlando International Airport from October 1, 2008 through the present.
- On **October 2**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency released to **A. Shelby Easterly, III**, with the **Easterly Law Firm** in Denham Springs, LA, records related to the disaster declaration application from Livingston Parish, LA.
- On **October 4**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, spreadsheets pertaining to travel records and schedules for Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards from fiscal years 2011 through 2012 and former Inspector General Richard Skinner from fiscal years 2005 through 2011.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (September 2012):** TSA referred 24 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 138 firearms and 48 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.

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## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has avoided costs of \$17.3 million through an initiative to leverage the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of furniture in the National Capital Region through several new strategically sourced contracts.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **October 23**, the Transportation Security Administration plans to expand its Pre✓™ initiative to Honolulu International Airport. By learning more about travelers through information they voluntarily provide, and combining that information with TSA's multi-layered system of aviation security, TSA can better focus limited resources on higher-risk and unknown passengers while providing expedited screening for travelers who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **October 17 to 21**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to San Juan, Puerto Rico and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba for unit visits, including visits to Sector San Juan and AIRSTA Borinquen. Closed press.
- From **October 21 to 23**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss airport security, risk-based security, and staffing at the American Association of Airport Executives National Airports Conference in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- On **October 22**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Doug Maughan will discuss key initiatives with the Internet operations community at the North American Network Operators' Group meeting in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will deliver keynote remarks on *Strengthening Regional Resilience: A Whole Community Approach* at the Northeast Disaster Recovery Information Exchange in Newport, RI. Open press.
- On **October 23**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC) Director Lawrence Zelvin will deliver remarks on NCCIC's mission in cybersecurity at the Symantec Government Symposium in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **October 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will host a trade roundtable discussion regarding CBP trade initiatives and visit the CBP field office in New York, NY. Closed press.
- From **October 23 to 25**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Law Enforcement Executive Development Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Budapest, Hungary for representatives from Georgia, Moldova and Kazakhstan. Closed press.
- From **October 23 to 26**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will serve as a panelist on the National Roundtable on Disaster Risk Reduction in Vancouver, British Columbia. Open press.
- On **October 24**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will convene its quarterly community engagement roundtable with diverse ethnic and advocacy leaders in Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN. Closed press.
- On **October 24**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss DHS engagement with national fire and emergency service organizations at the Congressional Fire Services Institute's National Advisory Committee in Washington, D.C. Open press.



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- On **October 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will host a trade roundtable discussion regarding CBP trade initiatives and visit the CBP field office in Miami, FL. Closed press.
- On **October 24**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with National Director of Chile's National Office of Emergencies Benjamin Chacana to discuss best practices in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **October 24**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the Red Cross Philanthropic Assembly Lunch in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
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- On **October 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Joo Yung-Sup, Commissioner of the Korea Customs Service (KCS), and a delegation of KCS officials at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **October 25**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will travel to Tallahassee, FL to meet with DNDO's Executive Steering Council to discuss Radiological and Nuclear Detection leadership training, information sharing, Mobile Detection Deployment Units, and the Interagency Domestic Radiological/Nuclear Search Plan.
- From **October 25 to November 2**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will meet with security officials from Etihad, Saudi Arabian Airlines, Turkish Airlines, and Kuwait Airways and host a tour of the Transportation Security Operations Center in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **October 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will meet with Washington, DC Mayor Vincent Gray to discuss ICE partnerships in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 26**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will give discuss risk-based security initiatives at the American Bar Association Forum on Air and Space Law in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- From **October 26 to November 1**, the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss first responder technologies at the International Association for Emergency Managers Conference in Orlando, FL with emergency managers, first responders, local, state, and federal homeland security officials, and private industry. Open press.
- On **October 26**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will delivery keynote remarks at the International Association of Emergency Managers 2012 Annual Conference in Orlando, FL. During the conference, which runs through November 1, FEMA Regional Administrators and leadership will speak about various emergency management topics. Open press.
- On **October 29 and 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host the 2012 East Coast Trade Symposium in Washington, D.C. The Symposium will feature panel discussions involving CBP leadership, members of the trade community, and other government agencies on a variety of topics including global supply chain security, Beyond the Border initiatives, Centers for Excellence and Expertise, Automated Commercial Environment, and trusted trader programs. Open press.
- On **October 29 and 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection San Juan Field Operations will co-host an event with the International Finance Corporation of the World Bank to facilitate trade logistics reform and policy dialogue between ports and other stakeholders involved in cargo movement. Representatives from several Caribbean governments will participate in the event which includes a visit to facilities at the port of San Juan. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House and Senate Appropriations Committees**

- On **October 22**, FEMA and the DHS Office of the Chief Information Officer will brief staff on the status of the FEMA Information Technology modernization effort, including the strategic plan, and remaining obstacles. Closed press.

#### **House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations & Management**



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- On **October 23**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of International Affairs (OIA) Alan Bersin will meet with the subcommittee to discuss the role of OIA and their interaction with other federal partners, both domestically and abroad, to further the interests of national security and diplomacy.

#### **Senate Committee on Finance**

- On **October 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade will brief committee staff on CBP's Role of the Broker Initiative, a CBP trade transformation effort aimed to enhance the role of the broker in entry processes, and Simplified Entry. Closed press.

#### **House Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **October 25**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy David Heyman will brief the committee on Air Exit.

#### **Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Transportation, House and Urban Development and Related Agencies**

- On **October 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host committee staff in San Diego, CA, for a tour of the Otay Mesa Port of Entry commercial truck operations. Closed press.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **October 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of the Office of Emergency Communications Chris Essid and Director of National Communications Systems Ron Hewitt will staff on DHS' role in FirstNet. Closed press.

#### **Homeland Security Permanent Subcommittee on Intelligence**

- On **October 30**, Under Secretary of Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will brief committee staff on the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations Report Federal Support for and Involvement in State and Local Fusion Centers.

### **IV. Legal Issues**

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Alan Gomez**, with *USA*, Reportable Use of Force Incident Reports.
- On **October 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Jack Gillum**, with *The Associated Press*, correspondence to or from Congressman Paul Ryan or his staff.
- On **October 16**, the Science and Technology Directorate released to **Jennifer Lynch**, with the *Electronic Frontier Foundation* in San Francisco, CA, technical reports, briefings, financial reports, and data concerning the development of the DNA analyzer.
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- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **October 11**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 605 AIT units at 167 airports.
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## Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

October 25, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

As part of the DHS Efficiency Review initiative to leverage the purchasing power of the Department to acquire commonly used software licenses for DHS-wide usage, DHS recently finalized various enterprise license agreements which have achieved cost avoidances of \$278 million to date.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **October 29**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks on international collaboration in cybersecurity efforts and the Department's role in support of the President's International Strategy for Cyberspace at the EU-US Summit on the Exchange of Best Practices on Child Protection. The Secretary will also deliver remarks at the U.S. Customs & Border Protection 2012 East Coast Trade Symposium, along with CBP Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar (press TBD).
- On **October 30**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks on risk based aviation security to the International Air Transport Association in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **October 31**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in the Washington Post's Cybersecurity Forum. Open press.
- On **November 8**, Secretary Napolitano will administer the oath and deliver remarks at a children's citizenship ceremony at the U.S. Department of State in recognition of National Adoption Month (press TBD).
- On **November 11**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York, NY to deliver the keynote address at the Opening Ceremony of the 2012 NYC Veteran's Day Parade. Open press.
- On **November 12 and 13**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Boston, MA to deliver the keynote address at Northeastern University's Veteran's Day ceremony (press TBD) and speak with students at the Kennedy School's Institute of Politics at Harvard University (closed press).
- On **November 16**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York, NY to speak at a naturalization ceremony to be broadcast on NBC's Today Show.
- On **November 17 and 18**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Halifax, Nova Scotia to participate in the Halifax International Security Forum.
- On **November 21 and 22**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the G-6 Summit in London, UK.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **October 31**, Deputy Secretary Lute will attend a meeting with Electric and Nuclear Utility Chief Executive Officers and Sector Associations at the Department of Energy to discuss the sectors' response to threats, cyber security, and the respective roles and responsibilities of the private and public sectors in addressing high-impact infrastructure risks and potential threats in the electric and nuclear power sectors.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **November 5**, *NewsDay*, and *New Haven Register* will visit the Plum Island Animal Disease Center for a tour of the facility. Their intended stories are follow ups to the locally held public meetings last week about the Plum Island Environmental Impact Study. Publication date TBD.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **October 29**, Secretary Napolitano will sign a joint statement of cooperation to fight child exploitation online with European Commission Vice President Neelie Kroes at the EU-US Summit on the Exchange of Best Practices on Child Protection in Washington, D.C.

- On **October 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host a media availability at the 2012 East Coast Trade Symposium. Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will discuss the announcement of five new Centers for Excellence and Expertise on Agriculture and Prepared Products; Apparel; Footwear and Textiles; Base Metals and Machinery; Consumer Products and Mass Merchandising; and Industrial and Manufacturing Materials and the new C-TPAT export process with Japan.
- On **October 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will participate in a media event in Washington, D.C. with the Canadian Border Security Agency (CBSA) to discuss the Beyond the Border initiative. CBP Deputy Commissioner Aguilar and CBSA President Portelance will participate.

### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- On **October 31**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office expects to release the Joint Annual Interagency Review of the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Report (2012) to Congress.
- On **November 15**, in collaboration with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties expects to release a new online muster briefing titled, “*Explaining Secure Communities to Your Community*” with supplemental materials on Secure Communities and civil rights issues for state and local law enforcement around the country.
- On **November 15**, over a half million Canadian citizens who are members of the CBP Trusted Traveler Program NEXUS will become eligible to participate in TSA Pre✓™ expedited screening. This will be the first non-U.S. citizen population participating in TSA Pre✓™, and aligns with the Beyond the Border agreement. Once participating, Canadian NEXUS members will have the same expedited screening procedures as other populations, including leaving on shoes, and leaving laptops and 3-1-1 compliant in the carry-on bag. TSA Pre✓™ remains limited to domestic flights.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **October 29**, United States Fire Administration Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell will deliver keynote remarks at the 2012 International Conference for Fire & Rescue Executives – *Leading in Times of Crisis: Delivering on a Promise* in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- From **October 29 to 31**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration, including Administrator John Pistole, will discuss risk-reducing air cargo security policies and initiatives with representatives from airlines, airports, governments, academic organizations, security agencies, manufacturers and suppliers, customs and immigration authorities, as well as police and law enforcement at the International Air Transport Association Aviation Security World 2012 forum in New York, NY. Closed press.
- From **October 29 to November 9**, the U.S. Secret Service Electronic Crimes Special Agent Program will provide a Mobile Device Data Recover course at the National Computer Forensics Institute in Hoover, AL for state and local investigators. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will receive the inaugural International Police and Public Safety 9/11 Medal for Maritime, awarded for significant contributions to furthering the protection of the public in fighting terrorism and transnational crime, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will receive an International Public Safety 9/11 Medal for Border Management at the 2012 International Association of Airport and Seaport Police 9/11 Security Forum in New York, NY. FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will not attend, but is being recognized with the 9/11 Medal for Emergency Management. Open press.
- On **October 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in a community event hosted by Representative Gene Green at Milby High School with Community Lawyers Inc. to discuss the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in Houston, TX.
- On **October 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss infrastructure protection and resilience at the National Strategy Forum in Chicago, IL. Open press.

- On **October 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Counselor for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will participate in a roundtable discussion on cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection at the Third Worldwide Cybersecurity Summit in New Delhi, India. Open press.
- On **October 30**, Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will discuss threats and trends in the energy sector at the Advanced Energy 2012 Conference in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **October 30**, US-VISIT Director Robert Mocny will discuss partnerships, international outreach, and privacy protection at a conference entitled “Building Connections: Biometrics Exhibition and Conference 2012” in London, England. Open press.
- On **October 31**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss the nexus between physical and cyber infrastructure resilience at the SecureTech 2012 in Ottawa, Canada. Open press.
- From **October 31 to November 2**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Law Enforcement Executive Development Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Gaborone, Botswana for representatives from Botswana, Kenya, Mauritius, Namibia, Nigeria and Uganda. Closed press.
- On **November 1**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will discuss federal law enforcement training and accreditation at the 10th Annual Federal Law Enforcement Training Accreditation Board in Baltimore, MD. Open press.
- On **November 1**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will discuss risk-based security initiatives at the Security Analysis and Risk Management Association Conference in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **November 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with his Canadian counterpart in Washington, D.C. to discuss the Beyond the Border initiative. Closed press.
- On **November 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with United Kingdom Border Force Interim Director General Tony Smith to discuss ongoing joint initiatives in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **November 2**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will deliver remarks at the Institute of Medicine Committee on Identifying and Prioritizing New Preventative Vaccines for Development Public Workshop in Washington, D.C. The workshop will bring together representatives from the Federal government, private and international stakeholders. Open press.
- On **November 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with the New Americans Program and the United Way New Jersey in Sayreville, NJ.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **House Committee on Homeland Security**

- On **October 29**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide a Nuclear Sector briefing to staff.
- On **October 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Director of Office of Emergency Communications Chris Essid will brief staff on DHS’ role in FirstNet.
- On **November 2**, representatives from the Federal Protective Service will provide a briefing and demonstration on the Modified Infrastructure Survey Tool for staff.
- On **November 2**, representatives from National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide a cybersecurity program update for staff.

##### **House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **October 30**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner and State and Local Program Director Scott McAllister, together with FEMA, will brief staff on the Department’s response to the recent fusion center report.

- On **October 31**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Caryn Wagner will meet with staff.

## V. Legal Issues

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **October 17**, DHS made another production of documents in response to a request by Chairman of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Darrell Issa and Senator Chuck Grassley relating to their investigation of the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: spending on conferences, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, and the performance of the BioWatch program.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 11**, **Alicia Caldwell**, with *The Associated Press*, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services a statistical breakdown of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals including, applications received, the number of applicants scheduled for fingerprints or other biometric exams, the number of applications approved and denied and the number of applications in which additional evidence has been requested from the applicant to date.
- On **October 11**, **Maria Zamudio**, with *The Chicago Reporter*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement information pertaining to the number of medical repatriations since 2007 and specific information detailing medical repatriations conducted in Illinois.
- On **October 11**, **Jon Burstein**, with the *Sun Sentinel* in Fort Lauderdale, FL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records relating to internal investigations into the conduct of Anthony Mangione, the former Special Agent-in-Charge of ICE's South Florida office.
- On **October 11**, **Danny Hakim**, with *The New York Times*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of an incident reporting database for immigrant detention facilities run or regulated by ICE.
- On **October 11**, **Mike Ahlers**, with *CNN*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration video footage of screening which occurred in December 2010 at Honolulu International Airport.
- On **October 12**, **Scott MacFarlane**, with *COX TV* in Washington, DC, requested from DHS records regarding: (1) political appointees at DHS who began work on or after January 20, 2009; (2) correspondence in 2011 and 2012 from DHS employees to or from the offices of Representative Michael Turner; Representative John Mica; Representative John Lewis; Representative Paul Broun; Representative Sue Myrick; Representative Silvestre Reyes; Representative Nancy Pelosi; Representative George Miller; Senator Johnny Isakson; Senator Bob Casey; Senator Sherrod Brown; and Senator Richard Burr; (3) financial records discussing or documenting payments to the following companies in relation to requests for personal data and/or account information: Facebook, MySpace, Google/Gmail, Yahoo, and AOL; and (4) memorandums of understanding or memorandums of cooperation between DHS and the following companies and universities: Exxon/Mobil, Coca-Cola, Wells-Fargo, Bank of America, Massey Energy, Starbucks, Disney, British Petroleum, Georgia Tech University, Wheeling Jesuit University, West Virginia University, Alaska Airlines, and Delta Airlines.
- On **October 12**, **Miriam Jordan**, with *The Wall Street Journal*, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services statistics for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals from August 15, 2012 through the present.
- On **October 12**, **Jason Ryan**, with *ABC News*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records from ICE's Office of Professional Responsibility that address ICE employees and agents allegedly soliciting prostitutes, and the disposition of the allegation from January 1, 2007 through May 30, 2012.
- On **October 15**, **Abraham Payton**, with the *American Bridge 21st Century* in Washington, DC, requested from DHS correspondence between Governor Christie and Secretary of Homeland Security from 1995 through the present; correspondence between the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Office of the Governor of New Jersey from January 19, 2010 through the present; and correspondence between the

Secretary of Homeland Security and the Office of the United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey from January 17, 2008 through December 1, 2008.

- On **October 15, Scott MacFarlane**, with *Cox TV* in Washington, DC, requested from FEMA records regarding the legality of recovering improper payments disbursed through FEMA's Emergency Food and Shelter Program from January 1, 2011 through the present.
- On **October 15, Michael Keller**, with *Newsweek* and *The Daily Beast*, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) various administrative records from TSA's Office of the Ombudsman.
- On **October 15, Alison Sider**, with the *Dow Jones Newswires*, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) the Notice of Federal Interest issued to BP and Transocean and written joint plan submitted by BP and Transocean this month to identify the source of an oil sheen located in the Gulf of Mexico.
- On **October 15, Mark Schleifstein**, with *The Times-Picayune* in New Orleans, LA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard correspondence to and from Transocean and the FOISC or other Coast Guard officials concerning the Notice of Federal Interest issued to BP and Transocean on October 9, 2012.
- On **October 15, Inkoo Kang**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard documents relating to the Coast Guard's participation in the production of the film *Battleship* (2012).
- On **October 16, Sheryll Lamothe**, with *Inside Edition* in Culver City, CA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard an audio copy of audio transmission concerning the report of an unattended skiff at Poison Bay on Chichagof Island, which resulted in the discovery of a fatal bear mauling attack.
- On **October 16, Shoba Sivaprasad Wadhia**, with **The Center for Immigrants' Rights** in State College, PA, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining Applicants for deferred action since June 17, 2011; and Applicants Consideration of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals since August 15, 2012.
- On **October 16, Jonathan Selden**, with *Austin Daily*, in Austin, TX, requested from the U.S. Secret Service a list of persons (excluding government employees, campaign staff, campaign invitees, or security personnel) who attended or were present at a Romney for President campaign event held at the home of Marc Leder in Boca Raton, FL on or about May 17, 2012; and information relating to any investigation of the secret video, names and identities of people who may have made the secret video recording and any investigation into these persons.
- On **October 17, Sam Knight**, a freelance journalist in Washington DC, requested from the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties the homeland information report draft about "Ten Book Recommendations for Every Muslims" referenced on page 36 of the United States Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs report on "Federal Support for and Involvement in State and Local Fusion Centers," published October 3, 2012 and a copy of the 2011 Margo Schlanger presentation that was referenced on page 36 of the aforementioned report on "Federal Support for Involvement in State and Local Fusion Centers," published October 3, 2012.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 3, 2012**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Brian Maas**, with *CBS*, records pertaining to various civil enforcement actions at Denver International Airport for 2008, 2009, and 2010.
- On **October 18**, the DHS Office of Inspector General issued to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, a full denial in response to his request seeking records of complaints or investigations pertaining to former U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Chief of Staff Suzanne Barr.
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- On **October 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Robert Pinto**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union**, records concerning ICE enforcement operations conducted in Jackson County, NC.
- On **October 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Kevin Rothstein**, with *WFXT Fox 25 News* in Dedham, MA, a spreadsheet containing Secure Communities interoperability statistics for Massachusetts broken down by jurisdiction.
- On **October 23**, DHS released to **Josh Margolin**, with *The New York Post*, records related to the Republican and Democratic National Conventions.
- On **October 23**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Laura Batchelor**, with *CNN*, an internal memo, "EWR Commitment to Excellence," which was allegedly distributed to TSA terminal managers, executive staff and more than 100 supervisors during two meetings held on April 7, 2011, at Newark Liberty Airport.
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Department of Homeland Security

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November 1, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the travel initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reduced travel expenditures by eliminating non-mission critical travel and leveraging web-base communications. This initiative has resulted in a cost avoidance of more than \$13.5 million, to date.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- Continued media attention on FEMA's response and recovery operations in states impacted by Hurricane Sandy is expected.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **October 31**, GAO released a report titled, "Taking Further Action to Better Determine Causes of Morale Problems Would Assist in Targeting Action Plans." **Background:** Using data from the Office of Personnel Management Federal Employee Viewpoint Surveys from 2004 to 2011, GAO analyzed how DHS' employee morale compared with that of other federal employees and the extent to which DHS and selected components have determined the root causes of employee morale, and developed action plans to improve morale. **Findings:** GAO found that DHS employees reported having lower average morale, but morale varied across components and employee groups within the department. **Recommendations:** GAO offered two recommendations to support DHS in assessing its efforts to address employee morale problems and determine if changes are needed to ensure DHS can meet its goals. DHS concurs with these recommendations. **Response:** DHS is focusing on improving employee engagement by continuing to improve employee communication and training, highlighting employee recognition, and strengthening the leadership skills of employees at every level. Earlier this year, the Secretary created an Employee Engagement Executive Steering Committee—comprised of Component leadership—that meets regularly to share best practices across the Department and identify ways to continue to improve the work environment.

### *GAO Reports*

On **November 2**, GAO will release a report titled, "Evaluation of DHS' Information Security Program for Fiscal Year 2012." **Background:** Between April and August 2012, the OIG conducted an evaluation of the DHS' information security program and practices to comply with the requirements of the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA). FISMA focuses on the program management, implementation, and evaluation of the security of unclassified and national security systems. **Findings:** The OIG found that DHS has continued to improve and strengthen its security program and over the past year has developed and implemented the Fiscal Year 2012 Information Security Performance Plan to focus on areas of improvement throughout the year. **Recommendations:** The OIG offers six recommendations to the Chief Information Security Officer designed to improve information security. DHS concurs with these recommendations and has begun taking steps to implement them. **Response:** The DHS Fiscal Year 2013 Information Security Scorecard will utilize continuous monitoring data feeds from component and will be used to estimate gaps and ensure compliance, addressing three of the OIG's recommendations. DHS is also revising its enterprise security authorization tool with streamlined templates and controls in an effort to improve the quality of the security packages reviewed by the Information Security Officer and to ensure the required security tools and controls are completed.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **November 1 through 10**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will be actively involved in responding to Hurricane Sandy.

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- On **November 3**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will participate in the commissioning of the 7th Coast Guard District's third Fast Response Cutter, USCGC William Flores, in Tampa, FL. Open press.
- From **November 3 to 10**, representatives from the DHS Office of International Affairs, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will attend the 81<sup>st</sup> INTERPOL General Assembly in Rome, Italy. Closed press
- On **November 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will attend a stakeholder engagement with the Columbia County school district regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in Lake City, FL. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will attend a stakeholder engagement with Latino Memphis, a Hispanic advocacy group, regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in Memphis, TN. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Igor Kalietnik, Chairman of the State Customs Service of Ukraine to discuss cooperation in contraband enforcement, customs violations and narcotics enforcement in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will deliver remarks on information sharing and international law enforcement cooperation at the INTERPOL General Assembly in Rome, Italy. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, Acting Chief Privacy Office Jonathan Cantor will meet with Justice and Home Affairs Counselor Filip Jasinski, the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Poland to the European Union, to discuss privacy issues. Closed press.
- On **November 7**, Acting Chief Privacy Office Jonathan Cantor will provide an update on DHS Office of Privacy activities to the Data Privacy & Integrity Advisory Committee in Washington D.C. Open press.
- On **November 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR Center) Assistant Director Lev Kubiak will deliver an overview of the IPR Center and discuss how rights holders can benefit by working with the IPR Center at the International Trademark Association Leadership Meeting in Orlando, FL. Closed press.
- On **November 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will attend a stakeholder engagement with the Atlantic City Board of Education regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in Atlantic City, NJ. Closed press.
- On **November 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will attend a stakeholder engagement with Region One Education Service regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in Edinburg, TX. Closed press.
- On **November 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will attend a stakeholder engagement with WEST and other non-profits regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in Durham, NC. Closed press.
- On **November 8**, the Science and Technology Directorate will demonstrate an inflatable tunnel plug in Morgantown, WV, designed to prevent flooding in mass transit tunnels. No public impact expected. Closed press.
- On **November 8**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will brief the University of Texas-Austin's Immigration and Nationality Law Conference on the work of the Ombudsman's Office. Attendees will include private practitioners, non-government organization, and state and local officials. Closed press.
- On **November 8**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will present on business visas and an overview of the office and how it assists employers and individuals petitioning before U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at a DC Bar Continuing Legal Education event. Closed press.
- On **November 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Winkowski will participate in a panel discussion titled, "Made in North America: Manufacturing, Supply Chain, Transportation, Logistics and Border Security" during the U.S.-Mexico Chamber of Commerce Mid-America Chapter Seminar in Chicago, IL. Open press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Briefings and Travel*

- On **November 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representatives in Buenos Aires, Argentina, will host Representatives Spencer Bachus, Shelley Moore Capito, William Lacy Clay, Luis Gutierrez, Doug Lamborn, Frank Lucas, Richard Neal, Pat Tiberi, Fred Upton, Greg Walden, and Ed Whitfield for a tour of CBP operations at the Port of Buenos Aires. Closed press.

### IV. Legal Issues

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Alejandro Martínez-Cabrera**, with *El Paso Times*, video tape consisting of southbound traffic and northbound lanes adjacent to the southbound lanes at the International Bridge of the Americas in El Paso, TX on April 17, 2012.
- On **October 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Tia Ghose**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, records pertaining to tunnels located at the border since 1990.
- On **October 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, ICE e-mails and communications concerning the Prosecutorial Discretion Pilot Program in Baltimore and Denver and copies of ICE prosecutorial discretion policies.
- On **October 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Carroll**, with *The Houston Chronicle* the ICE Office of Professional Responsibility investigative closing report concerning Ricardo Rojas Martinez, who died in ICE custody on December 19, 2011.
- On **October 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Gregory Korte**, with *USA Today*, correspondence between DHS and the House Committee on the Judiciary concerning the November 4, 2011 subpoena issued by the House Subcommittee on Immigration Policy and Enforcement and congressional correspondence identified in the congressional correspondence log on the ICE FOIA Library.
- On **October 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Chris Kirkham**, with *The Huffington Post*, inspection reports on ICE-owned or contracted detention facilities from January 1, 2008 through the present and records pertaining to ICE's Congressional correspondence and telephone logs from 2004 through the present.
- On **October 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, records concerning the National Immigration Law Center (NILC) publication "The All-In-One Guide to Defeating ICE Hold Requests."
- On **October 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Robert Pinto**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in Raleigh, NC, records concerning ICE enforcement operations conducted in Jackson County, NC.
- On **October 24**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Barbara Elias**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records referenced in the 9/11 Commission Report.
- On **October 25**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, travel vouchers pertaining to travel records and schedules for Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards from fiscal years 2011 through 2012 and former Inspector General Richard Skinner from fiscal years 2005 through 2011.

### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **October 25**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 633 AIT units at 167 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 27**, 409,957 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 1.9 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **October 30, 2012**, President Obama has signed 271 major disaster declarations and 60 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$20.2 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

November 08, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$10 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce costs through improved management of DHS facilities. For example, Components have consolidated offices, cancelled planned office expansions, and purchased, rather than leasing office space to achieve cost avoidances.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- During the week of **November 12**, FEMA expects continued media attention on the agency's response and recovery operations in states impacted by Hurricane Sandy.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **November 9**, the OIG will release a report titled, "Personnel Security and Internal Control at TSA's Legacy Transportation Threat Assessment and Credentialing Office." **Background:** From January to May 2012, the OIG evaluated whether position descriptions and background investigations at the TSA's Transportation Threat Assessment and Credentialing Office (TTAC) are appropriate for employees' authority and responsibility levels, comply with Federal laws and regulations, and have adequate internal controls in place to provide oversight of personnel workplace activities. **Findings:** The OIG found that TSA employee background investigations met Federal adjudicative standards, but were not timely. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes eight recommendations aimed at improving background investigations, internal controls, staffing models, data system development coordination and to establish an independent panel for legacy TTAC employees to request review of assignments. Although TSA concurs with seven recommendations, it disagrees with OIG's recommendation to establish an independent panel through which legacy TTAC employees may request a review of desk audits and reassignments because multiple levels of controls in existing policy and procedures ensure independence and objectivity in the classification process. **Response:** The TTAC was established as the lead for conducting security threat assessments and credentialing initiatives for domestic passengers on public and commercial modes of transportation, industry workers, and individuals seeking access to critical infrastructure. In December 2012, TSA will begin using DHS electronic Integrated Security Management Systems to record and manage all background investigations and security clearance information to provide TSA leadership with monthly updates on the number of pending cases.

On **November 13**, the OIG will release a report titled, "DHS' Oversight of Interoperable Communications."

**Background:** In response to the 9/11 Commission Report, DHS began developing interoperable radio communications and has invested approximately \$430 million to meet communications requirements. From March 2011 to March 2012, the OIG assessed whether DHS' oversight ensured achievement of Department-wide interoperable radio communications. **Findings:** The OIG found that DHS should take additional steps to provide effective oversight to ensure that its components achieved Department-wide interoperable radio communications. **Recommendations:** The OIG made two recommendations. DHS concurs with one recommendation to develop and disseminate policies and procedures to standardize Department-wide radio activities, but disagrees with the recommendation to create a structure with the necessary authority to ensure that components achieve interoperability. **Response:** DHS has created policies, guidance, and templates to aid in achieving interoperability for first responders and has provided assistance to state and local agencies through Federal Homeland Security grants, which have allowed them to enhance the interoperability of their emergency response systems. The Department believes that it has already established a structure with the necessary authority to ensure that its components achieve interoperability and will continue to leverage existing structures



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to implement and enforce policies and procedures. DHS has also directed its components to develop a departmental interoperability plan in order to standardize Department-wide radio activities.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **November 11**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to New York, NY to participate in the Veteran's Day Parade. Open press.
- On **November 12 and 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to the South Texas area of operations for site visits. Closed press.
- On **November 13**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with the National High School Equivalency Program and College Assistance Migrant Program Conference in South Padre Island, TX.
- On **November 13**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with "Commitment to Schools" in Phoenix, AZ.
- On **November 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Borkowski will deliver remarks regarding technology and innovation in border security at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Conference on Technologies for Homeland Security in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **November 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss current security and general aviation issues at the National Air Transportation Association Business Aviation Roundtable in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **November 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will highlight security procedures ahead of the holiday travel period at Washington National Airport in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **November 13**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will participate in stakeholder meeting focused on the work of the Ombudsman's Office and how the office can assist with family-based immigration issues hosted by Diocesan Migration and Refugee Services in El Paso, TX. Closed press.
- On **November 13**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Service Ombudsman will present on trends in employment-based immigration and how the Ombudsman's Office may be able to assist at the American Immigration Lawyers Association, Washington, D.C. Chapter's Fall 2012 Immigration Conference. Press TBD.
- On **November 13**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will deliver remarks on the US-Mexico border at the Sovereign Challenge 10- Beyond Borders Seminar in San Diego, CA. Open press.
- On **November 13 and 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on security as it relates to smart grid technology, Science & Technology Directorate Deputy Director of the Cyber Security Division Scott Tousley will discuss cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection, and US-VISIT Chief Technology Officer Greg Ambrose will deliver remarks on US-VISIT's Identity Management and Emerging Technologies at the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Conference on Technologies for Homeland Security in Waltham, MA. Open press.
- From **November 13 to 15**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss the National Cargo Security Program at the China Air Cargo Summit in Guangzhou, China. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals at Gwinnett County Resource Center in Duluth, GA.
- On **November 14**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will speak to faculty and students at the University of California Berkeley School of Law on his previously published law review article, "*Lines and Flows: The Beginning and End of Borders.*" Closed press.
- On **November 14**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss risk-based security priorities at the National Airline Carrier Association Board of Directors meeting in Rosslyn, VA. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman, Maria Odom, will deliver remarks at the "Baltimore Immigration Summit" at Towson University in Baltimore, MD to provide an



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overview of the Ombudsman's Office and discuss issues related to employment-authorized immigrants and their employers. Audience members will include academics, service providers, and community leaders. Press TBD.

- On **November 14 and 15**, the Science and Technology Directorate and the U.S. Coast Guard will co-host a maritime symposium at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, CA, focused on maritime risk and economic assessments and risk management/resource allocation methodologies applicable in the maritime domain. Closed press.
- On **November 14 and 15**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with the Wisconsin Technical College System in Appleton, WI.
- On **November 14 and 15**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Service Ombudsman will present on grounds of inadmissibility, waivers, and consular processing at the Catholic Legal Immigration Network's (CLINIC) "Training on Selected Issues in Family-based Immigration". Audience members will include CLINIC staff members, attorneys, and immigration professionals. Closed press.
- On **November 15**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will deliver remarks on the priorities, goals, and challenges for the Management Directorate at the Washington Homeland Security Roundtable and participate in an open dialogue with industry members and public officials. Closed press
- On **November 15**, representatives from Science and Technology Directorate will discuss emerging security challenges and interdisciplinary collaboration in combating advanced cyber threats at the Advanced Cyber Security Center Working Conference in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **November 15**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the Save the Children: *Child Care Emergency Preparedness Symposium*, in Washington D.C., about FEMA's partnership with the organization. Open press.
- On **November 15**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will co-chair the Emergency Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Working Group during the HOPE Global Financial Dignity Summit in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **November 15 and 16**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Doug Maughan will discuss the security and integrity of Internet protocols at the Security and Stability Advisory Committee workshop of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers in Los Angeles, CA. Closed press.
- On **November 16**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals at an American Immigration Lawyers Association-sponsored community liaison event at Drake University in Des Moines, IA.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **November 15**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Capabilities Assistant Administrator John Sanders and DHS Privacy Office Acting Chief Privacy Officer Jonathan Cantor will testify on privacy and health concerns related to TSA screening machines equipped with Advanced Imaging Technology.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security and House Committee on Ways and Means**

- On **November 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief committee staff and the Louisiana delegation on the Continued Dumping and Subsidy Offset Act and Anti-Dumping issues. Closed press.

### **IV. Legal Issues**

#### *FOIA Releases*

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- On **October 31**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, with **COX TV** in Washington, DC, correspondence in 2010 from the Administrator of TSA to members of Congress which are held in the Administrator's personal correspondence file.
- On **November 1**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **J. Keith Gates**, with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, e-mails from the Office of Investigations pertaining to the use and acquisition of commemorative items.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Weekly Statistics (October 2012):** TSA referred 14 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 146 firearms and 36 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **November 1**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 640 AIT units at 167 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 3**, 411,249 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 2.3 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **November 6**, President Obama has signed 273 major disaster declarations and 60 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$21.8 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **Department of Homeland Security**

*Weekly Report*

November 15, 2012

### **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through Component-led efforts and DHS Efficiency review initiatives to optimize fleet management through changes as “right-sizing” fleet inventory and transitioning to hybrid vehicles, DHS has identified more than \$93 million in cost avoidances through 2015.

### **II. Travel, Speeches, and High-Profile Interviews and Meetings**

#### **Secretary Napolitano**

- On **November 16**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York, NY to speak at a naturalization ceremony to be broadcast on NBC’s Today Show and visit TBD areas in New Jersey impacted by Hurricane Sandy with Secretary Donovan.
- On **November 20 and 21**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the G-6 Summit in London, UK. The Secretary will participate in bilateral meetings with UK Home Secretary Theresa May, Spanish Interior Minister Jorge Fernandez Diaz and German Interior Minister Hans-Peter Friedrich. Closed press.
- On **November 27**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the U.S. Customs & Border Protection 2012 East Coast Trade Symposium. Press TBD.
- On **November 27**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Bulgarian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior Tsvetan Tsvetanov as a follow-up to the Secretary’s trip in October. Closed press.
- On **November 28**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Airports Council International (ACI) North America President Greg Principato and ACI World Director General Angela Gittens to discuss screening, mutual recognition of screening technologies, Cargo Working Groups, and risk-based security programs. Closed press.
- On **November 29**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with members of the Homeland Security Advisory Council. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, Secretary Napolitano will attend the Joint Intelligence Community Council Meeting at the DNI Office (closed press). She will also meet with Mayor Landrieu regarding the closeout of Hurricane Katrina projects (closed press).
- On **December 12**, Secretary Napolitano will host FBI Director Robert Mueller for a series of briefings at the department’s National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, Secretary is tentatively scheduled to give remarks at the 2012 National High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Conference in Washington, D.C.

#### **Deputy Secretary Lute**

- On **November 20**, Deputy Secretary Lute will attend the President’s Management Council Luncheon.
- On **November 29**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with Brigadier General Tom Thomas of USCYBERCOM.

### **III. Public Affairs**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **November 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Ajo, AZ, Border Patrol Station. The facility was designed to meet LEED Silver Certification. Press TBD.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 15**, over a half million Canadian citizens who are members of the CBP Trusted Traveler Program NEXUS will become eligible to participate in TSA Pre✓™ expedited screening. This will be the first non-U.S. citizen population participating in TSA Pre✓™, and aligns with the Beyond the Border agreement. Once participating, Canadian NEXUS members will have the same expedited screening

procedures as other populations, including leaving on shoes, and leaving laptops and 3-1-1 compliant in the carry-on bag. TSA Pre✓™ remains limited to domestic flights.

- On **November 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will announce the expansion of the Centers of Excellence and Expertise Program from four to ten locations. Centers of Excellence and Expertise are industry-specific offices that share information to ensure the classification and clearance of products consistently throughout the more than 300 seaport, airport and border crossing entry points into the United States. In addition, Centers of Excellence and Expertise facilitate the timely resolution of trade compliance issues nationwide and strengthen CBP's knowledge of key industry practices.

### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- In **November**, FEMA anticipates announcing Presidential Policy Directive (PPD) 8, National Planning Frameworks. PPD-8 is designed to facilitate an integrated, all-of-nation/whole community, capabilities-based approach to preparedness. It involves federal partners, state, local and tribal leaders, the private sector, non-governmental organizations, faith based and community organizations; and the general public.
- In **November**, the Office of Health Affairs expects to release a public version of the *National Biosurveillance Integration Center (NBIC) Strategic Plan*. The plan articulates a clear approach to enhance the biosurveillance capability of the United States to deal with an array of naturally-occurring, accidental, and intentional biological threats.
- By **December**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties expects to submit to Congress the CRCL Impact Assessment on DHS Support to the National Network of Fusion Centers, which examines DHS's role in supporting the National Network in accordance with a Congressional mandate set forth in the Implementing the 9/11 Commission Recommendations Act of 2007 (9/11 Act). DHS submitted the impact assessment to OMB for inter-agency clearance in August 2012.
- In the **winter**, pending OMB review, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish a Final Rule to amend its regulations to allow certain immediate relatives of U.S. citizens who are physically present in the United States to request provisional unlawful presence waivers prior to departing from the United States for consular processing of their immigrant visa applications. This final rule will implement the provisional unlawful waiver process. DHS submitted the proposed final rule to OMB on November 7, 2012.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **November 15**, the OIG released a report titled, "**The Visa Waiver Program**". **Background:** From February to May 2012, the OIG conducted a review of the Department of Homeland Security's Visa Waiver Program (VWP) which allows nationals from designated participants to enter the United States and stay for up to 90 days without obtaining a visa from a U.S. embassy or consulate. The OIG examined the adequacy of processes used to determine a participant's initial designation as a VWP participant, and the continuing designation of current VWP members and how effectively the VWP office collaborates with key stakeholders. **Findings:** The OIG found that VWP officials maintained effective collaboration with stakeholders during the review process, but additional efforts are needed to communicate VWP compliance requirements and the criteria used to assess compliance. **Recommendations:** The OIG offered four recommendations to improve communication with interagency stakeholders in the VWP review process, the timely delivery of reports to Congress, and staffing and organizational issues. DHS concurs with all recommendations. **Response:** DHS regularly shares information regarding the VWP review process, including the statutory and policy requirements and what can be expected throughout the process, with Department of State (DOS) and embassy representatives. DHS looks forward to continuing the high level of communication and transparency with DOS and will continue to enhance such communication.

### *Other Reports*

On **November 19**, the GAO will release a report titled, "Screening Partnership Program: TSA Should Issue More Guidance to Airports and Monitor Private versus Federal Screener Performance." **Background:** From November 2011 to November 2012, GAO examined the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA)

Screening Partnership Program (SPP), which allows commercial airports to use private screeners provided that the level of screening matches or exceeds that of federal screeners. GAO assessed TSA's reported advantages and disadvantages of participating in the SPP, the extent to which TSA has provided guidance to govern the SPP application process, and the extent to which TSA assess and monitors the performance of private and federal screeners. **Findings:** The GAO found that TSA has recently improved its screener performance measures, but could benefit from monitoring private versus federal screener performance. **Recommendations:** TSA concurs with the two recommendations GAO makes to develop guidance for airports applying for the SPP and a mechanism to monitor private versus federal screener performance. **Response:** TSA concurs with GAO's recommendation to develop guidance that clearly states the criteria and process TSA uses in determining SPP participation. By November 30, 2012, TSA expects to post an overview of the application process and provide details concerning the data that will be used to approve or deny an application on the TSA website, addressing GAO's recommendation.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **November 18**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in the Seminar for New Governors in San Diego, CA. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Aguilar will meet with Saeed Ahmed Al Muhairi, Director General of Abu Dhabi Customs in Washington, D.C., to discuss ongoing collaboration between the two agencies. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will discuss challenges in the adjudication of immigration benefits at a seminar hosted by the Practising Law Institute in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **November 19 or 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in a community event with the Montgomery College Workforce Development and Continuing Education Adult ESOL and Literacy-GED Program to discuss the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process in Takoma Park, MD.
- On **November 20**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will convene its quarterly roundtable with diverse ethnic and advocacy leaders in Houston, TX. Closed press.
- From **November 20 to 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will travel to El Paso, TX to observe an Interior Repatriation flight arriving in Mexico City, Mexico. Director Morton will also travel to Ciudad Juarez, Mexico to meet with the Mexican Customs and Tax Administration Service Director Alfredo Gutierrez-Mena. Closed press.
- On **November 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will deliver remarks on information sharing and cybersecurity at the San Francisco Chief Information Security Officer Executive Summit. Closed press.
- On **November 27**, Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Undersecretary Dan Gerstein will lead a roundtable discussion at the Business Executives for National Security Meeting in Washington D.C. The discussion will focus on innovation, and partnerships with industry in moving technologies from R&D efforts to commercial industry. Closed press.
- On **November 27**, Science and Technology Directorate First Responder Group Director Robert Griffin will discuss first responder technologies and personal protective equipment R&D with more than 300 first responders, tactical operators, military personnel, and others at the Personal Protective Equipment Workshop in Hollywood, FL. Open press.
- On **November 27 and 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host the 2012 East Coast Trade Symposium in Washington, D.C. The Symposium will feature panel discussions involving CBP leadership, members of the trade community, and other government agencies on a variety of topics including global supply chain security, Beyond the Border initiatives, Centers for Excellence and Expertise, Automated Commercial Environment, and trusted trader programs. Open press. (This event was cancelled in October due to Hurricane Sandy.)
- On **November 27 and 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton, will visit the South Florida area of responsibility to meet with ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations and Homeland Security Investigations offices in Key West and Miami, FL. Director Morton will also deliver

remarks on immigration enforcement issues at the National Association of Attorney Generals meeting in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Closed press

- From **November 27 to 30**, the U.S. Secret Service National Computer Forensic Institute will provide training to local law enforcement regarding basic network investigation training in Hoover, AL. Closed press.
- On **November 28**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host an information session on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with The World's Largest Laundromat, a local business that also serves as a community center, in Berwyn, IL.
- On **November 29**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will receive the inaugural International Police and Public Safety 9/11 Medal for Maritime, awarded for significant contributions to furthering the protection of the public in fighting terrorism and transnational crime, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will receive an International Public Safety 9/11 Medal for Border Management at the 2012 International Association of Airport and Seaport Police 9/11 Security Forum in New York, NY. FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will not attend, but is being recognized with the 9/11 Medal for Emergency Management. Open press. (Rescheduled event)
- On **November 30**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host an information session on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with the Advocate's Education Taskforce of the Michigan Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights in Lansing, MI.
- On **November 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with Scott Wienke, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Foreign-Trade Zones (NAFTZ) to discuss CBP trade initiatives. NAFTZ is a public/private partnership that promotes economic development through trade. Closed press.

#### **IV. Legislative Issues**

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and House Committee on Homeland Security**

- On **November 19**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will brief staff on the Field Analytic Support Task-Force (FAST). The mission of FAST is to partner with state, local, tribal, and territorial representatives to increase the number and quality of analytic products and services tailored to regional requirements.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and the House Homeland Security Committee**

- On **November 27**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia will meet with committee members to discuss the 2012 Joint Annual Interagency Review of the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Report which was delivered to Congress on November 1, 2012.

##### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **November 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will provide a tour to Representative Gary Peters of the Fort Street Cargo Facility, the Ambassador Bridge, and the Detroit-Windsor Tunnel in Detroit, MI. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director, Lev Kubiak, will brief staff of Representatives Zoe Lofgren, Jason Chaffetz and Jared Polis on Operation in Our Sites, an Intellectual Property Rights Center initiative targeting websites being used to sell counterfeit goods and distribute pirated merchandise and copyrighted digital materials. This briefing was requested by congressional staff and will be closed press.
- On **November 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director, John Morton will meet with Representative Robert Goodlatte.

#### **V. Legal Issues**

##### *Rules and Regulations*



- On **November 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) submitted to OMB the 601 Final Rule, which seeks to amend USCIS regulations to allow certain immediate relatives of U.S. citizens who are physically present in the United States to request provisional unlawful presence waivers prior to departing from the United States for consular processing of their immigrant visa applications. This final rule will implement the provisional unlawful waiver process.
- On **November 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection submitted to OMB the Interim Final Rule regarding the definition of Form I-94 to include electronic format. I-94 departure forms and data have been used for over 20 years as a key source of information regarding immigration status. Use of the I-94 departure form and number are embedded in many verification processes and forms that Federal/State agencies and employers use to verify a non-immigrant visitor's status and eligibility for benefits or work authorization. Automation of the I-94 will improve the accuracy and timeliness of the data since it will be created in real time using the same information the officer uses for the primary inspection. In addition, CBP anticipates significant savings in data entry costs as a result of the I-94 automation program.
- On **November 9**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) submitted to OMB the Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM.) On November 16, TSA and DHS Office of General Counsel will brief OIG regarding this rule. The NPRM will revise TSA civil aviation security regulations to clarify that TSA may use AIT to screen individuals at security screening checkpoints. TSA is issuing this rule to comply with a decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, which ordered TSA to engage in notice-and-comment rulemaking on the use of AIT for screening. The Court decided that TSA should provide notice and invite comments on the use of AIT technology for primary screening.

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the week of **November 12**, DHS intends to make another production of documents in response to a request by Chairman Darrell Issa and Senator Chuck Grassley relating to their investigation of the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: spending on conferences, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, and the performance of the BioWatch program.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 1**, **Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington DC, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records regarding the scope and extent of background checks to be performed on aliens applying to the Obama administration's, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program from November 1, 2011 through the present.
- On **November 2**, **Maria Zamudio**, with *The Chicago Reporter*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement statistical information on cases involving "expedited removal" of illegal aliens nationwide for fiscal years 2007 through 2012.
- On **November 2**, **Brian Kelly**, with *Sound Publishing* in Bainbridge Island, WA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) records of correspondence to James M. Olsen regarding his unauthorized use of the USCG Reserve's seal during his campaign for office.
- On **November 5**, **Brad Heath**, with *USA Today*, requested from DHS the written job descriptions and responsibilities for public information officers, public affairs specialists, communications specialists, social media specialists, and other spokesmen (hereinafter "spokesmen"); records listing the criteria used by the agency in evaluating the performance of its spokesmen; and the performance evaluations for the agency's spokesmen during the past three years.
- On **November 5**, **Genevieve Judge**, with *WINK News* in Fort Myers, FL, requested from the Transportation Security Administration the number of people who have requested a refund of the September 11 security fee upon ticket cancellation from 2010 through October 31, 2012, when flying from the following airports: Tampa, Southwest Florida, Miami, Sarasota Bradenton, and Fort Lauderdale international airports.

- On **November 5**, **Megan Wilson**, with *The Hill* in Washington, DC, requested from DHS correspondence from members of Congress to DHS from October 1, 2012 through the present.
- On **November 5**, **Charlene Hewitt**, an individual in Gainesville, FL, requested from DHS instances of surveillance within the city of Gainesville, FL in which the Florida Department of Transportation, Gainesville Public Works, or Intelligent Transportation Services traffic cameras have been utilized by DHS from January 1, 2005 through November 1, 2012; and instances of surveillance for purposes of criminal investigation or counterterrorism in the city of Gainesville, FL from January 1, 2011 through November 1, 2012, including but not limited to investigation of the Occupy Gainesville movement and/or participants in the Occupy Gainesville movement.
- On **November 6**, **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to complaints received by the ICE Office of Professional Responsibility and/or the Joint Integrity Case Management System, or investigations into allegations of misconduct at Border Patrol training facilities in South Carolina and Artesia, NM.
- On **November 6**, **Andrew Glazer**, with **Dan Rather Reports** in New York, NY, requested from FEMA the status of the estimated 203,000 temporary housing units that FEMA deployed after Hurricane Katrina.
- On **November 7**, **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous, alien-by-alien, detention facility-by-detention facility data covering all individuals who have been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from September 30, 2011 through the present.
- On **November 7**, **Sarah Davis**, an individual in Gainesville, FL requested from DHS instances of surveillance specifically involved with Terry Jones, pastor of Dove World Outreach Center in Gainesville, FL, and a self-declared independent presidential candidate in the 2012 U.S. presidential election who gained national attention in 2010 for his plan to burn Qur'ans on the ninth anniversary of the September 11 attacks.
- On **November 8**, **Michael Keller**, with *Newsweek* and *The Daily Beast*, requested from FEMA records pertaining to FEMA's requests to return funds disbursed in relation to Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Irene.
- On **November 8**, **Eric Zott**, with *CBS 5 News*, *KPHO TV* in Phoenix, AZ; **Jacques Billeaud**, with *The Associated Press*; **Andrew Becker** with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA; **Robert Ortega** with the *Arizona Republic News*; and **Tim Steller**, with the *Arizona Daily Star*, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the death of Border Patrol Agent Nicholas Ivie on October 2, 2012.
- On **November 8**, **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to Border Patrol agents killed or deceased in the line of duty from 1924 (or earliest date available) through the present.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 2**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Brentin Mock**, with *The Nation* in New Orleans, LA, correspondence between DHS and the Florida Secretary of State's office from September 1, 2011, through May 31, 2012 regarding a request from the Florida Secretary of State's office to access the SAVE database to verify citizenship of people on Florida's voter registration rolls.
- On **November 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Justin Cox**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union Foundation Immigrants' Rights Project** in Atlanta, GA, statistics concerning immigration detainees issued by ICE and records concerning ICE's Detainer Policy.
- On **November 2**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **G.W. Schulz**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Austin, TX, complaints submitted to DHS-OIG pertaining to misconduct by U.S. Customs and Border Patrol employees and contractors from DHS' inception through the present.
- On **November 2**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, records pertaining to vehicle trip logs for the acting Inspector General, and communications regarding specified local transportation.

- On **November 5**, 2012, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **David Pozen**, with **Columbia Law School** in New York, NY, narratives of complaints submitted to DHS-OIG pertaining to information leaked to the media by DHS employees from DHS' inception through the present.
- On **November 5**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Mary Cox**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, congressional correspondence from Congressman Cornelius McGillicuddy IV to DHS.
- On **November 7**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Rachel Slajda**, with *Talking Points Memo* in New York, NY, records consisting of department communications regarding an incident which occurred involving John Tyner, who refused to go through the pat-down procedure after also refusing to go through the full body scanner.

#### **VI. Additional items of importance not covered above**

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**Department of Homeland Security**

*Weekly Report*

November 29, 2012

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$15 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce contract costs and improve contract management through various changes such as consolidating contracts, transitioning to more effective contracts, leveraging bulk purchase discounts, and performing work in-house.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **December 4**, Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Dan Gerstein will be interviewed by *Homeland Security Today* about emerging technologies including the new foot-and-mouth vaccine, fire fighter gear and first responder applications for mobile devices. An article is expected to be published in the December/January edition.
- On **December 4**, Science and Technology Directorate Homeland Security Advanced Research Projects Agency Director Paul Benda will be interviewed by *Deep Dive Intelligence* about how research and development projects are selected and prioritized and how technologies are transitioned within the existing budget climate. Publication TBD.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- By **December 3**, industry must screen 100 percent of international inbound air cargo using risk based protocols. Achieving 100 percent screening of all inbound air cargo carried on passenger aircraft will fulfill a requirement of the 9/11 Commission Act and further strengthen global supply chain security.

*Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **December 5**, the OIG will release a report titled, “**Improvements Needed for SAVE To Accurately Determine Immigration Status of Individuals Ordered Deported.**” **Background:** From April to October 2012, the OIG audited the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Systematic Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) program to determine the accuracy of information used to validate an applicant’s lawful status when the applicant has been ordered deported. **Recommendations:** The OIG made four recommendations related to improving the accuracy of the SAVE program, all with which USCIS concurs. The first two recommendations relate to individuals who have been ordered deported but who have remained in the United States. The second two recommendations relate to internal evaluation of the SAVE program verification procedures to ensure accuracy. **Response:** The SAVE Program is designed to provide timely immigration status information to authorized agencies to help maintain the integrity of their programs. It promotes the use of automated systems to enhance interagency collaboration, customer service, efficiency, and information privacy. USCIS is working with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to improve the timeliness and accuracy of immigration status data by ensuring their respective immigrant status databases are updated and reconciled regularly. USCIS continuously evaluates the accuracy of the SAVE verification process and will continue to improve its evaluation procedure.

*GAO Reports*

On **November 26**, the GAO released a report titled, “**Supply Chain Security: CBP Needs to Conduct Regular Assessments of Its Cargo Targeting System.**” **Background:** From October 2011 to October 2012, the GAO conducted an assessment of how the Automated Targeting System (ATS) was used to support U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s (CBP) targeting of maritime cargo container shipments for national security purposes and the extent to which CBP assesses the effectiveness of ATS’s national security targeting rules. **Recommendations:** The report includes two recommendations for CBP to ensure that future updates to the

rules that determine risk-based shipment criteria are based on how well they characterize the shipment as well as CBP's establishment of performance measure targets to regularly assess effectiveness of the rules. CBP concurs with both recommendations. **Response:** In January 2012, DHS released the *National Strategy for Global Supply Chain Security*, which outlines clear goals to promote the efficient and secure movement of goods and foster a resilient supply chain system. Although there have been no known incidents of cargo containers being used to smuggle or transport terrorist weapons, ensuring the security of cargo containers is an important priority for CBP. CBP continues working to improve the methodology used to update performance measures of risk-based shipment criteria and will continue to update risk-based shipment criteria on the basis of current threats or actionable intelligence.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **December 1 to 6**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Mark Koumans, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Hong Kong Acting Attaché Eben Roberts will attend the 2012 International Conference on Homeland Security in Taipei, Taiwan. Acting Attaché Roberts will present on and moderate a session related to travel security, during which he will provide an overview of the Visa Security Program. Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Mark Koumans will present on supply chain security. Open press.
- On **December 3**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will deliver remarks on the National Biosurveillance Integration Center and provide an overview of DHS responsibilities during Hurricane Sandy at the Institute of Medicine's Standing Committee on Health Threats Resilience in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will deliver a presentation on the development of nuclear material detection technologies to the Nuclear and Radiation Studies Board of the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **December 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host a stakeholder engagement regarding the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program. Director Mayorkas will discuss EB-5 policy and procedural issues and take questions from participants.
- From **December 3 to 5**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dan Gerstein will host representatives from Australia for bilateral meetings in Washington, D.C. held under the Memorandum of Agreement on Cooperation in Science and Technology for Homeland/Domestic Security Matters. The meetings will include site visits to the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center and the Transportation Security Integration Facility as well as working level meetings and presentations on planned and proposed activities within common areas of interests, including chemical and biological countermeasures, cyber security, explosives, transport security, animal health, and large-scale disaster resilience. Closed press.
- From **December 3 to 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will travel to California to discuss Intellectual Property Rights issues with media executives, conduct employee town halls with ICE field office employees, and deliver remarks on immigration enforcement to the California Sheriffs Association. The events are all closed press.
- From **December 3 to 7**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Training Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Budapest, Hungary for representatives from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Montenegro. Closed press.
- On **December 4**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sanders will discuss workforce engagement at a TSA employee town hall at the Transportation Security Administration Security Integration Facility in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with the Atlantic City Board of Education in Atlantic City, NJ.
- On **December 4 and 5**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole, will discuss air cargo security programs and initiatives, including the Certified Cargo Screening Program, 100 percent international inbound cargo screening requirements, and the Air Cargo Advance Screening pilot at the U.S.

Trade and Development Agency Latin American and Caribbean Aviation Summit in Miami, FL. Open press.

- On **December 5**, DHS leaders throughout the Department, including ICE, CBP, TSA, FEMA, and USCG will attend the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Tribal Nations Conference at the White House. More than 300 tribal leaders are expected to attend the event. Open press.
- On **December 5**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will present “Optimizing Modeling and Simulation for Law Enforcement Training: The Next Challenge” as part of the Special Events Program at the 2012 Interservice/Industry Training, Simulation and Education Conference in Orlando, FL. Open press.
- On **December 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on DHS’ partnerships and coordination with the banking and finance industry at the Joint Financial Services Sector Coordinating Council and Financial Banking Information Infrastructure meetings in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a Spanish-language Enlace engagement discussing immigration-related issues, policies and regulations in Washington, D.C.
- On **December 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Michael Kostelnik will deliver keynote remarks on the role of Unmanned Aerial Systems in homeland security operations at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Unmanned Aerial Surveillance Technical Analysis and Applications Center Conference in Albuquerque, NM. Closed press.
- On **December 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss cybersecurity as it pertains to the nuclear sector at the International Regulators Conference on Nuclear Security in Rockville, MD. Open press.
- On **December 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals during a DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties hosted community event in Chicago, IL and with Voces Unidas at Armijo High School in Fairfield, CA.
- On **December 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Asylum Division will host its quarterly stakeholder meeting in Washington, D.C.
- On **December 7**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dan Gerstein will meet with representatives from the United Kingdom Home Office in Washington, D.C. to discuss ongoing bio security cooperative efforts. Closed Press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

#### **House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure**

- On **December 4**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on Hurricane Sandy response and recovery.

#### **Senate Appropriations Committee**

- On **December 5**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate is tentatively scheduled to testify on Hurricane Sandy Response and Recovery. HUD will also be asked to testify.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security**

- On **December 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Border Patrol will provide staff a demonstration of sensor operations, a detection technology used by Border Patrol agents in the field, at CBP Headquarters. Closed press.

#### **House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **December 6**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff regarding surface transportation security activities.

#### **House Committee on Homeland Security**



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- On **December 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Transportation Security Administration will host committee staff and provide a tour of operations at Dulles International Airport. Closed press.

#### **Senate and House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittees on Homeland Security**

- On **December 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Assistant Commissioner Jacqueline Gerety (Office of Information and Technology) and Office of International Trade Executive Director Brenda Smith will provide an Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) quarterly briefing for staff. ACE is the commercial trade processing system being developed by CBP to facilitate legitimate trade and strengthen border security. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 5**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will meet with members of the House Homeland Security Committee to discuss the 2012 Joint Annual Interagency Review of the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Report which was delivered to Congress on November 1, 2012.

#### **IV. Legal Issues**

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 14**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Michael Grabell**, with *ProPublica* in New York, NY, TSA internal affairs reports and internal review reports completed since March 1, 2008.
- On **November 15**, FEMA released to **Brad Heath**, with *USA Today* in McLean, VA, data from the National Emergency Management Information System regarding the recoupment program.
- On **November 15**, FEMA released to **Monica Yant Kinney**, with the *Philadelphia Inquirer* in Philadelphia, PA, a report sent to the Maritime Exchange for the Delaware River and Bay pertaining to the FY 2008 Port Security Grant Program grant to the Union Fire Company of Bensalem, PA.
- On **November 15**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, travel vouchers, phone bills, e-mails, time and attendance reports, spreadsheets of DHS-OIG employees' telework schedules, and the DHS-OIG telework policy.
- On **November 15**, the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker** with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, complaints investigated by DHS-OIG responsive to his request for records regarding the DHS-OIG Forensic Threat Analysis Unit.
- On **November 19**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Rita Beamish**, with the **Center for Public Integrity** in San Mateo, CA, letters, e-mails, and briefings between Senator John McCain and/or his representatives and officials and the USCG from January 1, 2007 through the present.
- On **November 19**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Meghan Hoyer**, with *USA Today* in McLean, VA, data on inspections and deficiencies on commercial cruise ships under the Certificate of Compliance Program from January 1, 2010 through the present.
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Stefan Kamph**, with the *New Times Broward-Palm Beach* in Fort Lauderdale, FL; **Charles F. Elsesser, Jr.**, with **Florida Legal Services, Inc.**, in Miami, FL; **Charles Dodge**, with the **City of Pembroke Pines** in Pembroke Pines, FL; **Chris Kirkham**, with *The Huffington Post*; and **Ryann Greenberg**, a freelance reporter in Pembroke Pines, FL, records concerning the proposal to build an immigration detention facility in Southwest Ranches, FL including records pertaining to the planning of a public meeting concerning the proposed facility; e-mails and correspondence between ICE and the staff of Congresswoman Deborah Wasserman-Schultz and the City of Pembroke Pines; and e-mails between ICE and Corrections Corporation of America concerning the proposed facility.
- On **November 21** the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Molly Matthews**, with *Fox News Channel*, memoranda, inventory logs, e-mails, and purchase records pertaining to weapons and ammunition purchases.

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- On **November 21** the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center released to **Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch**, in Washington, DC, records pertaining to a contract for administrative support services.
- On **November 21**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Scott McGee**, with **WPSD-TV** in Paducah, KY, communication logs concerning the Eggner's Ferry Bridge project for the month of January 2012.
- On **November 28**, DHS released to **Brian Bennett**, with the *Los Angeles Times*, **Alicia Caldwell**, with *The Associated Press* and **Miriam Jordan** with *The Wall Street Journal*, statistical information related to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.
- On **November 29**, FEMA released to **Alison Gender**, with *The New York Daily News*, records relating to a grant agreement between FEMA and the State of New York.
- On **November 29**, FEMA released to **Mike Oliver**, with *The Birmingham News* in Birmingham, AL, Individuals' & Households' statistical information for FEMA disaster grants for the following disaster events: (1) Alabama #1971; (2) Mississippi #1972; (3) Georgia #1973; (4) Tennessee # 1974; (5) Kentucky #1976; and Missouri #1980.

#### **V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **November 21**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 658 AIT units at 168 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 24**, 414,631 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 3.7 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **November 27**, President Obama has signed 278 major disaster declarations and 60 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$21.8 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

**Department of Homeland Security**

*Weekly Report*

December 6, 2012

**I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$335 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce training costs by converting instructor-led trainings to online courses, reducing reliance on training vendors by developing courses in-house, and better aligning training needs to agency priorities.

**II. Public Affairs**

*Expected Stories*

- On **December 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement announced proposed standards for DHS immigration detention and holding facilities for the detection, prevention, and reduction of sexual abuse to protect the health and safety of individuals in DHS detention, in accordance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003.
- On **December 13**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will be interviewed by *Science* magazine about various technologies being researched and developed to prepare for and recover from disasters including the Resilient Tunnel program, a technology for containing flooding or dangerous gases in mass transit tunnels, as well as the Recovery Transformer, a modular, smaller and lighter power transformer that can be easily transported for more rapid installation and faster recovery in the event of an emergency. Publication date TBD.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **December 6**, the Office of Health Affairs released a public version of the National Biosurveillance Integration Center (NBIC) Strategic Plan. The plan articulates a clear approach to enhance the biosurveillance capability of the United States to deal with an array of naturally-occurring, accidental, and intentional biological threats.
- On **December 10**, in collaboration with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties expects to release a new online muster briefing titled, "Explaining Secure Communities to Your Community" which provides tools to assist law enforcement in conducting outreach to immigrant communities and addresses public concerns surrounding Secure Communities.
- On **December 14**, DHS will launch the National Institute for Cybersecurity Studies online portal, which serves as the nation's online resource for government, industry, academia and the general public to learn about cybersecurity awareness, education, careers and workforce development opportunities.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **December 10**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will speak about TSA's risk based security initiatives at the American Association of Airport Executives Aviation Summit in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **December 10**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate in a live webcast titled "The Forum: Big Weather and Coastal Cities" with the Harvard School of Public Health and other emergency management officials.
- From **December 10 to 14**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will meet with Indian government officials to discuss screening technology in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **December 11 to 14**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will travel to Brussels, Belgium for the World Cargo Organization and the United Arab Emirates for the Global Counterterrorism Forum.

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- On **December 11**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will speak about TSA's risk based security initiatives at the Security Analysis and Risk Management Association conference in Fairfax, VA. Open press.
- On **December 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Public Engagement Division will host a stakeholder teleconference to solicit feedback on draft policy regarding USCIS field office interpreters. Closed press.
- From **December 11 to 13**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host the National Summit on Mass Casualty Shootings in Glynco, GA to advance the safety and security of the nation's communities by bringing together a cadre of leaders and subject matter experts from a variety of sectors, such as law enforcement, academia, medicine, education, public health and law, to develop and propose a national dialogue on multiple casualty shootings. Closed press.
- On **December 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host an engagement in Washington, D.C. on the Entrepreneurs in Residence (EIR) initiative to update stakeholders on the newly launched public-facing [Entrepreneur Pathways website](#). USCIS will also discuss the EIR initiative's focus on more permanent visa pathways for entrepreneurs, as well as its continued work on the development of policies and practices relevant to the entrepreneurial community. Closed press.
- On **December 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss security of mobile devices at the Imperial Capital Security Investor Conference in New York, NY. Press TBD.
- On **December 12**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss public private partnerships in cybersecurity research at the World Economic Forum's Partnering for Cyber Resilience Conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **December 13**, the U.S. Secret Service and Federal Emergency Management Agency will co-host a tabletop exercise in Washington D.C. in preparation for the 2013 Presidential Inauguration. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver remarks on TSA acquisitions and risk based security initiatives the Washington Homeland Security Roundtable Acquisitions Industry Forum in Crystal City, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will receive the Lifetime Distinguished Service Award at the Homeland Security & Defense Business Council's Annual Dinner in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with Bill Johnson, Director of Port Miami, in Washington, D.C., to discuss cargo operations at the port. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with Darrell Sekin, Jr., President of the National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America, in Washington, D.C., to discuss ongoing CBP trade transformation initiatives. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will travel to Houston, TX, to meet with CBP field leadership regarding the South Texas Campaign, a coordinated effort across CBP in the South Texas region to leverage resources and capabilities to target the most significant threats through planning and integrated operations. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Committee on Homeland Security and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs**

- On **December 10**, the Federal Protective Service will provide a briefing on its new risk assessment application called the Modified Infrastructure Survey Tool to staff. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 11**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will meet with Senators Patty Murray, Maria Cantwell, Ron Wyden, and Jeff Merkley along with Department of Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood to provide them with an update on the Columbia River Crossing Bridge Project.
- On **December 14**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will meet with Representative Adam Schiff to discuss the status of the Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Act.

#### IV. Legal Issues

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- On **November 20**, DHS released to **Andrew Medici**, with *Federal Times* in Springfield, VA, current cost estimates and planning documents for the ongoing consolidation/construction of a new Homeland Security headquarters at St. Elizabeth's hospital site in Washington, D.C.
- On **November 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Barbara Hines**, with the **University of Texas School of Law** in Austin, TX, policy documents related to the detention of families by CBP.
- On **November 27**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Anthony Eliseuson**, with **Heartland Alliance National Immigrant Justice Center** in Chicago, IL, lists of Tier III terrorist organizations kept by USCIS.
- On **November 28**, DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis released to **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to Jesus Ernesto Chavez Castillo, known as "El Camel".
- On **November 29**, DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Laura Maggi**, with *The Times-Picayune*, an investigation pertaining to the death of Jose Nelson Reyes-Zelaya at the New Orleans Parish Prison.

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- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Monthly Statistics (November 2012)**: TSA referred 21 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 120 firearms and 34 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
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Department of Homeland Security

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December 13, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Office Supplies Blanket Purchase Agreement initiative through use of the department-wide and the Federal government-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles, DHS has achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$18 million to date.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **December 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas was interviewed by Miriam Jordan from the Wall Street Journal regarding the EB-5 program. The article will focus on the increase in Chinese investors and how USCIS is handling the increase in requests over the last few years. Publication date TBD.
- On **December 14**, ABC News will tour the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Cyber Crimes Center and interview a Homeland Security Investigations subject matter expert on ICE's efforts to combat child exploitation.
- On **December 17 and 18**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host Fox News in Glynco, GA. The visit will focus on counterterrorism training, the Intermodal training venue, tactical vehicle/boat maneuvers and marine simulators, and an interview with Director Connie Patrick. The segment will air in conjunction with live shots onsite throughout the day on December 18.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **December 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publicly post the monthly update of data related to the Deferred Action of Childhood Arrivals process.
- During the **week of December 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to implement the USCIS Immigrant Fee. Part of its 2010 fee rule, the USCIS Immigrant Visa Fee of \$165 will be charged for overseas immigrant visa applicants to recover the cost of USCIS processing immigrant visa packages and issuing green cards in the United States.
- On **December 19**, the Transportation Security Administration will launch its Pre-Check initiative, which enhances aviation security by enabling TSA to focus on a risk-based, intelligence drive approach, to John Wayne Orange County Airport. By learning more about travelers through information they voluntarily provide, and combining that information with TSA's multi-layered system of aviation security, TSA can better focus limited resources on higher-risk and unknown passengers while providing expedited screening for travelers who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **December 11**, the OIG released a report titled, "**Federal Emergency Management Agency Needs to Improve its Internal Controls Over the Use of Disaster Assistance Employees.**" **Background:** Between August 2011 and January 2012, the OIG conducted a review of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Disaster Assistance Employees (DAE) Program, finding that many DAE deployments exceeded FEMA policy caps dictating the length of time these employees can be deployed during a disaster. DAEs are excepted service intermittent employees who perform key program, technical, and administrative functions during disasters. **Recommendations:** The OIG offers four recommendations designed to improve the DAE program. FEMA concurs with three of these recommendations and partially concurs with the fourth. **Response:** FEMA has taken significant actions to improve its reservist program, including transitioning the existing DAE program to a new Reservist Program that will better enhance the Agency's capabilities to support disaster



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survivors by ensuring that the disaster workforce has the appropriate tools, training, experience, and management support.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **December 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss the role of DHS in SmartGrid security at the National Institute of Standards and Technology Smart Grid Federal Advisory Committee Meeting in Gaithersburg, Md. Open press.
- On **December 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host information sessions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals at Los Fresnos High School in Los Fresnos, TX.
- On **December 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Counselor for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will participate in a panel discussion on cybersecurity before the Global Trends in Foreign Affairs Defense Committee at the Canadian Embassy in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **December 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Canada Border Services Agency President Luc Portelance in Washington, D.C., to discuss ongoing inter-agency initiatives. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a public teleconference focusing on stakeholder concerns regarding USCIS's Administrative Appeals Office.
- On **December 19**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the Intermodal Security Training and Exercise program hosted by the Chicago Transit Authority focusing on operational coordination in responding to and recovering from a biological attack. Closed press. No public impact anticipated.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

##### **Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

- On **December 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Export Enforcement Coordination Center (E2C2) Director Craig Healy will brief majority staff on E2C2 operations. The E2C2 serves as the primary forum within the federal government to coordinate and enhance export control enforcement efforts across the federal government.

##### **House Committee on Appropriations**

- On **December 18**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia will brief committee staff on the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture (GNDA) Joint Annual Interagency Review 2012 and the 2012 DHS GNDA Strategic Plan of Investments.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will meet with Senator Thomas Carper to discuss ICE priorities in 2013.
- On **December 18**, Assistant Secretary for Strategy, Planning, Analysis & Risk Alan Cohn will brief NSS and OMB staff on QHSR 2013, including anticipated structure and process for the review.

### **IV. Legal Issues**

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 3**, DHS released to **Brian Bennett**, with the *Los Angeles Times*, **Alicia Caldwell**, with *The Associated Press*, and **Miriam Jordan**, with *The Wall Street Journal* statistical information pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.
- On **December 5**, the DHS Office of Inspector General released to **J. Keith Gates**, with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, e-mails pertaining to the use and acquisition of commemorative items.
- On **December 6**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Brian Kelly**, with *Sound Publishing* in Bainbridge Island, WA, records to and from James M. Olsen regarding his unauthorized use of the USCG Reserve's seal during his campaign for office.

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**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **December 6**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 663 AIT units at 168 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **December 8**, 417,321 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 4.6 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **December 12**, President Obama has signed 280 major disaster declarations and 60 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$22.3 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

December 20, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- DHS expects to achieve cost avoidances of \$30 million by leveraging the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of intelligence analyst services. DHS is currently developing a strategically sourced contract vehicle for intelligence analyst services and expects to achieve cost avoidances beginning in 2013.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **December 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will participate in an interview with the National Association of Counties on DHS' work on cybersecurity with state and local governments. The story will appear in the January issue of the organization's monthly newsletter (date TBD).

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **December 20**, DHS anticipates submitting to the Federal Register a final rule that, reduces the time U.S. citizens are separated from their immediate relatives (spouse, children and parents), who are in the process of obtaining visas to become lawful permanent residents of the United States under certain circumstances. The final rule establishes a process that allows certain individuals to apply for a provisional unlawful presence waiver before they depart the United States to attend immigrant visa interviews in their countries of origin.
- During the **week of December 31**, the DHS Office of Academic Engagement in conjunction with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Student Exchange Visitor Program expect to announce the launch of the Campus Resilience Pilot Program, which will engage the higher education community in the development of more resilient campuses and communities.
- In **late December/early January**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to announce their FY 2012 year-end review, which will include statistics and data related to apprehensions and seizures of drug, contraband and currency.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **December 18**, the OIG released its report, "**TSA's National Deployment Force – FY 2012 Follow-Up.**"

**Background:** From January to April 2012, the OIG conducted a follow up review of the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) National Deployment Force (NDF), which supports airport screening operations during emergencies, seasonal demands, severe weather conditions, or increased passenger activity that requires additional screening personnel above those normally available at airports. The OIG examined operating costs and procedures, deployments, and implementation of previous recommendations. **Findings:** The OIG found that TSA has developed a financial system to track and document program-related costs while establishing processes to determine criteria and priority for deployment decisions. **Recommendations:** TSA concurs with the six recommendations from the OIG aimed at minimizing hiring shortfalls, maintaining equipment certifications, and developing alternative hiring assessments. **Response:** Following the initial standup of a "mobile screening force" in November 2002, TSA has taken a number of steps to develop a dedicated and effective workforce to protect the nation's transportation networks.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- Between **December 21 and 31**, 18.2 million people are expected to travel for the Holidays. TSA and CBP have surged staffing to expedite screening and ensure the safety of holiday travelers by monitoring staffing

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levels and balancing work schedules, gathering passenger load data and flight schedules where available from air carriers while matching capacity to demand and maximizing efficiency on all functional lanes and checked baggage zones. Additional holiday travel measures include updates to targeting and container screening programs, representation in joint task forces, personnel surges at transit locations, and support to special security events.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **December 14**, H.R. 2838, the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2012, was presented to the President. Of note, the bill requires DHS to change the enrollment/issuance/renewal process for the Transportation Worker Identification Credential so that only one in-person visit to an enrollment center is needed. DHS recommended approval of the bill.
- On **December 14**, S. 3542, the No-Hassle Flying Act of 2012, was presented to the President. This bill authorizes the TSA Administrator to determine whether checked baggage on a flight or flight segment originating at an airport outside the United States must be re-screened in the United States for explosives before it can continue on any additional flight or flight segment, if the baggage has already been screened in the foreign airport in accordance with an aviation security preclearance agreement. DHS recommended approval of the bill.
- On **December 14**, S. 1998, the DHS Audit Requirement Target Act of 2012 (or DART Act), was presented to the President on 12/14. The bill requires DHS to obtain an unqualified audit opinion on the full set of financial statements. Until DHS is able to do so, it must submit an annual report to Congress that addresses how it will achieve that requirement and how it will modernize its financial management systems. DHS recommended approval of the bill.
- On **December 17**, H.R. 6223, Clarifying Naturalization Requirements for Afghan and Iraqi Translators, passed the Senate. It has not been presented to the President yet. The bill clarifies that a period of time spent abroad due to qualifying types of employment for the Chief of Mission or the United States military be counted toward the continuous residence period and treated as physical presence in the U.S. for the purposes of naturalization. DHS will recommend approval of this bill.
- On **December 20**, the House is scheduled to vote on S. 3331, Intercountry Adoption Universal Accreditation Act of 2012, which passed the Senate earlier this month. If the House passes the Senate version (as expected) it will be ready for the President. S. 3331 originated as a State Department proposal intended to extend the protection provided by accreditation and oversight of adoption service providers established in the Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000. As currently in effect, the protections in the Act apply only to Hague Convention adoptions. This bill would extend accreditation requirements to the adoption of children abroad regardless of whether the Convention applies.

### IV. Legal Issues

#### *Rules and Regulations*

- On **December 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced its intent to implement the USCIS Immigrant Fee. Part of its 2010 fee rule, the USCIS Immigrant Visa Fee of \$165 will be charged for overseas immigrant visa applicants to recover the cost of USCIS processing immigrant visa packages and issuing green cards in the United States. Implementation will begin February 1, 2013.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 4**, DHS released to **Tom Wong**, with the **University of California, San Diego** in La Jolla, CA, statistical information pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival.
- On **December 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jeremy Redmon**, with the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* in Woodstock, GA, an updated list of individuals who have died while in ICE custody. ICE directed the requester to obtain the document from the ICE FOIA Library at [www.ice.gov/foia](http://www.ice.gov/foia). The most recent update to the list was posted on December 6, 2012.

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- On **December 11**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Robert Deasy**, with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, DC, the policy memorandum 602-0066, “Adjudication of applications that are submitted by individuals subject to the National Security Entry Exit Registration System.”
- On **December 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Jessuina Perez-Teran**, with the **University of Michigan** in Ann Arbor, MI, statistics concerning the Secure Communities program.
- On **December 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Greg Yee**, with **The Daily Times** in Farmington, NM, statistics concerning alien apprehensions and removals from the New Mexico area.
- On **December 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Robert Faturechi**, with the **Los Angeles Times**, reports concerning the investigation of the sale and shipment of body armor from the City of Gardena and the Los Angeles County Sheriff to Cambodia.
- On **December 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Seth Wessler**, with the **Applied Research Center** in New York, NY, statistics pertaining to final orders and removals for individuals who claim to have U.S. citizen children.
- On **December 13**, DHS released to **Russ Ptacek**, with **WUSA 9 News** in Washington, DC, a document pertaining to the 2011 Premium Class Travel Reports.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **December 13**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 665 AIT units at 168 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **December 10**, 307,815 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing 998,093 hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 3.7 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **December 18**, President Obama has signed 280 major disaster declarations and this administration has obligated over \$22.6 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.
- **Hurricane Sandy Assistance:** As of **December 18**, more than half a million people have registered for Individual Assistance, more than 1.1 billion dollars has been approved in Individual Assistance, more than a quarter of a million housing inspections have been completed, and more than 7,000 FEMA personnel are currently deployed to affected states.

Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

January 3, 2013

## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of \$6.2 million to date by utilizing a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for multi-functional devices and reducing expenditures on printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **January 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release the first USCIS Policy Manual volume on Citizenship and Naturalization. The Policy Manual will replace USCIS's current Adjudicators Field Manual. Over time, the Policy Manual will comprise volumes pertaining to the different areas of immigration benefits USCIS administers, including citizenship and naturalization, protection and parole, adjustment of status, admissibility, refugees and asylum, waivers, and travel and employment. As content becomes available for each volume, USCIS will notify the public and invite public comment on new or substantially changed policies.
- On **January 11**, DHS expects to sign a Joint Statement to Combat Trafficking in Persons, Joint Statement on Global Supply Chain Security and Joint Statement of Intent to Establish a Regional Cargo Targeting Center with Colombia.

### *GAO Reports*

On **January 3**, the GAO released a report titled, "**Border Security: Additional Actions Needed to Strengthen CBP Efforts to Mitigate Risk of Employee Corruption and Misconduct.**" **Background:** From December 2011 to December 2012, the GAO conducted an audit of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) related to workforce integrity. The GAO analyzed data on CBP employees arrested for corruption activities from FY 2005 to 2012, interviewed CBP officials, and analyzed relevant laws and CBP documentation regarding employee hiring and retention screening practices. **Recommendations:** The GAO made seven recommendations related to improving workforce integrity programs and related quality assurance reviews, with which CBP concurs. **Response:** CBP takes all allegations of corruption very seriously and is addressing the issue of corruption through a comprehensive integrity strategy that integrates prevention, detection and investigation capabilities to deter and address incidents of corruption and misconduct in the CBP workforce. CBP conducts various integrity programs, including background investigations, periodic reinvestigations, and polygraph examinations, all of which help ensure CBP employs and retains employees of the highest caliber.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **January 6 to 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will travel to Israel to meet with customs officials and tour operations. Closed press.
- On **January 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Winkowski will deliver the keynote address at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Government Conference of the International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, NV. His remarks will center on the conference's theme "Ports of Entry: Technologies Driving Global Commerce and the Security of Nations." Closed press.
- On **January 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host a national stakeholder engagement to discuss recent initiatives, including the provisional unlawful presence waiver, USCIS Immigrant Fee, and Policy Manual launch. Press TBD.
- On **January 8**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Newport, RI to visit the U.S. Naval War College and meet with students. Closed press.



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- On **January 8**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with the U.S. Ambassador to Canada David Jacobson to discuss bilateral initiatives including Beyond the Border, preclearance, and the New International Trade Crossing. Closed press.
- From **January 8 to 10**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Kelly Hoggan will brief the International Civil Aviation Organization on risk-based security and TSA Pre✓™ in Montreal, Canada. Closed press.
- From **January 8 to 10**, representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss preparedness and the application of social media in disasters at the International Disaster Conference and Expo in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- From **January 8 to 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host the 2013 Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT) Conference in Washington, D.C. This year's theme, *Unified Global Security: The Challenge Ahead*, will focus on cargo security. The three-day seminar will include panels on C-TPAT's role in the Centers of Excellence and Expertise and Security Innovations to Adapt to Emerging Threats. Approximately 1,400 people are scheduled to attend including nearly 30 international participants from 16 countries. Open press.
- On **January 9**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host presentations, demonstrations, and discussions of innovative cybersecurity technologies at the Transition to Practice Technology Demonstration Day in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss careers in cybersecurity at the CyberCorps' Scholarship for Service Symposium and Job Fair in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **January 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Assistant Commissioner Allen Gina will deliver the keynote address, focused on CBP's trade transformation initiatives, at the United States Association of Importers of Textiles & Apparel Trade & Transportation Conference in New York, NY. Press TBD.
- On **January 9**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT to deliver his annual Leadership Lecture to cadets.
- On **January 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will meet with Governor Malloy in Connecticut to discuss strengthening partnerships (closed press). The Commandant will also travel to Vero Beach, FL where he will deliver keynote remarks at the Navy League Dinner (open press).
- On **January 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Michael Locatis will discuss cloud computing and its impact on cybersecurity for the health and energy sectors at the University of Colorado Law School in Boulder, CO. Closed press.
- From **January 10 to 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will travel to Brussels, Belgium (tentative) and the Netherlands. In Brussels, Morton will attend meetings with European Union counterparts. In the Netherlands, Morton will attend the Europol Conference in the Hague. Closed press.
- On **January 11**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with leadership from the American Immigration Council in Washington, D.C to discuss general immigration issues. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate and House Committees on Appropriations, Subcommittees on Homeland Security**

- On **January 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner/Chief Financial Officer Deborah Schilling will brief staff on the current status of CBP operations under the Continuing Resolution for Fiscal Year 2013.

#### **House Committee on Homeland Security**

- On **January 10**, Federal Protective Service Director Eric Patterson will provide a quarterly briefing to minority staff. Closed press.

#### **Senate Select Committee on Intelligence**

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- On **January 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Export Enforcement Coordination Center (E2C2) will host majority staff for a briefing and tour of the E2C2. The E2C2 serves as the primary forum within the federal government for executive departments and agencies to coordinate and enhance their export control enforcement efforts. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **January 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host Representative Filemon Vela for a tour of CBP operations in Brownsville, TX. Closed press.
- On **January 11**, FEMA Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery Bill Carwile and Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration Administrator David Miller will participate in the Quarterly Recovery Congressional Briefing for FEMA's Authorizing and Appropriations staff. The briefing will focus on lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy. Closed press.

*Legislative Issues*

- On **December 28**, H.R. 6670, the Former Presidents Protection Act of 2012 passed the Senate, following passage in the House on December 15. The bill authorizes the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) to provide lifetime protection to former Presidents and their spouses. Under a 1994 law, such protection ended 10 years after a President left office. The USSS supported this bill, and DHS will recommend approval.
- On **January 1**, H.R. 2076, the Investigative Assistance for Violent Crimes Act of 2012 (as amended by the Senate) passed the House. The bill authorizes the Secretary to deploy U.S. Secret Service and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents at the request of State law enforcement officials to assist in the investigation of violent acts and shootings in places of public use, and in the investigation of mass killings and attempted mass killings. DHS will recommend approval of the bill.
- On **January 1**, H.R. 6328, the Clothe a Homeless Hero Act (as amended by the Senate), passed the House. The bill requires the Transportation Security Administration to make reasonable efforts to work with the Department of Veterans Affairs to transfer unclaimed clothing left at checkpoints to the local airport authorities, so that the airport authorities can donate it to veterans' organizations or similar charities. DHS will recommend approval of this bill.
- On **January 1**, S. 3677, the Technical Correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 – passed the House after clearing the Senate on December 12. The bill makes a technical correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, and should have no impact on the administration of the Act. DHS will recommend approval of the bill.
- On **January 1**, S. J. Res. 44, the Congressional Consent to the State and Province Emergency Management Assistance Memorandum of Understanding, passed the House. The resolution will enhance emergency preparedness and response among member states and provinces through a process for collaborative planning, training, and preparedness exercises. In addition, in anticipation of emergency personnel deployment across both State and international borders, the legislation addresses issues of tort liability, workers compensation, licensure and reimbursement. DHS will recommend approval of this bill.

#### **IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **December 14**, DHS released to **David Sobel**, with **Electronic Frontier Foundation** in Washington, DC, discussion papers, e-mails, and correspondence pertaining to the High Level Contact Group.
- On **December 14**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Barbara Elias**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, D.C., records pertaining to 48 documents which were referenced in the 9/11 Commission Report and which are now under TSA purview.
- On **December 17**, DHS released to **Todd Keil**, former Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection with the DHS National Protection and Programs Directorate in McKinney, TX, e-mails and written communication related to his departure from DHS.

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- On **December 19**, DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Ritika Rodrigues**, a with the **U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia** in Washington, DC, records consisting of the DHS-OIG telework policy; travel vouchers, phone bills, e-mails, time and attendance reports, and spreadsheets pertaining to DHS-OIG employee telework schedules; and DHS-OIG FOIA case notes for DHS-OIG FOIA case number 2012-119 which sought the same records.
- On **December 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection issued to **Mitch Blacher**, with **ABC San Diego, 10 News I-Team** in San Diego, CA, a full denial in response to his request seeking various records pertaining to the death of Valeria Alvarado on September 28, 2012.
- On **December 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection issued to **Lori Jane Gliha**, with **KNXV-TV, ABC15** in Phoenix, AZ, a full denial in response to her request seeking various records pertaining to the death of Border Patrol Agent Nick Ivie on October 2, 2012.
- On **December 21**, DHS Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to **Ginger McCall**, with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, D.C., records consisting of an S&T white paper on a synchronized programmable laser.
- On **December 21**, FEMA released to **Randy Herschaft**, with **The Associated Press**, correspondence to and from Texas Governor Rick Perry or the Office of Texas Governor Rick Perry from December 21, 2000 through the present as identified in the Rick Perry correspondence log sent to the requester in response to his FOIA request DHS/OS/PRIV 12-0049.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Monthly Statistics (December 2012):** TSA referred 15 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 111 firearms and 34 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **December 20**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 668 AIT units at 168 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **December 29**, 420,977 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 5.5 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **January 1**, President Obama has signed 281 major disaster declarations and 60 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$22.8 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

January 10, 2013

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS Components have avoided costs of \$18 million by disconnecting wireless devices that were no longer being used and improving management of wireless communication services.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **January 11**, *GovInfoSecurity* will interview National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford for a podcast discussion on DHS' role in cybersecurity as well as cyber workforce development. Release date TBD.
- On **January 11**, Science & Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan will be interviewed by Telecommunications Reports about the Transition to Practice (TTP) Technology Demonstration Day event held on January 9. The TTP program works to identify emerging cybersecurity technologies that were developed with federal funding and help them transition into products capable of broad utilization.
- On **January 11**, Science & Technology Directorate SAFETY Act Program Director Bruce Davidson will be interviewed by Investigative Newsource about the SAFETY Act application and certification process. The SAFETY Act provides incentives for the development and deployment of effective anti-terrorism technologies through systems of risk and litigation management.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- Effective **January 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection is closing the port of entry of Whitetail, MT. The primary reason for the closure was the Canada Border Services Agency's closure of its adjacent port of entry of Big Beaver, Saskatchewan, on April 1, 2011. Other factors considered were the limited usage of the port; the locations of alternative ports of entry of Raymond and Scobey, MT; and an analysis of the net benefit of the port closure, including the cost of necessary renovations were the port to remain open.
- On **January 30 (tentative)**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will open the Boquillas port of entry. The official crossing will provide access to Boquillas, Coahuila, as well as the protected areas of Maderas del Carmen, Ocampo and Cañon de Santa Elena in Mexico. Pedestrians will be able to access the port between 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. No vehicles will be allowed to cross. Individuals entering Mexico from the U.S. who expect to cross back into the U.S. via the Boquillas crossing will be required to have a Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative approved document. Security for the port and the surrounding area will be provided by U.S. National Park Service rangers and U.S. Border Patrol agents.
- In **January**, the Science and Technology Directorate will make the Board Armor® Backboard Cover and FIRST-Bomb Response smartphone application available on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Preparedness Grants Authorized Equipment List. Backboard covers provide critical protections to both patients and emergency medical services personnel by providing a barrier between the patient and the potentially contaminated board. The FIRST-Bomb Response app provides authorized first responders the information necessary to safely control incident locations, such as stand-off distances, rough damage and injury contours, nearby areas of concern (e.g., schools, daycare centers, etc.), and suggested roadblocks that could help isolate an incident.

### *GAO Reports*

On **January 9**, the GAO released a report titled, "**Border Patrol: Key Elements of New Strategic Plan Not Yet in Place to Inform Border Security Status and Resource Needs.**" **Background:** From June 2011 to November 2012, the GAO examined apprehension data collected by the Border Patrol related to changes in

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border security for the Southwest border and the Tucson sector; how the Tucson sector compares to other sectors with regard to resource allocations; and the extent to which the Border Patrol has identified mechanisms to assess resource needs under its new strategic plan. **Recommendations:** The GAO made two recommendations related to establishing timelines for developing performance measures that assess the security of the border between ports of entry (POEs.) CBP concurs with both recommendations. **Response:** Over the last four years, DHS has dedicated historic levels of personnel, technology, and resources to the Southwest border. The Border Patrol is better staffed today than at any time in its 88-year history, having doubled the number of agents from approximately 10,000 in 2004 to more than 21,000 today. Since 2004, the number of “boots on the ground” along the Southwest border has increased by 94 percent to nearly 18,500 Border Patrol Agents today. CBP is currently implementing its 2012-2016 Border Patrol Strategic Plan by establishing processes for managing and measuring risk and is developing performance measures linked to the Plan, addressing a GAO recommendation.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 14**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Chinese Deputy Chief of Mission and Minister Deng Hongbo. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will brief on the Homeland Open Security Technology program, which uses open security methods, models and technologies to identify viable and sustainable approaches that support national cyber security objectives, at the Open Source Software Institute Industry Day in Lithicum, MD. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will begin delivering the Rural Police Officer Training Program Pilot to representatives from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, rural, and tribal police officers in Artesia, NM, which will focus on single officer response curriculum, Domestic Violence, Community Policing and Indian County Jurisdiction. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will provide an overview of ICE’s role and responsibilities at the Miller Center at the University of Virginia. A local Public Broadcasting Station will be filming.
- From **January 14 to 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will host community roundtables in Boston, MA and Hartford, CT to present an overview of ICE enforcement priorities, prosecutorial discretion, detention reform, and the Office of the Public Advocate and participate in Q&A. Closed press.
- From **January 14 to 17**, DHS will be part of an interagency delegation meeting with the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child. The delegation will present its second report on U.S. implementation of the Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution, and Child Pornography. DHS will participate in Q&A with members of the UN committee. Open press.
- From **January 14 to 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will travel to Tucson, AZ, for an operational site visit and to meet with representatives from Union Pacific Corporation regarding rail cargo security initiatives. Closed press.
- On **January 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will host a national stakeholder engagement to discuss recent initiatives including the provisional unlawful presence waiver, USCIS Immigrant Fee, and Policy Manual launch. Press TBD.
- On **January 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss the use of data and analytics in cybersecurity with cybersecurity professionals from government and the private sector at the Institute for Electronic Government in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 15**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with leadership from the Americans for Immigrant Justice in Miami, FL. She will discuss stakeholder concerns and initiatives mentioned in the Ombudsman’s 2012 Annual Report including Conditional Permanent Residence, Notices to Appear and Removal Priorities, Survivor Benefits under INA 204(l), and the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements Program (SAVE). Closed press.



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- On **January 15**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the 13<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Science, Policy and the Environment: Disasters and Environment: Science, Preparedness, and Resilience in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **January 15 to 17**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will present the Drug Law Enforcement Training Program in Alexandria, LA to provide law enforcement officers with the most current information regarding enforcement strategies and responses to a variety of drug crimes that may occur in their jurisdictions as well as the Interviewing for Law Enforcement Investigators Training Program in Manheim, PA to enhance the skills of law enforcement criminal investigators as they conduct interviews of victims, witnesses and suspects. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will attend the G-8 Summit in Washington, D.C. to discuss TSA's insider threat efforts. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, Science & Technology Directorate Deputy Undersecretary Daniel Gerstein will discuss Big Data perspectives, challenges, and requirements at the Global Security Directorate Strategic Advisory Group Meeting at Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Oak Ridge, TN. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will meet with representatives from the Safe Skies Alliance to discuss aviation security policy issues in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with the Cuban/Haitian Program, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Legal Services of the Archdiocese of Miami in Miami, FL to discuss issues in the administration of the Cuban Haitian Entrant Program. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will participate in a Labor-Management Forum with National Treasury Employees Union representatives in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will speak at the American Immigration Lawyers Association- Southern Florida chapter's meeting in Miami, FL. She will discuss initiatives mentioned in the Ombudsman's 2012 Annual Report including Conditional Permanent Residence, Notices to Appear and Removal Priorities, Survivor Benefits under INA 204(l), and the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements Program (SAVE). Press TBD.
- On **January 16 and 18**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with constituent services representatives from Members of Congress with local offices in the Miami, and Orlando, FL, respectively, to discuss filing requests for assistance with the Ombudsman's Office. Closed press.
- On **January 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will host a delegation of Mexican Customs officials and a tour of the National Targeting Center-Cargo in Herndon, VA. As part of their visit, the delegation will also participate in an Executive Steering Committee meeting to discuss strategic planning initiatives with CBP and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and tour the Intellectual Property Rights Center. Closed press.
- On **January 17**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks on the implementation of the National Preparedness System and homeland security grant reform at the National Homeland Security Consortium in San Diego, CA. The National Homeland Security Consortium is a forum for public and private sector disciplines to discuss efforts about how best to protect America in the 21st century. Closed press.
- On **January 17**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Betsy Markey will co-host the U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) Immigration Task Force meeting with Task Force Chair Mayor Raul Salinas of Laredo, TX. U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will provide updates on DHS programs and policies. Open press.



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- On **January 17**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will deliver keynote remarks on TSA risk-based security initiatives to the International Aviation Club of Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **January 18**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver remarks on risk-based security and TSA Pre✓™ to the Criminal and Social Justice Committee at the US Conference of Mayors in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will host a quarterly meeting with representatives from non-governmental organizations in Washington, D.C to discuss current CBP policies on translation assistance to local law enforcement and updates on CBP's FOIA process and use of force policy. Closed press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Committee on Appropriations**

- On **January 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations will brief committee staff on the newly revised ICE detainer policy.

#### **Senate Committee on Finance**

- On **January 17 and 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host a staff delegation for briefings and tours focused on CBP's trade operations including Intellectual Property Rights inspection; agriculture inspection; and fines, penalties and forfeitures. Tour sites will include the Newark Seaport, CBP's Newark Laboratory, JFK International Airport, and CBP's Pharmaceuticals Center for Excellence and Expertise in New York. Closed press.

#### **Senate Committee on Appropriations**

- On **January 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) will brief committee staff on the HSI Tipline, an investigations "tip" intake center.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **January 15**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Pistole will be conducting courtesy meetings with Senators Jay Rockefeller and Tom Carper and Representatives Bennie Thompson and Michael McCaul. Closed press.
- On **January 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Chicago Field Office Director Ricardo Wong will meet with Representative Luis Gutierrez to discuss ICE priorities and Prosecutorial Discretion. This meeting which was requested by Representative Gutierrez. Closed press.

### IV. Legal Issues

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jeremy Redmon**, with the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* in Woodstock, GA, and **Matt O'Brien**, with the *San Jose Mercury News/Bay Area News Group* in Hayward, CA, records that were released in Case Number ICE 2012FOIA11750, consisting of a list of worksite enforcement audits completed and fines issued during fiscal years 2009, 2010, and 2011.
- On **December 31**, FEMA released to **Justin Blum**, with *Bloomberg News*, records consisting of successful applications for the Fire Station Construction Grant Program funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.
- On **December 31**, FEMA released to **David Perera**, with *FierceHomeland Security* in Washington, DC, records consisting of correspondence regarding FEMAStat meetings.
- On **January 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, documents concerning the February 27, 2012 meeting between DHS, ICE, and Mexican Representatives in Mexico City that pertain to the Interior Repatriation Initiative.

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- On **January 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Mike Trinh**, with the *Boston University News Service* in Boston, MA, complaints received by the National Intellectual Property Rights Center since January 2009.
- On **January 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Brad Heath** with *USA Today*, spreadsheets, job descriptions, and performance evaluation records for ICE Office of Public Affairs employees.
- On **January 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Maria Zamudio**, with *The Chicago Reporter*, policies related to medical repatriations and data pertaining to 11 medical repatriations that were conducted by ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations in Illinois.
- On **January 3**, DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Molly Mathews**, with *Fox News Channel*, memoranda, contracts, requisitions, and e-mails pertaining to ammunition and weapons used by DHS-OIG.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **January 4**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 669 AIT units at 168 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 5**, 422,356 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 5.8 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **January 8**, President Obama has signed 282 major disaster declarations and 60 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$22.9 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

January 17, 2013

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified over \$353 million in cost avoidances by leveraging the purchasing power of the entire Department to acquire commonly used software licenses (such as Microsoft, Adobe, and Oracle) for DHS-wide usage.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- Beginning **January 14**, The Discovery Channel is airing episodes of *Extreme Smuggling*, which follows CBP's interdiction efforts, filmed in Puerto Rico, Florida, and Texas at 8 p.m. (Eastern and Pacific) on Monday nights for the next four weeks.
- During the week of **January 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will announce its Fiscal Year 2012-in-Review data and statistics.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **January 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish monthly data on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals process.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **January 19 to 26**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss potential cooperative activities at the Netherlands' National Cyber Security Conference and meet with counterparts at the World Forum in The Hague, Netherlands. Closed press.
- On **January 20**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss the Highway Baseline Assessment for Security Enhancement Tool Kit, which encompasses site visits and interviews, with stakeholders at the United Motorcoach Expo in Orlando, FL. This voluntary program allows TSA to conduct transportation security-related assessments during site visits with security and operating officials of surface transportation entities. Closed press.
- On **January 20 and 21**, the U.S. Secret Service will lead the security efforts for the 57<sup>th</sup> Presidential Inauguration. Designated as a National Special Security Event, the U.S. Secret Service will establish a Presidential Inaugural Multi-Agency Communications Center, which will host representatives of 42 agencies, including law enforcement, utility companies, transit authorities, and the military. Other DHS components involved in security of the event include the Transportation Security Administration, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, United States Coast Guard, Federal Emergency Management Agency, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Science & Technology Directorate, and Domestic Nuclear Detection Office. Open press.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host webinars to give interested individuals an opportunity to learn about the recently announced policy manual and ask questions about its use and features. The January 7 release of the policy manual began the process of providing a single online reference for USCIS policies. The first phase of the policy manual covers citizenship and naturalization. Future releases will add benefit types and will gradually expand to cover all USCIS policies. Closed press.
- On **January 22 and 23**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with NORAD and USNORTHCOM Commander General Chuck Jacoby, and participate in a Commander's assessment briefing provided by USNORTHCOM personnel in Colorado Springs, CO. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) will host the 2013 DNDO Industry Day in Arlington, VA, to provide prospective vendors, National Laboratories, and Federal Partners an overview of DNDO's product acquisition priorities and long-term research and development focus areas. Closed press.

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- On **January 23 and 24**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will present the Basic Digital Photography for Law Enforcement and the Drug Endangered Children programs for tribal law enforcement at the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in Pine Ridge, SD. These programs provide law enforcement officers, first responders, and criminal investigators with tools necessary to collect, preserve and present evidence in prosecution of cases. Closed press.
- From **January 23 to 25**, the Science and Technology Directorate will lead the next round of biological detection testing of rapid detection systems for airborne biological materials in the Boston-area subway system. As with previous tests in the Detect-to-Protect program, all testing will be conducted overnight while the subway system is closed to the public and completed before the system opens in the morning. Open press.
- On **January 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar and Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Bersin will participate in a meeting with the State Department and officials from the Government of Mexico regarding incidents at the border and the use of force. The Mexican delegation will be headed by Sergio Manuel Alcocer Martinez de Castro, the new Undersecretary for North American Affairs. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with JetBlue Airways officials regarding opportunities for collaboration and JetBlue's plans for growth at select airports. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss the future of TSA with members of the Charlotte Observer editorial board, News 14 Carolina, and other local news media in Charlotte, NC. Open press.
- On **January 25**, FEMA Acting Assistant Administrator for the Grant Programs Directorate David Kaufman will meet with a group of the U.S. Conference of Mayors to discuss their concerns and ideas for a consolidated national grant program as was contained in the President's FY 2013 budget. Closed press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee**

- On **January 24**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Recovery Deb Ingram and Housing and Urban Development Senior Advisor Fred Tombar will provide a briefing on the Sandy Disaster Housing Task Force to staff. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, FEMA Chief Procurement Officer Dr. Frank Spampinato will provide Minority staff a briefing on the Agency's disaster centric contracting practices. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **January 21**, DHS Appropriations Subcommittee Chairman Carter and his subcommittee staff will visit New York and New Jersey to view areas affected by Hurricane Sandy.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will discuss duty collection efforts with Senator Pat Toomey. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Tara O'Toole will provide an overview of S&T activities and priorities to DHS Appropriations Subcommittee Chairman John Carter. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with Senator Tom Carper, the new Chairman of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.

#### *Legislative Issues*

- On **January 15**, the House passed H.R. 152, the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, which will provide a total of \$50.5 billion in Federal aid for Hurricane Sandy survivors and their communities.

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- On **January 15**, the House passed H.R. 219, the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act of 2013 (SRIA), which contains 10 disaster-related authorization provisions. The rule for H.R. 152 provided that H.R. 219 would be merged into H.R. 152 and sent to the Senate as a single, consolidated bill. DHS anticipates the Senate will approve the entire measure, possibly by unanimous consent, on January 22, 2013. DHS will recommend approval.

#### IV. Legal Issues

##### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 4**, FEMA released to **Andrew Wyner**, with **Project On Government Oversight** in Washington, D.C., a contract regarding “Lessons Learned Information Sharing” for emergency response providers and homeland security officials.
- On **January 7**, DHS released to **Kel McClanahan**, with **National Security Counselors** in Arlington, VA, correspondence regarding reviews of federal agencies which conduct polygraphs.
- On **January 8**, the Transportation Security Administration (**TSA**) released to **Elizabeth Wagner**, with **NBC Bay Area News in San Jose, CA**, a spreadsheet containing the number of racial or ethnic profiling complaints made to TSA from November 2006 through the present, broken down by airport and year.
- On **January 9**, DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Alissa Bohling**, with **Truthout** in Portland, OR, a spreadsheet containing narratives of complaints received by DHS-OIG on investigations involving complaints against the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) made by ‘transgender’ individuals.
- On **January 9**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Peter Themelis**, an individual in Nottingham, MD, e-mails to and from USCIS staff and a named individual regarding the position of Chief Negotiator.
- On **January 9**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) released to **Brad Heath**, with **USA Today**, rating summaries and calculation sheets, employee performance work plans, and performance appraisal records for FLETC Office of Public Affairs employees.
- On **January 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Rachel Sykes**, with **Sykes Injury Law** in Salt Lake City, UT, the final ICE Office of Professional Responsibility report of investigation, facility inspection reports, medical records, and e-mails concerning a detainee who died in ICE custody on March 20, 2011.
- On **January 15**, DHS will release to **Anjan Mukherjee**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, D.C., correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of the office of Representative Chris Murphy since January 3, 2007.
- On **January 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Michael Nowlan**, with **Clark Hill PLC**, in Detroit, MI, records and a request for evidence templates regarding the Entrepreneur in Residence Initiative.
- On **January 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Jack Gillum**, with the **The Associated Press**, inquiries from the Office of Senator Rob Portman concerning a constituent.

#### V. Additional items of importance not covered above

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **January 11**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 669 AIT units at 168 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 12**, 424,035 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 6.3 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **January 15**, President Obama has signed 283 major disaster declarations and 60 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$23 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.



Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

January 24, 2013

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By reducing mail delivery to one pick-up a day in the National Capital Region, DHS expects to achieve savings of \$1.2 million by 2014.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- During the **week of January 28**, Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein and Homeland Security Advanced Research Projects Agency (HSARPA) Director Paul Benda will be interviewed by *Federal News Radio* for a recorded “Agency Spotlight” segment on the overall mission of S&T and the role of HSARPA.
- During the **week of January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will participate in an interview with the Christian Science Monitor to discuss the border security environment today, given the increased resources on the ground, including recent progress, challenges and opportunities. Publication date TBD.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the week of **January 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to publish a revised Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification. On August 22, 2012, USCIS published a Notice in the Federal Register to collect public comments on the form for a period of 30 days. After reviewing and addressing the comments, USCIS will issue a final form.
- During the week of **January 28**, the Office of Health Affairs Chemical Defense Program, in coordination with the Department of Health and Human Services, expects to publish in the Federal Register a document titled *Patient Decontamination in a Mass Chemical Exposure Incident: National Planning Guidance for Communities*. This document will provide first responder and first receivers with guidance in developing operational plans for their specific jurisdictions when responding to chemical incidents and will undergo a 30-60 day public comment period.

### *GAO Reports*

On **January 24**, the GAO will release a report titled, “**Federal Facility Security: Greater Outreach by DHS on Standards and Management Practices Could Benefit Agencies.**” **Background:** From November 2011 to January 2013, the GAO assessed physical security programs at executive branch agencies with facilities that the Federal Protective Service (FPS) does not protect. GAO examined the sources that inform agencies’ physical security programs and the management practices agencies use to oversee physical security and allocate resources. **Findings:** The GAO found that agencies use a range of management practices to oversee physical security activities. However, GAO also found that the Interagency Security Committee (ISC) that distributes best-practice information related to physical security programs across the government lacks standards that address management practices for allocating resources across an agency’s entire portfolio of facilities. **Recommendations:** DHS concurs with both of the GAO’s recommendations to conduct outreach to executive branch agencies to clarify how its standards are to be used and examine agencies’ use of management practices to enhance resource allocation. **Response:** While the Interagency Security Committee (ISC) currently does not formally monitor agencies’ compliance with ISC standards, it does hold regular meetings with member agencies to develop an understanding of whether or how standards are used. To build on its current outreach efforts, DHS will review current programs to determine the best way these can be expanded with current funding and clarify how the standards can be used in concert with agencies’ existing physical security programs in accordance with Executive Order 12977. The ISC will develop guidelines to help agencies make the most



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effective use of resources available for physical security across their portfolio of facilities and examine the use of management practices for resource allocation.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host an engagement session titled, “USCIS Engagement on Digital Access,” focusing on USCIS Electronic Immigration System (USCIS ELIS), which transforms the USCIS paper-based agency into an electronic, online organization, during the American Library Association Mid-Winter Meeting in Seattle, WA. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will deliver remarks on border security to state and local law enforcement at the Joint Winter Meeting of the Major County Sheriffs’ Association and the Major City Chiefs’ Association. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss cyber threats to industrial control systems at the Energy, Utility, and Environment Conference in Phoenix, AZ. Open press.
- On **January 28**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will provide updates and discuss current aviation security issues with the Airline Pilots Association. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a community outreach session in Bakersfield, CA, on the deferred action for childhood arrivals process. Press TBD.
- On **January 28**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with leadership from the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service in Washington, D.C. to discuss stakeholder concerns and initiatives mentioned in the Ombudsman’s 2012 Annual Report. Closed press.
- From **January 28 to 30**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will meet with Canadian Air Transport Security Authority counterparts to exchange best practices in Ottawa, Canada. Closed press.
- From **January 28 to February 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James Dinkins and HSI Office of International Affairs Deputy Director David Thompson will travel to Beijing to meet with law enforcement and customs counterparts. Closed press.
- From **January 28 to February 1**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the pilot program for the Seaport Security Antiterrorism Training Program in Charleston, SC, focusing on all-hazard threats against U.S. seaports including understanding pre-incident indicators, conducting port vulnerability assessments, determining potential risks, and developing defensive countermeasures to reduce or eliminate identified risks. Closed press. No public impact expected.
- On **January 29**, DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will host a delegation from the Denmark Ministry of Social Affairs and Integration for a briefing on DHS’s work on countering violent extremism and integration efforts. Closed press.
- On **January 29**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement meet with World Customs Organization officials in Washington, DC.
- On **January 29**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss cybersecurity for public safety officials at the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials International Emerging Technology Forum in Anaheim, CA. Open press.
- On **January 29**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss cybersecurity at the APCO International Emerging Market Technology Forum in Anaheim, CA. Open press.
- On **January 29 and 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host webinars to give interested individuals an opportunity to learn about the policy manual and ask questions about its use and features. The January 7 release of the policy manual began the process of providing a single online reference for USCIS policies. The first phase of the policy manual covers citizenship and naturalization. Future releases will add benefit types and will gradually expand to cover all USCIS policies. Closed press.

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- From **January 29 to 31**, the Science and Technology Directorate will sponsor the first of four GPS forensics training classes for federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to educate agencies about the DHS-funded GPS device forensic analysis technology. Class participants will receive a certificate upon completion of the training and receive a one-year license for use of the GPS technology by their agency. Closed press.
- **On January 30**, the Science and Technology Directorate will transition the Searchable Toner and Printing Ink Library to the U.S. Immigration Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigative Forensic Laboratory. This event will highlight the success of the project, which is used by the U.S. Secret Service and ICE forensic laboratories to identify fraudulent documents by tracing their origins, and will include a short demonstration and tour of the facilities. Open press.
- **On January 30 and 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton is scheduled to deliver remarks regarding intellectual property rights, specifically related to counterfeit merchandise at the Super Bowl, in New Orleans, LA.
- From **January 30 to February 1**, the National Governors Association and DHS are co-hosting the Governor's Homeland Security Advisors at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Glynco, GA. As part of this session, on **January 30**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks on homeland security grant reform and Fiscal Year 2013 goals. Closed press.
- **On January 31**, US-VISIT Director Bob Mocny will deliver remarks on biometrics and identity management at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement's Biometrics for National Security and Law Enforcement Summit in Alexandria, VA. Open press.
- **On January 31**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Leaders Conference 2013 in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- **On February 1**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will attend the "Close Allies Man-Portable Air Defense Systems (MANPADS) Threat Mitigation Workshop" in London, UK aimed at ensuring that MANPADS programs and activities are broadly aligned with those of other key partners, and share projected schedules and training opportunities. Closed press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- From **January 28 to 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host Chairman John Carter for a tour of CBP operations in San Diego, CA, and Tucson, AZ. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- **On January 25**, Senator Tom Carper will receive a tour of the DHS National Operations Center.
- **On January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Executive Director John Wagner will brief Florida delegation staff for Senators Bill Nelson, and Marco Rubio, and Representatives Vern Buchanan, Corrine Brown, Joe Garcia, Debbie Wasserman-Schultz, and Bill Posey on business transformation initiatives at CBP's ports of entry. Closed press.
- **On January 28**, staff members from the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation are scheduled to visit various Coast Guard units in Baltimore, MD.
- **On January 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Executive Director John Wagner will brief Virginia delegation staff for Senator Mark Warner, and Representatives Gerald Connolly, and Frank Wolf on business transformation initiatives at CBP's ports of entry. Closed press.
- **On February 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will travel to Chicago, IL, to meet with representatives from the Chicago Department of Aviation and the Mayor's office about improving wait-times and business transformation initiatives at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport.

### *Legislative Issues*

- During the week of **January 28**, the Senate is expected to take up H.R. 152, the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013, which will provide a total of \$50.5 billion in Federal aid for Hurricane Sandy survivors and their communities. On **January 15**, the House passed H.R. 152. Combined with H.R. 41, which authorized \$9.7 billion in additional borrowing authority for the National Flood Insurance Program, this nearly meets the President's supplemental request of \$60.4 billion of December 7, 2012. The Senate is expected to pass this bill, and DHS will recommend approval.

## **IV. Legal Issues**

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 17**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Karen Garcia**, with *Chilkat Valley News* in Haines, AK, records concerning the drowning death of an individual on or about July 4, 2012 near Juneau, Alaska.
- On **January 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Michael Biesecker**, with *The Associated Press*, a memoranda and the December 2011 ICE Office of Professional Responsibility compliance audit of the 287(g) program in Alamance County, NC.
- On **January 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Maria Zamudio**, with *The Chicago Reporter*, statistical information pertaining to the number of expedited removals completed nationwide for fiscal years 2007 through 2012.
- On **January 24**, DHS will release to **Abraham Payton**, with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, the correspondence log for former Senator Scott Brown and the Department of Homeland Security.
- On **January 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will release to **Valerie O'Driscoll**, **Amie Stepanovich**, and **Ginger McCall**, with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center**, contract records, interagency agreements, and memoranda of agreement pertaining to CBP's use of drones.

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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

January 31, 2012

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$330 million in cost avoidances through implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to reduce expenditures associated with applicant security background investigations and other security-related component-specific initiatives.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- During the week of **February 4**, NBC News will interview Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole for a story about weapons confiscated at airports including the number of guns and types of discoveries. The piece will include education on how to safely and legally travel aboard aircraft with firearms as well as a review of confiscation information from the Transportation Security Operations Center. Release date TBD. Positive tone.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **February 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will implement the USCIS Immigrant Fee. Part of its 2010 fee rule, the USCIS Immigrant Visa Fee of \$165 will be charged for overseas immigrant visa applicants to recover the cost of USCIS processing immigrant visa packages and issuing green cards in the United States.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to publish a revised Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification. On August 22, 2012, USCIS published a Notice in the Federal Register to collect public comments on the form for a period of 30 days. USCIS intends to publish a final Form I-9 with a 60-day grace period to implement. USCIS revised the form to enhance Section 508 compliance, improve the layout, incorporate 3-D bar code technology, and add fields to collect employee contact information and to support the I-94 automation initiative. USCIS received more than 6,200 comments in considering the final version of the form.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **February 3**, DHS will provide security support at the Super Bowl held in New Orleans, LA in partnership with local, state, and federal law enforcement and public safety agencies. Specific activities include the Transportation Security Administration's Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response teams will help secure regional transportation systems, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will scan the cargo entering the stadium for contraband, the U.S. Coast Guard and CBP will help to secure the waters and skies around New Orleans, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will conduct operations specifically targeting counterfeit vendors and local merchants of game-related sportswear.
- From **February 3 to 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will travel to London, England to discuss collaborative efforts including repatriation and combating transnational crime with his United Kingdom counterparts. Director Morton will also be speaking at the Chatham House, a nonprofit, non-governmental organization, about transnational crime with U. K. National Crime Agency Director Keith Bristow. Press TBD.
- On **February 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host an engagement event to discuss USCIS ELIS, which transforms the USCIS paper-based agency into an electronic, online organization, at New York University's Kimmel Center in New York, NY. Members of the academic community will share their experiences using the new system and helping students navigate it. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Student and Exchange Visitor Program and U.S. Customs and

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Border Protection also will be present to answer any questions related to SEVIS or student immigration issues in general. Closed press.

- On **February 5**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver the keynote address on risk-based security initiatives at the Transit Police Chiefs Transit Security and Emergency Management Roundtable in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **February 5**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host a Virtual USA capacity building webinar for the first responder community called “Accessing Weather Data During Hazardous Events,” which will provide an overview of the types of weather data, a description of various analytical tools, and instructions on how to maintain access to weather data during a storm. The Virtual USA project is an initiative focusing on information sharing and collaboration within the homeland security and emergency management communities. Open press.
- On **February 5**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will convene its quarterly community engagement roundtable with ethnic and advocacy leaders in Houston, TX. Closed press.
- On **February 6**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will convene its quarterly community engagement roundtable with ethnic and advocacy leaders in Seattle, WA. Closed press.
- On **February 6**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with leadership from the American Council on International Personnel in Washington, D.C. to discuss stakeholder concerns and initiatives mentioned in the Ombudsman’s 2012 Annual Report. Closed press.
- On **February 6**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks on FEMA’s continued efforts to build strong relationships with the Tribes and recent changes to the Stafford Act at the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc. Impact Week Meeting in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **February 6**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will present the Use of Force In-Service Training Program in Shreveport, LA to state and local law enforcement. Closed press.
- On **February 6**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate in a nation-wide conference call hosted by the FEMA Innovation Team/Think Tank and the White House. The discussion will include FEMA/Whole Community partners’ impact during Hurricane Sandy relief efforts and the ability to innovate in a real-time disaster situation.
- On **February 6**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will lead a roundtable discussion with National Security Staff as well as Whole Community partners to discuss Hurricane Sandy relief efforts and the ability to innovate in a real-time disaster situation. Representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will also participate in the event. Open press.
- On **February 6 and 7**, Acting Chief Privacy Office Jonathan Cantor will travel to Dublin, Ireland to participate in the Data Privacy and Protection Agreement negotiations at the Justice and Home Affairs Senior Officials Meeting. Representatives from the Office of General Counsel and the Office of International Affairs will also participate. Closed press.
- On **February 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a stakeholder engagement to discuss issues related to the 204(1) policy guidance on submitting petitions after the death of a qualifying relative. Closed press.
- On **February 7**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks on issues affecting the H-2A Temporary Agricultural Worker program at the National Council of Agricultural Employers 2013 Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **February 7**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate as a panelist in a discussion organized by the Council on Foreign Relation. Panelists will discuss how U.S. companies use innovative fixes to drive breakthrough growth in their organizations, and how U.S. government agencies could be more solution-oriented through innovation by leveraging the ingenuity of local communities, individuals, and their employees. Closed press.
- On **February 7 and 8**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O’Toole will attend the In-Q-Tel CEO Summit in San Jose, CA, which brings together entrepreneurs, investors, and representatives from the U.S. Intelligence Community to address future technology, discuss innovative technologies from the private and public sectors, and examine the cutting-edge capabilities. Closed press.



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- On **February 9**, the U.S. Coast Guard will host “Operation Icy Resolve,” in the waters off Marblehead, OH. This full-scale Ice/Cold Water Rescue Operation exercise will simulate a commercial aircraft crash in the ice/cold waters and the ensuing coordination among multiple federal, state, local, foreign government, and private partners in the rescue of as many as 60 victims. U.S. Customs and Border Protection will participate in the exercise. Invited attendees include Governor John Kasich and Representative Marcy Kaptur. Open press.

### III. Legislative Issues

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 4**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with committee staff. This is an initial meeting and serves as Odom’s introduction as the new CIS Ombudsman. Closed press.
- On **February 7**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson and FEMA Budget Director Evan Farley will brief staff on the state of the Disaster Relief Fund. Closed press.
- On **February 8**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson and FEMA Budget Director Evan Farley will brief staff on the FY 2013 Budget execution. Closed press.

#### **Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs**

- On **February 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Executive Director John Wagner will brief committee staff on CBP’s Business Transformation Initiatives.
- On **February 7**, the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs will provide an “IGA 101” brief to Chairman Tom Carper’s staff. Closed press.

#### **House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 5**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide a classified briefing for Chairman John Carter and subcommittee staff. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and National Programs and Protectorate Division will also participate. Closed press.

#### *Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host staff from the office of Senator Jeff Flake for a tour of CBP operations in Yuma, AZ. Closed press.
- On **February 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host House Homeland Security Committee Chairman Mike McCaul for a tour of CBP operations at the Port of L.A./Long Beach in Los Angeles, CA. Closed press.
- On **February 5**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with staff from the Tri-Caucus for the U.S. House of Representatives. This is an initial meeting and serves as Odom’s introduction as the new CIS Ombudsman. Closed press.
- On **February 5**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with the Representative Zoe Lofgren. This is an initial meeting to introduce Odom to Representative Lofgren. Closed press.
- On **February 8**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide a tour and briefing of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center in Arlington, VA to House Homeland Security Chairman Mike McCaul. Closed press.

### IV. Legal Issues

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 22**, the Transportation Security Administration released to **Laura Rotolo**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts** in Boston, MA, an incident report and e-mail correspondence regarding an incident at Logan International Airport.
- On **January 23**, DHS released to **Abraham Payton**, with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, D.C., a correspondence log for former Senator Scott Brown.



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- On **January 30 and 31**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, with **Cox TV**, information pertaining to the planning for a possible Presidential Transition in 2013.
- On **January 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Jason Ryan**, with **ABC News**, reports concerning the investigation of allegations that ICE employees and agents solicited prostitutes.
- On **January 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to Steve Reilly, with the **Press & Sun-Bulletin** in Binghamton, NY, the ICE Office of Professional Responsibility report of investigation concerning the July 27, 2011 death of Irene Bamenga at the Albany County Jail in Albany, NY.
- On **January 31**, ICE will release to **Ryan Reilly**, with *Talking Points Memo* in Washington, DC, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Professional Responsibility report concerning the immigration status of Zeituni Onyango, aunt of President Obama, in the days before the 2008 presidential election.
- On **January 31**, FEMA will release to **David Perera**, with *FierceHomeland Security* in Washington, DC, e-mails pertaining to FEMA Stat meetings.
- On **January 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will release to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, summaries of admissions of criminal activity by CBP employees.
- On **January 31**, DHS will release to **Abraham Payton**, with **American Bridge 21<sup>st</sup> Century** in Washington, DC, letters between Secretary Napolitano and Kenneth Thomas Cuccinelli II.

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- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **January 24**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 672 AIT units at 170 airports.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 26**, 427,263 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.2 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 7.1 million queries have been run through the system.
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Department of Homeland Security

*Weekly Report*

February 7, 2013

## **I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$335 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce training costs by converting instructor-led trainings to online courses, reducing reliance on training vendors by developing courses in-house, and aligning training needs to agency priorities.

## **II. Public Affairs**

### *Expected Stories*

- On **February 8**, CBS News will interview Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Chris McLaughlin on the Passenger Screening Canine Program at Washington Dulles Airport.
- On **February 11**, the Navy Times is expected to publish an interview with U.S. Coast Guard Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program Manager Shawn Wren.
- On **February 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Miami Field Office will host a media event at the Miami International Airport to highlight the work of CBP's Agriculture Specialists who inspect millions of cut flower imports for pests and diseases each year. CBP Miami Port Director Roland Suliveras will provide opening remarks. Travel Channel will be filming the event. Open press.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will announce a Global Entry Satellite Office at Houston City Hall in Houston, TX. This is the second such office; the first opened in New York City last year. Houston Mayor Annise D. Parker will attend, as will local CBP leadership. Open press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **February 25**, the Office of International Affairs expects to sign a Joint Statement to Combat Trafficking in Persons, Joint Statement on Global Supply Chain Security and Joint Statement of Intent to Establish a Regional Cargo Targeting Center with Colombia.

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **February 7**, the OIG will release a report titled, "**United States Customs and Border Protection's Radiation Portal Monitors at Seaports.**" **Background:** From April to November 2012, the OIG conducted an audit of Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to determine whether DNDO and CBP deploy and use radiation portal monitors (RPMs) to ensure the most efficient cargo screening at seaports. The Security and Accountability for Every Port Act of 2006 requires that all containers entering the U.S. at the 22 ports through which the greatest container volume enters the country must be screened for radiation. CPB screens incoming shipments for elevated radiation levels using large-scale radiation detectors called RPMs. **Recommendations:** The OIG made three recommendations aimed at improving the overall effectiveness and cohesion of the Radiation Portal Monitoring Program at seaports, all with which DNDO and CBP concur. **Response:** The Radiation Portal Monitoring Program is integral to CBP's mission to interdict illicit radioactive and nuclear materials and to prevent their entry into the United States. CBP and DNDO are currently developing a 2013 program execution plan to document current RPM deployment projects on the basis of priorities and a long-term program execution plan to further refine roles and responsibilities for the RPM program, addressing an OIG recommendation.

On **February 15**, the OIG will release a report titled, "**TSA's Aviation Channeling Services Provider Project.**" **Background:** In April 2012, OIG conducted an audit of recent contractual arrangements for vetting services under TSA's Aviation Channeling Services Provider (ACSP) Project. OIG's objective was to determine whether TSA's ACSP Project selected vendors according to Federal policies and procedures and effectively planned for the implementation of new services. ACSP was initiated in response to concern that

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airports and airlines should be able to choose vendors for relaying information used to issue airport security badges. TSA's efforts were aimed at improving the process for commercial airports, airlines, and general aviation airports. **Findings:** The OIG found that TSA did not properly implement the project and, as a result, airports nationwide experienced difficulties causing a backlog in background checks for airport employees. To address the backlog, TSA instituted alternative procedures including temporarily allowing airports to issue badges without the required background checks. **Recommendations:** TSA concurs with all four recommendations from the OIG and is committed to addressing the issues identified in the report. **Response:** As noted by OIG, TSA properly selected vendors for the ACSP Project according to Federal policies and procedures. TSA initiated the ACSP Project at the request of commercial airport operators, air carriers, and general aviation airports to diversify the possible providers that conduct background checks. When a backlog of background checks negatively impacted airport operations, TSA implemented alternative procedures until the backlog was cleared to ensure continuity for airports and air carrier.

#### *Other Reports*

On **January 31**, the GAO released a report titled, "**Performance Measures and Comprehensive Funding Data Could Enhance Management of National Capital Region Preparedness Resources.**" **Background:** From April 2012 to January 2013, the GAO reviewed the status of FEMA's efforts in the National Capital Region (NCR) to enhance capabilities to prepare for, protect from, and respond to major hazards, and specifically the extent to which FEMA has assisted regional officials in establishing performance measures and identifying federal funding available to prioritize preparedness investments in the NCR. **Recommendations:** The GAO recommends that the FEMA Office of National Capital Region Coordination (NCRC) assist regional offices in the NCR in developing measures to help regional preparedness officials better assess the implementation of the region's strategic plan and collect comprehensive information on federal preparedness grant funding in the region. FEMA concurs with these recommendations. **Response:** FEMA agrees that the use of performance metrics is necessary for assessing overall preparedness for the NCR and notes that FEMA NCRC currently works in tandem with the NCR to identify activities that will enhance the preparedness of the NCR, including the establishment of performance measures to assess these efforts. FEMA has taken important steps to establish a preparedness baseline for assessing future preparedness through the State Preparedness Report (SPR) methodology, including determining the effectiveness of grants in improving preparedness.

On **February 10**, the GAO will release a report titled, "**Cybersecurity National Strategy, Roles, and Responsibilities.**" **Background:** From April to December 2012, the GAO assessed the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) efforts to implement a strategic approach to cybersecurity and adhere to a national cybersecurity strategy. Although no recommendations were made to DHS, GAO did highlight the significant progress DHS has made in executing its cybersecurity mission in its report. **Response:** In October 2012, DHS updated the operational structure of the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Office of Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C) to bring communications and cybersecurity programs together under a single point of operational coordination. In November 2011, DHS released the *Blueprint for a Secure Cyber Future: The Cybersecurity Strategy for the Homeland Security Enterprise*, which calls for a coordinated effort across the homeland security community to protect the Nation's critical information infrastructure and build a safer and more secure cyber ecosystem, addressing a previous GAO recommendation. As a result of the progress the Department has made in information sharing and analysis, GAO closed each of the ten recommendations under its *Cyber Analysis and Warning* report while the NCCIC provided GAO with all documentation requested to close the remaining recommendations under GAO's report titled *Key Private and Public Cyber Expectations Need to Be Consistently Addressed*.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **February 10**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with representatives from the American Medical Association in Washington, D.C. to discuss issues concerning international medical graduates. Closed press.

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- From **February 10 to 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton and DHS Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Mexico City, Mexico, to meet with Mexican counterparts to discuss trusted traveler and trade programs and participate in an Executive Steering Committee meeting with Mexico's Secretary of Governance. Closed press.
- From **February 11 to 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will participate in the U.S.-Germany Security Cooperation Group in Nogales and Phoenix, AZ. Participants will tour the Southwest border with the U.S. Customs and Border Protection; attend a citizenship class conducted by International Rescue Committee Phoenix, a USCIS grant recipient; meet with USCIS staff at the Phoenix District Office; and speak with local officials and stakeholders about immigrant integration issues. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will meet with American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, DC to discuss new USCIS ELIS features that will allow attorneys and accredited representatives to electronically interact with clients, who can now verify, review, and e-sign their benefit requests. ELIS is the USCIS Electronic Immigration System, which transforms the USCIS paper-based agency into an electronic, online organization. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver keynote remarks addressing the Agency's perspective on national emergency management policies and programs that impact local governments that work regionally at the National Association of Regional Council's Conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **February 11 to 14**, the Science and Technology Directorate will lead an interagency team of DHS and Department of Defense representatives participating in the Joint Interagency Field Exploration and the Research and Experimentation for Local and International Emergency and First Responders events at Camp Roberts near Paso Robles, CA. More than 200 federal, state, local, academic, and private sector representatives will take part in this collaborative effort to address effectiveness, affordability, and feasibility of future first responder technology capabilities through hands-on evaluation of more than 50 technologies. Closed press.
- From **February 11 to 15**, the U.S. Secret Service will provide training for judges through the Computer Forensics in Court Training Course at the National Computer Forensic Institute in Hoover, AL. This course provides hands-on experience with computer and networking technology to allow judges to obtain knowledge and insight into presiding over criminal cases involving digital evidence through discussions and practical exercises to demonstrate methodologies and techniques used by investigators, as well as instruction of digital evidence legal issues. Closed press.
- On **February 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver remarks on recent developments in Risk Based Security at the Federal Bar Association and Transportation Security Law Forum in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **February 12**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host the New York Area Science and Technology Forum in New York, NY. This meeting will feature developing technologies that could mitigate damage similar to that sustained during Super Storm Sandy including the Resilient Tunnel project, Resilient Electric Grid, and Recovery Transformer-X projects. Closed press.
- On **February 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host webinar training for community-based organizations on various forms of immigration relief available to victims of human trafficking, domestic violence and other serious crimes. Closed press.
- On **February 13**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza is tentatively scheduled to speak at the Saint Louis University College of Public Health and Social Justice in St. Louis, MO about his public health and health policy experience.
- On **February 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host multiple webinars about the new policy manual. The January 7 release of the policy manual began the process of providing a single online reference for USCIS policies. The first phase of the policy manual covers citizenship and naturalization. Future releases will add benefit types and will gradually expand to cover all USCIS policies. Closed press.

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- On **February 14**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a stakeholder teleconference titled “Ombudsman Update: Recent Recommendations and Ombudsman Case Assistance Online” highlighting access to assistance available to stakeholders as well as discussing Formal Recommendations made by the Ombudsman’s Office. Open press.
- On **February 14**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the National Guard’s Dual Status Commanders Meeting in Washington, D.C. regarding the role of Dual Status Commanders in large scale disasters. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will deliver remarks at the National Domestic Preparedness Consortium, a partnership of several nationally recognized organizations whose membership is based on the need to address the counter-terrorism preparedness needs of the nation’s emergency first responders in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **February 15**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will give a presentation on the *Design Safe School Projects in Case of Terrorist Attacks and School Shootings* to the Sandy Hook Advisory Commission in Hartford, CT. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **February 13**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee on comprehensive immigration reform. Open press.
- On **February 14**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations on the impact of sequester along with other Cabinet officials. Open press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Peter Neffenger will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation on USCG missions. Open press.

#### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

#### **Senate and House Committees on Appropriations, Subcommittees on Homeland Security**

- On **February 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Joint Operations Directorate (JOD) Executive Director John Stanton will brief staff on the JOD. The CBP JOD aims to facilitate and strengthen the strategic capabilities of CBP through planning, coordinating, and executing integrated field operations. This includes efforts like the Joint Field Command in Arizona and the South Texas Campaign as well as critical incident response management. Closed press.

#### **House Committee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Acting Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and Acting Director for Transportation and Cargo within the DHS Office of Policy Sean Moon will brief staff on maritime cargo security. Closed press.

#### **Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee**

- On **February 14**, FEMA National Training and Exercise Division Director Dr. Keith Holtermann and National Exercise Division Director Donald Lumpkins will brief staff on the Divisions’ latest activities. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver an overview briefing on Fusion Centers for new staff. Closed press.

#### **Senate Commerce Committee**

- On **February 14**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will provide a classified security threat briefing to the Senate Commerce Committee members. Closed press.

#### **Senate Committee on Indian Affairs**

- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of State, Local, and Tribal Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will provide a briefing to staff regarding enforcement operations and collaboration with state and local law enforcement. Closed press.

#### **House Energy and Commerce Committee**



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- On **February 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will host a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center for House Energy and Commerce Committee Members and staff. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 11**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with Senator Tom Coburn, Ranking Member of the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, Acting Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis William Tarry will accompany Senator Tom Carper on a visit to the Delaware Information Analysis Center in Dover, DE. Closed press.
- On **February 12**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will deliver a border threat briefing to Senator Carper in advance of his trip to Arizona. Closed press.
- On **February 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will host a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center for Chairman John Carter. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, DNDO Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia, and representatives from the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office's National Technical Nuclear Forensics Center will meet with Representative Adam to provide an update on the status of the Nuclear Forensics and Attribution Act.
- On **February 14**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss projects and priorities with Representative Tulsi Gabbard in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards with Chairmen Michael McCaul and Patrick Meehan.
- On **February 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will host Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Chairman Tom Carper for a tour of CBP and TSA operations at the Philadelphia International Airport in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press.

#### IV. Legal Issues

*FOIA Releases*

- On **January 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate released to **Mary Cox**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington D.C., correspondence to DHS from Congressman Cornelius McGillicuddy IV.
- On **January 28**, DHS Office of Inspector General released to **Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C contracts between DHS and private entities providing FOIA services.
- On **January 28**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center released to **Karen Troutman**, with **Dewey Publications, Inc.** in Arlington, VA, a spreadsheet containing the names and e-mail addresses for various component directors and chiefs.
- On **January 31**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, with **Cox TV**, e-mails sent by FLETC staffers in 2012 to and from the office of Senator Tom Udall.
- On **January 31**, DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Ritika Rodrigues**, with the **U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia**, FOIA case notes pertaining Case Numbers OIG 2013-029 and 2013-033.
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Mica, Representative Kenny Marchant, Acting TSA Administrator Gale Rossides, Senator Susan Collins, and Alexander Garza to the Secretary in 2010 and 2011.

- On **February 7**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) will release to **Lisa Song**, with *Inside Climate News* in Somerville, MA, case reports, e-mails, and photographs concerning the Enbridge 6B pipeline failure in Marshall, MI that occurred on or about July 25, 2010.
- On **February 7**, the U.S. Coast Guard will release to **Inkoo Kang**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, a production assistance agreement, and other records pertaining to the film “Jeff, Who Lives at Home.”

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Monthly Statistics (January 2013):** TSA referred 21 passengers to law enforcement based on suspicious behavior or fraudulent travel documents and found 112 firearms and 85 artfully concealed prohibited items at checkpoints.
- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **January 29**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 676 AIT units at 170 airports.
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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### I. Presidential Priorities

#### *Immigration*

- On **February 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder engagement on customer service to discuss the launch of the new Interactive Voice Response System and redesigned *How Do I* guides, among other updates. Closed press.
- Between **February 14 and 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to naturalize 17,800 new citizens during 148 ceremonies across the United States in commemoration of Presidents Day. Open press.
- On **February 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Director Lori Scialabba will travel to Atlanta, GA to administer the Oath of Allegiance and participate in a special naturalization ceremony at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum in commemoration of Presidents Day. Open press.
- On **February 18**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks at a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services naturalization ceremony in Phoenix, AZ, in celebration of President's Day. Open press.
- On **February 18**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will testify before the Phoenix Mayor's Task Force on Sex Trafficking in Phoenix, AZ, about the Blue Campaign and the Department's efforts to raise awareness of human trafficking. Closed press.
- On **February 18 to 21**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will participate in meetings in Phoenix, Tucson, and Nogales, AZ to discuss the delivery of immigration benefits and services by the Ombudsman's Office as well as the work of the DHS Blue Campaign to raise awareness on human trafficking issues with local representatives from the Arizona State Bar's immigration section, American Immigration Lawyers Association, Phoenix Greater Economic Council, as well as local non-profit legal service providers, non-profit victim service providers, human trafficking advocacy organizations, and University of Arizona and Arizona State University immigration scholars. Closed press.
- On **February 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national webinar on T and U visas, and the Violence Against Women Act for law enforcement agencies in coordination with DHS Office of State and Local Law Enforcement. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national teleconference on publication of revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. Closed press.
- On **February 21**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver keynote remarks and facilitate a One-DHS Training hosted by the Arizona Police Officer Standards and Training Board regarding protections for immigrant victims. This training will include representatives from local Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection offices sharing information with Arizona state and local law enforcement officials regarding tools to support investigations and prosecutions, such as the T and U visas for victims of trafficking and crime. Closed press.
- On **February 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Deputy Director Rendell Jones will administer the Oath of Allegiance at a naturalization ceremony at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate, Museum and Gardens in Mount Vernon, VA. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 8**, 509,417 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 8.7 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- From **February 18 to 21**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will meet with the Kuwait Civil Aviation Authority and Ministry of Interior regarding security screening concerns before traveling to Kuwait International Airport before observing and verifying comparable aviation

screening operations related to Preclearance at and Abu Dhabi International Airport in the United Arab Emirates and then hold meetings with the Frankfurt Consulate and hold a Town Hall at the Regional Operations Center in Frankfurt, Germany. Closed press.

- From **February 18 to 21**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss research and development in aviation security at the International Air Transport Association Checkpoint of the Future in Singapore. Open press.
- On **February 19**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss Risk Based Security and the TSA Pre™ application program at the Airport Consultants/American Association of Airport Executive Airport Planning Design and Construction Symposium in Denver, CO with over 600 representatives from airports, consulting firms, airlines and government agencies. Open press.

### *Cybersecurity*

- On **February 19**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will deliver remarks to executives from industry and government on Science and Technology Directorate priorities including efforts to develop cybersecurity capabilities to support the first responder community at the Homeland Security Dialogue Forum in Washington, DC. Closed press.

## **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- In **February**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate expects to announce support to state and local governments to help in the adoption of the Cybersecurity Framework through technical assistance in the form of intrusion detection and prevention from the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register extending Temporary Protected Status for Haiti for 18 months, through January 22, 2016.
- From **February 25 to 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) plans to host press events at Cyril B. King Airport in Charlotte Amalie, U.S. Virgin Islands, and at Henry E. Rohlsen Airport in Christiansted, U.S. Virgin Islands, to promote the “Don’t Pack a Pest” outreach program to travelers. “Don’t Pack a Pest” is a multi-agency initiative to improve inter-governmental cooperation in carrying out agricultural safeguarding activities; partners include CBP, the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Open press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to host a national teleconference to provide program and policy-related updates to the EB-5 community and introduce the new Investor Program Office Chief. Closed press.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **February 15 to 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director John Sandweg and ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Deputy Executive Associate Director Peter Edge will travel to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Afghanistan. In the UAE, Acting Director Sandweg will sign a Memorandum of Understanding regarding the ongoing formal information exchange between ICE and the Minister of Interior/Abu Dhabi Police and conduct bilateral meetings with the UAE Ministry of Interior. In Afghanistan, they will meet with Afghanistan Minister of Interior law enforcement personnel, the newly formed Transnational Criminal Investigative Unit, and ICE HSI employees stationed in Afghanistan. Closed press.
- From **February 17 to 20**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Laredo, Port Isabel and Harlingen, TX, accompanied by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, to tour CBP, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services operations and meet with various local stakeholders. On Tuesday, **February 18**, the delegation will participate in a press event with GSA Administrator Dan Tangherlini and Representative Henry Cuellar to announce \$61 million in funding for port infrastructure

improvements for the Gateway to the Americas International and Lincoln-Juarez Bridges in Laredo. All operational tours and stakeholder meetings are closed press.

- From **February 17 to 21**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will participate in @tomic2014, an international table-top exercise in the Netherlands, focused on preventing nuclear and radiological terrorism. Closed press.
- On **February 18 and 19**, the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the European Civil Aviation Conference Explosive Detection Dog conference in Paris, France. Closed press.
- From **February 18 to 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will conduct the Commercial Vehicle Counterterrorism Training Program in Raleigh, NC. The program provides law enforcement officers, responsible for traffic enforcement, with an awareness of how commercial vehicles can be used to commit acts of terrorism. Closed press.
- On **February 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection Infrastructure Security Compliance Division Director Dave Wulf will deliver remarks on chemical facility security at the Executive Order 13650 Listening Session in Baton Rouge, LA. The listening session is expected to attract chemical facility owners and operators. Open press.
- On **February 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations will host the next quarterly meeting of the ICE Non-Government Organization (NGO) Working Group at in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- Between **February 19 and 21**, the U.S. Secret Service will hold counterfeit detection training in support of the U.S. Currency training program in Miami, FL for Federal Reserve Board employees. Closed press.
- On **February 19 to 21**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Tijuana will travel to Tapachula, Chiapas, with FBI and Department of State Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs personnel from El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, and Mexican immigration officials to discuss issues of the increasing gang presence and associated violence on Mexico's southern border. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks at the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund 2014 Latino State of the Union at the Time Warner Center, New York City, NY.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will attend the fifth public meeting of the 13th Term Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for Customs and Border Protection in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **February 21 to March 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner James Tomsheck (Office of Internal Affairs) will travel to Belgrade, Serbia, to participate in the Serbian Border Police and Customs Directorate's Joint Anti-Corruption Initiative. This request was received from the U.S. Department of Justice, which is leading the Initiative.
- From **February 21 to 24**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara and Deputy Assistant Secretary Alaina Clark will attend the National Governors Association winter meeting in Washington, DC. Portions Open and closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about maritime transportation regulations. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Deputy Director Student Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) Rachel Canty, HSI SEVP Strategic Communications Unit Chief Kathryn Kennedy and Acting Chief SEVP School Certification Unit Katie Westerlund will provide staff of Senator Charles Grassley with a briefing on SEVP and a tour of the SEVP Operations located in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

- On **February 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Grand Rapids Resident Agent in Charge Kenneth Duke, and partners from the Michigan Fusion Center—an interagency law enforcement group—will have an introductory meeting with staff of Representative Bill Huizenga. Closed press.
- On **February 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, John Wagner will brief staff from the House Oversight and Government Reform Subcommittee on National Security on the Workload Staffing Model and Resource Optimization Strategy. Closed press.
- From **February 18 to 19**, staff from the Senate Finance Committee will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press.
- From **February 18 to 20**, staff from various Congressional offices will view U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in Detroit, MI, as part of a tour of the Detroit/Windsor, Ontario, area sponsored by the Canada Border Services Agency. Closed press.
- From **February 18 to 21**, staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Homeland Security will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in South Texas. Closed press.
- On **February 19**, Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will conduct a classified briefing on Operation First Light before the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will conduct a classified briefing on Operation First Light, before the U.S. House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **February 21**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will give House Appropriations staff a tour of TSA operations at San Francisco International Airport. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **February 18**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Federal Bureau of Investigations Director James Comey.
- On **February 19**, Secretary Johnson will travel with President Obama to Toluca, Mexico to participate in the North American leader's summit with President Nieto and Canadian Prime Minister Harper.
- On **February 20 and 21**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Los Angeles, CA where he will tour Transportation Security Administration and U.S. Customs and Border Protection security operations at Los Angeles International Airport, tour security operations at the Port of Los Angeles/Long Beach, meet with LA Mayor Garcetti, host an immigration roundtable, visit the Joint Regional Intelligence Center and attend a reception hosted by Jane Harman, President of the Wilson Center. Press TBD.
- On **February 24**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick. The Secretary will also host the Council of Governors Meeting also attended by Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel (closed press). The Secretary will also meet with Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel.
- On **February 25**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Office of Personnel Management Director Katherine Archuleta. The Secretary will also meet with World Customs Organization Secretary General Kunio Mikuriya.
- On **February 27**, Secretary Johnson will meet with International Civil Aviation Organization Secretary General Raymond Benjamin.
- On **February 28**, Secretary Johnson will meet with House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security Chairman John Carter and Ranking Member David Price. The Secretary will also meet with Yale Law School's American Constitution Society students. The Secretary is also tentatively scheduled to meet with Chilean Foreign Minister Alfredo Moreno to discuss the Visa Waiver Program. The Secretary is tentatively scheduled to meet with Colombian Foreign Affairs Minister Maria Angela Holguin to sign the U.S.-Colombia Joint Statement on Combating Trafficking in Persons.

### IV. Items of Note

### *Efficiency Review*

- Components have achieved printing-related cost avoidances since Q4 FY09 by posting documents online rather than printing and improving their print management processes. To date, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$6 million through implementation of this initiative.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **February 11**, President Obama has signed 348 major disaster declarations and 67 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.4 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **V. Legal**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, preclearance operations in Abu Dhabi, TSA's Screening Partnership Program, Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the performance of the BioWatch program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **January 3, Benjamin Crair**, a reporter with *The New Republic* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the importation of sloths by the Dallas World Aquarium, Daryl Richardson, and Luis Sigler, from January 1, 1992, through January 1, 2014.
- On **January 5, Benjamin Crair**, a reporter with *The New Republic* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the importation into the United States of live animal specimens from Panama that reference Jacobo Lacs from January 1, 1992, through January 1, 2014.
- On **January 20, Scott MacFarlane**, an investigative reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of a master list of all items seized/confiscated by CBP staff at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport and Dulles International Airport in 2013.
- On **January 23, Keith Herbert**, a writer with *Newsday* in Melville, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to Public Assistance grants following Hurricane Sandy for the following states: (1) New York; (2) New Jersey; (3) Massachusetts; (4) Connecticut; and (5) Rhode Island.
- On **January 24, Joel Millman**, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in Portland, Oregon, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to Petitions for Alien Relatives (Form I-130) for fiscal years 2003 through 2014.
- On **January 24, Sally Kestin**, a reporter with the *Sun Sentinel* in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to investigations or seizures of the shipment of medical supplies, prescription drugs, or pharmaceuticals from the United States to Cuba since 2000.
- On **January 27, Al Shaw**, a journalist with *ProPublica* in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the current version of the Midterm Levee Inventory (MLI) database, as detailed in the November 30, 2012 FEMA report, "Midterm Levee Inventory Project Summary Report: Standard Operations Task Order 4."
- On **January 29, Todd Feathers**, a representative with *MuckRock News* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the Periodic Review Board, which is charged with assessing the detainees at Guantanamo Bay, from January 1, 2011, through January 29, 2014.
- On **January 30, Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) statistical data pertaining to the number of detainees held in ICE facilities in the last decade.



- On **January 30, Alicia Caldwell**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the crash of a drone on January 27, 2014.
- On **January 30, Paul Birmingham**, an investigative producer with *KVOA-TV* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to U.S. Border Patrol agents who were placed on leave or otherwise faced action due to being intoxicated while on duty from January 1, 2013, through January 1, 2014.
- On **January 31, Neal Carlton**, a federal liaison with the **Texas Department of Agriculture** in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records for fiscal years 2009 through the present: (1) performance reports for CBP activity along the Mexico-United States border; (2) reports on Border Patrol agents and equipment inter-sector adaptability in response to changing flows of illegal entries; (3) reports identifying the number of Border Patrol agents conducting patrol activities along the Texas-Mexico border; (4) CBP personnel statistics by job type; and (5) reports on effectiveness of surveillance and patrol activities along the Texas-Mexico border.
- On **February 3, Rich Lord**, a staff writer with the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) the following records from fiscal years 2010 through 2014: (1) records pertaining to funds allocated for distribution to confidential human sources, confidential informants, cooperating witnesses, or other non-employees who may receive payment for evidence, payment for information, or payment for services used in criminal investigations (Case Number USSS 20140310); (2) records pertaining to accounting and reconciliation procedures governing payments to the aforementioned groups (Case Number USSS 20140311); and (3) records pertaining to payments made in any reward for enforcement cooperation program, whistleblower reward program, reward for information program, or similar program in which non-employees are paid a fraction, percentage or flat amount for monies obtained through an enforcement action.
- On **February 3, Rory Campbell**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of State Representative Amy Stephens (R-CO) from January 1, 2006, through January 15, 2014.
- On **February 3, Katie Drapcho**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to FOIA requests sent to DHS regarding Senator Mark Warner (D-VA) or Governor Mark Warner (D-VA) from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **February 3, Donna Bryson**, a reporter with the *Associated Press*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the software known as Case Investigative Life Cycle; and (2) records pertaining to the following companies and their principals: (a) Leading Team Inc., (b) IRP Solutions Corporation; (c) DKH, LLC; (d) David A. Banks; (e) Demetrius K. Harper; (f) Gary L. Walker; (g) Clinton A. Stewart; (h) David A. Zirpolo; and (i) Kendrick Barnes.
- On **February 3, Jim McElhatton**, a reporter with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the application of DHS Chief of Staff Christian Marrone.
- On **February 3, David Perera**, an editor with *FierceHomeland Security* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to BioWatch Generation 3 analysis of alternatives.
- On **February 5, Saad Kamal**, an analyst with **Washington Analysis, LLC** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to calendar appointments and/or e-mails containing the word “Rapiscan” addressed to or involving Michael Russell, Deputy Associate General Counsel, from November 1, 2013, through February 3, 2014.
- On **February 5, Thomas Lake**, a reporter with *Sports Illustrated* in Decatur, Georgia, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) investigation of Concrete Management Corp., in Colorado, a company that was charged in 2013 with a misdemeanor for a pattern of using illegal workers.

## FOIA Releases

- On **February 3**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to, **Kate Bailey**, FOIA Program Manager with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to the approval of Gulf Coast Funds Management to participate in the foreign visa program. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On February 4, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, Maryland, 78 pages of records consisting of letters of correspondence from DHS to the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Michael McCaul (R-TX); (2) Representative Candice Miller (R-MI); (3) Peter King (R-NY); (4) Patrick Meehan (R-PA); (5) Susan Brooks (R-IN); (6) Jeffrey Duncan (R-SC); and (7) Richard Hudson (R-NC). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **February 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Audrey Singer**, a senior fellow with the **Brookings Institution** in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **February 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jason Smathers**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 340 pages of records pertaining to the Faithful Readiness Emergency Conference held in January 2011 and other meetings related to local faith-based organizations. These records were released in full.
- On **February 5**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Lucy Kinder**, an individual, 214 pages of records consisting of photographs, e-mails, and letters pertaining to By and Large of Google concerning the following barges: (1) BAL0010; (2) BAL0011; (3) BAL0001; and (4) BAL0100. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **February 7**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, DC, one page of records consisting of statistical data pertaining to L-1B petitions for the California Service Center and Vermont Service Center for fiscal years 2012 through 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 37 data fields of anonymous case by case information on each ICE removal (including returns) covering November 2012. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 98 data fields of anonymous person by person information on all ICE detainees issued in February 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Andrew Becker**, a staff reporter with the **Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)** in Emeryville, Berkeley, California, 59 pages of records containing a photograph, summary of criminal conviction, and background investigation records pertaining to Fernando Arango, a convicted CBP Officer. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Russell Clemons**, an individual in Pensacola, Florida, seven pages of records consisting of Shoreline Cleanup and Assessment Technique (SCAT) reports, maps, and photographs pertaining to the use of Corexit or any other pollutants related to the Deepwater Horizon incident on April 20, 2010 adjacent to Perdido Key, Florida. These records are released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by

detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from August 1 to August 31, 2013.

- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Mark Hansel**, a reporter with *The Kentucky Enquirer* in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of six data fields pertaining to individuals released from the Boone County Immigration Detention Facility in February 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **February 11**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, DC, 117 pages of records consisting of e-mails and other documents pertaining to the June 3, 2013 memorandum from the Fraud Detection and National Security (FDNS) Directorate on Revised H-1B Anti-Fraud Operational Guidance. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 3, 5, and 6.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Grace Meng**, with **Human Rights Watch** in New York, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 7 data fields related to non-citizens removed on criminal grounds from October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2012. The Excel spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from March 1 to March 31, 2013. The Excel Spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields of anonymous case by case information on each ICE removals (including returns) covering April 2013. The Excel spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Maria Zamudio**, a reporter with **The Chicago Reporter** in Chicago, Illinois, one Excel spreadsheet containing 5 data points related to convicted criminal aliens released but not deported from 2008 to present under the 2001 Supreme Court ruling in *Zadvydas vs. Davis*. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 98 data fields of anonymous person by person information on all ICE detainers issued from September 1 to September 30, 2013, 2013. The Excel spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields of anonymous case by case information on each ICE removals (including returns) covering February 2013. The Excel spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jacqueline Stevens**, Professor of Political Science and legal Studies at **Northwestern University** in Evanston, Illinois, 10 pages of records related to the ICE facility on Commonwealth Business Drive in Tallahassee, Florida. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from July 1 to July 31, 2013. The Excel Spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Amy Isackson**, a reporter with **National Public Radio** in Cardiff, California, one Excel workbook containing data related

to the number of people repatriated through each southwest border port on entry from fiscal year 2003 to present. The Excel workbook will be released in full.

- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, District of Columbia, a one page record the number of Alien Transfer Exit Program (ATEP) removals from January 1, 2011 to June 1, 2013. The one page record will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from November 1 to November 30, 2012. The Excel Spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Andrew Becker**, a staff reporter with the **Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)** in Emeryville, California, 2 pages of records consisting of a memorandum from CBP to DHS. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 11**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Eric Lipton**, a reporter with the **New York Times** in Washington, DC, 56 pages of records. Portions of this response are withheld pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b) (5) and (b)(6).
- On **February 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will release to **Luke Rosiak**, a reporter with **The Washington Examiner**, in Washington, DC, 78 pages of records consisting of letters of correspondence from DHS to the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Michael McCaul (R-TX); (2) Representative Candice Miller (R-MI); (3) Peter King (R-NY); (4) Patrick Meehan (R-PA); (5) Susan Brooks (R-IN); (6) Jeffrey Duncan (R-SC), and (7) Richard Hudson (R-NC). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **February 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will release to **Matthew Schaub**, an individual with **The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee**, in Washington, DC, a 13 page document containing (R-CO) Mike Coffman's congressional log. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5, 6, and 7E.
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with **Fusion** in New York, New York, a one page record containing a list of pregnant women detained in the ICE El Paso Processing Center in 2013 broken down by month, including women who miscarried while in detention and specific length of stay. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Thomas Jones**, a blogger with the **339 Group LLC** in Edgewater, Maryland, 20 pages of records containing copies of correspondence from United States Senator Mitch McConnell (R-KY)- both from his personal Senate office or from any leadership offices - and the response to the correspondence. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from February 1 to February 28, 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Dongjae Jung**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, three pages of records containing the deportation statistics for the 287(g) program in fiscal year 2012. These records are released in full.
- On **February 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **William Selway**, a reporter with **Bloomberg News** in Washington, DC, nine pages of records related to e-mails, memoranda, policy directors and/or other agency communication from June 1, 2013 through October 22, 2013 concerning how the agency set bail for those detained in the T. Don Hutto Detention Center in Texas. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will roll out a two-phase overhaul of e-Request. The look and feel of the tool will significantly improve so that it is easier to use and more customer friendly. After the rollout, USCIS will improve the functionality of the online tool by adding new types of nondelivery requests.
- In **February**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- By **February**, DHS expects to release an Annual Strategic Assessment regarding the coordination efforts of the Federal departments and agencies to advance continuity of operations in interoperable emergency communications.
- In **February**, the Office of the Ombudsman's Office expects to study implementation of "Revised Guidance for the Referral of Cases and Issuance of Notices to Appear (NTAs) in Cases involving Inadmissible and Removable Aliens," which focuses NTA issuance on cases with public safety threats, criminals and aliens engaged in fraud.
- In **February**, DHS expects to publish the Prison Rape Elimination Act Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.
- In **February**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will announce that the Kingdom of Jordan will participate in the Container Security Initiative. Non-intrusive inspection and radiation detection technology will be used to screen high-risk containers at the Port of Aqaba before they are shipped to the United States. Publication date is pending.
- By **February**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 Tribal Policy Implementation Plan to comply with President Obama's Memorandum on Tribal Consultation that directs each federal department and agency to develop a detailed plan of action for complete and consistent implementation of Executive Order 13175.
- By **February**, DHS expects to consolidate the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Section 504 implementing regulations into one unified regulation for the Department, and to promulgate regulations implementing Section 504 for the Department's federally assisted programs.
- In late **February**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is scheduled to begin testing Phase II of the U.S./Canadian truck cargo pre-inspection pilot program at the Peace Bridge in Buffalo, NY. A formal launch event is currently being planned for late February/early March. Under the pilot, CBP Officers will operate in Canada and pre-inspect cargo bound for the United States, thus expediting the flow of legitimate trade. Phase II will test the ability of the pre-inspection process to reduce wait times and border congestion. On February 7, Senator Schumer's office announced that the pilot will commence on February 24; however, CBP has not set a firm date as implementation is dependent upon completion of a Memorandum of Agreement with Canadian stakeholder agencies.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to publish in the Federal Register a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) on Security Training Programs for Surface Mode Employees as required by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007. This rule would apply to freight railroad carriers, public transportation agencies (including rail mass transit and bus systems), passenger railroad carriers, and over-the-road bus owner/operators. TSA also proposes to clarify and amend sensitive security information (SSI) protections to cover certain information associated with surface transportation.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to provide National Cargo Security Program (NCSP) recognition to Israel. The program involves a thorough examination of supply chain security components and related requirements that constitute a country's NCSP. These actions are taken to determine whether the subject NCSP provides a level of security commensurate with current U.S. air cargo security requirements.

- By the end of **March**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to release a Request for Proposal and award a contract for the Credential Authentication Technology for approximately 12 units intended for developmental and operational testing against TSA's system requirements to assess suitability and effectiveness in checkpoint operations.



Department of Homeland Security

Weekly Report

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## I. Reform, Efficiency, and Transparency

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified \$16 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to streamline and eliminate duplication in their mission-support processes.

## II. Public Affairs

### *Expected Stories*

- From **February 15** through **22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will conduct special Presidents Day naturalization ceremonies across the nation. There will be 17 ceremonies with over 2100 individuals to be naturalized. Open press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **February 26**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties expects to submit to Congress the CRCL Impact Assessment on DHS Support to the National Network of Fusion Centers, which examines DHS's role in supporting the National Network in accordance with a Congressional mandate set forth in the Implementing the 9/11 Commission Recommendations Act of 2007 (9/11 Act).

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **February 25**, the OIG will release a report titled, "**DHS Can Make Improvements to Secure Industrial Control Systems.**" **Background:** From May to November 2012, the OIG assessed whether DHS effectively conducts vulnerability and malware analysis while coordinating threat information sharing and response to security incidents related to control systems. The Department's Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) has been working with critical infrastructure owners and operators to provide situational awareness and analytical support to effectively manage risks to their computers and networks.

**Findings:** The OIG found that ICS-CERT has made significant progress in increasing the timeliness of actionable mitigation information, but further improvements can be made to consolidate the multiple information sharing communities of interest and provide advance notification of vulnerability assessments.

**Recommendations:** The Department concurs with the OIG's two recommendations to streamline cyber threat information sharing with stakeholders while promoting collaboration among public and private sector partners to address and mitigate potential security threats. **Response:** Protecting critical infrastructure against growing and evolving cyber threats requires a layered approach. DHS actively collaborates with public and private sector partners every day to respond to and coordinate mitigation in the face of attempted disruptions to the Nation's critical cyber and communications networks and to reduce adverse impacts on critical network systems. To ensure cyber threat information is shared effectively, including through the Homeland Security Information Network, DHS is working to enhance the information sharing environment to accommodate additional communities of interest while tailoring information so it is relevant to stakeholder groups.

### *Other Reports*

On **February 14**, GAO released a report titled, "**Registered Sex Offenders: Sharing More Information Will Enable Agencies to Improve Notifications of Sex Offenders' International Travel**" **Background:** The GAO conducted an audit to review to what extent have federal agencies notified foreign officials about registered sex offenders traveling internationally as well as how the relevant agencies coordinate and notify one another.

Three federal agencies – U.S. Marshals, U.S. National Central Bureau (USNCB) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) – use information from state, local and territorial jurisdictions, as well as air and sea passenger data from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), to determine whether registered sex offenders are traveling outside the United States. The federal agencies then use this information to alert their

foreign government counterparts of the sex offenders' travel. **Recommendations:** The GAO made two recommendations aimed at enhancing coordination between ICE and other relevant law enforcement entities, including recommending ICE request to receive notifications from the FBI automated system. DHS concurs with both recommendations. **Response:** DHS is pleased to note GAO's recognition of the work ICE is doing in conjunction with foreign counterparts to help inform public safety decisions regarding registered sex offenders' international travel. ICE is committed to ensuring that all necessary and useful information regarding traveling registered sex offenders is transmitted to all relevant law enforcement entities.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **February 25 and 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford as well as representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will discuss private sector cyber initiatives regarding national security, cloud computing, law enforcement, and DHS cyber workforce efforts at the RSA 2013 conference in San Francisco, CA. Open press.
- From **February 25 to March 1**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Training Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Bangkok, Thailand. The following countries will participate: Brunei, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, Timor-Leste, Indonesia, Laos, Macau, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam. Closed press.
- From **February 25 to March 5**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will host a Risk Management Workshop in Nigeria designed to assist foreign airport stakeholders in conducting a risk assessment to identify and prioritize areas of risk as they relate to their security posture. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder engagement in Washington, D.C. to discuss the implementation of the Provisional Waiver, which reduces the time U.S. citizens are separated from their immediate relatives (spouse, children and parents), who are in the process of obtaining visas to become lawful permanent residents of the United States under certain circumstances and becomes effective on March 4. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, DHS Chief Information Officer Richard Spires will discuss future innovations in cloud computing at the Cloud Computing Summit in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will host the ceremonial ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new location of the National Urban Security Technology Laboratory in New York, NY. The new facility will promote collaboration and knowledge sharing through modernized instruments, training facilities, and meeting areas in support of first responders. Open press.
- On **February 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will be traveling to Philadelphia, PA and Newark, NJ to visit ICE Office of Principal Legal Advisor offices and conduct town halls with employees in both locations. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick and College of Coastal Georgia President Valerie Hepburn will sign a Memorandum of Agreement to facilitate the provision of college credits to graduates of the FLETC's three basic law enforcement training programs: the Criminal Investigator Training Program; the Land Management Police Training Program; and the Uniformed Police Training Program. The ceremony will take place in Brunswick, GA. Open press.
- On **February 27**, members of the INTERPOL Operations and Command Center will receive a brief and tour of the Transportation Security Operations Center located at the Freedom Center in Herndon, VA. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will deliver the State of the Coast Guard address at Fort McNair. Various members of Congress are expected to attend. Open press.
- On **February 27 and 28**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks at an emergency management summit at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in Madison, WI. This summit is a partnership between FEMA and the University of Wisconsin-Madison to engage in a cross-discipline approach to emergency management. Closed press.
- On **February 28**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss the mission of the Science and Technology Directorate and how it supports the Department at the Business Executives for National Security meeting in New York, NY. Open press.

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- On **February 28**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks on the work of the Ombudsman's Office and her role as Ombudsman at the Mercer University School of Law in Macon, GA. Open press.
- On **February 28**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will attend the QUAD High Level Group meeting in Vancouver, Canada and discuss air cargo, technology, risk-based security, and overall sustainability of civil aviation. Closed press.
- On **March 1**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will meet with representatives from the German Army Institute of Microbiology at the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center in Fort Detrick, MD to discuss areas of mutual interest and potential cooperation in the field of bioforensics. Closed press.
- From **March 6 to 8**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will host Bulgarian Chief of Border Police Penov for a tour of the National Targeting Center-Passenger, and travel to Nogales, AZ for a tour of the border. U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar is also tentatively scheduled to attend. Closed press.

### **III. Legislative Issues**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

##### **House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security**

- On **March 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify on risk-based security. Open press.

##### **House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform**

- On **February 27**, DHS Office of the Chief Information Officer CIO Richard Spires will testify on information technology acquisition and the Federal IT Acquisition Reform Act. Open press.

##### **House Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security**

- On **February 27**, a TBD representative from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will testify on the E-Verify national identification program. Open press.

##### **House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation**

- On **February 26**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Peter Neffenger will testify on USCG missions. Open press.

##### **House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **February 27**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify at a TSA oversight hearing. Open press.
- On **March 6**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on disaster relief. Open press.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will testify on CBP's FY 2013 financial plan. Open press.
- On **March 20**, DHS National Protection and Programs Directorate Undersecretary Rand Beers will testify on cybersecurity. Closed press.

##### **Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs**

- On **March 6**, DHS Deputy Secretary Jane Hull Lute will testify on DHS' progress related to the GAO High Risk List biannual report. Open press.

##### **Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee**

- On **February 28**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will testify about the Hurricane Sandy recovery effort. Open press.

##### **Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security**

- On **March 1**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will testify at a Field Hearing in New York City about FEMA and Department of Housing and Urban Development recovery efforts during Hurricane Sandy. Open press.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

**House Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security**

- On **February 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will brief the majority staff on the EB-5 visa program, the program designed to stimulate the U.S. economy through job creation and capital investment by foreign investors. This briefing was requested by committee staff. Closed press.

**House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications**

- On **February 28**, Office of Health Affairs (OHA) representatives will provide an overview briefing to staff on the mission of OHA.

**House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**

- On **February 26**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss the mission of the Science and Technology Directorate and how it supports the Department in a briefing to members. Closed press.

**Senate Armed Services Committee**

- On **March 1**, representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will provide a briefing to staff on the DETER testbed, which is used to test and evaluate cyber security technologies by over 200 organizations from more than 20 states and 17 countries, including major DHS-funded researchers, government, industry, academia and educational users. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 26**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will meet with Chairman John Carter of the House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee to discuss ongoing DNDO efforts to develop the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture and improve National Technical Nuclear Forensics capability.
- On **February 27**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sanders will conduct a classified briefing on checkpoint technology with members of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security.

**IV. Legal Issues**

*FOIA Releases*

- On **February 11**, DHS released to the Department of Justice, records consisting of Congressional correspondence pertaining to the Defense of Marriage Act, responsive to a request from **Beth Werlin**, with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, D.C.
- On **February 13**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Doug Irving**, with *The Orange County Register* in Anaheim, CA, records consisting of utilization data for Advanced Imaging Technology units from 2010 through 2012.
- On **February 20**, DHS Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to **Dave Perera**, with *Fierce Homeland Security*, in Washington, DC documents pertaining to the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility.
- On **February 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Brad Heath**, with *USA Today*, records consisting of written job descriptions and responsibilities for public information officers, public affairs specialists, communications specialists, social media specialists, and other spokesmen; the criteria used in evaluating their performance; and performance evaluations for the past three years.

**V. Additional items of importance not covered above**

- **Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) Update:** As of **February 14**, ATR upgrades have been completed for 679 AIT units at 174 airports.

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- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 16**, 432,256 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 8.4 million queries have been run through the system.
- **FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:** As of **February 19**, President Obama has signed 285 major disaster declarations and 61 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$23.7 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.



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February 28, 2013

**I. Department Priorities**

*Expected Stories*

- On **February 28**, the *Washington Post* will attend a Tactical Communications training class that the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) provides to newly hired TSA officers before they begin their jobs as screeners at Washington Dulles International Airport. This class focuses on how TSA officers can communicate with passengers effectively. The article will focus on TSA training tactics that encourage officers to actively listen to complaints and tactics to encourage passengers to comply with TSA's security measures. Expected publication date is during the week of March 4.
- On **March 13**, the Discovery Channel pilot episode, "Under Siege: America's Northern Border" will showcase U.S. Customs and Border Protection's work securing the Northern Border.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **March 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will implement the provisional unlawful presence waiver process. This new process change will allow certain immediate relatives of U.S. citizens to apply for a provisional unlawful presence waiver while they are still in the United States and before they depart to complete the immigrant visa process at a U.S. embassy or consulate abroad. USCIS published the final rule on Jan. 3, 2013 and following a 60-day implementation period, will make Form I-601A, Application for Provisional Unlawful Presence Waiver, available for use.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **March 3**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will participate in a panel discussion on best practices in emergency management at the National Association of Counties Legislative Cyber Forum in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **March 4**, U.S. Fire Administration Deputy Administrator Chief Glenn Gaines will deliver keynote remarks at the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Campus Fire Safety Conference & Exposition in Columbus, OH. Open press.
- On **March 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with Sheriff Martin Cuellar of Webb County, TX, to discuss Operation Stonegarden funding, a grant program that enhances cooperation and coordination among federal, state, territorial, tribal, and local law enforcement agencies to secure the United States borders in states bordering Mexico and Canada. Closed press.
- On **March 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Morton and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with Mayor Raul Salinas of Laredo, TX, regarding CBP operations, border security and Border Enforcement Security Teams in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **March 4 to 8**, the U.S. Secret Service will conduct a Computer Forensics in Court training course for prosecutors at the National Computer Forensics Institute in Hoover, AL. Closed Press.
- From **March 4 to 9**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will offer the Basic Peer Support Crisis Intervention Training Program in Glynco, GA for federal, state, and local law enforcement officers. The course is led by mental health practitioners and law enforcement instructors to teach participants how to accurately assess and effectively intervene with individuals and groups who are significantly distressed. Closed Press.
- On **March 5**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a stakeholder meeting on the EB-5 program, which helps stimulate the economy through foreign investment, in Washington, D.C. Discussion will center on stakeholder concerns relating to policy and procedural challenges. Closed press.



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- On **March 5**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will discuss risk-based security initiatives at the Airports Council International/North America Public Safety and Security Conference in St. Petersburg, FL. Open press.
- On **March 5**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks about support for Tribal Nations and recent Stafford Act changes at the National Conference of American Indians 2013 Executive Council Winter Session in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **March 5**, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs Dr. JD Polk will speak to the Institute of Medicine Committee on Department of Homeland Security Occupational Health and Operational Medicine Infrastructure. Open press.
- On **March 5**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will deliver a keynote speech at the Homeland Security Finance Forum to discuss where the federal government should focus private sector resources and efforts. Open press.
- On **March 5 and 6**, members of the Ohio State Police Academy will visit the U.S. Secret Service in Beltsville, MD for a two-day Active Shooter Briefing which will include shooter recognition and response training. Closed press.
- From **March 5 to 22**, the U.S. Secret Service will conduct a Network Intrusion Response Program training course for state and local investigators at the National Computer Forensics Institute in Hoover, AL. Closed Press.
- On **March 6**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss the work TSA performs in their community and TSA's use of risk based security in aviation security at a roundtable with business leaders as well as state government officials in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Acting Officer Tamara Kessler will convene the quarterly meeting of the Civil Rights/Civil Liberties Committee with partner non-governmental organizations. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will co-chair a meeting of the Department of Defense-Department of Homeland Security Capability Development Working Group. The meeting will focus on topics of mutual interest to the two Departments within the realm of science and technology, research and development, advanced concepts, testing, experimentation, and acquisition. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar and Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will deliver brief remarks at the quarterly meeting of the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations (COAC) of Customs and Border Protection in Washington, D.C. The COAC consists of 20 members chosen from the private sector who advise the Secretaries of the Department of the Treasury and the Department of Homeland Security on the commercial operations of Customs and Border Protection and related functions on our Nation's borders. Open press.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Chief Operating Officer Thomas Winkowski will meet with representatives of the United Fresh Produce Association in Washington, D.C., to discuss CBP's agriculture programs. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will host Bulgarian Chief of Border Police Penov for a tour of the National Targeting Center-Passenger. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a teleconference with stakeholders on the processing of immigration benefits for vulnerable populations. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Worksite Enforcement Unit personnel will conduct an IMAGE Forum in San Juan, Puerto Rico, which includes information on the IMAGE program and training on the Form I-9, fraudulent documents, E-Verify, and anti-discrimination. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will assist with the training. There are currently more than 100 local businesses expected to attend. Closed press.
- On **March 8**, DHS will host a Faith-Based Organization workshop and Active Shooter Tabletop Exercise for representatives of religious organizations and houses of worship, along with Federal and local partners as part of its information sharing, preparedness, and prevention initiative led by the DHS Office of

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Infrastructure Protection and the Homeland Security Advisory Council Faith-based Security and Communications Advisory Committee. The input received from this workshop will be incorporated into DHS's training efforts to prevent, protect, react, respond, and recover from potential active shooter scenarios. Closed press.

- On **March 8 and 9**, U.S. Fire Administration Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell will deliver keynote remarks entitled “*Dealing with Leadership in Critical Times.*” at the Black Chief Officers Committee Educational Symposium/Conference and Annual Business Meeting in Palm Beach, FL. Open press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 4**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs about FEMA and Housing and Urban Development recovery efforts during Hurricane Sandy. Open press.
- On **March 6**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on Hurricane Sandy recovery efforts. Open press.
- On **March 6**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee about cybersecurity. Open press.
- On **March 6**, Deputy Secretary Lute will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs about DHS’ progress related to the GAO High Risk List biannual report. Open press.
- On **March 7**, Secretary Napolitano will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee, respectively, about cybersecurity. Open press.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will testify before the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on CBP’s FY 2013 financial plan. Open press.
- On **March 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify at a “Risk Based Security” hearing before the House Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Open press.
- On **March 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Undersecretary Rand Beers will testify before the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on cybersecurity. Closed press.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Acting Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief House Committee on Homeland Security staff on Global Entry. Closed press.
- On **March 4**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O’Toole will discuss S&T priorities with members and staff of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **March 5**, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Alexander Garza will brief House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications members about the BioWatch Program. Closed press.
- On **March 5**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will provide a Quarterly Congressional Briefing to House and Senate Appropriations Committees members about Hurricane Sandy Supplemental implementation and Sandy After-Action, focusing on workforce transformation issues and Response & Recovery activities. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will provide a threat update briefing to Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs members. Closed press.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

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- On **March 5**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss S&T priorities with Representative Candice Miller, Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security of the Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief Representative Randy Weber and his staff on ICE's Human Smuggling and Trafficking Unit. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

- *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative:* To date, DHS Components have avoided costs of \$23 million by disconnecting wireless devices that were no longer being used and improving management of wireless communication services.
- *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:* As of **February 26**, President Obama has signed 286 major disaster declarations and 61 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$ 23.8 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.
- *E-Verify Update:* As of **February 23**, 433,640 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 8.8 million queries have been run through the system.

## **III. Legal**

### *Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **February 25**, the OIG released its report titled, "**FEMA's Use of Risk-based Monitoring for Grantee Oversight.**" **Background:** Between May and October 2012, the OIG reviewed FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) and Transportation Infrastructure Security Branch Grants awarded directly to local fire stations, port facilities, and transit systems as a follow up to a previous audit concerning FEMA's use of risk indicators in selecting grants to monitor. In FY 2013, FEMA combined programmatic and financial monitoring into an integrated plan and revised its risk indicators to better reflect grantees' inherent risks. **Recommendations:** Prior to implementation of FEMA's revised grant monitoring plans, the OIG offered three recommendations to improve FEMA's identification and application of risk-based indicators to grantee oversight. FEMA concurs with two of the recommendations. **Response:** Given that there are over 20,000 open grant awards and limited assets available to audit each award, FEMA assesses a sample of grants utilizing 11 key indicators to identify issues or concerns that require an enhanced level of monitoring rather than applying financial monitoring key risk indicators to all grantees, as recommended by the OIG. The AFG Program Office has expanded access to AFG grant information to the regional Fire Program Specialists to ensure they have the ability to view payment requests by grantees, addressing an OIG recommendation.

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March 7, 2013

**I. Department Priorities**

*Expected Stories*

- On **March 7 or 8**, NPR is expected to interview Rio Grande Valley Chief Patrol Agent Rosendo Hinojosa on U.S. Customs and Border Protection improvements in Rio Grande Valley sector. Publication date TBD.
- On **March 9 or 10**, the New York Times is expected to publish a story following up on the Secretary's visit to the Arizona border in February.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **March 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to publish a revised Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification. On August 22, 2012, USCIS published a Notice in the Federal Register to collect public comments on the form for a period of 30 days. USCIS intends to publish a final Form I-9 with a 60-day grace period to implement. USCIS revised the form to enhance Section 508 compliance, improve the layout, incorporate 3-D bar code technology, and add fields to collect employee contact information and to support the I-94 automation initiative. USCIS received more than 6,200 comments in considering the final version of the form.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **March 10 to 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will host a delegation from United Arab Emirates (UAE) in Los Angeles and in Washington, D.C., for training and to meet with ICE leadership. While in Los Angeles, the UAE delegation will attend a Criminal Investigator Training Program and meet ICE leadership at the Cyber Crimes Center, Forensic Document Laboratory, Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center, and HSI Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will meet with representatives from the Embassies of Dominica, Sierra Leone, Trinidad and Tobago, and Zimbabwe to recognize them for improvements in cooperation with ICE's repatriation efforts. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 14**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to the INTERPOL General Secretariat in Lyon, France, to participate in the 177th session of the INTERPOL Executive Committee. INTERPOL is paying for the trip.
- From **March 11 to 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Mexico will host a Global Trafficking in Persons training seminar in Mexico City, Mexico. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 15**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will lead the Preventative Security Measures workshop in Cap-Haitien, Haiti. This is an introductory high-level course for government officials stressing the importance of aviation security and action plans based upon airport risk assessments and identified vulnerabilities. Closed press.
- From **March 12 to 14**, the Transportation Security Administration will host the first official meeting of the U.S.–United Kingdom Aviation Security Cooperation Group in Washington, D.C. The agenda will include an exchange on risk methodology, air cargo advanced screening, airport assessments, carrier inspections, technology harmonization, and coordinating positions in upcoming International Civil Aviation Organization meetings. Closed press.
- On **March 14**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will participate in a panel discussion entitled "Building an Infrastructure for Incident Response & Data Discovery" at the 2013 Guidance Software Federal Summit, in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **March 15**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will speak at a Children's Immigration Rights Training hosted by Catholic Charities, Immigration Legal Services in Washington, DC. Representatives will explain immigration basics and the type of assistance that the Ombudsman's Office provides. Closed press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 13**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Appropriations Committee subcommittee on Homeland Security on “Rebuilding after Hurricane Sandy.” He will be joined by Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Shaun Donovan. Open press.
- On **March 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify at a “Risk Based Security” hearing before the House Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Open press.
- On **March 13**, a representative from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will testify on telemarketing fraud before the Senate Select Committee on Aging. Open press.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Kenney will testify on sexual assault in the military before the Senate Committee on Armed Services. Open press.
- On **March 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will testify about the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program before the House Energy and Commerce Committee. Open press.
- On **March 19**, DHS Office of Management Chief Information Officer Richards Spires will testify on DHS information technology investments before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency. Open press.
- On **March 20**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on Hurricane Sandy response before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.
- On **March 20**, Chief Privacy Officer Jonathan Cantor will testify about Unmanned Aerial Systems before the Senate Judiciary Committee. Open press.
- On **March 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Undersecretary Rand Beers will testify before the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on cybersecurity in a classified hearing. Closed press.

*Committee Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 11**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy David Heyman will brief Senator Feinstein on the status of the enhanced biographic exit system and overstays.
- On **March 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will provide a threat update briefing to members of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.
- On **March 15**, FEMA will brief FEMA's Authorizing and Appropriations staff on Sandy Supplemental tracking/implementation, Biggert Waters implementation and Tribal declarations. Closed press.
- On **March 15**, FEMA will brief the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee staff on FEMA's workplace transformation efforts. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sanders will provide a classified briefing on checkpoint technology to members of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security.

*Other Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 14**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Tara O’Toole will discuss S&T priorities and activities with Representative Susan Brooks, Chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief Representative Beto O’Rourke on wait times and staffing issues at ports of entry in the El Paso, TX area. Closed press.
- On **March 14**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Acting Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia and DNDO Staff will meet with Representative Patrick Meehan, Chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies Subcommittee and



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Representative Yvette Clarke, Ranking Member of the House Committee on Homeland Security Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies Subcommittee to discuss ongoing DNDO efforts to develop the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture and National Technical Nuclear Forensics capability.

- On **March 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security Chairman Miller to discuss ICE's work. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will provide a briefing on the Screening Partnership Program to House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul and Rep. Richard Hudson, Chairman, House Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security.
- On **March 20**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp is scheduled to participate in meetings with Representatives Garamendi, Miller, and McCaul.

## II. Items of Note

- *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative:* By continuing the implementation of the Office Supplies Blanket Purchase Agreement initiative through use of the department-wide and the Federal government-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for office supplies, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$20 million to date.
- *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance:* As of **March 5**, President Obama has signed 288 major disaster declarations and 61 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$ 23.9 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.
- *E-Verify Update:* As of **March 2**, 435,290 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 9.2 million queries have been run through the system.



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### I. Presidential Priorities

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **March 19**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will deliver remarks on implementing the National Cybersecurity Workforce Framework at the Federal Information Systems Security Educators' Association Conference in Gaithersburg, MD. Open press.
- On **March 20**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with the Homeland Security Academic Advisory Council where she will announce the formation of a new Subcommittee on Cybersecurity. Open press.
- On **March 20**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will deliver remarks on defending the nation against cyber threats at the Cyber Security and Infrastructure Protection Symposium in Alexandria, VA. Closed press.
- On **March 21**, Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on the rise of non-state actors in cyberspace at *CSO Magazine's* Chief Security Officer Perspectives Conference on Cybersecurity in Alexandria, VA. Open press.

#### *Immigration/ Border Security*

- On **March 15**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with the National Immigration Forum Board of Directors to discuss comprehensive immigration reform. Closed press.
- The week of **March 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release its monthly data report on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Honduras and Nicaragua.
- On **March 19**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Asylum Division will hold its quarterly stakeholder meeting in Washington, D.C. to discuss USCIS's asylum operations. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will meet with U.S. Attorneys from southwest and northern border districts in Washington, D.C. The group will discuss the current state of the Southwest Border and the effects of budget cuts on border security. Closed press.
- On **March 21**, Secretary Napolitano will host an employee event in honor of Women's History Month with a focus on the benefits of comprehensive immigration reform for women, children and families. Closed press.
- On **March 21**, U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will conduct an ICE Mutual Agreement between Government and Employees (IMAGE) Forum in Miami, FL. The IMAGE program combats unlawful employment and reduces vulnerabilities that help illegal aliens gain employment, and this forum assists employers in targeted sectors develop a more secure and stable workforce. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and Office of Special Counsel will assist with the training. There are currently nearly 200 representatives from local businesses registered. Closed press.
- On **March 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host three in-person focus groups in Los Angeles, CA – one for stakeholders and two for customers (one in English and one in Spanish) – to solicit feedback on customers' access to USCIS information and services. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **March 9**, 436,724 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 9.7 million queries have been run through the system.

### II. Department Priorities

#### *Expected Stories/ Upcoming Announcements*

- During **the week of March 18**, DHS expects to see press stories on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, border security, Operation Streamline, changes to the list of prohibited items on flights and continuing coverage on sequestration impacts.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Honduras and Nicaragua.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **March 18**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino and National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on programs that help communities and critical infrastructure recover from natural disasters at the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies' 2013 Water Policy Conference in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver keynote remarks at the National Emergency Management Association's Mid-Year Policy and Leadership Forum in Alexandria, VA focusing on the recent changes made by Congress to the Stafford Act. Open press.
- From **March 20 to 22**, Transportation Security Administration will host a U.S.-Israeli Aviation Security Working Group in Washington, D.C. The agenda will include a reciprocal intelligence briefing, an exchange on risk methodology, and reciprocal discussion on Man-Portable Air Defense Systems assessment visits, behavior detection, insider threat mitigation measures, training methodology, and performance measurement. Closed press.
- On **March 21**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy Douglas A. Smith will co-chair the Tourism Policy Council Ease of Travel Working Group Meeting, an interagency, policy coordinating committee composed of leaders from nine Federal agencies and the U.S. National Tourism Organization who work cooperatively to ensure the national interest in tourism is fully considered in federal decision-making affecting tourism development. He will also discuss the adoption of a Joint Brand USA-Interagency Communications Plan related to increasing international travel to the United States. Brand USA is a public-private partnership with the mission of promoting increased travel to the United States.
- On **March 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will host Trade Day meetings with the Retail Industry Leaders Association, the U.S. Council on International Business, and the American Association of Exporters and Importers in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 22**, Deputy Secretary Lute will meet with Public Safety Canada Deputy Minister François Guimont to discuss Beyond the Border action items including preclearance and pre-inspection, entry/exit, trusted trader, and trusted traveler programs.

### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 19**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications about grants measurements and performance metrics. Open press.
- On **March 19**, DHS Office of Management Chief Information Officer Richards Spires will testify on DHS information technology investments before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency. Open press.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will testify on detention before the House Committee on the Judiciary. Open press.
- On **March 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will testify before the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on cybersecurity in a classified hearing. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles and DHS Chief Privacy Officer Jonathan Cantor will testify before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary at a hearing on privacy protections within the domestic use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems. Open press.
- On **March 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, Chief of Border Patrol Michael Fisher and Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing titled "Measuring Outcomes to Understand the State of Border Security". Open press.
- On **March 20**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify on Hurricane Sandy response before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.
- On **March 21**, Deputy Secretary Lute will testify before the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee about the GAO High Risk List. Open press.

- On **April 10**, DHS Assistant Secretary for Private Sector Office Douglas Smith will testify before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Competitiveness, Innovation and Export Promotion on the Beyond the Border initiative and other collaboration with Canada. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 18**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide an overview of its programs to the House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will provide a classified briefing to members of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security on checkpoint technology. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, FIMA Deputy Associate Administrator for the National Flood Insurance Program Edward Connor, and FIMA Deputy Associate Administrator for Mitigation Roy Wright will brief Representative LoBiondo on New Jersey Advisory Base Elevation mapping and NFIP claims. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a briefing on the Joint Regional Intelligence Group (JRIG) with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence to Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff. The JRIG effort explores a joint intelligence agency approach to improving U.S. regional intelligence analysis. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Executive Director Kevin Harriger will provide a joint briefing with the U.S. Department of Agriculture for Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff to discuss the findings of a recent GAO report on Agricultural Quarantine Inspection user fees. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will conduct a briefing and tour of the federal detention facility in Buffalo, NY, for staff of Senator Gillibrand. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will provide a briefing on the Screening Partnership Program to House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul and Representative Richard Hudson, Chairman, House Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver a cybersecurity briefing to Representative Mike Pompeo. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Federal Protective Service Deputy Director Sue Armstrong will deliver an overview briefing with House Committee on Homeland Security new majority staff. Closed press.
- On **March 21**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss the mission of the Science and Technology Directorate and how it supports the Department with members of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Napolitano*

- On **March 15**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with the National Immigration Forum Board of Directors to discuss comprehensive immigration reform. Closed press.
- During the week of **March 18**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to participate in an industry stakeholder roundtable with members of the travel and trade industry, focused on long term sequestration impacts. Closed press.
- On **March 19**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Chair of the House Committee on Homeland Security Representative McCaul and other Majority Members. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Congressman Thompson and other Minority Members of the House Committee on Homeland Security (closed press). On **March 21**, Secretary Napolitano will

host an employee event in honor of Women's History Month with a focus on the benefits of comprehensive immigration reform for women, children and families (closed press). The Secretary is also tentatively scheduled to meet with Mexican Interior Secretary Manuel Osorio Chong. Closed press.

- On **March 22**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with the Federal Law Enforcement Advisory Board to discuss the long term sequestration impacts as part of her quarterly outreach. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the Christian Science Monitor "Continuing Monitor" Breakfast event about the DHS 10 year anniversary and other major policy initiatives. Open press.
- On **March 28**, Secretary Napolitano is tentatively scheduled to speak with the Homeland Security Advisory Committee to discuss the department's 10 year anniversary and sequestration. Closed press.

#### **IV. Items of Note**

##### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Tactical Communications initiative through use of the Department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for tactical communications services and equipment (such as radios), DHS achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$7.8 million to date.

##### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **March 12**, President Obama has signed 288 major disaster declarations and 61 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$24 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### **V. Legal**

##### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the initiation of removal proceedings against Luis Abrahan Sanchez Zavaleta, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UASs), ammunition procurement policies and procedures, detainee releases, and the performance of the BioWatch program.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 20**, **Steve Friess**, with *Politico*, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) sections 1, 2, and 5 of I-129 forms submitted to USCIS for H-1B or H-1B1 immigrant workers filed in fiscal years 2011 and 2012.
- On **March 1**, **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement anonymous case-by-case information on each ICE removal (including returns) covering February 2013.
- On **March 1**, **Jeff Preval**, with *WGRZ-TV* in Buffalo, NY, requested from DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the DHS-OIG audit titled "FEMA Should Recover \$48 Million of Public Assistance Grant Funds Awarded to Erie County, New York – Severe Weather October 2006."
- On **March 4**, **Adam Butschek**, with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, requested from DHS the following records for fiscal years 2009 through the present: communication between presidentially-appointed employees at DHS and contractors, consultants or non-politically-or presidentially-appointed agency employees and communication between DHS and employees of the Executive Office of the President of Congressional members and their government staff pertaining to discretionary, non-formula grants; grant recipients; the grant process; legislation or Congressional districts and to specific terms listed in the request; communication between political campaign staff or White House Office of Political Affairs and agency employees, contractors or consultants; and schedules and calendars of the Secretary of DHS or politically-appointed employees which identify specific members of Congress listed in the request.
- On **March 4**, **Daniel Gonzalez** a with *The Arizona Republic*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement the type of supervision ordered for each of the 303 immigration detainees released from ICE detention facilities from February 21, 2013 through February 27, 2013 in Pinal County and e-mails between the office of Gary Mead, Executive Associate Director of Enforcement and Removal

Operations and Secretary Napolitano relating to the release of immigration detainees that took place from detention facilities in the U.S.

- On **March 5**, **Garrett Roe**, with **The Immigration Reform Law Institute** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the release of detained illegal aliens in preparation for sequester.
- On **March 5**, **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the projected effects of the potential budget sequestration mandated by the Budget Control Act of 2011 and the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 and records pertaining to the release of prisoners from ICE detention facilities from February 22, 2013 through February 25, 2013.
- On **March 5**, **Alicia Caldwell**, with **The Associated Press**, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to planned releases from ICE jails from February 25, 2013 through March 31, 2013.
- On **March 5**, **Megan Wilson**, with **The Hill** in Washington, DC, requested from DHS correspondence logs that include letters from members of Congress to DHS from February 1, 2013 through the present.
- On **March 7**, **Gregory Korte**, with **USA Today**, requested from DHS various records pertaining to correspondence with the Office of Management and Budget regarding agency plans for sequestration as a result of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 and the Budget Control Act of 2011.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **March 1**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to interference with and restrictions on noncitizens' access to legal counsel.
- On **March 4**, DHS released to **Shoba Sivaprasad Wadhia** with the **Center for Immigrants' Rights** at the **Pennsylvania State University** in State College, PA, 4 records pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.
- On **March 4**, DHS provided to **David Perera**, with **FierceGovernmentIT** in Washington, DC, the following link: <http://www.dhs.gov/homeland-security-presidential-directive-12> in response to his request seeking records pertaining to a National Security Systems Joint Program Management Office department-wide implementation plan for the use of cards compliant with Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) 12.
- On **March 7**, DHS released to **Molly Matthews**, with **Fox News**, and **Danielle Ivory**, with **Bloomberg News**, conference and event information which was prepared in response to the Congressman Darrell Issa inquiry.

#### **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- The week of **March 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will announce the automation of the Form I-94 Arrival/Departure Record to streamline the admissions process for individuals lawfully visiting the United States. Form I-94 provides international visitors evidence they have been lawfully admitted to the U.S. which is necessary to verify alien registration, immigration status, and employment authorization. The automation means that visitors will no longer need to fill out a paper form when arriving to the U.S. by air or sea, improving procedures and reducing costs. The change will go into effect in 30 days.
- In **March**, the Office of Policy expects to release a report titled U.S. Legal Permanent Residents 2012, providing information on the number and characteristics of persons who became legal permanent residents during fiscal year 2012.
- In **March**, the Office of Policy expects to release a report titled U.S. Naturalization 2012, providing information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during fiscal year 2012.
- In **March**, pending OMB clearance, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) plans to issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) that will propose to revise its civil aviation security regulations to

clarify that TSA may use advanced imaging technology (AIT) to screen individuals at security screening checkpoints. TSA is issuing this rule to comply with a decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, which ordered TSA to engage in notice-and-comment rulemaking on the use of AIT for screening. The Court decided that TSA should provide notice and invite comments on the use of AIT technology for primary screening. This rule would codify the use of AIT for screening of airline passengers.

- In **March**, DHS will issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to require owners and operators of certain vessels and facilities regulated by the Coast Guard under 33 CFR Chapter I, subchapter H, to use electronic readers designed to work with the Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) as an access control measure. This NPRM also proposes additional requirements associated with electronic TWIC readers, including recordkeeping requirements for those owners and operators required to use an electronic TWIC reader, and security plan amendments to incorporate TWIC requirements. Applicants provide biographic information and fingerprints, and must successfully pass the Transportation Security Administration's security threat assessment in order to obtain a TWIC. While the existing security benefits of the TWIC program are significant, electronic TWIC readers are expected to enhance the security of ports and vessels. The TWIC card is designed to contain several enhanced security features that can only be utilized through the use of an electronic TWIC reader. This was cleared by OIRA on March 12.
- By the **end of March**, TSA will expand TSA Pre✓™ to five additional airports – Austin, Cleveland, Memphis, Nashville, and Raleigh-Durham. With these airports, TSA Pre✓™ will be available in 40 airports for select passengers traveling on Alaska Airlines, American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, United Airlines and US Airways. To date, more than 6 million passengers have experienced TSA Pre✓™ which allows passengers to leave on their shoes, light outerwear and belt, keep their laptop in its case, and their 3-1-1 compliant liquids/gels bag in a carry-on.
- By the **end of March**, members of the military will be eligible to access TSA Pre✓™ expedited screening at Ronald Reagan Washington National, Seattle-Tacoma International, Charlotte Douglas International, Washington Dulles International, Honolulu, Hartsfield–Jackson Atlanta International, Denver International, and Baltimore Washington International Airports. To date, more than 220,000 members of the military have experienced TSA Pre✓™ which allows passengers to leave on their shoes, light outerwear and belt, keep their laptop in its case, and their 3-1-1 compliant liquids/gels bag in a carry-on.



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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Expected Stories*

- During **the week of March 25**, DHS expects to see press stories on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals denials, operational and privacy issues regarding unmanned aerial systems, Enhanced Cybersecurity Services, the Border Condition Index and continuing coverage on sequestration impacts.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the week of **March 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expect to publish a Notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Honduras and Nicaragua.
- On **March 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to announce the automatic extension of Employment Authorization Documents for Liberian nationals covered under Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) through September 30, 2013. This automatic extension follows the President's decision to extend the DED through September 30, 2014.
- On **March 21**, the Office of Policy expects to release a report titled U.S. Legal Permanent Residents 2012, providing information on the number and characteristics of persons who became legal permanent residents during fiscal year 2012.
- On **March 21**, the Office of Policy expects to release a report titled U.S. Naturalization 2012, providing information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during fiscal year 2012.
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- On **March 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) plans to publish a rule and implement a pilot to automate filings of Form I-94 at a number of Ports of Entry (locations to be determined jointly with USCIS). I-94 departure forms and data have been used for over 20 years as a key source of information regarding immigration status. Use of the I-94 departure form and number are embedded in many verification processes and forms that Federal/State agencies and employers use to verify a non-immigrant visitor's status and eligibility for benefits or work authorization. Automation of the I-94 will improve the accuracy and timeliness of the data since it will be created in real time using the same information the officer uses for the primary inspection. In addition, CBP anticipates significant savings in data entry costs as a result of the I-94 automation program.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **March 25 and 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner David Aguilar will deliver a keynote address on strengthening the global supply chain at the "2013 High-Level Customs Seminar and Conference" hosted by the European Commission's Taxation and Customs Union in Dublin, Ireland. Over 25 countries will be represented, including the Directors-General of Customs administrations from 15 countries. Closed press.

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- On **March 26**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will address the National Hurricane Conference in New Orleans, LA regarding FEMA's lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy and preparations for the 2013 hurricane season. Open press.
- On **March 27**, the DHS Science and Technology Directorate National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START) Center of Excellence will host a discussion on "Public Diplomacy and Countering Violent Extremism" at the University of Maryland in College Park, MD. START is a university-based research center committed to the scientific study of the causes of terrorism in the United States and around the world. Open press.
- On **March 27**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss cybersecurity at the Transglobal Secure Collaboration Program Business Week event in Arlington, VA, which brings together information security leaders from government agencies, military departments, technology companies, the intelligence community, and members from aerospace and defense. Closed press.
- On **March 27**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will brief the Senate Cyber Collaboration Working Group in Washington, D.C. on Transition to Practice, which works to identify emerging cyber security technologies that were developed with federal funding and help them transition into products capable of broad utilization. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Rand Beers will discuss DHS' tenth anniversary and progress made in public-private partnerships on cybersecurity and infrastructure protection at the Homeland Security & Defense Business Council meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a roundtable listening session with stakeholders on refugee processing. Closed press.
- On **March 29**, the U.S. Secret Service will provide a Workplace Violence Recognition and Response Briefing to non-law enforcement personnel in Washington, DC. Closed press.

*Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

On **March 21**, OIG will release its report titled "**Department of Homeland Security's FY 2012 Compliance with the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010.**" **Background:** As required by statute, the OIG assessed if DHS was in compliance with the *Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010 (IPERA)*, and whether the Department's improper payment reporting was accurate and complete. The OIG evaluated the Department's efforts to reduce and recover improper payments in FY 2012. **Findings:** The OIG did not find any instances of DHS noncompliance with IPERA requirements. **Recommendations:** The OIG offered eight recommendations to improve the accuracy and completeness of improper payment reporting. DHS concurs with these recommendations. **Response:** As the OIG noted in the report, DHS has continued to comply with IPERA, and for the fourth year in the row, no instances of noncompliance were identified. DHS has taken significant actions to strengthen the Department's work in eliminating and recovering improper payments.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 27**, Rear Admiral Thomas Ostebo, Commander, Coast Guard District Seventeen will testify on Alaska Operations and the MODU KULLUK grounding at a field hearing before the Senate Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard Subcommittee in Anchorage, AK.
- On **April 10**, DHS Private Sector Office Assistant Secretary Douglas Smith will testify at a hearing on Beyond the Border and Competitiveness, Innovation and Export Promotion before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio, Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy will testify on combatting piracy before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

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- On **March 26**, Representative Norton will tour the St. Elizabeth's campus in Washington, D.C.
- On **March 26**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will hold a roundtable discussion with Homeland Security Government Affairs Committee staff on the evolution of the Directorate in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host Senator Jeff Flake for a tour of border and port operations in Yuma, AZ. Closed press.
- On **March 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host Senators McCain and Schumer for a tour of CBP border operations at the Tucson Sector. Press TBD.
- On **March 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host Senator Tom Udall along with representatives from the U.S. Border Patrol Academy and the Indian Police Academy, Bureau of Indian Affairs to discuss training projections in Artesia, NM. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide a series of deep dive briefings on all I&A programs and activities to House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief staff of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on ICE's Child Exploitation Investigations Unit and their Cyber Crimes Center. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By transferring unused software licenses across Components, rather than purchasing new software licenses, DHS has avoided costs of \$1.1 million to date.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **March 19**, President Obama has signed 289 major disaster declarations and 61 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$24.1 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

- As of **March 16**, 438,263 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 10.1 million queries have been run through the system.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **April 2**, Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson will administer the Oath of Allegiance and deliver keynote remarks at a special naturalization ceremony at the Jacob K. Javits Federal Office Building in New York City where approximately 100 candidates will become U.S. citizens. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Director Lori Scialabba will participate. Open press.
- On **April 2**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the Puerto Rico Action Network, an organization of Puerto Rican executives, to discuss their work strengthening homeland security, justice, defense and intelligence communities in Puerto Rico. Closed press.
- On **April 3**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Joshua Hoyt, Executive Director National Partnership for New Americans to discuss naturalization, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals implementation, and immigrant integration more broadly.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **March 22**, 518,598 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 11.8 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **March 31**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on the importance of collaboration in cybersecurity at the launch of the CERT-UK in London, United Kingdom. Open press.
- From **March 31 to April 11**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will conduct a Covert Electronic Surveillance Program in Glynco, GA, which covers the most effective methods of using audio and video digital recording devices for the purposes of consensual monitoring. Closed press.
- On **April 2**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on DHS cybersecurity initiatives and programs at the FedScoop Security Through Innovation Summit in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **April 3**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan will present “Open Source and the USA’s Cyber Security” at the Great Wide Open conference in Atlanta, GA, which brings together developers, programmers, scientists, system administrators, CIOs, CTOs, and information technology managers from throughout government, industry, and academia to discuss challenges and opportunities related open source technology. Open press.
- On **April 4**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will participate in a panel discussion on threats in cyberspace with oil and natural gas asset owners/operators at the U.S. Department of Energy North American Energy Threats Workshop in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- On **March 31, April 1, and April 4**, the U.S. Secret Service will conduct Workplace Violence/Active Shooter briefings for its Presidential and Vice Presidential Protective Divisions. Closed press.
- From **April 1 to 3**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program in Glynco, GA designed to instill in students the knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. Closed press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- During the week of **March 24**, reporter Julia Preston, a national correspondent on immigration for the New York Times, will travel to the Rio Grande Valley region of Texas for a story on the increase in

illegal cross-border activity. The U.S. Customs and Border Patrol Office of Public Affairs is working to schedule a briefing followed by visits to a local port of entry and Border Patrol station as well as ride-alongs with Border Patrol and Air & Marine agents. Publication date TBA.

- On **March 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Victim Witness Specialist Amy Allen will be interviewed by an ABC affiliate for an update story on the remarkable progress of a Detroit-area human trafficking victim. The victim, who was rescued as part of an ICE HSI investigation, is currently an honor student on full academic scholarship at an area college.
- During the week of **March 31**, the Office of Health Affairs Chemical Defense Program, in coordination with Health and Human Services, expects to publish in the Federal Registers for public comment a document titled *Patient Decontamination in a Mass Chemical Exposure Incident: National Planning Guidance for Communities*.
- On **March 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Dallas Public Affairs Officer plans to send out a news release following the 3-day Enforcement and Removal Operations alien fugitive operation in east Texas.
- On **April 5**, the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol Office of Public Affairs plans to submit an editorial to International Airport Review magazine focusing on the role of automation in processing passengers at international airports for inclusion in an upcoming issue of the publication. Publication date TBA.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **March 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service plans to announce the availability of up to \$10 million in federal funding for the FY 14 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. The program funding will support community-based organizations that prepare permanent residents for citizenship, grant recipients will be announced in September 2014.
- By **March 30**, FEMA will provide Congress with the annual National Preparedness Report, which describes the nation's progress toward achieving National Preparedness.
- By the end of **March**, TSA expects to release a Request for Proposal and award a contract for the Credential Authentication Technology for approximately 12 units intended for developmental and operational testing against TSA's system requirements to assess suitability and effectiveness in checkpoint operations.
- On **April 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will begin accepting H-1B cap-subject petitions for foreign workers in specialty occupations. There is a statutory annual limit of 65,000 petitions with an additional 20,000 available to petitioners with a master's degree or higher from a U.S. institution. USCIS anticipates meeting the annual cap within the first week of processing.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **March 29 to April 2**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Honolulu, HI to conduct unit visits and deliver remarks at the Coast Guard Foundation 14th District Tribute Dinner. Closed press.
- On **March 31**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will meet with representatives from the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command, Naval Criminal Investigative Service, and Defense Criminal Investigative Service in Glynco, GA to discuss procurement fraud investigation training programs. Closed press.
- From **March 31 to April 3**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a Man-Portable Air Defense System meeting with the Government of Israel Civil Aviation Security officials in Tel Aviv, Israel. Closed press.
- From **March 31 to April 4**, the Transportation Security Administration will deploy 6 K9 teams to Arlington, TX to assist with the NCAA Final Four Men's Basketball Tournament. Closed press.
- From **March 31 to April 4**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Training Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in San

Salvador, El Salvador. Participants include female law enforcement professionals from Chile, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru, and Uruguay. Closed press.

- From **March 31 to April 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Casablanca will host the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Aviation Security Training for Yemeni and Moroccan Aviation Officials. The training part of a training presented in fiscal year 2014 to Yemeni Aviation officials with the support of the Government of Morocco at Mohammed V International Airport's Aviation Security Regional Training Facility. The agenda for this course will focus on cargo security operations and procedures relating to aircraft security. Closed press.
- On **April 1**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Tester to discuss Department priorities. The Deputy will also attend a Deputies Committee meeting for Eagle Horizon 2014 at the White House.
- From **April 1 to 3**, the Science and Technology Directorate will conduct a joint test with the FBI using U.S. Capitol Police and other local District of Columbia explosive detection canine teams in Quantico, VA to determine the ability of canine teams trained to detect conventional explosives to detect homemade explosives with a similar chemical make-up. Closed press.
- From **April 1 to 3**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will attend the United States-Israel Aviation Security Working Group in Tel Aviv, Israel. Topics of discussion will include risk methodology, canine programs, cargo security screening program updates, Man-Portable Air Defense Systems threat mitigation updates, and technology. Closed press.
- From **April 1 to 3**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will attend the Big City Emergency Managers Conference in Denver, CO. Closed press.
- On **April 2**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will present an overview of the Science and Technology Directorate at the TechAmerica Homeland Security Committee Meeting in Arlington, VA. TechAmerica represents small, medium, and large businesses comprising the information and communication technology industry. Closed press.
- From **April 2 to 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher (Office of Border Patrol) and Acting Assistant Commissioner Troy Miller (Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison) will participate in a "state of the border" meeting at the U.S. Northern Command in Colorado Springs, CO. Closed press.
- On **April 3**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske are scheduled to meet with Delta Air Lines CEO Richard Anderson. Closed press.
- On **April 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with FBI Executive Assistant Director of the Criminal, Cyber, Response and Services Branch Robert Anderson, Jr. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the Senior Leader Seminar in Doral, FL, which will assess the effectiveness of the interoperability of Federal, State, and Local government response plans, and to validate the roles, responsibilities, and capabilities of stakeholders in preparing for and responding to a CONUS land operation for a Caribbean maritime mass migration. Closed press.
- On **April 9**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the quarterly meeting of the President's Task Force on Puerto Rico. Participants will include members of the Governor and Resident Commissioner's offices as well as the interagency. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 2**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Paul Zukunft, Coast Guard Pacific Area Commander/Prospective 25th Coast Guard Commandant, will testify at his confirmation hearing before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Open press.
- On **April 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Gil Kerlikowski will testify before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about CBP's FY 2015 budget request. Open press.



- On **April 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Executive Associate Director James A. Dinkins and U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin, will testify at a hearing titled “Taking Down the Cartels: Examining United States – Mexico Cooperation” before the House Committee on Homeland Security. Officials from the U.S. Department of State (DOS) have also been invited to provide testimony. Open press.
- On **April 3**, Federal Emergency Management Administrator (FEMA) Associate Administrator David Miller for the Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management about FEMA’s mitigation programs and educating, incentivizing and funding state, local and tribal efforts to build stronger communities. Open press.
- On **April 4**, Federal Emergency Management Administrator Craig Fugate will testify at a field hearing in Anchorage AK before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs, Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia about catastrophic planning. Open press.
- On **April 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing on lost and stolen passports. Open press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel H. Ragsdale and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Acting Deputy Commissioner, Kevin McAleenan, will testify at a hearing titled “Authorizing Customs and Border Protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement” before the House Homeland Security Committee. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Unit Chief from the Forensic Document Lab, Steven Daugherty will brief staff of the House Homeland Security Committee on altered and counterfeit passports. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigation (HSI) Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak will brief members of the Intellectual Property Caucus on “Education, Enforcement, and the Economics of Piracy and Counterfeiting.” Members of the National Crime Prevention Center and Bureau of Justice Assistance at Carnegie-Mellon will also participate. Open press.
- On **March 28**, staff from the House Homeland Security Committee will tour the National Targeting Center – Cargo in Herndon, VA. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigation (HSI) Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak will brief members of the Intellectual Property Caucus on “Education, Enforcement, and the Economics of Piracy and Counterfeiting”. Members of Carnegie-Mellon, the National Crime Prevention Center and Bureau of Justice Assistance will also participate. Open press.
- On **March 28**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security in a hearing on the LAX shooting incident. Open press.
- On **March 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade will conduct an “Introduction to CBP Trade” webinar for congressional staff. Closed press.
- On **April 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Representative David Price, Ranking Member of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **April 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner Deborah Schilling (Office of Administration) and Acting Assistant Commissioner Richard DiNucci (Office of International Trade) will provide Senate Finance Committee staff with a trade-focused briefing on CBP’s FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.

- On **April 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Director National Intellectual Property Rights and Coordination Center (IPR) Lev Kubiak will provide staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee with a briefing regarding Operation Chain Reaction and ICE's efforts to protect the military supply chain from counterfeit items. Closed press
- On **April 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Representative Brian Higgins regarding CBP resources in Buffalo, NY as well as attend a meet-and-greet with Representative Michael McCaul, Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **March 31**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Pace University Law School in White Plains, NY where he will host a student roundtable and deliver the Dyson Lecture. Open press.
- From **April 2 to 4**, Secretary Johnson will travel to New York, NY where he will deliver a keynote address at the NYPD Shield Conference (open press), meet with NYPD Police Commissioner Bill Bratton, participate in a Naturalization Ceremony of 150 candidates at USCIS's field office (open press), and receive a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement- Enforcement Removal Operations brief. The Secretary will also present the Rick Rescorla National Award for Resilience to the Mets, Walgreens and Monsignor John Brown at Mets stadium and throw out the first pitch (open press).
- On **April 7**, Secretary Johnson will deliver remarks at the National Security Task Force Meeting at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Press TBD.
- On **April 8**, Secretary Johnson will attend the President's Interagency Task Force to Monitor and Combat Trafficking Meeting.
- On **April 9**, Secretary Johnson will meet with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus. The Secretary will also participate in the Financial Services Forum Roundtable to discuss cybersecurity issues. The Secretary will also meet with Gail McGovern, President & CEO of the American Red Cross.
- On **April 10**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Karen Bomba, the CEO of Morpho Detection. The Secretary will also have a meeting with Peter Mauer, the President of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of \$7.8 million to date by utilizing a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for multi-functional devices and reducing expenditures on printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **March 25**, President Obama has signed 350 major disaster declarations, and 69 emergency declarations this Administration has obligated over \$29.8 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### V. Legal

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **March 18**, DHS provided an in camera document review and separate briefing to staff for Senators Carper and Coburn regarding the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program. DHS also provided to the Senators' staff a redacted version of a memorandum that had previously been requested.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, preclearance operations in Abu Dhabi, U.S. Border Patrol Operational Requirements, Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the Department's role in the launch and operation of healthcare.gov, and the performance of the BioWatch program.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **March 5**, **Emily Parkhurst**, a reporter with the *Puget Sound Business Journal* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to USCIS L-1 compliance site visits at businesses located in the State of Washington from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **March 11**, **Vriti Jain**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence pertaining to Senator Thad Cochran (R-MS) regarding EB-5 visas.
- On **March 12**, **Jonathan Raz**, a law student with the **Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University** and staff editor with the *Cardozo Law Review* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) the following records: (1) a copy of policies and procedures pertaining to the termination of asylum; and (2) statistical data pertaining to notices of intent to terminate asylum.
- On **March 12**, **Mike Baker**, a reporter with *The Seattle Times* in Seattle, Washington, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) a spreadsheet showing each seized or searched electronic device from January 1, 2008, through the present; and (2) a copy of the most recent policies or manuals governing electronic device searches and seizures.
- On **March 18**, **Alicia Caldwell**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to Esteban Manzanares's employment with the U.S. Border Patrol from January 1, 2008, through March 12, 2014.
- On **March 18**, **Aaron Nelsen**, a reporter with the *San Antonio Express-News* in Mission, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the employment of the following individuals: (1) Esteban Manzanares; (2) Randal Sutterfield; and (3) Adam Garibay.
- On **March 18**, **Melissa Correa**, a reporter with *KRGV-TV* in Weslaco, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to Esteban Manzanares's employment with the U.S. Border Patrol and the investigation into the incident on March 13, 2014.
- On **March 18**, **Thomas Hargrove**, a correspondent with *Scrapps News* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of the National Fire Incident Reporting System dataset for 2012.
- On **March 19**, **Melissa del Bosque**, a reporter with the *Texas Observer* in Austin, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to sexual assault and sexual harassment investigations by DHS-OIG within U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), from 2011 through 2014.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **March 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **David Perera**, an editor with *FierceGovernmentIT* in Washington, DC, 189 pages of records consisting of Tech Stat e-mails, memoranda, agendas, and program reports from seven DHS offices. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **March 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jamie Schell**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, 15 pages of records consisting of a correspondence log for Senator Scott Brown (R-MA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Ellen Nakashima**, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking investigations, complaints, or reports of abuse by CBP personnel in the operation of drones.
- On **March 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, DC, five pages of records pertaining to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and/or ICE policy on the interpretation and

treatment of false claims to U.S. citizenship, as a ground of inadmissibility and/or deportability under the Immigration and Nationality Act, when made by an alien who is under the age of 18. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).

- On **March 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, one page of records containing the business rules that automate a recommended risk classification assessment for the custodial status of every person who has been detained by ICE. These records were released in full.
- On **March 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, an Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous case-by-case information covered by the ICE Secure Communities reports for September 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **March 18**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Allan Blutstein**, a senior counsel with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, four pages of records consisting of a position description reflecting the current position, duties, and salary of Charles Edwards, who resigned as Deputy Inspector General on December 16, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Craig Thomas**, a reporter with **KOLD TV** in Tucson, Arizona, a no records determination in response to his request seeking pre-sequestration and post-sequestration budgetary information for the U.S. Border Patrol, Tucson sector.
- On **March 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to **Ryan Luther**, an individual in Washington, DC, eight pages of records pertaining to correspondence between S&T and the following governor and members of Congress: (1) Congressman Paul Broun (R-GA); (2) Congressman Rodney Davis (R-IL); (3) Congressman John Delaney (D-MD); (4) Congressman Jeff Denham (R-CA); (5) Congressman Robert Dold (R-IL); (6) Congressman Bill Enyart (D-IL); (7) Congressman Bill Foster (D-IL); (8) Congressman Phil Gingrey (R-GA); (9) Governor Nikki Haley (R-SC); (10) Congressman Jack Kingston (R-GA); (11) Senator Pat Roberts (R-KS); (12) Congressman Brad Schneider (D-IL); and (13) Congressman John Tierney (D-MA). These records were released in full.
- On **March 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to **Luke Rosiak**, a journalist with **The Washington Examiner** in Washington, DC, 17 pages of records pertaining to correspondence between S&T and any of the following members of Congress from January 1, 2011, through the present: (1) Representative Michael McCaul (R-TX); (2) Representative Candice Miller (R-MI); (3) Representative Peter King (R-NY); (4) Representative Patrick Meehan (R-PA); (5) Representative Susan Brooks (R-IN); (6) Representative Jeffrey Duncan (R-SC); and (7) Representative Richard Hudson (R-NC). These records were released in full.
- On **March 21**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Kim Zetter**, a reporter with **Wired** in San Francisco, California, 89 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the Stuxnet worm. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(E), and 7(F).
- On **March 21**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Paul Lewis**, a correspondent with **The Guardian** in Washington, DC, 42 pages of records consisting of correspondence between USCIS and the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Joe Garcia (D-FL); (2) Representative Ed Royce (R-CA); (3) Representative Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL); (4) Representative Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV); (5) Representative Eliot Engel (D-NY); (6) Senator Bill Nelson (D-FL); (7) Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL); (8) Representative Connie Mack (R-FL); (9) Senator Claire McCaskill (D-MO); and (10) Senator Robert Menendez (D-NJ). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **March 21**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jack Gillum**, a reporter with the **Associated Press** in Washington, DC, 14 pages of records consisting of e-mails from former USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.

- On **March 24**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Cary Vogrin**, a representative with *The Gazette* in Colorado Springs, Colorado, one page of records containing a spreadsheet of the number of applicants who received Individual Assistance checks at the Marian House Soup Kitchen/Catholic Charities, Westside CARES, Springs Rescue Mission and AspenPointe in Colorado Springs, Colorado from September 12, 2013, through December 23, 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **March 24**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to **Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 34 pages of records consisting of the Robotic Aircraft for Public Safety Test Plan. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **March 26**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Jerome Zeringue**, Chair with the **Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana** in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 66 pages of records consisting of charts, memoranda, and reports pertaining to the Orphan Anchor Phase II Program. These records are released in full.
- On **March 26**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Anna Boiko-Weyrauch**, a reporter with *National Public Radio News* in Washington, DC, an audio recording concerning Incident Report number 1073825. These records are released in full.
- On **March 26**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Lucy Kinder**, an individual, 334 pages of records consisting of photographs, e-mails, Certificates of Inspections, letters, and memoranda pertaining to barges BAL 0010, BAL 0011, BAL 0001, and BAL 0100. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **March 26**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Ray Henry**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Atlanta, Georgia, 81 pages of records consisting of memoranda, disaster assessments, disaster initiated reviews, and e-mails pertaining to the Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant in Alabama. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **March 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous case-by-case information on each ICE removal (including returns) covering fiscal year 2013 for individuals turned over to ICE directly after serving their prison term and were deported. Portions of release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).
- On **March 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous case-by-case information on ICE removals (including returns) for November 2013. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).
- On **March 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Rory Campbell**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, 10 pages of records consisting of correspondence to CBP from Congressman Steve King (R-IA) from June 1, 2011, through April 11, 2013. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7 (C).

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In the **winter**, the Coast Guard expects to publish the 2014 Great Lakes Pilotage Rates final rule. This rule would implement rate adjustments for pilotage services on the Great Lakes, which were last amended in February 2013. The proposed adjustments would establish new base rates and are made in accordance with a full ratemaking procedure. Rates must be established or reviewed each year, no later than March 1.
- In **March**, DHS expects to release an Annual Strategic Assessment regarding the coordination efforts of the Federal departments and agencies to advance continuity of operations in interoperable emergency communications.
- In **March**, DHS is expected to submit a report to the Attorney General regarding its FOIA production as an agency and as individual components covering the period from October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013.

- In **March**, DHS expects to consolidate FEMA's Section 504 implementing regulations into one unified regulation for the Department, and to promulgate regulations implementing Section 504 for the Department's federally assisted programs.
- In **March**, TSA expects to provide National Cargo Security Program (NCSP) recognition to Israel. The program involves a thorough examination of supply chain security components and related requirements that constitute a country's NCSP. These actions are taken to determine whether the subject NCSP provides a level of security commensurate with current U.S. air cargo security requirements.
- In **March**, DHS will submit to CEQ the DHS Climate Action Plan, which will help implement the vision laid out in The Administration's Climate Action Plan in the area of climate preparedness.
- In **March**, DHS expects to release the second Quadrennial Homeland Security Review report.
- In **March**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled U.S. Naturalizations: 2013. The report presents information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during FY 2012.
- In **March**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled U.S. Legal Permanent Residents: 2013. The report presents information obtained from applications for LPR status on the number and characteristics of persons who became LPRs in the United States during 2012.
- In **March**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to propose to amend its regulations to extend eligibility for employment authorization to H-4 dependent spouses of principal H-1B nonimmigrants who have begun the process of seeking lawful permanent resident status through employment and have extended their authorized period of admission or "stay" in the United States under section 104(c) or 106(a) of Public Law 106-313, also known as the American Competitiveness in the Twenty-First Century Act of 2000 (AC21). Allowing the eligible class of H-4 dependent spouses to work encourages professionals with high-demand skills to remain in the country and help spur innovation and growth of U.S. businesses.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will propose to amend its regulations affecting high-skilled workers within the nonimmigrant classifications for specialty occupation professionals from Chile and Singapore (H-1B1) and from Australia (E-3), to include these classifications in the list of classes of aliens authorized for employment incident to status with a specific employer, to extend automatic employment authorization extensions with pending extension of stay requests, and to update filing procedures. USCIS will also propose to amend regulations regarding continued employment authorization for nonimmigrant workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)-only Transitional Worker (CW-1) classification. Finally, USCIS will propose amendments related to the immigration classification for employment-based first preference (EB-1) outstanding professors or researchers to allow the submission of comparable evidence. These changes will encourage and facilitate the employment and retention of these high-skilled workers.
- In **April**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS EEO Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- In **April**, the Office of the Ombudsman's Office expects to study implementation of "Revised Guidance for the Referral of Cases and Issuance of Notices to Appear (NTAs) in Cases involving Inadmissible and Removable Aliens," which focuses NTA issuance on cases with public safety threats, criminals and aliens engaged in fraud.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement new guidance that will consolidate and clarify policy with respect to the L-1B nonimmigrant classification.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement guidance regarding the divorce and death exceptions and removal of the residency requirements for an abused spouse or child of a qualifying Cuban principal.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement guidance that an adopted child who has been abused by the adoptive parent or household family member is no longer required to



present evidence that he or she has been in the custody of, and resided with, the adoptive parent for at least two years.

- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement guidance regarding direct sibling-to-sibling DNA tests for purposes of establishing a sibling relationship. Direct sibling-to-sibling DNA testing is given no evidentiary weight. DNA test results comparing each purported sibling to the claimed common parent, however, will be evaluated according to current policy relating to DNA test results for parent-child relationships.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement guidance on the evaluation of claims of “extraordinary circumstances” for late filings pursuant to the Child Status Protection Act (CSPA). A 2012 Board of Immigration Appeals precedent decision provided limited guidance regarding what may constitute extraordinary circumstances. This policy will provide additional interpretive guidance for determining whether extraordinary circumstances allow USCIS to excuse the one year filing requirement on a case-by-case basis.
- In **May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish the Professional Conduct Rule, outlining standards and grounds for disciplinary actions that apply to private practitioners such as attorneys and non-attorney representatives who are authorized to represent an applicant or petitioner for immigration purposes.
- In **May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish the T Nonimmigrant Status Regulation based on comments on a related 2002 interim rule. This regulation will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes made based on comments or operations experience.
- In the **spring**, the Coast Guard expects to publish the Changes to the Inland Navigation Rules final rule (FR). This rule amends the inland navigation rules and their annexes in 33 CFR parts 83 through 88 to align the regulations with amendments made by the International Maritime Organization to the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, to which the U.S. is a signatory. This rule harmonizes domestic and international law by reducing and alleviating equipment requirements on vessels, addressing technological advances, and increasing public awareness of the inland navigation rules.
- In the **spring**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete FINDER demonstrations, which use low-power microwave radar to detect the small movements from breathing and the heartbeat of a buried victim, even when the signal must pass through several meters of building debris and rubble.
- In the **spring or summer**, DHS expects to announce with Canada an agreement to cover preclearance operations in the land, marine, and rail modes, as well as updates to the existing U.S.-Canada Air Preclearance Agreement, per the Beyond the Border Action Plan.

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April 4, 2013

**I. Department Priorities**

*Expected Stories/Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During **the week of April 8**, DHS expects to see press stories on the Department's improvements in financial management, the disaster workforce, the Campus Resilience pilot program, as well as continuing coverage of sequestration impacts.
- During the week of **April 8**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release updated Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program guidance based on stakeholder review and input.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will announce the opening of the Boquillas Port of Entry. The official crossing will provide access to Boquillas, Coahuila, as well as the protected areas of Maderas del Carmen, Ocampo and Cañon de Santa Elena in Mexico. Pedestrians will be able to access the port between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. No vehicles will be allowed to cross. Individuals entering Mexico from the U.S. who expect to cross back into the U.S. via the Boquillas crossing will be required to have a Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative approved document. Security for the port and the surrounding area will be provided by U.S. National Park Service rangers and U.S. Border Patrol agents.
- On **April 19**, DHS expects to release its report "Refugees and Asylees: 2012," which provides information on the number and characteristics of persons admitted as refugees or granted asylum in the United States in 2012.
- Effective **April 25**, TSA will allow knives that do not lock, and have blades that are 2.36 inches or 6 centimeters or less in length and are less than 1/2 inch in width, novelty-sized and toy bats, billiard cues, ski poles, hockey sticks, lacrosse sticks and two golf clubs as part of their carry-on baggage. This is part of an overall Risk-Based Security approach, which allows Transportation Security Officers to better focus their efforts on finding higher threat items such as explosives.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **April 7 to 12**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will attend the International Civil Aviation Organization Aviation Security Panel of Experts meeting in Montreal, Canada to discuss key aviation security issues and set an aviation security agenda and associated priorities. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Fire Administration Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell will deliver remarks on the activities of the United States Fire Administration at the International Association of Fire Chief's Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association Conference in Phoenix, AZ. Open press.
- On **April 8**, the U.S. Secret Service will provide an investigative programs overview and cyber briefing for representatives from the German Federal Police Bundeskriminalamt in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Gary Mead will participate in a panel entitled, "Transforming U.S. Detention Policies in the Context of Immigration Reform," hosted by Human Rights First in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **April 8 to 10**, the U.S. Secret Service will conduct a Mobile Devices in Court training course for prosecutors at the National Computer Forensics Institute in Hoover, AL. Closed press.
- On **April 9**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will deliver remarks on family-based immigration at the District of Columbia Bar Association's Immigration Law Series. Closed press.
- On **April 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss the importance of public-private partnerships in cybersecurity at the Economic Cyberthreat conference at the George Mason University Law School in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **April 9**, Transportation Security Administration will discuss various airline and airport security issues with representatives from the Air Line Pilots Association in Washington, DC. Closed press.

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- On **April 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with Christopher L. Thompson, President and CEO of Brand USA, a public-private partnership that promotes increased international travel to the United States. Closed press.
- On **April 9 and 11**, U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will host Mutual Agreement between Government and Employer (IMAGE) Forums in Tucson and Phoenix, AZ to present information on the IMAGE program and training on the Form I-9, fraudulent documents, E-Verify, and anti-discrimination. Closed press.
- From **April 9 to 11**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host the National Summit on Preventing Multiple Casualty Violence: Strategic Approaches to Information-Sharing in Glynco, GA in partnership with the Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services and Johns Hopkins University. The summit will bring together a cross-section of stakeholders from a variety of disciplines, including law enforcement, health care, law, social sciences, education, and academia for the purpose of improving the nation's ability to prevent incidents of multiple casualty violence through development of strategic approaches to information-sharing. In addition, the summit will serve as a means to conduct training needs assessment activities that will inform future curriculum development efforts in the area of preventing multiple casualty violence. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a Spanish-language teleconference for USCIS stakeholders to explain the provisional unlawful presence waivers with stakeholders. Open press.
- On **April 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Mark Weatherford will discuss DHS' role in cyber threat information sharing at the Georgetown University International Engagement on Cyber Conference in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host the Mexican Secretariat of the Navy at Air and Marine Operations Center in Riverside, CA, to discuss the Air and Marine Operations Surveillance System.
- On **April 10**, the Transportation Security Administration will host representatives from the Israeli Security Agency at the Freedom Center in Herndon, VA where they will receive Transportation Security Operations Center and Systems Operation Control Section briefs. Closed press.
- On **April 10 and 11**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will visit FEMA's Puerto Rico Distribution Center, and meet with respective Governors. Closed press.
- On **April 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss the cybersecurity landscape and regulatory environment with chief compliance officers from the financial sector at the First Clearing Compliance Roundtable in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Organization Executive Associate Director Gary Mead, Principal Legal Advisor Peter Vincent and Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will participate in the AILA Spring Conference in Washington, DC. Mead and Vincent will sit on a panel to discuss the responsibilities and functions of ICE. Odom will focus on care assistance services and recommendations made by the Ombudsman's Office. Open press.

*Office of Inspector General (OIG) Reports*

- On **April 2**, OIG released a report titled, "**Effectiveness of the Infrastructure Security Compliance Division's Management Practices to Implement the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program.**" **Background:** From May to October 2012, the OIG assessed DHS' efforts to implement the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards from inception until the end of Fiscal Year (FY) 2012. **Findings:** The OIG found that program progress has been slowed by inadequate tools, poorly executed processes, and insufficient feedback on facility submissions. In addition, program oversight had been limited while absence of appropriate metrics led to misunderstandings of program processes. Although the OIG was unable to substantiate claims of retaliation or suppression of nonconforming opinions, the OIG found that the Infrastructure Security Compliance Division (ISCD) work environment cultivates this perception. **Recommendations:** The OIG makes 24 recommendations to correct these issues and attain

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intended program results and outcomes. ISCD concurred with 19 recommendations, partially concurred with 1 recommendation, and did not concur with 4 recommendations. The OIG notes that 23 of 24 recommendations are “open and resolved,” which means the OIG agreed with our proposed approach to address their recommendation. **Response:** Over the past year, NPPD has worked diligently to turn a corner and has addressed many of the program’s challenges while continually evaluating the program to identify areas for improvement and correcting course when necessary to ensure proper and efficient implementation. NPPD has already taken actions to close many of the OIG’s recommendations including updating the hiring process to fill gaps in required skill sets and experience, developing and implementing an effective basic inspector training course, and revising the criteria for scheduling compliance inspections. In addition, DHS completed the Infrastructure Security Compliance Division Action Plan in 2011, which laid out specific steps to improve the CFATS program. However, the Action Plan was not taken into account in the OIG Report. As of March 1, 2013, 88 (93%) of the 95 action items have been completed.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify on USCG efforts to combat piracy before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Field Operations acting Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, CBP Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles, CBP Office of Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher, and U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director Jim Dinkins will testify on border security before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.
- On **April 11**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Huban Gowadia and Office of Intelligence and Analysis State and Local Program Office Deputy Under Secretary Scott McAllister will testify on counterterrorism efforts against weapons of mass destruction and chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear threats before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence. Open press.
- On **April 12**, DHS Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Dan Ragsdale and Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will testify on the impact of sequestration on homeland security before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency. Open press.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Commandant Admiral Robert Papp is tentatively scheduled to testify on the USCG FY 2014 budget before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Open press.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Commandant Admiral Robert Papp and Master Chief Petty Officer Michael Leavitt will tentatively testify on the USCG FY 2014 budget before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Field Operations acting Assistant Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, CBP Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles and CBP Office of Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will testify on CBP’s Fiscal Year 2014 budget request before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Open press.
- On **April 18**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will testify on the effects of the sequester on TSA operations before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittees on Government Operations and National Security. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 8**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia will brief Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff on ongoing efforts to develop the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture and National Technical Nuclear Forensics capability.
- On **April 9**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Chairman Tom Carper to provide an overview of the Office of International Affairs.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection staff will brief staff of the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on the agency's FY 2014 Budget. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement staff will brief the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on the agency's FY 2014 Budget. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide a briefing on cybersecurity to Senator Sheldon Whitehouse. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, Transportation Security Administration Chief Financial Officer David Nicholson will brief the staff of the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on the agency's FY 2014 budget. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for FEMA's Response Directorate Robert Fenton will brief staff of FEMA's Authorization committees on the Agency's progress in implementing the Reservist Program and related issues. Closed press.
- On **April 10 and 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host a tour of the Los Angeles/Long Beach Seaport and Otay Mesa cargo port of entry for Congressional Budget Office staff. The tour will focus on cargo screening for nuclear and radiological material, the 100 percent scanning mandate and its potential economic impact on the container flow into the country. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Coast Guard staff will brief the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations, Subcommittees on Homeland Security about the agency's FY 2014 Budget. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, FEMA CFO Ed Johnson and FEMA Budget Director Evan Farley will brief staff of the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations, Subcommittees on Homeland Security about FEMA's proposed FY 2014 budget. Closed press.
- On **April 12**, Transportation Security Administration Chief Financial Officer David Nicholson will brief the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security on the agency's FY2014 Budget. Closed press.
- On **April 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will have an introductory meeting with Chairman of the House Judiciary Immigration Subcommittee, Congressman Trey Gowdy.
- On **April 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate staff will brief the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations, Subcommittees on Homeland Security about the agency's FY 2014 Budget. Closed press.
- On **April 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection staff will brief the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about the agency's FY 2014 Budget. Closed press.

**II. Items of Note**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified over \$345 million in cost avoidances by leveraging the purchasing power of the entire Department to acquire commonly used software licenses (such as Microsoft, Adobe, and Oracle, among others) for DHS-wide usage.

*FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 2**, President Obama has signed 292 major disaster declarations and 61 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$24.3 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

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*E-Verify Update*

- As of **March 30**, 441,485 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 11.1 million queries have been run through the system.



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April 11, 2013

**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Expected Stories/ Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During **the week of April 15**, DHS expects to see press stories on the President's budget request, as well as continuing coverage of sequestration impacts.
- On **April 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to announce the expansion of three additional Centers of Excellence and Expertise: Base Metals in Chicago, IL; Industrial & Manufacturing Materials in Buffalo, NY; and Machinery in Laredo, TX. These Centers of Excellence were first announced in November 2012 and are now becoming operational.
- On **April 19**, DHS expects to release its report "Refugees and Asylees: 2012," which provides information on the number and characteristics of persons admitted as refugees or granted asylum in the United States in 2012.
- Effective **April 25**, TSA expects to allow knives that do not lock, and have blades that are 2.36 inches or 6 centimeters or less in length and are less than 1/2 inch in width, novelty-sized and toy bats, billiard cues, ski poles, hockey sticks, lacrosse sticks and two golf clubs as part of their carry-on baggage. This is part of an overall Risk-Based Security approach, which allows Transportation Security Officers to better focus their efforts on finding higher threat items such as explosives.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will host Taiwanese Officials from the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office, Central Police University, the Judicial Yuan, and Department of Justice at the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children headquarters in Alexandria, VA for briefings on child exploitation crimes and ICE's work combatting them. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a special naturalization ceremony at the Library of Congress as part of the Library Week during which 25 people will be naturalized. Open press.
- On **April 16**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will host a demonstration in Nogales, AZ for the U.S. Government Accountability Office of integrated technologies developed for the Mobile Surveillance System Sensor/User Tools Upgrade Project to provide advanced radar, image, and graphical user interface/mapping enhancements as a retrofit capability for Customs and Border Protection's existing units. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton and Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Mexico's Investigation Center and National Security Director Eugenio Ímaz Gispert in Washington D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will deliver remarks on ICE's work combating transnational crime, intellectual property rights and child exploitation at the U.S./European Union Law Enforcement Cooperation forum in Washington, D.C. Press by invitation.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is tentatively scheduled to deliver remarks on the current state of CBP operations to the National Treasury Employees Union in Las Vegas, NV. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will deliver a presentation at the International Rescue Committee's Annual Conference in Washington, D.C. regarding citizenship initiatives, citizenship education, and the Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a webinar training and Q&A for stakeholders to provide an overview of the immigration relief available to victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, and other serious crimes. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will return a collection of cultural property to Spanish Ambassador Mr. Ramon Gil-Casares during a cultural

repatriation ceremony at the Embassy of Spain in Washington, D.C. The repatriation of a 16th century religious tapestry is the result of a Homeland Security Investigation-led investigation by special agents in Houston and Spain, and the U.S. Attorney's office in the Southern District of Texas. Open press.

- On **April 17**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Pistole will meet with Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Illinois Homeland Security Advisor Jon Monken in Chicago, IL. Closed press.
- From **April 17 to 19**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct training for the International Law Enforcement Educators and Training Association in Chicago, IL on an Active Threat Training Program. Attendees will include topical area experts from federal, state, and local, law enforcement, the legal community, education, private sector security, mental health, medical, and academic research communities. Closed press.
- On **April 18**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide a briefing on the current state of cybersecurity in the water sector at the American Water Works Association Water Utility Council in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **April 19**, Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will discuss proposed cooperative activities in advance of the U.S.-Germany Bilateral Meetings in May 2013 and the U.S.-Germany Security Cooperation Group meeting with representatives from the German Federal Ministry of the Interior in Washington, D.C. The visit will feature a tour of the National Urban Science and Technology Laboratory facility and provide briefings on respective programs in the area of urban security. Closed press.
- On **April 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with Roger J. Dow, President and CEO of the U.S. Travel Association, a national organization that promotes international travel to the United States and advocates on behalf of the travel industry. Closed press.

#### *GAO Reports*

- On **April 9**, the GAO released its third annual report “**Actions Needed to Reduce Fragmentation, Overlap, and Duplication and Achieve Other Financial Benefits.**” DHS is working to fully address all GAO recommendations and continues to implement a variety of initiatives to cut costs, share resources across Components, and consolidate and streamline operations wherever possible. Through the Department-wide, employee driven Efficiency Review (ER), which began in 2009, as well as other cost-saving initiatives, DHS has identified over \$4 billion in cost avoidances and reductions, and redeployed those funds to mission-critical initiatives across the Department. To date, DHS ER has launched 46 initiatives designed to streamline operations and change the way DHS does business. Specifically, the DHS ER has led to significant progress in the areas of physical assets, personnel, and day-to-day expenditures. In 2012, DHS earned a qualified audit opinion on all financial statements, a historic first for the agency. This full-scope audit opinion is a result of DHS's ongoing commitment to instituting sound financial management practices to safeguard taxpayer dollars and represents significant progress in prudent financial management.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 16**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Commandant Admiral Robert Papp is scheduled to testify on the USCG FY 2014 budget before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Open press.
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request before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Open press.

- On **April 18**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Deputy Administrator John Halinski will testify on the effects of the sequester on TSA operations before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittees on Government Operations and National Security. Open press.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on the USCG FY 2014 budget before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard.
- On **April 24**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Acquisitions Assistant Administrator Karen Shelton Waters will testify on opportunities to improve TSA and save taxpayer dollars before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich and Federal Protective Service Deputy Director Sue Armstrong will provide briefings on the FY 2014 budget to Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Chief Financial Officer will brief the House Appropriations Committee on the FY14 budget. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security Staff on the FY2014 Budget. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Acting Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia will meet with Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff to discuss the 2014 President's Budget Request for DNDO and ongoing DNDO efforts to develop the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture and National Technical Nuclear Forensics capability. Closed press.
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- On **April 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will provide a briefing on the National Cybersecurity Protection System to Representative Mike Pompeo. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, Transportation Security Administration Chief Financial Officer David Nicholson will brief the Senate Appropriations Committee staff on the FY2014 Budget. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will provide a briefing on FirstNet to Representative Susan Brooks. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief the House Homeland Security Committee staff on the Transportation Worker Identification Credential OneVisit Pilot. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will brief House Appropriations Committee staff on the Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, FEMA will provide Senator Patty Murray's staff with a FEMA 101 briefing. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, FEMA Budget Director Evan Farley will provide a budget briefing to the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp is scheduled to meet with Representative Shuster, chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.
- On **April 19**, the U.S. Secret Service will provide a briefing on counterfeit U.S. currency, credit card fraud and cyber criminals to House of Representatives staff. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Components have achieved printing-related cost avoidances since FY 2009 by posting documents online rather than printing and improving their print management processes. To date, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$5.6 million through implementation of this initiative.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 9**, President Obama has signed 293 major disaster declarations and 61 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$24.4 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

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*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **April 15 to 26**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a pilot program for the Internet Investigations Training Program in Glynco, GA, which focuses on investigations and operations centered on the use of the Internet communities that are being exploited for criminal activity. Closed press.
- From **April 18 to 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will host a delegation of investigators and prosecutors from Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, and Slovenia in Washington, D.C., and San Diego, CA. The delegation will be drawn from partner country personnel who have collaborated with ICE on joint investigations of strategic trade violations. While in Washington, D.C., they will visit the Export Enforcement Coordination Center and the Cyber Crimes Center. While in San Diego, participants will meet with ICE case agents from San Diego and Phoenix to discuss previous case operations that took place in Czech Republic, Bulgaria, Romania, and Hungary.
- From **April 21 to May 3**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host the Integrated Cross Border Maritime Law Enforcement Operations Course in Charleston, SC to provide an opportunity for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and other agencies to train with U.S. Coast Guard personnel on operations that lead to cross border cooperation. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with Director-General of the Algerian Customs Service Mohamed Abdou Bouderbala in Washington, D.C. to discuss general customs issues. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, Acting Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis William Tarry, Jr. will meet with the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity to discuss possible collaboration efforts between the organizations in the areas of analysis and collection. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks about the future of the Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT) program at the new IMAT training seminar in Anniston, AL. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a Spanish-language teleconference to discuss the provisional unlawful presence waiver filing process with stakeholders. Open press.
- From **April 22 to 25**, the Science and Technology will host a demonstration of the Finding Individuals for Disaster and Emergency Response (FINDER) Mark 1 Prototype in Washington, DC. FINDER is a radar-based tool that uses heartbeat detection to locate live human victims in earthquakes, structural collapses, and floods. Closed press. No public impact anticipated.
- From **April 22 to 26**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct an Active Shooter Training Instructor Program at Schofield Barracks in Honolulu, HI for U.S. Army law enforcement personnel. Close press.



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- From **April 22 to 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will host representatives from the German Polizei at the FLETC headquarters in Glynco, GA to observe and share instructional technologies, delivery methods and approaches, and training materials and equipment in the areas of firearms, tactics, intervention techniques, coping with hostage-taking, and vehicle driving/safety training. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will hold a national stakeholder call to discuss the FY 2013 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program funding opportunity announcement. USCIS will provide an overview of the FY 2013 program, review the grant application and announcement timeline, and respond to questions from participants. Open press.
- On **April 23**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will discuss air cargo security with industry representatives at the Airlines 4 America Cargo Council meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with Abdullahi Dikko, Comptroller-General of the Nigerian Customs Service, in Washington, D.C., to sign a Customs Mutual Assistance Agreement. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will discuss cybersecurity with 400-500 government and IT leaders on a panel discussion at the McAfee Public Sector Summit, in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **April 24**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks on current priorities and case assistance for the Ombudsman's Office to the Capital Area Immigrant Rights Coalition in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards as well as Executive Order 13636 and Presidential Policy Directive-21 at the Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council meeting in Baltimore, MD. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, FEMA and the White House Office of Public Engagement will host the Hurricane Sandy White House *Champions of Change* event. The event will honor ordinary Americans doing extraordinary things in response to Hurricane Sandy. Press TBD.
- On **April 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will receive the Excellence in Government Service Award from the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund in Washington, DC. Mayorkas will also deliver brief remarks. Open press.
- On **April 24**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver Active Threat Response training designed to provide state and local officer/agents with the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully assess and respond safely during contact with a suspect at a conference hosted by the International Association for Identification in Dover, DE. Closed press.
- On **April 25**, the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the Los Angeles Intermodal Security Training and Exercise Program Tabletop Exercise with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Amtrak Police Department, Los Angeles Police Department, Metrolink-Security and Operations, and the Orange County Sheriff's Department. Closed press. No public impact anticipated.
- On **April 25**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss cyber threats and responses at a C4ISR Journal conference entitled "Adjusting to the New Budgetary Epoch, Merging Tactical and Strategic Intelligence and the Rise of Cyber Intelligence" in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **April 26**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the FEMA National Advisory Committee (NAC) meeting about the role of the NAC and the agency's priorities. Open press.
- On **April 30**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with stakeholders at the Tahirih Justice Center in Baltimore, MD to discuss case assistance from the Ombudsman's Office and stakeholder concerns. Closed Press.



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- On **April 23**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on the USCG FY 2014 budget before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard. Open press.
- On **April 24**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Acquisitions Assistant Administrator Karen Shelton Waters will testify on opportunities to improve TSA and save taxpayer dollars before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Open press.
- On **April 25**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia and Office of Intelligence and Analysis Deputy Under Secretary Scott McAllister will testify on Counterterrorism Efforts to Combat a CBRN Attack on the Homeland before the House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence. Open press.
- On **April 25**, DHS Office of Management Chief Procurement Officer Nick Nayak and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement National Firearm Training Unit Assistant Director Humberto Medina will testify on ammunition purchases before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittees on Economic Growth, Job Creation, Regulatory Affairs, and National Security. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 23**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Tara O'Toole will provide an overview of S&T priorities to Representative Joe Kennedy in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Daniel Gerstein will provide an overview of S&T priorities to Representative Steve Daines in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a Fiscal Year 2014 budget briefing to Senate Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, representatives from the Office of Operations Coordination and Planning will brief the FY2014 budget to Senate Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with Senator Begich to discuss priorities for the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee, Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations and the District of Columbia Subcommittee's work during the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will provide a *Beyond the Border* briefing for the Northern Border Caucus. Closed press.
- On **April 25**, U.S. Secret Service will provide a briefing on counterfeit U.S. currency, credit card fraud and cyber criminals to Senate staff in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host staff from the Congressional Budget Office for a tour of the National Targeting Center – Cargo in Herndon, VA, in support of their study on cargo screening for nuclear and radiological materials. Closed press.
- On **April 26**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, U.S. Coast Guard and U.S. Customs and Border Protection will deliver a border threat briefing to House Committee on Homeland Security and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host new staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at Dulles International Airport for a CBP 101 briefing and tour of primary and secondary operations. Closed press.
- On **April 30** and **May 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host Senator Tom Carper, Chairman of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, for a tour CBP and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement operations in the Rio Grande Valley region of Texas. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host Senator Martin Heinrich on a tour of the Santa Teresa, NM, land port of entry. Closed press.

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- On **May 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will host House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence members on a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$11.7 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to utilize federal facilities for conferences, meetings and trainings instead of renting private space.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 16**, President Obama has signed 293 major disaster declarations and 61 emergency declarations and obligated over \$24.5 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

- As of **April 13**, 444,623 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 12 million queries have been run through the system.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **April 29**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks at a special naturalization ceremony at the Tenement Museum in New York, NY. Chief Judge Robert A. Katzmann, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit will preside and administer the Oath of Allegiance. Open press.
- On **April 29**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will announce that the 90-day transition period for the revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization, will end on May 5 and remind customers that USCIS will stop accepting all previous versions of the Form N-400 editions dated before September 13, 2013. Open press.
- From **April 30 to May 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Acting Director Lori Scialabba will travel to Vermont to participate in the USCIS Vermont Service Center's grand opening ceremony. Scialabba will also visit and meet USCIS employees at the Northeast Regional Office. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Federal Register Notice outlining its intent to begin collecting a fee with the I-131A for non-citizens who lose their travel documents abroad.
- On **May 8**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Representatives Bob Goodlatte and Trey Gowdy to discuss comprehensive immigration reform.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 19**, 524,232 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 13.9 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **April 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on innovations in cybersecurity since 9/11 and anticipated challenges, at the 2014 Wharton DC Innovation Summit in Washington. The audience will consist of business executives, government contracting firms and government sector executives. Open press.
- On **May 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on emerging cybersecurity risks and challenges, at the 2014 Joint Meeting of the Audit Committee Chairs and General Auditors – Federal Reserve, in Washington. The audience consist of Audit Committee Chairs from the 12 Federal Reserve Banks, and their respective general auditors. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity Strategy and Emergency Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on the legal, regulatory, policy and standards environment supporting the US national cyber security strategy, at the USCENTCOM Central Region Communications Conference in Arlington, VA. The audience will consist of top military, ministry and regulatory officials in communications and information technology from 10 Middle Eastern countries. Closed press.

#### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- On **April 29 and May 1**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program (ASTTP) at FLETC in Artesia, NM. The ASTTP is designed to qualify the student by instilling the knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. This class will consist of state and local law enforcement officers. Closed press.

## II. Department/Agency Priorities

### *Expected Stories*

- On **April 29**, a local San Diego NBC television reporter, Candice Nguyen, will interview U.S. Custom and Border Protection (CBP) San Ysidro Assistant Port Director Robert Hood about a joint high school outreach program between CBP's San Diego Field Office and the local ICE-HSI office focused on the dangers of cross-border smuggling.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Custom and Border Protection's (CBP) Tucson Border Patrol Sector will host a press event in both English and Spanish to highlight CBP's Border Safety Initiative efforts along the Arizona/Mexico border and introduce the latest version of rescue towers that are deployed throughout the Tucson Sector. Open press.
- On **May 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Air and Marine, Houston Air and Marine Branch, will host an open house for law enforcement and media. Attendees will have the opportunity to receive an orientation and demonstration of CBP's air operations. Open press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **April 30**, America's PrepareAthon! will be hosting the National Day of Action. America's PrepareAthon! is a nationwide, community-based campaign for action to increase emergency preparedness and resilience through hazard-specific drills, group discussions and exercises conducted at the national level every fall and spring.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **April 27 to 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will represent the United States at the World Customs Organization's (WCO) Second Global Authorized Economic Operator Conference in Madrid, Spain. The Commissioner will participate in a roundtable discussion on the World Trade Organization's Agreement on trade facilitation alongside WCO Secretary-General Kunio Mikuriya and the European Commission's Taxation and Customs Union Director-General Heinz Zourek. While in Madrid, the Commissioner is scheduled to meet with several of his international counterparts, including the Directors-General of Customs of Spain, the United Kingdom, and Turkey, as well as the Deputy Commissioner of South Korean Customs. During his return trip, he will stop briefly in Frankfurt, Germany, and meet CBP personnel stationed there. A press event is scheduled following the WCO roundtable, all other events are closed press.
- From **April 27 to 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of State, Local and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will attend the International Conference for Police and Law Enforcement Executives in Phoenix, AZ. Open press.
- On **April 28**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Pryor and separately with Senator Flake to discuss Department priorities. Closed press.
- On **April 28**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will present the keynote address at the Advanced Energy 2014 Conference. The topic for the keynote will be the Science and Technology Directorate's contributions to resilience, infrastructure, and cybersecurity in day-to-day operations and during major catastrophes. The conference attracts broad representation from professionals across all segments of energy research, policy, and business. New York Governor Andrew Cuomo and Department of Energy Deputy Secretary Daniel Poneman are also confirmed speakers. Open press.
- From **April 28 to 30**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Mexico City and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, for meetings with Government of Mexico officials, the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Border Executive Steering Committee meeting, and the first meeting of the Repatriation Policy Group. Closed press.
- From **April 28 to May 2**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and FEMA Region IX senior leadership will attend the annual Pacific Partnership Meeting in Honolulu, HI. The Pacific Partnership is the largest humanitarian and disaster response-preparation mission in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region. Closed press.

- From **April 28 to May 2**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Global Strategies (OGS) Integrated Plans and Support (IPS) Division will be facilitating a Quality Control in Civil Aviation Security (QCCAS) workshop in Casablanca, Morocco. QCCAS provides in-depth exposure to International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) standards and recommended practices for effective quality control processes of civil aviation security programs. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), Deputy Executive Associate Director Timothy Robbins will host a meeting with the Government of El Salvador's (GoES), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Vice Minister Juan Jose Garcia. This meeting will be a follow up to the Binational Working Group for Repatriation Affairs that was held in San Salvador on December 3, 2013, where the GoES has expressed interest in opening a consulate in the Rio Grande Valley, TX. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, Acting Chief Financial Officer Chris Fulghum will deliver remarks regarding managing the DHS budget, the process for allocating resources, and shared services at the Institute for Defense & Government Advancement's 2014 Homeland Security Summit in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **April 29 to 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend the 21st Century Executive Steering Committee meeting in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. Closed press.
- On **April 29 and 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Portsmouth, VA to attend the Coast Guard District 5 Change of Command ceremony.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Mark Baker, President of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, to discuss general aviation issues. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) San Diego Field Office Director Gregory Archambeault and Deputy Field Office Director Jack Bennett will host the annual consulate luncheon at the Otay Detention Facility. All consulates from the San Diego and Los Angeles area are invited to attend. Closed press
- On **April 30**, Science and Technology Directorate Office of SAFETY Act Implementation Director Bruce Davidson will present a briefing on the SAFETY Act program at the Institute for Defense & Government Advancement Homeland Security Congress 2014. The SAFETY Act program was enacted by Congress in 2002 to use risk and litigation management systems to incentivize investments by the private sector in homeland security. The event will showcase immediate and long-term needs and future trends and technologies for use in homeland security, including cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection, border and maritime security, and disaster preparedness and response. Open press.
- On **May 1**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Enzi to discuss Department priorities. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will attend the White House Council on Native American Affairs meeting hosted by Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell. Closed press.
- From **May 1 to 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to New London, CT for the Ancient Mariner Change of Watch.
- On **May 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to visit the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization at the Pentagon in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will testify at a classified budget hearing before the House Appropriations Committee. Larry Zelvin, NPPD Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center will also deliver a threat briefing to the committee. Closed press and classified.

- On **April 29**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp and General Kelley will testify before the House Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation and Foreign Affairs Subcommittees about Drug Interdiction Operations. Open press.
- On **April 30**, Transportation Security Administrator (TSA) John Pistole will testify before the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee and TSA general oversight issues. Open press.
- On **May 6**, a TBD witness from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will testify before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence about the FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about the GAO High Risk List. Open press.
- On **May 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck and US Secret Service Cyber Operations Branch Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge William Noonan will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about cybersecurity. Open press.

### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees on CBP operations. Closed press.
- On **April 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR) Director Lev Kubiak, along with officials from Carnegie-Mellon, the National Crime Prevention Council, and Bureau of Justice Assistance will brief members of the Intellectual Property Caucus on “Education, Enforcement, and the Economics of Piracy and Counterfeiting.” Open press.
- On **April 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) New Orleans Assistant Field Office Directors Brian S. Acuna and Gerald Smith will provide a tour of the Etowah County Detention Center, Gadsden, AL to the staff of Senator Richard Shelby. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director (DNDO), Dr. Huban Gowadia, and DNDO staff will brief Congressman Michael McCaul, Chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security on the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture (a worldwide network that serves to detect, analyze, and report on radiological and nuclear materials that are out of regulatory control) and associated risk analysis. Closed Press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with Representative Dave Camp, Chairman of the House Ways & Means Committee, and Representative Devin Nunes, Chairman of the House Ways & Means Subcommittee on Trade. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Privacy and Diversity Office will brief staff from the House Homeland Security Subcommittees on Oversight & Management Efficiency and Border & Maritime Security on the Office’s functions which include compliance with the Privacy Act, processing Freedom of Information (FOIA) requests, and managing diversity and inclusion, to include Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and civil rights and civil liberties requirements. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with Representative Jeff Duncan, Chairman of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Oversight & Management Efficiency and have a meet-and-greet with Representative Beto O’Rourke. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will host the House Committee on Homeland Security staff for a tour of the Washington Regional Threat and Analysis Center. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will meet with the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence following his confirmation. Closed press.



### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **April 28**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Airlines for America President and CEO Nicholas Calio to discuss aviation security.
- On **April 29**, Secretary Johnson will have a breakfast meeting with Chairman John Carter & Ranking Member David Price. The Secretary will also meet with Senator John Cornyn to southwest border security.
- On **April 30**, Secretary Johnson will host a conference call with Adelphi University students to discuss his upcoming commencement address. The Secretary will also meet separately with the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus and Chairman Xavier Becerra to discuss comprehensive immigration reform.
- On **May 1**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Senator Mary Landrieu and Senator Dan Coats. The Secretary will also meet with Japanese Ambassador Kenichiro Sasae to discuss Preclearance, AFL-CIO President Rich Trumka to discuss comprehensive immigration reform, and will deliver the keynote address at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual National Fire and Emergency Services dinner. Open press.
- On **May 2**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Detroit, MI where he will host a roundtable with state and local officials focused on the northern border and hold a press availability with Congressman Peters. He will then travel to Port Huron, MI to tour the Blue Water Bridge with Congresswoman.
- On **May 7**, Secretary Johnson will participate in a keynote interview with Council of the Americas 44<sup>th</sup> Washington Conference. Press TBD. The Secretary will also meeting w/ Northrop Grumman President & CEO Wes Bush.
- On **May 8**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Treasury Secretary Jack Lew.
- On **May 16**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Louisiana with Senator Landrieu where they will tour Century Link in Monroe, LA, receive a brief on the cyber engineering curriculum at Louisiana Tech in Rustin, LA and tour the Cyber Innovation Center and participate in a press availability in Bossier City, LA. Press TBD.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Secretary's Efficiency Review Initiative*

- Components have achieved printing-related cost avoidances since Q4 FY09 by posting documents online rather than printing and improving their print management processes. To date, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$6 million through implementation of this initiative.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 22**, President Obama has signed 356 major disaster declarations, and 69 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.9 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### V. Legal

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **April 14**, DHS responded to a joint letter from Senators Levin and McCain regarding ICE's February 2013 release of more than 2,000 detainees, and provided the Senators with a list of the detainees released.
- On **April 18**, DHS responded to a letter from Representative Richard Hudson, Chair of the Subcommittee on Transportation Security of the House Committee on Homeland Security, regarding allegations relating to the Federal Air Marshal Service.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: inadmissibility based on false claims of citizenship, EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, preclearance operations in Abu Dhabi, USBP Operational Requirements, Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, and the Department's role in the launch and operation of healthcare.gov.

## FOIA Requests

- On **April 3**, **Joe O’Sullivan**, a journalist with the *Rapid City Journal* in Rapid City, South Dakota, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the USCIS designation of all EB-5 regional centers made on April 8, 2004.
- On **April 4**, **Amy Keller**, an editor with the *Florida Trend* in St. Petersburg, Florida, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between USCIS and the following: (1) MedPro and/or MedPro Healthcare Staffing; and (2) the iTRACE Foundation regarding I-129 petitions and H-1B visas.
- On **April 8**, **Eva Parks**, an investigative producer with *NBC 5* in Fort Worth, Texas, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to FEMA funding granted for safe rooms under the Pre-Disaster Mitigation and Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs for all states for the last two fiscal years.
- On **April 8**, **West Hubbard**, an individual in Durham, North Carolina, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records of communication pertaining to the request made to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to classify 5.45x39 ammunition as armor piercing.
- On **April 9**, **Vriti Jain**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), records of correspondence, from or on behalf of Mississippi State Senator Christopher McDaniel (R-MS) in his official capacity or as an individual, from 2008 through the present.
- On **April 10**, **Michael Gartland**, a reporter with the *New York Post* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records: (1) a copy of 127 marine casualty reports on the Molinari-class vessels; (2) a copy of casualty reports on other Staten Island ferry vessels from 2003 through the present; and (3) a list of all casualty reports during that time frame.
- On **April 10**, **Ann Swinburn**, an individual in Oakland, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records pertaining to former DHS Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Programs Juliette Kayyem, from March 2009, through December 2010: (1) records pertaining to salary and salary increases; (2) records pertaining to benefits including health, retirement, automobile allowance, housing allowance, and/or any other employee benefit; (3) per diem payments; and (4) records pertaining to payments regarding expenses related to travel, meals, or other “perks.”
- On **April 10**, **Lee Bowman**, a correspondent with *Scripps News* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of the Preliminary Disaster Assessments and determination letters for all Presidential Disaster Declarations turned down from January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2007.
- On **April 11**, **Steven Emerson**, President with **SAE Productions** in Washington, DC, requested from Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to contacts and/or meetings between John Cohen, former I&A Acting Under Secretary and DHS Chief Counterterrorism Coordinator, and any organizations or individuals regarding training materials and sessions concerning community outreach efforts for countering violent extremism.
- On **April 11**, **Jim Hoffer**, a journalist with *WABC-TV* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to investigation reports on various Staten Island ferry vessels from May 2011, through the present. (Case Number USCG 2014-1594.)
- On **April 14**, **Corinne Reilly**, a reporter with *The Virginian-Pilot* in Norfolk, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to Jeffrey Savage’s application for a Transportation Worker Identification Credential; and (2) e-mails sent to or from DHS employee Marsha Catron from March 24, 2014, through the present, that include any reference to Jeffrey Savage, the Transportation Worker Identification Credential program, or the Department of the Navy.
- On **April 15**, **Brock Vergakis**, an individual in Norfolk, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to Freedom of Information Act requests and responses made by media organizations and reporters following the fatal shooting at Naval Station Norfolk in March 2014, including but not limited to: (1) requests about the Transportation Worker Identification Credential program; (2) Jeffrey Savage's Transportation Worker Identification Credential application or waiver

request; (3) records that indicate DHS's and the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) response and reaction to the shooting; and (4) records of correspondence between DHS, TSA, and the Department of the Navy.

- On **April 15**, **Sean Dunagan**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the authorization of DHS Deputy Managing Counsel Prudence Beidler Carr to serve on the Board of Directors of the Insight Center for Community Economic Development; and (2) a copy of e-mails from the official DHS e-mail account of Ms. Carr to or from any e-mail address terminating in the domain "@insightccd.org" from October 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **April 15**, **Robert O'Harrow, Jr.**, a staff writer with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to drug interdiction and counter-terrorism training provided by, or coordinated with, Desert Snow, LLC and Black Asphalt, LLC.
- On **April 16**, **Sean Sweeney**, an individual in Alexandria, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a record of all Freedom of Information Act requests DHS-OIG received pertaining to Senator Mark Warner (D-VA).

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **April 4**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Tom McLaughlin**, a staff writer with the *Northwest Florida Daily News* in Fort Walton, Florida, 150 pages of records consisting of e-mails, case reports, maps, witness statements, photographs, certificates, letters, and checklists pertaining to a bridge strike. These records were released in full.
- On **April 4**, the United States Coast Guard released to **Michael Finch**, a journalist with the *Alabama Media Group* in Mobile, Alabama, 116 pages of records consisting of inspections, case reports, checklists, enforcements, and letters pertaining to Oil Recovery Company. These records were released in full.
- On **April 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Dylan Howard**, editor in chief with *Radar Online* in New York, New York, 197 pages of records consisting of investigation reports, checklists, letters, witness statements, and bank statements pertaining to an investigation regarding Patrick McDermott. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **April 11**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, DC, 267 pages of records consisting of e-mails, policy and training records, and a memorandum pertaining to the treatment of cases involving same-sex marriages following the *United States v. Windsor* Supreme Court decision. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **April 11**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 23 pages of records consisting of annual reports required under the Attorney General Guidelines for Offices of Inspector General from 2010 through 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Sean Dunagan**, an investigator with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, 89 pages of records pertaining to the implementation of deferred action and/or prosecutorial discretion procedures for undocumented individuals who entered the United States as minors. These records were released in full.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Maria Pena**, a reporter with *La Opinion/Impremedia* in Gaithersburg, Maryland, five Excel spreadsheets pertaining to the number of illegal immigrants deported from the United States from 2009 through 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Lindsay Brayton**, a research assistant with the **Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration, George Washington University** in Washington, DC, three pages of records pertaining to historical records regarding the performance measures used at ICE. These records were released in full.

- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, an Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous data on ICE detainers issued in April 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **April 15**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Mike Clary**, a reporter with the **Sun Sentinel** in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 175 pages of records consisting of case reports, photographs, witness statements, e-mails, and radio logs pertaining to the vessel FINE TUNA. These records were released in full.
- On **April 15**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Marcus Green**, a reporter with **WDRB News** in Louisville, Kentucky, two pages of records consisting of a draft response pertaining to National Transportation Safety Board recommendations M-13-07 and M-13-08. These records were released in full.
- On **April 16**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Brian Sasser**, a reporter with **KPRC-TV** in Houston, Texas, five recordings from channel 16 pertaining to a boating incident on March 22, 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **April 16**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Alissa Bohling**, an assistant editor and writer with **Truthout** in Portland, Oregon, 502 pages of records consisting of complaints, responses, agency guidance, and equipment manuals. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 5, and 6.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Katherine Haas**, a representative with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in New York, New York, 117 pages of records consisting of the Civil Rights/Civil Liberties Impact Assessment on Border Searches of Electronic Devices prepared by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, an Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous, case-by-case information on each removal and return derived from ICE Secure Communities for August 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, an Excel spreadsheet containing case-by-case information on each removal and return as derived from ICE Secure Communities for January 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **April 24**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Luke Rosiak**, a journalist with the **Washington Examiner** in Washington, DC, 28 pages of records consisting of letters of correspondence from DHS to the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Michael McCaul (R-TX); (2) Representative Candice Miller (R-MI); (3) Representative Peter King (R-NY); (4) Representative Patrick Meehan (R-PA); (5) Representative Susan Brooks (R-IN); (6) Representative Jeffrey Duncan (R-SC); and (7) Representative Richard Hudson (R-NC). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **April 24**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to, **Daniel Rohlf**, Counsel with the **Northwest Environmental Defense Center** in Portland, Oregon, 352 pages of records consisting of letter correspondence and a draft copy of a biological opinion prepared by the National Marine Fisheries Service on the effects of FEMA's implementation of the National Flood Insurance Program in Oregon. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- On or about **April 30**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) expects to complete construction of the Lake Charles, Louisiana, co-located Border Patrol Station and Port of Entry. This project relocated the Border Patrol Station from a direct-leased facility into a GSA commercially-leased facility where it will be co-located with the Office of Field Operations. Facility renovations included the addition of office space and holding cells. The new Lake Charles facility can support up to 17 Border Patrol Agents and 18 CBP Officers. Grand opening event TBA.

- In **April**, DHS expects to release an Annual Strategic Assessment regarding the coordination efforts of the Federal departments and agencies to advance continuity of operations in interoperable emergency communications.
- In **April**, TSA expects to renew the recognition of Israel's National Cargo Security Program (NCSP). The program involves a thorough examination of supply chain security components and related requirements that constitute a country's NCSP. These actions are taken to determine whether the subject NCSP provides a level of security commensurate with current U.S. air cargo security requirements.
- In **April**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **April**, DHS expects to release the second Quadrennial Homeland Security Review report.
- In **April**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS EEO Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- On **May 7**, a VIP media event and Open House is tentatively planned for the Tethered Aerostat Radar System (TARS) site at Lajas, Puerto Rico, which is in the process of re-opening mission operations. The Governor and Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico are expected to attend.
- In **May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to propose to amend its regulations to extend eligibility for employment authorization to H-4 dependent spouses of principal H-1B nonimmigrants who have begun the process of seeking lawful permanent resident status through employment and have extended their authorized period of admission or "stay" in the United States under section 104(c) or 106(a) of Public Law 106-313, also known as the American Competitiveness in the Twenty-First Century Act of 2000 (AC21). Allowing the eligible class of H-4 dependent spouses to work encourages professionals with high-demand skills to remain in the country and help spur innovation and growth of U.S. economy.
- In **May**, DHS expects to release a report titled U.S. Naturalizations: 2013. The report presents information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during FY 2012.
- In **May**, DHS expects to release a report titled U.S. Legal Permanent Residents: 2013. The report presents information obtained from applications for LPR status on the number and characteristics of persons who became LPRs in the United States during 2012.
- In **May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates proposing to amend its regulations affecting high-skilled workers within the nonimmigrant classifications for specialty occupation professionals from Chile and Singapore (H-1B1) and from Australia (E-3), to include these classifications in the list of classes of aliens authorized for employment incident to status with a specific employer, to extend automatic employment authorization extensions with pending extension of stay requests, and to update filing procedures. USCIS will also propose to amend regulations regarding continued employment authorization for nonimmigrant workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)-only Transitional Worker (CW-1) classification. Finally, USCIS will propose amendments related to the immigration classification for employment-based first preference (EB-1) outstanding professors or researchers to allow the submission of comparable evidence. These changes will encourage and facilitate the employment and retention of these high-skilled workers.
- By **June 30**, DHS expects to release to the White House a DHS Policy on Climate Change Adaptation as part of the deliverables under the Executive Order on Climate Preparedness.
- In the **spring**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete FINDER demonstrations, which use low-power microwave radar to detect the small movements from breathing and the heartbeat of a buried victim, even when the signal must pass through several meters of building debris and rubble.
- In the **spring or summer**, DHS expects to announce with Canada an agreement to cover preclearance operations in the land, marine, and rail modes, as well as updates to the existing U.S.-Canada Air Preclearance Agreement, per the Beyond the Border Action Plan.

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May 2, 2013

**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- Beginning on **May 6**, TSA Pre✓™ participants will be eligible for expedited screening benefits on select international travel itineraries. Eligible passengers flying internationally from the United States out of participating TSA Pre✓™ airports may receive expedited screening. Additionally, eligible passengers with connecting domestic flights who have arrived in the United States on an international flight may use the TSA Pre✓™ lanes when going through the screening process at participating airports after being cleared by U.S. Customs and Border Protection.
- On **May 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will launch its Customer Identify Verification Project, which uses US-VISIT's Secondary Inspections Tool to verify the identity of applicants appearing for an interview at local USCIS field offices. This project is aimed at increasing security and reducing identity fraud.
- On **May 6**, FEMA expects to announce the National Preparedness System's National Planning Frameworks. The National Preparedness System is designed to facilitate an integrated, all-of-nation/whole community, capabilities-based approach to preparedness. It involves federal partners, state, local and tribal leaders, the private sector, non-governmental organizations, faith based and community organizations; and the general public.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will transition from a paper I-94 form to an electronic I-94 form at select airports. I-94 departure forms and data have been used for over 20 years as a key source of information regarding immigration status. Use of the I-94 departure form and number are embedded in many verification processes and forms that Federal/State agencies and employers use to verify a non-immigrant visitor's status and eligibility for benefits or work authorization. Automation of the I-94 will improve the accuracy and timeliness of the data since it will be created in real time using the same information the officer uses for the primary inspection. In addition, CBP anticipates significant savings in data entry costs as a result of the I-94 automation program.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Vancouver Airport Authority will hold a joint ribbon cutting ceremony and press event to announce the start of the Automated Passport Control pilot at the CBP preclearance facility in Vancouver, British Columbia. The Automated Passport Control pilot program will enable U.S. citizens to complete administrative portions of the inspection process via kiosk prior to being interviewed by a CBP officer. The voluntary program will streamline the inspection process, decrease wait times, and allow CBP officers to focus on conducting passenger interviews. Open press.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a stakeholder teleconference to discuss the revised Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification. Beginning May 7, all employers are required to use the most recent version of the Form I-9, which includes new fields, reformatting to reduce errors, and clearer instructions to both employees and employers. Closed press.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **May 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with a delegation from the Republic of Turkey to discuss the Immigration Advisory Program and the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism programs in Turkey and the development of an integrated border management program. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with stakeholders at the Tahirih Justice Center in Falls Church, VA to discuss case assistance and stakeholder concerns. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will participate in a repatriation ceremony in New York, NY to repatriate a 70 million year old dinosaur fossil, recovered in a



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2012 ICE investigation, to Mongolia. Mongolia and the United States have extensive cultural patrimony laws that specifically protect antiquities including dinosaur fossils. Open press.

- On **May 6**, U.S. Fire Administration Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell will deliver keynote remarks about leadership in the fire service at the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference and Trade Show in Toronto, Ontario. Open press.
- On **May 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will participate in the first table top exercise in Spain hosted by the Cyber Security Forum Initiative to identify operational gaps within cybersecurity efforts among U.S. government agencies and international partners. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will discuss cybersecurity and infrastructure protection with the Swedish Defense Commission in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **May 6 to 9**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate in a FEMA Innovation Team Field Experimentation event in Camp Roberts, CA hosted by the Naval Postgraduate School and National Defense University. During the event, Federal, State and Local government representatives, as well as other disaster community stakeholders, will explore new and emerging technologies that have the potential to improve disaster response and recovery operations. Closed press.
- From **May 6 to 10**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Training Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Gaborone, Botswana . Countries participating in the training include Botswana, Lesotho, Liberia, Seychelles, and Zambia. Closed press.
- From **May 6 to 10**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss opportunities to build airport security development programs at the International Civil Aviation Organization Airport Security Program Capacity Development meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will attend the annual Blue Mass at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will travel to Boston, MA to meet with local ICE employees and agents who assisted in the Boston Marathon investigation and operations. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks about the Entrepreneurs In Residence (EIR) initiative and lay out a road map for the future of EIR at a University of Chicago stakeholder event in Chicago, IL. Open press.
- On **May 8**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss cybersecurity and identify opportunities for collaboration with industry and academic partners at the Security and Software Engineering Research Center Annual Showcase in Chicago, IL. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will attend the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Congressional Breakfast and Law Enforcement Recognition in Washington, D.C.
- On **May 8**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks about lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy and the upcoming hurricane season at the 2013 Governor's Hurricane Conference in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Open press.
- On **May 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a Business Representatives Engagement in Dallas, TX to discuss business- and employment-related immigration issues with non-profit organizations and immigration advocacy groups. Closed press.
- On **May 9**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks about the importance of public service and the philosophy of shared responsibility during the response to Hurricane Sandy at the John D. Solomon Fellowship for Public Service Graduation in New York, NY. Open press
- On **May 10**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Deputy Under Secretary Dan Gerstein will deliver remarks on S&T's structure and priorities as well as how small and emerging companies can

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engage with S&T at the Government Technology & Services Coalition Steering meeting in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

- On **May 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Field Office will host an ICE Training Seminar for New Jersey State and County Prosecutors at the New Jersey Forensic Science Technology Center in Hamilton, NJ to provide an overview of the ICE Criminal Alien Program and answer questions regarding the immigration enforcement process. Closed press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **May 6**, DHS Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Acting Under Secretary William Terry will testify in a classified hearing on the I&A Fiscal Year 2014 budget before the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, DHS Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Dan Ragsdale will testify on comprehensive immigration reform before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs. Open press.
- On **May 7**, DHS Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Acting Under Secretary William Terry will testify in a classified hearing on the I&A Fiscal Year 2014 budget before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Assistant Administrator Karen Shelton Waters will testify on TSA procurement before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Open press.
- On **May 8**, DHS Management Directorate Chief Readiness Support Officer Jeff Orner will testify on the DHS real estate footprint before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management. Open press.
- On **May 8**, FEMA Office of Response and Recovery Deputy Associate Administrator Elizabeth Zimmerman will testify on the role of the private sector in preparedness and emergency response before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations and the District of Columbia. Open press.
- On **May 8**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Acting Assistant Secretary Bobbie Stempfley, NPPD Office of Cybersecurity and Communications NCCCIC Director Larry Zelvin and NPPD Office of Cyber Security and Communication Control System Security Program Director Marty Edwards will testify on the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center's roles, responsibilities, and future planning to protect our nation's critical infrastructure from cyber attacks before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies. Open press.
- On **May 9**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Intelligence and Analysis Assistant Administrator Steve Sadler will testify on the Transportation Worker Identification Credential before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Operations. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **May 6**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs Dr. JD Polk will meet with staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will host House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence members on a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

- On **May 6**, Commander of the Coast Guard Seventh District Rear Admiral Baumgartner will meet with Representative McCaul to participate in an overfly of the Florida Keys maritime border, and tour the Joint Interagency Task Force South in Key West, FL Closed press.
- On **May 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief Representative Cuellar on the CBP Workload Staffing Model for ports of entry in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, FEMA Associate Administrator of Mission Support David Robinson, Deputy Chief Information Officer Rob Thomas II and Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson will provide Senate Appropriations Committee staff with a briefing on FEMA-wide IT modernization based on the FY 2014 budget proposal. Closed press.
- On **May 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief staff of Representative McCaul on ICE and CBP initiatives and missions. Closed press.

## II. Items of Note

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through Component-led efforts and DHS Efficiency review initiatives to optimize fleet management through such changes as “right-sizing” fleet inventory and transitioning to hybrid vehicles, DHS has identified more than \$93 million in cost avoidances through 2015.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 30**, President Obama has signed 296 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and obligated over \$25 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

- As of **April 27**, 447,737 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 13 million queries have been run through the system.

## III. Legal

### *GAO reports*

On **April 26**, the GAO released a report titled, “**Clarifying the Application of Guidance for Common Operational Picture Development Would Strengthen Program.**” **Background:** The GAO analyzed the U.S. Coast Guard’s (USCG) development of Common Operational Picture (COP)-related systems to determine the extent to which USCG has made information included in the COP available to users, and any challenges it had encountered in implementing COP-related systems. The COP is a map-based information system shared among USCG’s commands which displays vessels, information about those vessels, and the environment surrounding them on digital maps in an effort to increase maritime domain awareness. The GAO additionally sought to determine whether the USCG followed its approved information technology development guidance when developing new technology related to the system. **Findings:** The GAO found that USCG has made significant progress increasing the information in the COP and increasing user and decision maker access to the information. However, the GAO found that USCG did not follow its own technology guidance document during its initial development of Coast Guard One View, its new planned COP viewer, in 2012.

**Recommendations:** The GAO recommends that USCG clarify the application of the System Develop Life Cycle Practice Manual (SLDC) for the development of future technology projects. The USCG has acknowledged past problems and plans to complete the required SDLC documents. **Response:** The U.S. Coast Guard is pleased to note GAO’s recognition of the progress USCG has made to develop a complex information-sharing network to help secure the Nation’s maritime transportation system. The USCG Chief Information Officer will issue guidance related to the applicability of the SDLC process to mitigate risks of implementation challenges and maximize the potential contribution of future technology development for the COP.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

May 9, 2013

### **I. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the week of **May 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will launch its Customer Identify Verification Project, which will use US-VISIT's Secondary Inspections Tool to verify the identity of customers appearing for an interview at local USCIS field offices. This project is aimed at increasing security and reducing identity fraud.
- On **May 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will continue its transition from paper I-94 forms to electronic I-94 forms with implementation at select major air and seaports. Use of the I-94 departure form and number are embedded in many verification processes and forms that Federal/State agencies and employers use to verify a non-immigrant visitor's status and eligibility for benefits or work authorization. Automation of the I-94 will improve the accuracy and timeliness of the data since it will be created in real time using the same information the officer uses for the primary inspection. In addition, CBP anticipates significant savings in data entry costs as a result of the I-94 automation program.
- On **May 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will move payment of the USCIS Immigrant Fee from pay.gov to USCIS Electronic Immigration System (ELIS). Immigrants completing their immigrant visa interviews overseas through the Department of State must pay the USCIS Immigrant Fee before departing for the United States
- On **May 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release its monthly data report on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.
- On **May 20**, FEMA External Affairs expects to issue a press release announcing the FY 2013 preparedness grant funding opportunities.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- During the week of **May 13**, DHS Component leadership will participate in several events for National Police Week, including:
  - On **May 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton (ICE) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will attend the annual candlelight vigil at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C. (open press). Acting Commissioner Winkowski will also attend a Department of State Partner Appreciation Ceremony that recognizes law enforcement and criminal justice partnerships across the government and a Department of State Memorial Wall Dedication Ceremony honoring fallen agents (closed press). ICE will host a valor memorial ceremony, honoring fallen employees from across ICE and its legacy agencies. Closed press.
  - On **May 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a visit for the Concerns of Police Survivors, a national organization that provides grief counseling and peer support to survivors of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. Closed press.
  - On **May 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski, and Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan along with representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Transportation Security Administration will attend the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service at the U.S. Capitol. Open press.
  - On **May 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will participate in the CBP Valor Memorial and Wreath-Laying Ceremony and deliver remarks to honor Border Patrol Agents Leopoldo Cavazos, Jr., James R. Dominguez, Jeffery Ramirez, Nicholas J. Ivie, and David R. Delaney, all of whom died in the line of duty during 2012. Open press.
- On **May 13**, the U.S. Secret Service will participate in joint exercises at the Naval Observatory in Washington, D.C., which will incorporate all U.S. Secret Service and military components that support security at the Naval Observatory. Closed press. No public impact expected.

- On **May 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with Jon Adler, President of the Federal Law Enforcement Offices Association. Closed press.
- On **May 13**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks on Hurricane Sandy response at the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative Action Summit on Climate and Crisis in Cambridge, MA. While in Boston, Mr. Serino will also participate in an Architecture Studio Review on Resilient Cities at Massachusetts Institute of Technology focusing on the resilience of cities and design challenges for sites facing multiple hazards. Closed press.
- On **May 13**, the U.S. Secret Service will provide a briefing on cyber crime investigation to the Army War College in Ft. Meade, MD. Closed press.
- From **May 13 to 16**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Mexico City, Mexico to meet with Mexican Secretariat of Interior officials regarding border security along the U.S. – Mexico border. Closed press.
- From **May 13 to 17**, the U.S. Secret Service will conduct an Investigation of Computer and Electronic Crimes training course for international law enforcement students at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Montevideo, Uruguay. Closed press.
- From **May 13 to 17**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a Preventative Security Measures workshop for Turkish national civil aviation subject matter experts in Istanbul, Turkey discussing the importance of aviation security and providing participants the opportunity to develop action plans based on risk and vulnerability assessments of their respective facilities. Closed press.
- From **May 13 to 17**, the Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology will participate in bilateral and executive level meetings with counterparts from the Netherlands Ministry of Security and Justice and Germany’s Ministry of Education and Research in The Hague, Netherlands. Topics will include technical briefings on existing research and development programs, site visits to Biosafety Level 4 facilities and laboratories, and discussions of proposed cooperative activities in FY 2013-2014. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will discuss the Department’s efforts to prepare for sequestration at the Post Sequestration Summit, hosted by the Potomac Officer’s Club, a board of trade in the greater Washington area. The audience will include over 200 government contracting executives. Open press.
- On **May 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a series of focus groups in Los Angeles, CA – one in English and one in Spanish – to discuss customers’ access to information and services provided by USCIS. Closed press.
- On **May 15**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks on case assistance services and recommendations made by the Ombudsman’s Office to the DC Chapter and Immigration Law Section of the Federal Bar Association. Closed press.
- On **May 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team Operations Unit Chief Monica Maher will deliver remarks on mitigating the impact of cyber attacks on industrial control systems at the Government Security Conference and Expo in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **May 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate U.S. - Computer Emergency Readiness Director Ann Barron-DiCamillo will deliver remarks on communicating the threat environment in cyberspace at the FOSE Conference in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **May 15 to 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas, with Department of State Ambassador Janice Jacobs, will travel to Guatemala to discuss adoption policy in the country. Open press.
- On **May 16**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss airline security issues at the Airlines for America Security Council meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 16**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the Los Angeles Intermodal Security Training and Exercise Program Full Scale Exercise focused on developing standards and risk assessment methodologies to determine if targets are being met under the new National Strategy for Mass Transit and Passenger Rail Security with representatives from the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, Amtrak Police, Los Angeles Police Department, Metrolink-

Security and Operations, and Orange County Sheriff's Department. Closed press. Minimal public impact expected.

- On **May 17**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks on case assistance services and recommendations made by the Ombudsman's Office at the 10th Annual Federal Bar Association Immigration Law Seminar in Memphis, TN. Closed press.
- On **May 17**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will host Airline Corporate Security Directors, Flight Operations Directors, and Flight Attendant union representatives to discuss airline cabin security training related to changes in the Prohibited Items List in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 17**, Transportation Security Administration Chief Counsel Francine Kerner will deliver remarks to the Airports Council International-North America's Legal Affairs Conference on airport and aviation security issues including risk-based security developments and new cases of interest. Open press.
- On **May 17**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will deliver keynote remarks on management priorities and acquisition at the 2013 GovConNet Procurement Conference and Expo in Rockville, MD. Open press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **May 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify on the Coast Guard FY 2014 Budget before the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Open press.
- On **May 15**, DHS MGMT Chief Readiness Support Officer Jeff Orner will testify on DHS's real estate footprint before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management. Open press.
- On **May 16**, NPPD Office of Cybersecurity & Communications Acting Assistant Secretary Bobbie Stempfley and NPPD Office of Cybersecurity & Communications National Cybersecurity & Communications Integration Center (NCCIC) Director Larry Zelvin will testify on the NCCIC's role, responsibility and future planning to protect our nation's critical infrastructure from cyber attacks before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies. Open press.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James Dinkins and a TBD representative from U.S. Customs and Border Protection will testify on the GAO report regarding visa overstays before the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

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- On **May 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement National Gang Unit will brief staff of Senator Rubio on the National Gang Unit. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, the Office of Health Affairs will brief staff of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on the National Biosurveillance Integration Center. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will host Representative Marino and his staff for a briefing and tour of the Intellectual Property Rights Center. Closed press.



- On **May 14**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson and Budget Director Evan Farley will brief Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee staff on the effects of sequestration on FEMA's operations. Closed press.
- On **May 15**, FEMA will brief Senate Appropriations Committee staff on flood insurance plans for FY 2014. Closed press.
- On **May 16**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a joint threat briefing with the National Counterterrorism Center and Federal Bureau of Investigation to the House Committee on Homeland Security Chair and Ranking Member. Closed press.
- On **May 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief Representative Cuellar on the Office of Field Operations Workload Staffing Model. Closed press.
- On **May 17**, FEMA's FIMA leadership will brief House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure staff on a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Pilot project. Closed press.
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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the week of **May 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to announce closing of the Honduras Field Office at the U.S. Embassy in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.
- On **May 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will move payment of the USCIS Immigrant Fee from pay.gov to USCIS Electronic Immigration System. Immigrants completing their immigrant visa interviews overseas through the Department of State will pay the USCIS Immigrant Fee before departing for the United States.
- On **May 20**, FEMA plans to issue stakeholder advisory notifications announcing the Public Assistance Alternative Procedures Pilot for Permanent Work. The Sandy Recovery Improvement Act of 2013 authorizes alternative procedures for the Public Assistance Program, for both debris removal and permanent restoration of damaged facilities to include providing grants on the basis of estimates. The goals of the alternative procedures are to reduce the costs of providing Public Assistance, increase flexibility, expedite the provision of assistance to applicants, and provide financial incentives for timely and cost effective completion of work. Public Assistance applicants including state, local, tribal, territorial, and non-profit applicants can opt to participate in the pilot program for work following a future disaster or on projects from previous disasters not yet initiated.
- On **May 21**, FEMA will release Funding Opportunity Announcements for the FY 2013 Homeland Security preparedness grants, including allocations for the State Homeland Security Grant Program, Urban Area Security Initiative, and Emergence Management Performance Grants. Later in the summer, competitive funding awards will be made for Port Security Grants, Transit Security Grants, Nonprofit Security Grants, and Tribal Security Grants.
- On **May 22**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will transition the Personal Alert and Tracking System (PATS) to U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service in San Dimas, CA. At a cost less than \$100 per unit, PATS provides two-way alerts for wild-land firefighters and location information for the incident command without additional communication infrastructure. Open press.
- On **May 23**, FEMA tentatively expects to release the National Preparedness Report required by Presidential Policy Directive 8: National Preparedness (PPD-8). This annual report summarizes the progress made toward building, sustaining, and delivering the 31 core capabilities described in the National Preparedness Goal. The 2013 report marks the second iteration of the NPR and focuses on accomplishments achieved in or reported on during the previous year. FEMA drew information from the full range of whole community partners—including all levels of government, private and nonprofit sectors, faith-based organizations, communities, and individuals—to develop the National Preparedness Report.
- On **May 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Government Services Administration will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony for a series of upgrades/expansion at the Santa Teresa, NM, port of entry. The expansion project doubled the number of northbound passenger lanes and commercial vehicle lanes and booths and can now accommodate approximately 80,000 commercial trucks and 400,000 cars annually. Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin and Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the ceremony. Open press.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **May 20**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will discuss passenger risk assessments and screening protocols with counterparts from Australia's Department of Infrastructure and Transport in Washington, DC. The visit will also include a tour of the Transportation System Integration Facility. Closed press.

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- From **May 20 to 23**, FEMA will participate in a NORTHCOM/DID-led exercise scenario involving two large-scale hurricanes targeted for the State of Florida with cascading impacts to multiple states in FEMA Region IV. This exercise will serve as FEMA's Fiscal Year 2013 hurricane preparedness exercise. No public impact is expected.
- On **May 21**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will conduct a roundtable with business leaders, discuss the agency's operations and risk-based security measures with Mayor Nutter, and tour a canine training facility at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will deliver remarks at the CBP Officer Basic Training graduation ceremony at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Glynco, GA. This is the 50th class to graduate under the enhanced CBPO basic training program, implemented in 2010 and designed to ensure the highest standards of excellence and professional conduct in the CBP workforce. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will participate in a panel discussion on skilled workforce shortages in cybersecurity at the Tata Interactive Systems Cybersecurity event in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **May 21 to 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Charles Armstrong will travel to Mexico City, Mexico, as the U.S. co-chair at a meeting of the Cross Border Security Communications Network Working Group with Mexico. Agenda items include formalizing agreements on standard operating procedures and improvements in cross-border safety communications. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on critical infrastructure and cybersecurity at the "History of Cyber Critical Infrastructure Protection: 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of PDD-63" event sponsored by the Atlantic Council in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **May 22**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss cybersecurity research and development initiatives at the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Symposium on Security and Privacy in San Francisco, CA. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will participate in a panel discussion focused on law enforcement, regulations, and privacy implications of cybersecurity activities following a cyber incident simulation exercise sponsored by the Georgetown Cybersecurity Law Institute in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **May 22**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick and Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Louis Quijas will host an information session at the Federal Bureau of Investigation-Law Enforcement Executive Development Association's Executive Training Conference in Louisville, KY on partnerships with state and local law enforcement as well as training opportunities at FLETC with law enforcement executives from more than 300 federal, state, and local agencies. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of CBP regarding exports mapping, global supply chain initiatives, trusted trader programs, trade modernization efforts, and trade enforcement efforts in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will deliver remarks on case assistance services and recommendations made by the Ombudsman's Office to the American Immigration Lawyers Association's DC Chapter. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks on USCIS priorities for the coming year during the opening plenary session at Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc.'s (CLINIC) annual meeting in Crystal City, VA. (open press.)  
On **May 23**, the Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Acting Deputy Director

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Gary Merson, Acting Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Tamara Kessler and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Public Advocate Andrew Lorenzen-Strait will participate in a plenary entitled, “Bringing Effective Case Inquiries to the Government,” at the same event. The Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will also participate on a panel on U visa issues with USCIS and non-governmental organization representatives. Closed press.

- On **May 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will deliver remarks on DHS’s work with the private sector in cybersecurity to the Internet Security Alliance in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss evolving transportation threats and risk-based security at the George Washington University Homeland Security Policy Institute Conference on The Future of Transportation and Supply Chain Security in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **May 24**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate in an anniversary celebration for the Medical Intelligence Center at the Boston Medical Center along with the Secretary (closed press). While in Massachusetts, he will also deliver remarks at the Action Ambulance Award Ceremony in Danvers, MA, which recognizes local EMS and other first responder personnel for their achievements in the Boston area. Open press.
- On **May 24**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara and Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to El Paso, TX and Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico to participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Summit of the US-Mexico Border Mayors Association. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will deliver remarks on comprehensive immigration reform and impacts on law enforcement at the International Association for Intelligence Education and participate in a law enforcement roundtable at the University of Texas at El Paso in El Paso, TX. Closed press.
- From **May 25 to 29**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss strengthening cooperation with international partners as well as adopting a risk-based, intelligence driven approach to security at the Airports Security International Conference in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. Administrator Pistole will continue to Brussels, Belgium where he will meet with the European Union counterparts and then to London, England for a meeting with the United Kingdom Department for Transport to discuss risk-based security initiatives and cooperation on the lifting of restrictions on liquids, aerosols, and gels. Closed press.
- On **May 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will administer the Oath of Allegiance at a special naturalization ceremony at the Department of Justice. Attorney General Eric Holder will deliver remarks. Open press.
- On **May 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver congratulatory remarks and the Oath of Allegiance at a military naturalization ceremony at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in Parris Island, SC. Open press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James Dinkins and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner and a TBD representative from National Protection and Programs Directorate will testify on the GAO report regarding visa overstays before the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **May 20**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security and the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee on the Transit Security and Intercity Passenger Rail Security Grant Programs. Closed press.

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- On **May 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell and Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will host House Homeland Subcommittee on Emergency Communications Members on a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations will brief Representative Ted Poe, Vice-Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security, on the release of ICE detainees earlier this year. Closed press.
- On **May 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief Senator Bill Nelson on the Office of Field Operations' Workload Staffing Model. Closed press.
- On **May 23**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will provide a threat update briefing to Senator Lisa Murkowski in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a joint threat briefing with U.S. Coast Guard's Maritime team on current threats and issues to the House Committee on Homeland Security and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and DHS Associate General Counsel John Havranek will brief Senate Finance Committee staff on the Preclearance agreement formed between CBP and the United Arab Emirates. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$22 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to streamline and eliminate duplication in their mission-support processes.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

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### *E-Verify Update*

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the week of **May 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for El Salvador.
- On **May 30**, FEMA is tentatively expecting to release the National Preparedness Report required by Presidential Policy Directive 8: National Preparedness (PPD-8). This annual report summarizes the progress made toward building, sustaining, and delivering the 31 core capabilities described in the National Preparedness Goal. The 2013 report marks the second iteration of the NPR and focuses on accomplishments achieved in or reported on during the previous year. FEMA drew information from the full range of whole community partners—including all levels of government, private and nonprofit sectors, faith-based organizations, communities, and individuals—to develop the National Preparedness Report.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **May 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with the Agriculture Quarantine Inspection Partnership Council, a Federal-State government council that provides advice to the Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service and to CBP on ways to improve the agriculture quarantine activities of both agencies. Closed press.
- On **May 28**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss transitioning cybersecurity technologies from the U.S. government to the private sector with representatives from Chevron in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will administer the Oath of Allegiance at a special naturalization ceremony at the Department of Justice. Attorney General Eric Holder will deliver keynote remarks. Open press.
- On **May 28**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will meet with leadership of the National Emergency Management Association Washington, DC, National Governors Association, and the Council of State Government Washington to discuss homeland security-related issues. Closed press.
- On **May 28**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will host a FEMA Think Tank call in coordination with UNICEF in New York, NY. The call will focus on disaster survivor stories and international emergency worker experiences to encourage a more disaster survivor centric approach to emergency management. Open press.
- From **May 28 to 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Oslo, Norway to participate in the INTERTANKO Conference and bilateral discussions with the Norwegian Navy.
- From **May 28 to 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will attend the Major Cities Chiefs Conference in Grapevine, TX and deliver remarks on ICE's enforcement priorities and partnerships. Closed press.
- On **May 29**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a White House Champions of Change event on immigrant entrepreneurs. Director Mayorkas will also honor Entrepreneurs in Residence team members who are naturalized U.S. citizens with the Americans By Choice recognition. Open press.
- On **May 29**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will host its Peace Officers Memorial Day ceremony in Glynco, GA in tribute to those FLETC graduates who lost their lives in the line of duty. Six names will be added to the memorial this year. Open press.
- On **May 29**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will host a Virtual USA<sup>®</sup> Capacity Building Webinar for the first responder community, which will include guidance for state and



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local governments seeking to advance interoperability and a moderated discussion about voice communications interoperability. Open press.

- On **May 29**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks on FEMA's innovative approaches in emergency management, including those used during response to Hurricane Sandy, to the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, NY. Open press.
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- On **May 30**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will tentatively host a teleconference discussion with stakeholders about USCIS's March 2013 temporary suspension<sup>1</sup> of processing for certain H-2B petitions. Closed press.
- On **May 30**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will discuss S&T's approach to supporting border security through advanced technology, addressing capability gaps needed to stop dangerous cargo and people from entering the country, and the testing and evaluation of technical solutions for border, maritime, and cargo security at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement's Border Management Southwest Summit in Tucson, AZ. Open press.
- On **May 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will participate in a panel discussion on maintaining critical services and protecting infrastructure during natural disasters and acts of terrorism at Carnegie Mellon University's Washington Speaker Series in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will deliver remarks on ICE's vision and priorities for the over the next year and ICE's work with the private sector to the Government Technology Services Coalition, a non-profit, non-partisan association of small and mid-sized company CEOs that helps develop solutions for the homeland and national security sector. Closed press.
- On **May 31**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will visit the National Hurricane Center in Miami, FL. Open press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **June 26**, Vice Admiral Currier of the U.S. Coast Guard is scheduled to testify in front of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about the Coast Guard's Acquisition Programs.

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- On **May 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host Senator Cornyn for a tour of National Air Security Operations Center in Corpus Christi, TX, to view CBP's Unmanned Aircraft System operations. Press TBD.
- On **May 29**, the U.S. Secret Service will brief Congressional staff members at the Secret Service Training Center at Beltsville, MD on cyber investigations. Closed press.
- On **May 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host staff from the Congressional Research Service for a tour of CBP operations in Tucson and Nogales, AZ. Closed press.

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<sup>1</sup> USCIS temporarily suspended processing for certain H-2B petitions (Temporary Non-Agricultural Workers) while the government considered appropriate action in response to the Court Order in *Comite de Apoyo a los Trabajadores Agricolas et al v. Solis*, 2:09-cv-00240-LDD (E.D. Pa). The Court Order vacated a portion of the 2008 wage methodology rule dealing with the way the Department of Labor (DOL) determines prevailing wage. On April 25, 2013, USCIS announced that it resumed processing all H-2B petitions. The teleconference will provide a forum for stakeholders to discuss any issues that have arisen during this halt and resumption of processing.

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- On **May 29** or **30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host Representative Barletta for a tour of CBP operations in the San Diego, CA area of responsibility, including the San Ysidro Port of Entry. Closed press.
- On **May 30**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis Deputy Under Secretary for Analysis Jennifer Lasley will participate in a meet and greet with Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee majority staff. Closed press.
- On **May 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will meet Representative Susan Davis and staff to discuss ICE operations within her congressional district, San Diego, CA. Closed press.
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- On **May 31**, the Transportation Security Administration will announce that beginning in June 2013, Virgin America passengers may enter their Known Traveler Number during the reservation process or upon check in at the airport ticket counter to be considered for TSA Pre✓™ benefits. This program enhances security by placing more focus on pre-screening of individuals who volunteer information about themselves prior to flying in order to expedite the process for lower-risk, known travelers whenever possible.
- On **June 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will announce the opening of the three new Centers of Excellence and Expertise (CEE): Agriculture & Prepared Products in Miami, FL; Apparel, Footwear & Textiles in San Francisco, CA; and Consumer Products & Mass Merchandising in Atlanta, GA. The CEEs are virtual centers that provide centralized processing for importers and serve as a resource for the trade community.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 3 and 4**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a Saudi Arabian delegation for a tour and briefing of the Transportation System Integration Facility and Washington Dulles International Airport. Closed press.
- From **June 3 to 7**, representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will discuss current and proposed cooperative activities with counterparts from the Israeli Ministry of Public Security in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, Israel. Closed press.
- From **June 3 to 7**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will offer the Basic Peer Support Crisis Intervention Training Program to federal law enforcement officers in Glynco, GA, which addresses critical incident stress and crisis response utilizing the combined expertise of mental health professionals and experienced law enforcement officers. Closed press.
- On **June 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on challenges to infrastructure protection at the Global Disruptors Summit hosted by the New York University International Center for Enterprise Preparedness in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **June 4**, DHS Director of the Integrated Task Force to Implement the Cybersecurity Executive Order and Presidential Policy Directive on Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience Robert Kolasky will participate in a panel discussion on the Executive Order and Presidential Policy Directive at the National Homeland Security Conference in Los Angeles, CA. U.S. Fire Administration Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell will also deliver remarks and moderate a panel on *All Hazard Response Best Practices*. On **June 6**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss ongoing initiatives to help prepare for, detect, respond to, and recover from emergency incidents at the conference. Open press.
- On **June 4**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will meet with Chicago Mayor Emanuel to discuss the work TSA performs in Chicago and its risk-based security measures. Closed press.

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- On **June 4**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss the FirstNet public safety network with first responders at the Public Safety Broadband Stakeholder Conference in Westminster, CO. Open press.
- On **June 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will participate in a panel discussion on protecting against advanced persistent threats at the Kaspersky Lab Government Cybersecurity Forum in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **June 5**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss the application of modern data and visual analytics technologies and techniques to a broad range of cyber security and critical infrastructure protection issues at the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Information Security and Analysis Conference in Seattle, WA. Open press.
- On **June 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski, along with Department of Transportation Secretary Lahood, will announce that Delta Airlines, Allegiant Air, and North American Airlines have joined the Blue Lightning Initiative. The Blue Lightning Initiative, a joint initiative between the Department of Homeland Security and Department of Transportation, provides U.S. commercial airlines that operate U.S.-bound international routes and their employees a computer-based training module and printed materials on identifying potential human trafficking and methods to safely and anonymously alert federal law enforcement. Open press.
- On **June 5 and 6**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss preclearance with counterparts from the Irish Department of Transport, Tourism, and Sport in Washington, DC and provide them with a tour and briefings of the Transportation System Integration Facility. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host several USCIS Electronic Immigration System (ELIS) webinars to give interested individuals an opportunity to view the different features of USCIS ELIS and ask questions about the system. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks on case assistance services and recommendations made by the Ombudsman's Office at the American Council on International Personnel (ACIP) 2013 Annual Symposium in Arlington, VA. The ACIP is an advocacy organization that promotes employment-based immigration policy. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will tour the Science and Technology Directorate National Center for Risk and Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events Center of Excellence in Los Angeles, CA and deliver remarks on risk-based security. Closed press
- On **June 6**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will meet with representatives from the National Air Transportation Association to discuss TSA's policies on cargo handling and screening in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks during the inaugural graduation of FEMACorps in Vicksburg, MS. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in a Hurricane Preparedness video teleconference for State Emergency Management Directors during which each state will report out on their preparedness activities. Closed press.
- From **June 8 to 10** Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Douglas Smith will travel to Las Vegas, NV to deliver a keynote speech to the International Council—a group of major tour operators—at the President's Travel and Tourism Advisory Board and POWOW—a gathering of over 2,200 domestic and international travel organizations. Assistant Secretary Smith will hold several roundtables with industry stakeholders, and deliver keynote remarks to the quarterly meeting of Chief Security Officers from Las Vegas hotels and casinos. Assistant Secretary Smith will also deliver remarks on private sector engagement opportunities at the Department to the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce.

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- On **June 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp and Real Admiral Kenney are scheduled to testify before the Senate Armed Services Committee along with leaders from the other four branches of the armed services on sexual assault in the United States military. Open press.
- On **June 18**, Dr. Mike Walter, program manager for BioWatch, is scheduled to testify before the House Energy and Commerce Committee about the BioWatch program. Open press.
- On **June 18**, TBD representatives from Transportation Security Administration and U.S. Coast Guard will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security on the Transportation Worker Identification Credential. Open press.
- On **June 26**, Vice Admiral Currier of the U.S. Coast will testify on the Coast Guard's Acquisition Programs before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 1**, Senator Landrieu is scheduled to deliver remarks at the commissioning ceremony for the Coast Guard Cutter MARGARET NORVELL (WPC-1105) in New Orleans, LA.
- On **June 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief staff from the office of Senator Patrick Leahy on the Workload Staffing Model. Closed press.
- On **June 4**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will meet with Senator Dan Coats and Representative Dutch Ruppersberger. Closed press.
- On **June 4**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for the Recovery Directorate Deb Ingram and Public Assistance Division Director Bill Roche will meet with Representatives Debbie Wasserman Schultz and Frederica Wilson, and Hollywood, FL officials. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, representatives from the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver a briefing to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, representatives from the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver a joint threat briefing with the U.S. Customs and Border Protection for the Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee Chair and Ranking Member. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will meet with Senator Tom Coburn. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, representatives from FEMA Protection and National Preparedness Directorate will provide a briefing to Homeland Security Government Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Management, staff on grants metrics and capabilities measurements. Closed press.
- On **June 6**, representatives from the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver a joint monthly threat briefing with the National Counterterrorism Center and Federal Bureau of Investigation to the House Committee on Homeland Security Chair and Ranking Member. Closed press.
- On **June 7**, representatives from the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver a joint threat briefing with U.S. Coast Guard's Maritime team to the House Committee on Homeland Security and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff. Closed press.

**IV. Items of Note**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through leveraging the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of intelligence analyst services, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$8.7 million to date.

*FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **May 28**, President Obama has signed 301 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$25.5 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

*E-Verify Update*

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Expected Stories*

- On **June 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate is tentatively scheduled to be interviewed by ABC News Correspondent Jeff Zeleny about preparedness, response to recent disasters and FEMA's operations.
- On **June 13**, the Public Service Announcements (PSA) for the Wireless Emergency Alert campaign will be distributed to television broadcasters nationwide. The theme of the PSAs is "There are many everyday things that save your life, and now your phone is one of them."

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to announce it has submitted a Final Rule to publish in the Federal Register extending the "border zone" in the State of New Mexico from a 25 mile limit to a 55 mile limit. This change will expand the area in which certain non-immigrant Mexican nationals may travel in New Mexico without complying with Form I-94 requirements. The expanded "border zone" is intended to promote economic growth of the border region.
- During the week of **June 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Canada Border Services Agency expect to initiate a two-phased pilot which will begin at the Pacific Highway Crossing in Blaine, Washington and later expand to the Peace Bridge Crossing in Buffalo, New York. Under the pilot, CBP Officers will operate in Canada and pre-inspect cargo bound for the United States, thus expediting the flow of legitimate trade from Canada to the United States.
- On **June 12**, DHS and the Department of Defense expect to announce the establishment of new procedures to expand the Enhanced Cybersecurity Services (ECS) program to all critical infrastructure sectors as mandated in Executive Order 13636 on Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity. ECS is a voluntary information sharing program that provides classified cyber threat and technical information from the Government to eligible critical infrastructure companies or commercial service providers that offer security services to critical infrastructure.
- On **June 12**, DHS, Department of Justice, and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence expect to issue Department-specific guidance to enhance the timely production of unclassified reports of cyber threats to the U.S. homeland that identify a specific targeted entity, as mandated in Executive Order 13636 on Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity. The DHS guidance will govern DHS operations and information the Department provides to critical infrastructure owners and operators.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 10**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin and Public Safety Canada Admiral Paul MacKinnon will meet regarding preclearance negotiations and host a bilateral meeting with DHS representatives and their Canadian counterparts on U.S.-Canada collaboration on international assistance. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will discuss the cyber threat environment with representatives from Canada, the United Kingdom, and the United States at the Cross Tech conference at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. Closed press.
- From **June 10 to 12**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a delegation from the Abu Dhabi Customs Academy, United Arab Emirates in Glynco, GA as part of the International Visitors Program. Closed press.
- From **June 10 to 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Training Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in San Salvador, El Salvador designed for women in law enforcement to develop their leadership skills. Participating countries include Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, El Salvador, Jamaica and Trinidad. Closed press.

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- On **June 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will deliver remarks to state, local and private sector officials that work in cybersecurity and preparedness on the interdependencies of physical and cyber infrastructure at the Federal Emergency Management Agency National Level Exercise 2012 National Lessons Learned Forum in Santa Clara, CA. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, DHS Integrated Task Force Director Robert Kolasky will participate in a panel discussion on the implementation of Executive Order 13636 on Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity and Presidential Policy Directive-21 at the National Cable & Telecommunications Association Meeting in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **June 11**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will discuss S&T's comprehensive effort to develop, operationally assess, and transition next-generation capabilities and concepts of operations for domestic bomb squads at the International Association of Bomb Technicians and Investigators International In-Service Training Conference in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Director of the Homeland Infrastructure Threat and Risk Analysis Center Tommy Brown will deliver remarks to fusion center analysts on conducting infrastructure threat analysis at the All Hazards Specialized Analytic Seminar Series at Argonne National Labs in Oklahoma City, OK. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in discussion regarding new and best practices in emergency management at the National Emergency Management Association New State Emergency Management Director's Training, in Emmitsburgh, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will meet with Fu-Lin Wang, Director General of Investigations, Taiwan Ministry of Justice to discuss general ICE operations. Closed press.
- On **June 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will deliver the keynote address at the Emergency Training Center Dedication Ceremony at the Massachusetts Bay Transportation in Boston, MA. Open press.
- On **June 12**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman and representatives from Department of State will co-host a teleconference with stakeholders about consular processing of U visas after they are approved by USCIS. Closed press.
- On **June 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a teleconference for stakeholders in Spanish to answer questions about USCIS and the immigration process in general. Open press.
- From **June 12 to 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and Department of State will co-host the HSI International Gang Symposium in Mexico City, Mexico. Over 100 Mexican law enforcement professionals will participate in this one-week conference to learn more about anti-gang efforts and efforts to identify gang activity. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on security challenges facing the Utilities Sector at the American Gas Association Executive Leadership Development Program Meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will meet with Chevron in Washington, DC to identify opportunities for DHS to help improve the energy sector's cybersecurity posture. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks at the inaugural graduation of FEMACorps from the Vinton, IA Campus. Closed press.
- On **June 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will deliver the Oath of Allegiance at a naturalization ceremony in Baltimore, MD to commemorate Flag Day. In addition, she will present an Outstanding American by Choice recognition to Dr. Alfredo Quiñones-Hinojosa, a naturalized citizen and well-respected neurosurgeon and neuroscientist who leads cutting edge research to cure brain cancer. Open press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **June 12**, DHS Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will testify on Cybersecurity before the Senate Committee on Appropriations along with representatives of NSA, FBI, NIST. The hearing is open press, but will be followed by a classified threat briefing.
- On **June 14**, DHS Office of Public Affairs Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Robert Jensen and Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Acting Officer Tamara Kessler will testify at a hearing on DHS communications before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency. Open press.
- On **June 18**, DHS Office of Health Affairs BioWatch Program Manager Dr. Mike Walter will testify on the BioWatch program before the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Open press.
- On **June 18**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Steve Sadler and U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify on the Transportation Worker Identification Credential before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security. Open press.
- On **June 26**, Vice Admiral Currier of the U.S. Coast Guard is scheduled to testify on the Coast Guard's Acquisition Programs before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Border Patrol Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello and Assistant Commissioner for Congressional Affairs Michael Yeager will brief staff from the House Oversight and Government Reform Subcommittee on the status of a unified compensation pay package proposed by the National Border Patrol Council. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis Deputy Under Secretary Jennifer Lasley will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security majority and minority staff. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of International Trade and the Office of Administration will brief Senator Warner's staff on antidumping and countervailing duties collection efforts. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, Office of Operations Coordination and Planning Director Richard Chávez will host a briefing and National Operations Center tour for Representative Peter King and other members of the House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **June 12**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will meet with Senator Ron Wyden to discuss Net Guard and other related issues. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Field Operations Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner, Office of Border Patrol Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello, and Office of Air and Marine Executive Director Lothar Eckardt will brief Senator Heidi Heitkamp on CBP's northern border operations. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Victoria Newhouse will brief members of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security about the TSA Pre<sup>√</sup>™ expansion. Closed press.
- On **June 21**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) will deliver an "I&A 101" and threat briefing to House Committee on Homeland Security's Counterterrorism and Intelligence Subcommittee members. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief Representative Frank LoBiondo on TSA jurisdictions/regulatory authorities on aircraft. Closed press.

**II. Items of Note**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

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- By continuing the implementation of the Office Supplies Blanket Purchase Agreement initiative through use of the department-wide and the Federal government-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for office supplies, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$24 million to date.

*FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **June 4**, President Obama has signed 303 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$25.9 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

*E-Verify Update*

- As of **June 1**, 454,895 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 15.5 million queries have been run through the system.

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Expected Press*

- During the week of **June 20**, DHS expects to see stories on the release of preliminary flood risk maps for the New York City area, which will help property owners make decisions about how high to elevate their homes and businesses to reduce their flood risk and potential future flood insurance costs. The preliminary flood maps replace the Advisory Base Flood Elevation Maps for New York City that were released earlier this year.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Syria
- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Canada Border Services Agency expect to initiate a two-phased pilot which will begin at the Pacific Highway Crossing in Blaine, Washington and later expand to the Peace Bridge Crossing in Buffalo, New York. Under the pilot, CBP Officers will operate in Canada and pre-inspect cargo bound for the United States, thus expediting the flow of legitimate trade from Canada to the United States.
- On **June 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to close the Honduras Field Office at the U.S. Embassy in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will participate in a courtesy meeting with General Haqnavaz Haqiar, Afghanistan Ministry of Interior, to discuss areas of mutual interest and opportunities for collaboration. On **June 20 and 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a visit by a delegation from Afghanistan Ministry of the Interior to Glynco, GA sponsored by the ICE Academy to provide Afghani Officials the opportunity to tour the facility and attend the graduation of the ICE International Task Force Agent Training. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will deliver a keynote address on CBP trade transformation initiatives at the American Association of Exporters and Importers 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference and Expo in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will deliver remarks on CBP's trade transformation initiatives and efforts to ensure security while enhancing economic competitiveness at a meeting of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's National Security Task Force in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 17 and 18**, Science and Technology Directorate Cybersecurity Division Director Doug Maughan will discuss challenges in protecting the nation's power grid at the Trustworthy Cyber Infrastructure for the Power (TCIP) Grid Summer School in Charles, IL. The TCIPG is developing technology solutions for the Smart Grid that already has security built in, and prevents vulnerabilities that could have severe economic, environmental, and public safety consequences. Closed press.
- From **June 17 to 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the State and Local Law Enforcement Training Symposium in Charleston, SC to state, local, rural, tribal, and territorial law enforcement officers, focused on maritime policing, arrest techniques/defensive tactics, active shooter/threat training, advanced interviewing for law enforcement officers, and the survival shooting training program. Closed press.
- From **June 17 to 21**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss risk-based security at the International Civil Aviation Organization /Latin American Civil Aviation Commission Aviation Security and Facilitation Regional Group and Regional Seminar on Aviation Security in Lima, Peru. Closed press.



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- On **June 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on DHS' role in cyber and network security at the Defense Information Security Agency Enterprise Service Management Framework Forum and Consortium in Fort Meade, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, Director of the DHS Integrated Task Force Bob Kolasky will deliver remarks on the Executive Order on Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity and Presidential Policy Directive-21 at the Critical Manufacturing Sector Coordinating Council meeting in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will support the Transit Policing and Security Peer Advisory Group in conducting counterterrorism BusSafe surge operations in stakeholder-selected cities nationwide during the morning rush hour. During BusSafe surge operations, local, state, and federal law enforcement officers collaborate with mass transit police and TSA Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response teams to provide synchronized, multi-jurisdictional counterterrorism activities at multimodal terminals, bus stations and shelters, and on buses. Ridership will observe a higher level of visible police presence on and around mass transit bus systems. Open press.
- On **June 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will deliver remarks at an event commemorating LGBT Pride Month hosted by the Federal Triangle Partnership in Washington, D.C. The Federal Triangle Partnership consists of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and U.S. Agency for International Development. Closed press.
- On **June 18 and 19**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a visit by Deputy Attorney General for Mexico Mariana Benitez in Glynco, GA for a tour of the facility and briefings on training for enforcement investigators. Closed press.
- From **June 18 to 20**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct Active Shooter Threat Training in Charleston, SC, which will provide state and local law enforcement officers with hands on training to effectively respond to such scenarios. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in a conference call with federally-recognized tribes to discuss 2013 hurricane season preparations. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will deliver remarks to the Business Executives for National Security in New York, NY on cybersecurity and government and industry collaboration. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a webinar training for stakeholders to provide an overview of the various forms of immigration relief available to victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, and other serious crimes. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will participate in a panel discussion in Boston, MA on lessons learned during the National Level Exercise 2012, which examined the Nation's ability to coordinate and implement prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery plans and capabilities pertaining to a significant cyber security event/series of related cyber security events. Closed press.
- On **June 19 and 20**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will participate in the Secure and Resilient Cyber Architectures Workshop hosted by the MITRE corporation in McLean, VA, which will bring together experts and government leaders to develop guidance for architecture, design, and R&D investment in support of cyber resiliency. Closed press.
- From **June 19 to 20**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs J.D. Polk will travel to Seoul, Korea for the DOD-hosted Able Response Exercise, which will test military and civilian leadership during a bio attack as well as highlight biological response capability of both countries.
- On **June 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a stakeholder engagement in Los Angeles, CA to discuss opportunities and challenges for the limited English proficient (LEP) community, including information about existing multilingual resources and engagement efforts and seek feedback from stakeholders on how to expand our outreach and access to the LEP community. Closed press.



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- On **June 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Tom Winkowski will participate as panelists in the American Bar Association's Eighth Annual Homeland Security Law Institute Panel in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **June 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Undersecretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss cybersecurity and information sharing with attorneys from the public and private sector at the American Bar Association's Homeland Security Law Institute in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **June 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich and Office of Emergency Communications Director Ron Hewitt will participate in a panel discussion on "Aligning Spectrum and Energy Policy to Support Smarter Critical Infrastructure" at the Utilities Telecom Council Critical Infrastructure Communications Policy Summit in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **June 20**, Science and Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will discuss the importance of emerging technologies at the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association of Washington, DC Emerging Technologies Symposium in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **June 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with President and CEO Jayson Myers and representatives of the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters Association (CME) to discuss CBP's trade facilitation efforts and related programs in Washington, D.C. CME is Canada's largest industry and trade association; the organization advocates on behalf of Canadian business engaged in international trade. Closed press.
- **From June 20 to 22**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will meet with European Union officials in Brussels, Belgium to discuss transatlantic aviation security initiatives. Closed press.
- On **June 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Tom Winkowski will meet with representatives of the National Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association of America in Washington, D.C to discuss CBP's trade transformation programs. Closed press.
- **From June 22 to 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of State, Local, and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will deliver remarks at the National Sheriff's Association Annual Conference in Charlotte, NC. Press TBD.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **June 18**, DHS Office of Health Affairs BioWatch Program Manager Dr. Mike Walter will testify on the BioWatch program before the House Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations. Open press.
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- On **June 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Executive Director of Office of Field Operations Colleen Manaher will testify on the status, costs and management of CBP's federal government-issued identification cards used for the SENTRI, FAST, NEXUS and Global Entry programs before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, Subcommittee on Government Operations. Department of State, the FBI and the FAA have also been invited to testify. Open press.
- On **June 26**, Vice Admiral Currier of the U.S. Coast Guard will testify on Coast Guard's Acquisition Programs before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation.
- On **July 16**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will testify on the Defense Production Act reauthorization before the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host Representative Nunes for a tour of CBP operations at the Baltimore Seaport. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, FEMA Chief Counsel Brad Kieserman, Deputy Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery Beth Zimmerman, Assistant Administrator for Recovery Deb Ingram, Director of Public Assistance Division Bill Roche, and others will brief House and Senate Appropriations Committee Staff on implementation of the Sandy Recovery and Improvement Act. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will meet with Representatives Bennie Thompson and Michael McCaul. He will also meet with Representative Kay Granger to discuss UAE pre-clearance. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver a joint threat briefing with U.S. Customs and Border Protection to the Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee Chair and Ranking Member. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Victoria Newhouse will brief members of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security about the TSA Pre<sup>√</sup>™ expansion. Closed press.
- On **June 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Assistant Director Ian Quinn of Cyber Crimes Center (C3) will provide a briefing in Fairfax, VA to the staff of Representative Forbes. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver an “I&A 101” and threat briefing to House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence members. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief Representative Frank LoBiondo on TSA jurisdictions/regulatory authorities on aircraft. Closed press.

**II. Items of Note**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS Components have avoided costs of \$26 million by disconnecting wireless devices that were no longer being used and improving management of wireless communication services.

*FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **June 11**, President Obama has signed 303 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and obligated over \$26 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

*E-Verify Update*

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Expected Press*

- On **June 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Al Gina will deliver remarks alongside Consumer Product Safety Commission Chairman Inez Tenenbaum at a press event on fireworks safety. The event will take place on the National Mall and will feature a live demonstration illustrating the hazards of legal and illegal fireworks. Open press.

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 21**, DHS and the Office of National Drug Control Policy will tentatively release the 2013 National Southwest Border Counternarcotics Strategy which describes the Administration's unprecedented increases in technology, personnel, and resources to the Southwest border, builds upon historic cooperation with Mexico, and supports national efforts to reduce the demand for illegal drugs.
- On **June 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will launch the USCIS Spanish-language GovDelivery channel. Visitors to USCIS will be able to subscribe to Spanish-language GovDelivery service to receive agency announcements and updates in Spanish.
- On **June 26**, in accordance with section 452(c) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will release its 2013 Annual Report to Congress.
- On **June 30**, DHS and the Canada Border Services Agency will begin Phase II of the Entry/Exit proof of concept, a commitment of the Beyond the Border Action Plan to exchange routine biographic entry information, such that an entry into one country becomes an exit from the other. In Phase II, both countries will exchange biographic information collected on third-country nationals, lawful permanent residents of the U.S. and permanent residents of Canada at automated common land border ports of entry (land, ferry and pedestrian), in accordance with the Joint Statement on Privacy Principles established by the Beyond the Border Action Plan.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **June 23 to 27**, the Transportation Security Administration and Department of State will support a U.S. Customs and Border Protection capacity development training for Egyptian and Yemeni civil aviation officials in Cairo, Egypt. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will visit the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services California Service Center and Western Regional Office in Laguna Niguel, CA. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will participate in the PopTech City Resilient Summit in Brooklyn, NY. The summit will focus on urban resilience, drawing on the lessons from Hurricane Sandy in New York, and from other disruptions in cities around the country and the world. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations San Antonio, TX field office, in coordination with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, will host members of the Urban Institute to visit a local detention facility. The Urban Institute is working on a research project regarding the implications of immigration enforcement on immigrant families. Closed press.
- On **June 24 and 25**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will lead demonstrations of the Finding Individuals for Disaster and Emergency Response (FINDER) technology in Lorton, VA. This technology is designed to enable first responders to use detection of heartbeats to locate live human victims trapped in rubble following natural disasters. Open press on the morning of June 25.
- On **June 24 and 25**, the Transportation Security Administration will host representatives from Transport Canada at the Transportation Security Operations Center, Transportation System Integration Facility, and

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Washington Reagan National Airport for tours, briefings, and discussions on aviation security including TSA Pre<sup>√</sup>™ and the implementation of the Incident Management Protocol, which is a protocol for sharing information on incidents that occur in the respective countries. Closed press.

- From **June 24 to 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will deliver remarks on trade transformation initiatives at the World Customs Organization meeting in Brussels, Belgium. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with stakeholders from the American Immigration Lawyers Association's Southern California chapter in Los Angeles, CA to discuss case assistance and stakeholder concerns. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Edward Alden, of the Council on Foreign Relations, to discuss the Council's recently released report entitled *Managing Illegal Immigration to the United States*. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles will deliver a keynote address on CBP's maritime enforcement activities at the Maritime Security Symposium hosted by Defense Strategies Institute in Alexandria, VA. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks about the lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy at the Sloan Foundation Symposium at the Stevens Institute for Technology in Hoboken, NJ. The symposium aims to support ongoing recovery of the metro-NY/NJ region while bolstering resilience and sharing lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs Dr. JD Polk will deliver opening remarks at a National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Medicine workshop titled "Strategies for Cost-Effective and Flexible Biodetection Systems that Ensure Timely and Accurate Information for Public Health Officials." BioWatch program manager Dr. Mike Walter will present on the BioWatch system. Open press.
- From **June 25 to 27**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will visit New Delhi, India to discuss aviation security issues including baggage screening with Indian counterparts. Closed press.
- From **June 25 to 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will travel to San Diego, Palm Springs, and Los Angeles, CA to participate in the annual Women in Federal Law Enforcement awards ceremony at which ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Special Agent Sarah Asson will receive the distinguished Julie Y. Cross award for going above and beyond the call of duty in tending to the medical needs of HSI Special Agents who were shot during the execution of a search warrant. Morton will also deliver brief remarks and take questions during town hall meetings with local ICE HSI and ERO personnel. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will visit the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Los Angeles Asylum Office in Los Angeles, CA. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will deliver keynote remarks at the Federal Chief Information Officer (CIO) Boot Camp, an educational and interactive forum for CIOs and key staff to explore their roles in driving innovation in their agencies, delivering enhanced services in the constrained budget environment, and protecting federal data from cyber-attacks. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will provide an overview of the refugee program to stakeholders at World Refugee Day. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a stakeholder teleconference to discuss Form I-864, Affidavit of Support. During the engagement, USCIS subject matter experts will present an overview of Form I-864, offer filing tips, and address the primary reasons for requests for evidence. Closed press.
- On **June 26 and 27**, representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will discuss cross-border communications interoperability as well as development of public safety communications tools and technologies at the Canada – United States Communications Interoperability Working Group in Washington, DC. Closed press.

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- On **June 27**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will lead comprehensive immigration reform roundtables, sponsored by the White House, with immigration organizations in San Francisco, CA. The organizations include the Silicon Valley Leadership Group and representative members of the Asian Americans and Pacific Islander community (closed press). Odom will also serve as a panelist in an immigration town hall meeting for business leaders with San Francisco Mayor Edwin Lee to discuss how the business community can support immigration reform (open press). While in California, Odom will visit the USCIS San Francisco Field Office and meet with members of the San Francisco Immigration Legal & Education Network on case assistance and stakeholder concerns. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will convene its quarterly community engagement roundtable with diverse ethnic and advocacy groups in Chicago, IL. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dan Gerstein will provide a keynote address on the importance of collaboration at the National Center for Foreign Animal and Zoonotic Disease Defense in Dallas, TX, which leverages the resources of major universities, national laboratories, and partners in state and federal government to perform research and develop products to defend the nation from high-consequence foreign animal and zoonotic diseases. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will participate in a monthly meeting with the U.S. Attorney's Office in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **June 27 and 28**, the Transportation Security Administration will hold its joint Aviation Security Seminar with the Japan Civil Aviation Bureau in Tokyo, Japan. Closed press.
- From **June 27 to July 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will participate in the [American Library Association's Annual Conference](#) in Chicago, IL. USCIS will participate in a panel discussion entitled "U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' Partnerships with Libraries," and provide an exhibit to distribute citizenship education materials and answer questions about USCIS's work with public libraries. Open press.
- On **June 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks at the American Immigration Lawyers Association's 2013 Annual Conference in San Francisco, CA. Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will also deliver remarks at the conference on case assistance services and recommendations made by the Ombudsman's Office. Open press.
- On **June 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Director-General Saeed Al Muhairi of Abu Dhabi Customs to discuss ongoing initiatives to strengthen travel and trade security in the region. Closed press.
- On **June 28**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will preside over the Thirteenth District Change of Command and Rear Admiral Keith Taylor's retirement ceremony in Seattle, WA.
- On **June 29**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Alejandro Mayorkas will attend National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials in Chicago, IL to deliver keynote remarks. Open press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **June 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James A. Dinkins, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and a TBD representative U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will testify on a border security before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee Subcommittee on National Security. Open press.
- On **June 26**, Vice Admiral Currier of the U.S. Coast Guard will testify on Coast Guard's Acquisition Programs before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.
- On **July 16**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will testify on the Defense Production Act reauthorization before the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs. Open press.



### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Border Patrol Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello will brief House Homeland Security Committee staff on the status of the National Border Patrol Council's proposed unified compensation pay package. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, DHS will provide a briefing for Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff on counter-terrorism travel processes. DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and U.S. Customs and Border Protection will participate. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Kelly Hoggan will brief staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security on the Screening Partnership Program and behavior detection programs. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, FEMA Region V Regional Administrator Andrew Velasquez will meet with Representative Rodney Davis to discuss the monetary threshold for a Public Assistance declaration as well as the status of the April flood recovery. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson and Budget Director Evan Farley will brief House Appropriations Committee staff on how FEMA is executing the FY 2013 budget and planning for FY 2014. Closed Press.
- On **June 26**, the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver an "I&A 101" and threat briefing to House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence members. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will brief Congressional staff on immigration at a quarterly event hosted by Congressional Research Service; these briefings are primarily for Congressional staff who handle constituent casework, and USCIS is a regular participant. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief members of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security on exit lane staffing. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief Representative Frank LoBiondo on TSA jurisdictions/regulatory authorities on aircraft. Closed press.
- On **June 28**, FEMA Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery Joseph L. Nimmich and FIMA Administrator David Miller will provide their Quarterly Congressional Briefing for FEMA's Authorizing and Appropriations staff on topics including the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act update, a Memorandum of Agreement with the Federal Transit Administration to coordinate roles and responsibilities related to public transportation under the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act of 2013, the "Free the Data" initiative to streamline legal privacy requirements when sharing individual assistance applicant data, the Biggert Waters implementation, and Hazard Mitigation Grant Programs implementation. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$22 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to streamline and eliminate duplication in their mission-support processes.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **June 18**, President Obama has signed 305 major disaster declarations, 63 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$26.1 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*



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- As of **June 15**, 457,865 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 16.7 million queries have been run through the system.

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **June 30**, DHS and the Canada Border Services Agency will begin Phase II of the Entry/Exit proof of concept, a commitment of the Beyond the Border Action Plan to exchange routine biographic entry information, such that an entry into one country becomes an exit from the other. In Phase II, both countries will exchange biographic information collected on third-country nationals, lawful permanent residents of the U.S. and permanent residents of Canada at automated common land border ports of entry (land, ferry and pedestrian), in accordance with the Joint Statement on Privacy Principles established by the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- On **July 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will begin issuing redesigned, security-enhanced certificates of citizenship and naturalization as part of an ongoing effort to enhance the integrity of the immigration system.
- During the week of **July 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce the rollout of the E-Verify Tentative Nonconfirmation (TNC) email notification enhancement. This will allow E-Verify to directly notify employees if the information from their Form I-9 results in a mismatch in records. Currently, employers must notify employees of a TNC and this further step provides notice to employees who voluntarily provide their email address.
- During the week of **July 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, in coordination with the Chicago Department of Aviation and the City of Chicago, is planning a ribbon-cutting and media event to announce the new Automated Passport Control (APC) kiosks at Chicago-O'Hare International Airport. The Automated Passport Control pilot program will enable U.S. citizens to complete administrative portions of the inspection process via kiosk prior to being interviewed by a CBP officer. The voluntary program will streamline the inspection process, decrease wait times, and allow CBP officers to focus on conducting passenger interviews. APC kiosks at Chicago-O'Hare International Airport are expected to result in a 25-30 percent increase in throughput capacity during peak travel times.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **July 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on government-private sector cooperation in cybersecurity at the Homeland Security Today Executive Roundtable on National Security in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- During the **week of July 1**, multiple DHS components will provide significant levels of operational security support to state and local authorities for Independence Day Celebrations in Boston, New York, New Jersey and Washington, DC. In addition, a Federal Coordinator has been designated for the events in Boston. Closed press.
- From **July 1 to 5**, the U.S. Secret Service will deliver the Basic Investigations in Computers and Electronics Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy's Regional Training Center in Lima, Peru for participants from Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay and Peru. Closed press.
- From **July 1 to 5**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will represent the United States at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Transportation Working Group meeting in Bali. Topics will include passenger screening, liquid screening technology, and checkpoint optimization. Closed press.
- On **July 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will administer the Oath of Allegiance at a special naturalization ceremony at the Department of the Treasury. Secretary of the Treasury Jack Lew will deliver keynote remarks. Open press.
- On **July 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will administer the Oath of Allegiance at a special naturalization ceremony at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate. White House Chief of Staff Denis McDonough will deliver keynote remarks. Open press.

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- On **July 8 and 9**, the U.S. Secret Service will deliver training on Electronic Crimes, Credit Card Fraud and Counterfeit Currency to participants from Trinidad and Tobago, Suriname, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Haiti, Belize and El Salvador at the Law Enforcement Leadership Development course in San Salvador, El Salvador. Closed press.
- On **July 8 and 9**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a delegation from the Royal Thai Police in Glynco, GA for a tour and briefing on facility operations. The Royal Thai Police is planning a new 300-acre police training center. Closed press.
- On **July 9**, the Transportation Security Administration will conduct an exercise with the Israel Ministry of Transportation's Aviation Security Operations Center, Transportation Security Operations Center, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection at the Freedom Center in Herndon, VA and Tel Aviv, Israel. The purpose of the exercise is to enhance the passage of time-sensitive aviation security information between the two operations centers as directed by a Memorandum of Understanding between United States and Israel. Closed press. No public impact.
- On **July 9**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will meet with the Director General of the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency (MSB) Helena Lindburg to discuss a DNDO-MSB Project Arrangement on Technical Nuclear Forensics. The proposed Project Arrangement will become part of the existing DHS-MSB Science and Technology Agreement and will facilitate collaboration and information exchange for the development of National Nuclear Forensics Libraries.
- On **July 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will attend a Labor-Management Forum with National Treasury Employees Union representatives in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with Fraternal Order of Police Executive Director Jim Pasco and National President Chuck Canterbury in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **July 10**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will meet with U.S. Ambassador to Lithuania Deborah McCarthy to discuss cybersecurity issues. Closed press.
- On **July 10**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) Phil McNamara will meet with Ron Prater, the Director of the Big City Emergency Managers (BCEM), to discuss BCEM's support to and coordination with IGA. Closed press.
- On **July 11** FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with Helena Lindberg, Director General of the Swedish Civil Contingencies and the Swedish Emergency Management Agency. Closed press.
- On **July 11**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will meet with the American College of Surgeons in Hartford, CT on EMS response to mass shootings and violence cessation. Closed press.
- On **July 11**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will convene its quarterly community engagement roundtable with ethnic and advocacy groups in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **July 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will give remarks on general ICE issues and the organization's roles and responsibilities at the Conversations at the Oatlands. Closed press.
- From **July 13 to 26**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate and United States Coast Guard will participate in the Cyber Guard exercise at Fort Meade, MD, which brings together cyber subject-matter experts from the National Security Agency, National Guard, DHS and FBI with a focus on national defensive cyberspace operations. Closed press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **July 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will testify before the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade at a hearing on the preclearance agreement with the United Arab Emirates. Closed press.
- On **July 10**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino and Counterterrorism Coordinator John Cohen will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the Boston Marathon bombings. Closed press.

- On **July 16**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the “Defense Production Act Reauthorization”. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner will brief staff from the office of Senator Sanders on the Workload Staffing Model. Closed press.
- On **July 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chicago Acting Director of Field Operations Bill Ferrara will brief staff from the office of Representative Schock on options for CBP services at Peoria International Airport in Peoria, IL. Closed press.
- On **July 9**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Bob Bray will brief staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security on the Federal Air Marshals Service. Closed Press.
- On **July 9**, at the request of committee staff, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief the majority and minority staff of House Committee on Homeland Security on the Patriot Program.
- On **July 11**, the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver a joint monthly threat briefing with the National Counterterrorism Center and Federal Bureau of Investigation to the House Committee on Homeland Security Chair and Ranking Member. Closed press.
- On **July 12**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will brief staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security on an Office of Security Policy & Industry Engagement overview. Closed press.
- On **July 12**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Assistant Administrator Steve Sadler will brief staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security on a TSA Office of Intelligence and Analysis overview. Closed press.

#### **IV. Items of Note**

##### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified over \$368 million in cost avoidances by leveraging the purchasing power of the entire Department to acquire commonly used software licenses (such as Microsoft, Adobe, and Oracle, among others) for DHS-wide usage.

##### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **June 25**, President Obama has signed 308 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$26.3 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

##### *E-Verify Update*

- As of **June 22**, 459,578 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.3 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 17.3 million queries have been run through the system.

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July 11, 2013

**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **July 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to expand its information-sharing program, Records and Information from DMVs for E-Verify (RIDE) with Idaho's Department of Motor Vehicles. RIDE is designed to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity by sharing information with state DMVs. Mississippi and Florida are currently participating in RIDE.
- On **July 27**, FEMA expects to release the 2012 State Preparedness Report (SPR) tool to 56 states and territories. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities. The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (PKEMRA) requires an SPR for any state/territory receiving federal preparedness assistance administered by DHS. The SPR methodology allows states and territories to measure current capabilities relevant to the capability targets they have established based upon their unique threat/hazard profile.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **July 15**, Acting Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Thomas Winkowski will deliver the keynote speech on trade transformation initiatives at the 2013 DHL Public Policy Forum. Closed press.
- On **July 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will deliver remarks at the Department of Justice's Computer Crime Intellectual Property Section Annual Law Enforcement and Industry Conference on Intellectual Property Enforcement in Washington, D.C. The conference provides the IP industry with an opportunity to communicate directly with key law enforcement officials charged with enforcing IP law. Closed press.
- From **July 15 to 23**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will support a "Vetted Unit Financial Investigative Training Program" international training program conducted by the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- From **July 15 to 25**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will support a "Post Blast" international training program conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Ecuadorian Ambassador Cely to discuss regional migration issues. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, the Transportation Security Administration will discuss disruptive passengers during the Air Line Pilots Association Air Safety Forum in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton will deliver opening remarks at the ICE Innovation Forum in Washington, DC. The forum allows ICE to build new partnerships and enhance existing ones through an-ongoing dialogue with private sector partners. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will meet with National League of Cities (NLC) Executive Director Clarence Anthony to discuss opportunities for collaboration between NLC and DHS, and the enhancement of outreach opportunities going forward. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole and Homeland Security Advanced Research Projects Agency Director Paul Benda will discuss research priorities and proposed cooperative activities in cybersecurity and supply chain security with the Director General of the European Commission's Joint Research Centre in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will host a webinar with over 500 stakeholders to discuss findings and recommendations from the Ombudsman's 2013 Annual Report to Congress. The 2013 Annual Report provides an impartial evaluation of USCIS's programmatic and policy achievements, as well as ongoing problems and proposed solutions to improve immigration services. Open press.



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- On **July 17**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will participate in a panel discussion on “Implementation Considerations of Identity Credentialing Asset Management” at a workshop in Rockville, MD hosted by the National Institute of Standards and Technology in partnership with National Security Agency and the National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence focusing on issues of motivation, applications, and vision of Attribute Based Access Control, which is a next-generation approach to intelligently controlling access to networks and systems. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a quarterly Spanish language engagement, called Enlace, by teleconference and live streaming. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Acting Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Thomas Winkowski and Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Director of Global Trade Services for Target Ted Sherman and Regal Beloit Director of Global Trade Compliance Kathleen Neal, co-chairs for the 13th Term of the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for Customs and Border Protection. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Morton will meet with Fraternal Order of Police Executive Director Jim Pasco and National President Chuck Canterbury in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **July 17 to 18**, the Science and Technology Directorate will demonstrate a beta version of the Enhanced Dynamic Geo-Social Environment Virtual Training Pilot Project with U.S. Army Simulation and Training Technology Center personnel, Sacramento police, fire services, and emergency medical services personnel at the Sacramento Police Department, Sacramento, CA. This project aims to create a cost-effective way to conduct realistic training involving multiple first responder disciplines and geographically separated jurisdictions. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will attend “Quantum Dawn 2,” a cyber-disruption exercise for the financial sector hosted by the Security Industry and Financial Markets Association in New York, NY. The exercise will use the DHS-developed exercise tool Distributed Environment for Critical Infrastructure Decision-making Exercises – Finance Sector (DECIDE-FS™), which allows financial brokerages and exchanges to simulate, better understand risks of, and plan responses to a variety of possible cyber-attacks and disruptions. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will participate in a plenary discussion at the District of Columbia Bar Association’s Immigration Law Practice Clinic, in Washington D.C. This clinic provides an overview preparing family-based visa petitions, applying for U.S. residency, and information regarding implementation of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision on the Defense of Marriage Act. The Ombudsman’s Office will also share information about assisting immigrants and employers in the delivery of immigration services and benefits. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a Curriculum Development Conference for the International Pre-Deployment Training/High-Risk Region Training Program in Cheltenham, MD, which provides training for DHS personnel deploying to unstable areas overseas. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss on-going airport security initiatives at the Airports Consultants Council Summer Workshop Series in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will host a FEMA Think Tank call entitled “Innovations Every Emergency Manager Should Know About.” During the call, participants will discuss innovations not necessarily associated with emergency management and relate them to emergency management practices in order to improve response, recovery, preparedness, and mitigation. Open press.
- On **July 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security & Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on improving public-private partnerships at the Communications Sector Government Coordinating Council and Sector Coordinating Council meeting in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **July 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will deliver remarks on ICE’s mission, accomplishments, strategies, and programs that have a direct nexus to



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National Association of Counties' (NACo) stakeholders as part of NACo's Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee meeting at the NACo 78th Annual Conference and Exposition in Fort Worth, TX. Closed press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **July 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection U.S. Border Patrol Chief Patrol Agent Havre Sector Christopher Richards and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Special Agent in Charge (SAC) Kumar Kibble will testify before the House Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce during a field hearing in Havre, MT titled "Protecting Our Northern Border: Enhancing Collaboration And Building Local Partnerships." Open press.
- On **July 16**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the "Defense Production Act Reauthorization." Open press.
- On **July 17**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee on Harnessing Science and Technology to Protect National Security and Enhance Government Efficiency. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **July 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition will brief staff from the House Homeland Security Committee on border technology updates. Closed press.
- On **July 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Information and Technology will brief staff from the House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee on the Automation Modernization appropriation. Closed press.
- On **July 15**, U.S. Fire Administrator Ernest Mitchell, Jr. and FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson will accompany the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security staff on a tour of the FEMA National Emergency Training Center, U.S. Fire Academy and Emergency Management Institute in Emmitsburg, MD. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, U.S. Coast Guard representatives will brief staff from the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation on the development of Common Operating Picture, Interagency Operations Centers, and Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, at the request of the staff of Representative Matt Salmon, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Enforcement and Removal Operations Assistant Field Office Director Marine Zelenka will give a briefing and tour of the Florence Detention Center and of the ICE Air Operations, Arizona Removal Operations Coordination Center. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Senator Mary Landrieu is tentatively scheduled to receive the Coast Guard's Bertholf Award. The Bertholf Award recognizes a member of Congress who has demonstrated long-term vision and leadership, supported the men and women of the Coast Guard and enhanced the ability of the Coast Guard to carry out its missions.
- On **July 18**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Daniel Gerstein meet with Representative Larry Bucshon and provide an overview of S&T activities and priorities. Closed press.
- On **July 19**, FEMA Assistant Administrator of National Continuity Programs Damon Penn will accompany the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security staff on a tour of the Mt. Weather Emergency Operations Center and provide a classified briefing on campus facilities. Closed press.

**II. Items of Note**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the IT Inventory Management initiative and Component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of \$26.9 million to date.

*FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **July 9**, President Obama has signed 310 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$26.6 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

*E-Verify Update*

- As of **July 6**, 463,546 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 18.2 million queries have been run through the system.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **July 23 and 24**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will lead an ILEAD Summer Lecture Series session about the current cybersecurity policy debate at Dartmouth College in Hanover, NH. Open press.
- On **July 23 and 24**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host the Cyber Security Small Business Innovation Research Workshop in Arlington, VA, which is focused on transitioning small business cybersecurity funded research into commercial products. Closed Press.
- On **July 24**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Bruce McConnell will deliver remarks on the importance of cybersecurity awareness and training for public and private sector leaders at the National Defense University Information Resources Management College in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **July 24**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on the importance of federal-state partnerships in cybersecurity at the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners Cybersecurity Summit in Denver, CO. Closed press.
- On **July 24**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on DHS cybersecurity initiatives and best practices to Federal IT and cyber security professionals and industry peers from civilian and defense agencies at the MeriTalk Cyber Security Brainstorm in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **July 25**, Director of the DHS Integrated Task Force Robert Kolasky will participate on a panel discussion entitled, "Plan and Prepare: Implementing the Cybersecurity Executive Order" sponsored by the National Resilience Coalition and Homeland Security Policy Institute for executives from critical infrastructure as well as government officials at George Washington University in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- On **July 22**, Acting Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Thomas Winkowski will host a meeting with representatives from non-governmental organizations including the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Women's Refugee Commission, the National Immigration Forum, the American Bar Association, the ACLU, the Border Network for Human Rights, and the U.S. Committee for Refugees and Immigrants in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host an engagement teleconference with members of the public on Temporary Protected Status. During this engagement, USCIS subject matter experts will provide background information, including countries that are currently designated for TPS and eligibility requirements and USCIS officials will be available to answer questions. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 13**, 465,514 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 18.7 million queries have been run through the system.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **July 19**, the Transportation Security Administration will announce that it will add a new process allowing more U.S. citizens to enroll in TSA Pre✓™, an expedited screening program that allows pre-approved airline travelers to leave on their shoes, light outerwear and belt, keep their laptop in its case and compliant liquids/gels bag in a carry-on in select screening lanes. Starting later this year, U.S. citizens will be able to apply online and visit an enrollment site to provide identification and fingerprints. TSA will start the program at two initial enrollment sites — Washington Dulles International Airport and Indianapolis International Airport — with plans to expand to additional enrollment sites nationwide.

- From **July 15 to 25**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will support the “Vetted Unit Financial Investigative Training” international program conducted by the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation at its Glynco, GA facility. Representatives and students from Colombia will attend. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to expand its E-Verify information-sharing program (called RIDE) with Idaho’s Department of Motor Vehicles. RIDE is designed to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity by sharing information with state DMVs. Mississippi and Florida are currently participating in RIDE.
- On **July 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s Office of Field Operations will begin the automation of the General Declaration CBP Form 7507, a form submitted by the airline which collects information about the flight routing, numbers of passengers, and other information, in the airport environment. Automation of this form will create efficiencies for both CBP and air carriers by reducing paperwork and creating electronic records of arrivals currently performed on paper. The pilot will launch at test sites in Houston, TX, and Atlanta, GA. In August 2013, the system will be implemented nationwide.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **July 19**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Pistole will discuss risk-based security and the expansion of TSA Pre✓™ at the Aspen Security Forum. Open press.
- On **July 21 and 22**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Louisville, KY to attend the 114th Veterans of Foreign Wars National Convention. While in Louisville, Admiral Papp will visit Sector Ohio Valley to observe and assess unit condition and morale, collect thoughts and concerns directly from the field, convey important leadership priorities to members and families, and recognize Coast Guard individuals for high achievement.
- From **July 21 to August 2**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Law Enforcement Leadership Development Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Gaborone, Botswana for law enforcement professionals to develop and refine their leadership skills. Participating nations will include Botswana, Ghana, Namibia, Nigeria, Seychelles, and South Africa. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will discuss express cargo shipper relationships and the Air Cargo Advance Screening program during a panel at the US Chamber of Commerce conference on public-private homeland security partnerships in Washington, DC focused on aligning public and private interests for homeland security partnerships. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will be offering the Rural Police Officer Training Program in Artesia, NM. The Rural Police Officer Training Program is designed to deliver the basic core competencies for law enforcement officers working in rural America including Indian & tribal lands, who have limited resources and assistance available. The program focuses training on single officer response. Closed press.
- From **July 22 to August 2**, the Transportation Security Administration will conduct the Excellence in Screening and Access Control trainings in South Africa, which are designed to provide participants with the opportunity to assess, review and perform improved security procedures and to provide the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to deter, detect and prevent the introduction of any explosive, incendiary, weapon or other item not permitted on board an aircraft or into the secure area of an airport while examining access control requirements, to include physical barriers/fences, zoning of restricted areas, aircraft security, and identification requirements for those with access to the secure area of the airport. Closed press.
- From **July 23 to 25**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss aviation security training policy, behavioral analysis and training, certification of screeners, and training at the International Civil Aviation Organization Working Group on Training meetings in Singapore. Closed press.
- On **July 24 and 25**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Deputy Assistant Administrator Vicki Reeder will participate in the Preclearance Memorandum of Cooperation signing in Nassau, Bahamas with the Bahamas Minister of Transportation and Aviation. Closed press.

- On **July 24 and 25**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will discuss TSA's approach to Risk-Based Security and giving an overview of the TSA Behavior Detection Officer program at the U.S.-China Aviation Security Workshop in Beijing, China. Closed press.
- On **July 25**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Tara O'Toole will host a meeting in Washington, DC with the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center (NBACC) and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) focused on identifying opportunities for DHS and CDC to improve collaboration and more effectively take advantage of NBACC's capabilities in support of both the DHS and the CDC missions. Closed press.
- On **July 25**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will attend a joint security meeting between multiple federal agencies and the Cruise Line International Association to discuss global and national security issues that affect the cruise industry. The meeting will be attended by representatives from all major cruise lines along with representatives from the Department of State, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Coast Guard and Customs and Border Protection. Closed press.
- From **July 25 to 26**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Ottawa, Canada to meet with Public Safety Canada Assistant Deputy Minister Paul MacKinnon and advance ongoing preclearance negotiations. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **July 24**, USCG Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify before the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee hearing about Cruise Ship Safety. Open press.
- On **July 24**, FEMA Associate Administrator for the Office of Response and Recovery Joseph Nimmich will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure's Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management about Sandy Recovery Improvement Act Implementation and update the subcommittee on recovery efforts following Hurricane Sandy and the Oklahoma Tornado. Open press.
- On **July 24**, FEMA Associate Administrator for the Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration David Miller will testify before the Senate Banking Committee's Subcommittee on Economic Policy about the implementation of the Biggert-Waters National Flood Insurance Program Reauthorization of 2012. Open press.
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- On **August 1**, the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies will hold a hearing on the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards. The National Protection and Programs Directorate participant is still TBD. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- The **week of July 22**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations, Homeland Security Investigations, Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, and Office of the Chief Information Officer will brief the staff of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security with an overview of each of ICE's program areas. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, at the request of Representative Alan Lowenthal, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief the Representative and his staff on repatriations of Cambodian nationals in his district in Long Beach, CA. Closed press.

- On **July 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of International Trade Executive Director Brenda Smith and Office of Information and Technology Executive Director Phil Landfried will provide an update briefing on Automated Customs Environment for staff from the Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee. Closed press.
- On **July 23 and 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host a Global Entry Mobile Enrollment Event at the U.S. Capitol exclusively for Members of Congress and their staff
- On **July 26**, at the request of Representative Karen Bass, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will brief the Representative and staff on the Blue Campaign and the ICE Homeland Security Investigations Victim Assistance Program. Closed press.
- On **July 31**, the Office of Intelligence & Analysis will deliver a threat briefing to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Chair and Ranking Member. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Napolitano*

- On **July 21 and 22**, Secretary Napolitano will host a five country ministerial with her counterparts from the United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand and Australia in Monterey, CA.
- On **July 23**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Brownsville, TX to meet with Mexican Interior Secretary Miguel Ángel Osorio Chong and tour coordinated border patrol efforts. Both Secretaries will also meet with US and Mexican law enforcement and border management officials.
- On **July 24**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Mexico City, Mexico where she will meet with President Peña Nieto, participate in a bilateral meeting with Mexican Interior Secretary Miguel Ángel Osorio Chong and meet with members of members of Mexico's Cabinet.
- On **July 25**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the Aero Club of Washington regarding aviation security. Press TBD.
- On **July 29**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a ribbon cutting ceremony at the new headquarters for the U.S. Coast Guard at St. Elizabeth's. Open press. Also on **July 29** Secretary Napolitano will host the third annual DHS Iftar Dinner in honor of Ramadan. Closed press.
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- On **August 20**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the department's 5th Annual Law Enforcement Information Sharing Roundtable in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$335 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce training costs by converting instructor-led trainings to online courses, reducing reliance on training vendors by developing courses in-house, and aligning training needs to agency priorities.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **July 17**, President Obama has signed 313 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$26.7 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

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#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the week of **July 15**, in coordination with other agencies regarding the Boston Marathon bombings, DHS continued to gather material in response to a number of Congressional requests for information and documents, made another document production to HSGAC, provided responses to get backs from a June 24th HSGAC briefing, and planned for a HSGAC hearing on information sharing scheduled for the morning of July 31.



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- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UASs), ammunition procurement policies and procedures, detainee releases, the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin, and the performance of the BioWatch program.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 7**, **Perla Trevizo**, with the *Arizona Daily Star* in Tucson, AZ, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to U.S. Border Patrol Tucson Sector's logs or raw databases of incoming calls from other agencies for fiscal years 2007 through 2012.
- On **July 5**, **Gregory Korte**, with *USA Today*, requested from DHS records pertaining to plans and reports required to be maintained by Section 1125(a) of the Government Performance and Results Act Modernization Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-352).
- On **July 8**, **Michael Morisy**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from DHS records pertaining to No FEAR Act investigations conducted by DHS regarding alleged and possible violations of whistleblower protection laws from January 1, 2008, through the present.
- On **July 8**, **Scott MacFarlane**, with *Cox TV* in Gaithersburg, MD, requested from DHS e-mails sent or received by e-mail accounts of the DHS Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Chief of Staff, and head of Legislative Affairs from January 1, 2012, through the present pertaining to the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Gerry Connolly; (2) Senator Barbara Mikulski; (3) Senator Benjamin Cardin; (4) Senator Mark Warner; (5) Representative Eleanor Holmes-Norton; (6) Representative Frank Wolf; and (7) Representative John Sarbanes.
- On **July 8**, **Steven Schwinn**, with the **John Marshall Law School Human Rights Project** in Chicago, IL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the use of segregation at ICE detention facilities from January 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **July 8**, **Justin McCarthy**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to First Lady Michelle Obama, Malia Obama, Sasha Obama, and any companions on their June 2013 trip to Ireland.
- On **July 8**, **Jasper Craven**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to security efforts to ensure Secretary of State John Kerry's safety while on the island of Nantucket, MA.
- On **July 9**, **Karen Ziner**, with *The Providence Journal* in Providence, RI, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) reports pertaining to people taken into ICE custody in the State of Rhode Island, from June 1, 2012, through June 20, 2012, whose detainment was triggered after citation for minor traffic infractions.
- On **July 9**, **Alicia Hutton**, with the **Federal Public Defender Office** in Boston, MA, requested from DHS the Alien File for Ailina Tsarnaeva.
- On **July 9**, **Josh Margolin**, with *ABC News*, requested from DHS records pertaining to the Boston Marathon bombing on April 15, 2013.
- On **July 9**, **Katie Drapcho**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from DHS records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Mark Jacobs.
- On **July 9**, **Rong-Gong Lin II**, with the *Los Angeles Times*, requested from FEMA report pertaining to building safety for existing federally owned or leased buildings titled, "Draft FEMA-360, A Report to Congress: Towards Earthquake Resistant Federal Buildings."

- On **July 9**, **Brendan Fischer**, with the **Center for Media and Democracy** in Madison, WI, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) the following records pertaining to the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) program from January 1, 2005, through the present: (1) records pertaining to the monitoring, compliance, and review of this program; and (2) records between USCIS and state agencies pertaining to this program.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 27**, DHS National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Steven Miller**, with the *New York Post*, contract records pertaining to the active shooter educational video titled, "Options for Consideration."
- On **July 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, CBP policies, guidelines, memoranda, and standard operating procedures, pertaining to the use and tasking authority of Unmanned Aerial Systems.
- On **July 10**, DHS released to **Angelo Mathay**, with the **National Immigration Law Center** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.
- On **July 10**, DHS released to **Lindsey Miller**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, correspondence between DHS and Michigan Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land.
- On **July 10**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Barbara Hines**, with the **University of Texas School of Law** in Austin, TX, records pertaining to: the reinstatement of removal process at the T. Don Hutto Residential Center; efforts to complete reasonable fear determinations; and reasonable fear determinations for individuals held in custody at the T. Don Hutto Residential Center.
- On **July 10**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Robert Deasy**, with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to USCIS policy on interpretation and treatment of false claims to United States citizenship.

#### **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to announce a proposed rule to extend the availability of employment authorization to certain H-4 dependent spouses of principal H-1B nonimmigrants.
- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to launch the capability to file Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur, in USCIS's Electronic Immigration System (ELIS).
- In **July**, TSA expects to release the Full-All Cargo Aircraft Operator Standard Security Program and All-Cargo International Program for industry comment. These changes will incorporate security measures contained within Security Directives and Emergency Amendments issued in response to the October 2010 Yemen incident. Later this year, TSA will also release, for industry comment, changes to other standard security programs that focus on cargo related issues. These programs include the Aircraft Operator Standard Security Program, Model Security Program, Indirect Air Carrier Standard Security Program, and Certified Cargo Standard Security Program.
- In **July**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **July**, pending DPC review, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to release the interim final version of the EB-5 Adjudications Policy memo. The memo has previously been posted in draft form. It addresses and defines foundational elements of the EB-5 program, including the investment of capital, the new commercial enterprise, and the creation of jobs.
- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to release reports on status and statistics of the E-Verify program from 2010 to present.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **July 22 to August 2**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a Seized Computer and Evidence Recovery Specialist Training Program in Glynco, GA, providing students from state and local law enforcement agencies with fundamental forensic techniques for the analysis of electronic data. Closed press.
- On **July 31**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on implementing the Executive Order on Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity to industry and government representatives at the DHS Building Resilience through Public-Private Partnerships Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **July 31**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on cybersecurity at the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Global Intelligence Forum in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **August 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on cybersecurity at the Associated Electric & Gas Insurance Services Inc. Policyholders' Conference in Baltimore, MD. Closed press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- On **July 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will administer the Oath of Allegiance at a special naturalization ceremony at Hayfield High School in Alexandria, VA. Senior Advisor to the President Valeric Jarrett will deliver keynote remarks. Open press.
- On **July 31**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will participate in an immigration law webinar hosted by the Immigrant Advocates Network, a national network of immigrant service organizations dedicated to providing free online resources. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 20**, 467,328 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 19.3 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Gun Violence*

- On **July 29**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will discuss the impact of social media on multiple casualty violence and community members' views on opportunities for and barriers to information-sharing in preventing multiple casualty violence at the FBI National Academy Association Annual Training Conference in Orlando, FL. Closed press.
- On **July 29 and 30**, the US Secret Service will conduct an Active Shooter Briefings for Defense Intelligence employees in Beltsville, MD. Closed press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **July 27**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 State Preparedness Report (SPR) tool to 56 states and territories. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities. The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (PKEMRA) requires an SPR for any state/territory receiving federal preparedness assistance administered by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The SPR methodology allows states and territories to measure current capabilities relevant to the capability targets they have established based upon their unique threat/hazard profile.
- On **July 28**, CBP's Office of Field Operations will begin the automation of the General Declaration CBP Form 7507, a form submitted by the airline which collects information about the flight routing, numbers of passengers, and other information in the airport environment. Automation of this form will create efficiencies for both CBP and air carriers by reducing paperwork and creating electronic records of arrivals

currently performed on paper. The pilot will launch at test sites in Houston, TX, and Atlanta, GA. In August 2013, the system will be implemented nationwide.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **July 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on the National Infrastructure Advisory Council Regional Resiliency Study in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **July 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on trends and future challenges for national infrastructure programs at the World Defence Group Mexican Critical Infrastructure Protection Summit in Mexico City, Mexico. Open press.
- On **July 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will deliver the keynote address on ICE's efforts to combat transnational organized crime, highlighting cases on transnational organized criminal organizations involved in financial, and cyber crimes, child exploitation and export enforcement, as well as coordination with foreign law enforcement partners at the 2nd Annual International Serious and Organized Crime Conference in Brisbane, Australia. The event is being hosted by the Australian Institute of Criminology. Open press.
- On **July 30**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the Classified Threat Briefing Campaign on Emerging Cyber Threats Against Critical Infrastructure for the Pipeline Industry sponsored by the Department of Homeland Security's Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Houston, TX. Closed press.
- From **July 30 to 31**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a Federal Flight Deck Officer Town Hall Meeting with stakeholders at the Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Los Angeles Field Office. Closed press.
- From **July 30 to August 1**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will host the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Academic Research Initiative (ARI) Grantees Program Review at the National Conference Center in Leesburg, VA. The ARI seeks to advance fundamental knowledge in nuclear detection and related sciences and to develop human capital for the nuclear science and engineering professions. The ARI currently sponsors 39 research grants at 30 universities across the country. Closed press.
- From **July 30 to August 2**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will lead a Science & Technology Directorate delegation to meet with counterparts of the Government of New Zealand in Wellington, NZ to discuss priority areas of mutual interest related to first responders' technologies, resilient systems, maritime surveillance, and supply chain security. Closed press.
- On **July 31**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will tour the National Cybersecurity & Communications Integration Center with Governor Martin O'Malley and NPPD leadership. Closed press.
- From **July 31 to August 1**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a pilot of the Drug Endangered Children Training Program in Artesia, NM to prepare law enforcement personnel to identify intervention strategies and improve investigations involving children found in homes where drugs are used, sold and produced. Closed press.
- On **August 1**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria M. Odom will participate in a teleconference hosted by the White House Initiative on Asian American and Pacific Islanders to share information about the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration services and benefits through individual case assistance and formal recommendations to USCIS. Closed press.
- From **August 1 to 4**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will attend the National Governors Association's Annual Meeting and the Council of Governors Meeting in Milwaukee, WI. The Administrator will deliver remarks to their Health and Homeland Security Committee Session, providing the FEMA perspective on federal, state, and local efforts to build preparedness and response capabilities since 9/11, lingering gaps in capabilities that exist today as well as shifts in priorities as a result of recent events and trends such as the Boston Marathon bombing, Hurricane Sandy and growing concerns over cyber security. Assistant Secretary for the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral

Robert Papp, Acting Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate will also attend. Closed press.

- From **August 1 to 3**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Grand Haven, MI to attend the Grand Haven Coast Guard Festival, a 10 day festival honoring the Coast Guard's relationship with the community and the region. Open press.
- On **August 2**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will attend the President's Management Council (PMC) Meeting to discuss the President's agenda for the second term, shared management objectives and PMC operations (closed press.). He will additionally deliver remarks at the WMATA Graduation Ceremony for the 100<sup>th</sup> recruit class.
- On **August 4**, Acting Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate Suzann Spaulding, as well as Assistant Secretary for the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the Council of Governors meeting in Milwaukee, WI. The Council is particularly interested in how the Department and DoD are collaborating and providing support to states during a cyber-incident. Closed press.

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- On **July 31**, FEMA will brief staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee on the project worksheet development process and related issues. Closed press.
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- Through Component-led efforts and DHS Efficiency review initiatives to optimize fleet management through such changes as "right-sizing" fleet inventory and transitioning to hybrid vehicles, DHS has identified more than \$109 million in cost avoidances through 2015.

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#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 26**, **Carli Brosseau**, with the *Arizona Daily Star* in Tucson, AZ, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the need for the housing of federal employees in Lukeville, Why, and/or Ajo, AZ.
- On **May 7**, **Perla Trevizo**, with the *Arizona Daily Star* in Tucson, AZ, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to overtime and budget statistics for the U.S. Border Patrol Tucson Sector for fiscal years 2006 through 2012.
- On **July 3**, **Erica Hunter**, with *CNBC's American Greed*, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to reports regarding Aubrey Lee Price in June 2012.



- On **July 5, Valerie Wigglesworth**, with *The Dallas Morning News* in Richardson, TX, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to the I-924 form for the Frisco Texas International Development Center.
- On **July 11, Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to individuals whom ICE has forwarded to the Department of Justice for denaturalization proceedings.
- On **July 11, Antonio Revilla**, with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Miami, FL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement statistical information pertaining to the number of "S" non-immigrant visas per year since fiscal year 2007.
- On **July 11, Tom Banse**, with *KUOW Public Radio* in Olympia, WA, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to the following regional centers: (1) the Idaho State Regional Center; and (2) the Washington Regional Center.
- On **July 11, Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to U.S. Border Patrol apprehensions for the years 2012 and 2013.
- On **July 12, Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the ICE Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations Air Operations Unit and the pilot Interior Repatriation Initiative.
- On **July 12, Jeff Raymond**, with *KWTV/KOTV News* in Oklahoma City, OK, requested from FEMA records pertaining to individual and household claims in the State of Oklahoma for disaster number DR-4117 in the National Emergency Management Information System database.
- On **July 15, Susan Carroll**, with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, TX, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to escapes of immigration detainees from January 2008, through the present.
- On **July 15, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous alien-by-alien, detention facility-by-detention facility data on individuals who have been detained, released, or were in ICE custody in June 2013 and case-by-case data on each ICE removal in June 2013.
- On **July 15, Tom Nash**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from DHS records pertaining to bullet-proof checkpoint booths.
- On **July 16, Shawn Musgrave**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from DHS e-mails sent by or to Secretary Napolitano and her executive staff from April 2013, through the present pertaining to her resignation from DHS.
- On **July 16, Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, MD, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) records of correspondence between Senator Mark Pryor and FLETC pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 11**, DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties released to **Amy Lieberman**, with *Women's eNews* in New York, NY, records pertaining to complaints made by transgender detainees in U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement custody.
- On **July 11**, the Office of Biometric Identity Management released to **Rachel Levinson-Waldman**, with the **Brennan Center for Justice at New York University Law School** in Washington, DC, the Memoranda of Understanding pertaining to the biometric information sharing agreements regarding the Automated Biometric Identification System (IDENT).
- On **July 11**, DHS released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, records pertaining to the impact of federal budget sequestration upon the operations and functions of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- On **July 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Jeremy Redmon**, with the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* in Woodstock, GA, records pertaining to the April 28, 2011 in-custody death of

Miguel Angel Hernandez, who was being held at the North Georgia Detention Center. The records pertain to the investigation of his death, his medical records, and inspections of the detention facility.

- On **July 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Vivek Mittal**, with the **National Immigration Law Center** in Los Angeles, Californian, records pertaining to ICE's revised policies and procedures for the issuance of Stipulated Removals after the ruling in *U.S. v. Ramos*, 623 F.3d 672 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2010).
- On **July 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records previously released in the FOIA litigation case *American Immigration Council v. DHS and ICE*, (D.D.C. 12-cv-856). The records pertain to non-citizens' access to legal counsel.
- On **July 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, records concerning media inquiries from Davis Guggenheim pertaining to his documentary titled "The Dream Is Now."
- On **July 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Jacqueline Armendariz**, with **The Monitor** in McAllen, TX, records containing the number of I-44 forms for persons arrested in CBP's Rio Grande Valley Sector since fiscal year 2010, as well as their country of origin and legal status.
- On **July 16**, DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis released to **Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, training material pertaining to "homegrown violent extremists."
- On **July 16**, DHS released to **Brian Walsworth**, an individual in Lansing, MI, the Congressional log for Senator Brian Schatz and Representative Gary Peters.
- On **July 17**, FEMA released to **Sarah Crichton**, with **Newsday** in Islip, NY, records consisting of Project Worksheets and disbursements pertaining to debris removal operations in the State of New York.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- On **July 27**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 State Preparedness Report (SPR) tool to 56 states and territories. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities. The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (PKEMRA) requires an SPR for any state/territory receiving federal preparedness assistance administered by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The SPR methodology allows states and territories to measure current capabilities relevant to the capability targets they have established based upon their unique threat/hazard profile.
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- On **August 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to release redesigned, security-enhanced Special Certificate of Naturalization and Certificates of Citizenship (Posthumous). In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates launching its Customer Identify Verification (CIV) tool, which will use US-VISIT's Secondary Inspections Tool to verify the identity of customers appearing for an interview at local USCIS field offices. The planned launch on May 6 was delayed due to technical issues.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

August 1, 2013

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **August 5 to 16**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver a Computer Network Investigations Training Program in Glynco, GA, which provides agents and officers from various federal and state and local law enforcement agencies with training to search and conduct live imaging and analysis of evidence stored in networked Window, Linux and Mac OS X server systems. Closed press.
- On **August 6**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate as well as the Science & Technology Directorate will discuss public-private partnerships, small business opportunities, and cybersecurity insurance with government and private sector cybersecurity experts and business leaders at the Security Innovation Network Innovation Summit in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **August 6**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss the need for collaboration between cybersecurity researchers and operators at the International Conference on Cyber Security in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **August 6**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on DHS' role in cybersecurity and Executive Order 13636, to government officials and energy industry executives at the Bipartisan Policy Center Workshop on Protecting the Electric Grid from Cyber Attacks in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- On **August 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Fisher will brief staff from the House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border Security metrics and effectiveness rates. Closed press.
- From **August 3 to 6**, House Homeland Security Committee members and staff, including Chairman Michael McCaul, will visit San Diego, CA; Tucson, AZ; and Harlingen and McAllen, TX, to tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Coast Guard operations to view border security conditions and challenges. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 27**, 469,078 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 19.8 million queries have been run through the system.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **August 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, in coordination with the Chicago Department of Aviation and the City of Chicago, will host a ribbon-cutting and media event to announce new Automated Passport Control (APC) kiosks at Chicago-O'Hare International Airport. The APC pilot program will enable U.S. citizens to complete administrative portions of the inspection process via kiosk prior to being interviewed by a CBP officer. The voluntary program will streamline the inspection process, decrease wait times, and allow CBP officers to focus on conducting passenger interviews. APC kiosks at Chicago-O'Hare International Airport are expected to result in a 25-30 percent increase in throughput capacity during peak travel times.
- On **August 15**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 State Preparedness Report (SPR) tool to 56 states and territories. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities. The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 (PKEMRA) requires an SPR for any state/territory receiving federal preparedness assistance administered by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The SPR methodology allows states and territories to measure current capabilities relevant to the capability targets they have established based upon their unique threat/hazard profile.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From August 4 to 11, representatives from the US Secret Service will discuss the History of Fingerprint Development Techniques and the European Network of Forensic Science Institutes (ENFSI) survey of fingerprint and identification practices at the International Association for Identification educational conference in Providence, RI. Closed press.
- On **August 5 and 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will travel to Miami and Key West, FL, with the Office of National Drug Control Policy Deputy Director Michael Botticelli for briefings and tour operations of the U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM), the U.S. Coast Guard's Seventh District, and the Joint Interagency Task Force – South (JIATF-South) to highlight DHS interdiction capabilities in the region. Closed press.
- From **August 5 to 8**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will represent the Science and Technology Directorate at the Joint Interagency Field Exploration Event in Paso Robles, CA, featuring more than 65 technology demonstrations. Areas of focus for this event include first responder personal protective clothing and situational awareness, social media tools and analyses, and command and control technologies. Closed press, except for a media day on August 6 to showcase technologies.
- From **August 6 to 9**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss behavior detection, analysis and measuring deterrence in London, UK with government representatives from Denmark and the United Kingdom. Closed press.
- On **August 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host the third public meeting of the 13<sup>th</sup> Term Commercial Operations Advisory Committee of Customs and Border Protection in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **August 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will attend the J3-Director of Military Support meeting in Washington, D.C. to discuss the complexities of disasters including Hurricane Sandy, and explain the importance of logistics coordination and mission assignments. The J3 division is the logistics division of the National Guard Bureau. Closed press.
- On **August 7**, Officer for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Tamara Kessler will meet with Keith Harper, Representative to the UN Human Rights Council, to provide an overview of CRCL and discuss DHS-related human rights issues and updates. Closed press.
- On **August 8**, the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will convene its regular quarterly meeting in Washington, D.C., with the NGO Civil Rights/Civil Liberties Committee, bringing together over 20 NGOs that specialize in civil rights and policy issues related to DHS and immigration. Closed press.
- On **August 8**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a pilot program of the Antiterrorism Intelligence Awareness Training Program in Glen Ellen, IL, which is designed to provide line officers and first-line supervisors with an overview of terrorism with a focus on both domestic and international activities, a working knowledge of the criminal intelligence process, an overview of the detection and reporting of indicators of terrorist activities, and the reporting of suspicious activity. Closed press.
- On **August 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Legal Advisor Peter Vincent will deliver a keynote address on ICE's role in combating transnational crime intellectual property rights violations at the 3rd International Association of Prosecutors North American and Caribbean Regional Conference in Providence, RI. Open press.
- On **August 9**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and AARP Chief Executive Officer A. Barry Rand will sign a Memorandum of Agreement to help improve disaster assistance and preparedness messaging to older Americans. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **August 6**, FEMA Regional Administrator Andrew Velasquez will testify at a field hearing before the House Homeland Security Committee's Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications about Central Indiana's preparedness for a mass casualty event in Carmel, IN. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 5**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will host staff members of the U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee for a visit of the National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center at Fort Detrick, MD. Closed press.
- On **August 8**, representatives from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Detroit Field Office will meet with staff from the offices of Senator Carl Levin and Representative Dan Benishek regarding CBP processing at Drummond Island and DeTour Village, MI. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Napolitano*

- On **August 12**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Cincinnati, OH to deliver keynote remarks at the Fraternal Order of Police National Conference. Open press.
- On **August 15**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Chicago, IL to participate in the launch of the Automated Passport Control program with Mayor Emanuel and Senator Durbin at O'Hare Airport.
- On **August 20**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the department's 5th Annual Law Enforcement Information Sharing Roundtable in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, Secretary Napolitano will host a summit to explore lessons learned from the Boston Marathon Bombings and will include Mayors and Police Chiefs (attendee list is TBD). Press TBD.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$18 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Energy Efficiencies and Energy Management Efficiency Review initiatives as well Component-led efforts to reduce energy consumption, through such means as installing energy efficient lighting and implementing power-management settings on desktops and laptops.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **July 30**, President Obama has signed 318 major disaster declarations, and 63 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$26.9 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### V. Legal

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the week of July 29, in coordination with other agencies regarding the Boston Marathon bombings, DHS continued to gather material in response to a number of Congressional requests for information and documents.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UASs), the performance of the BioWatch program, ammunition procurement policies and procedures, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **July 10**, **Shawn Musgrave**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the findings and final report from the fiscal year 2004 pilot study of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) operations in the United States Southwest Border Region by the Office of Air and Marine (OAM).
- On **July 11**, **Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to Border Patrol Search, Trauma, and Rescue (BORSTAR) from 1998 through the present.
- On **July 11**, **Scott MacFarlane**, with *Cox TV* in Gaithersburg, MD, requested from FEMA records pertaining to FEMA employees who received bonuses, salary incentives, or performance awards in fiscal years 2011 through 2013 and e-mails sent or received by Craig Fugate, Richard Serino, and MaryAnn



Tierney from October 2012, through November 2012, pertaining to the following individuals: (1) Mayor Vincent Gray; (2) Governor Martin O'Malley; and (3) Governor Robert McDonnell.

- On **July 12, Scott MacFarlane**, with *Cox TV* in Gaithersburg, MD, requested from FEMA a list of FEMA Individuals and Households Program (IHP) expenditures for residents of Washington, DC after Hurricane Sandy.
- On **July 15, Shawn Musgrave**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the United States Coast Guard records pertaining to National Response Center data files for incidents that occurred from 1983 through 2012.
- On **July 16, Michael Morisy**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to Mohamed Atta; and (2) records pertaining to H-1B applications processed for “fashion model” applicants.
- On **July 16, Tom Nash**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to the Sanctuary Movement in Tucson, AZ, and Seattle, WA, from 1987 through 1995.
- On **July 18, Tom Porter**, with the *Maine Public Broadcasting Network* in Portland, ME, requested from FEMA records pertaining to FEMA expenditures for remapping York and Cumberland counties in the State of Maine.
- On **July 18, Laren Knoll**, with **The Knoll Law Firm LLC** in Dublin, OH, requested from DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) records of correspondence between George Selim of CRCL and any employee, agent, detective, and/or officer of the Columbus Police Department in Columbus, OH from January 1, 2009, through July 31, 2010.
- On **July 18, Shadeaya Venable**, with **Shenendehowa High School** in Clifton Park, NY, requested from the U.S. Secret Service records pertaining to the number of man hours and the amount of federal tax dollars for President Obama’s trip to the Middle East on March 22, 2013.
- On **July 19, Joel Millman**, with *The Wall Street Journal*, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to the total number of United States asylum cases granted based on race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, and political opinion from fiscal year 2001 through the present.
- On **July 19, Michael McKnight**, with *Sports Illustrated*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the investigation and arrest of former National Football League player Sam Hurd.
- On **July 19, Robert Levin**, with the **Landmark Legal Foundation** in Leesburg, VA, requested from DHS records pertaining to e-mail addresses and accounts for political appointees, Senior Executive Service (SES) officials, and other employees located at the DHS headquarters offices in Washington, DC, from January 1, 2009, through July 1, 2013 and records pertaining to the use of private communication services (e.g. private or personal e-mail accounts, text messaging services, instant messaging services, etc.) for conducting DHS business from January 20, 2009, through July 15, 2013, for political appointees, Senior Executive Service (SES) officials, and other employees located in specific offices in DHS.
- On **July 22, Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from DHS records pertaining to Andrea Lafferty, Director, The Family Values Coalition.
- On **July 22, Charron Follins**, with the **South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD)** in West Palm Beach, FL, requested from FEMA records pertaining to the “Disallowed Cost Initiative” which deobligated funds previously awarded to SFWMD to repair water and flood control facilities damaged by hurricanes in 2004 and 2005.
- On **July 23, Katie Drapcho**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from DHS records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of: Iowa State Senator Joni Ernst.
- On **July 23, Rory Campbell**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from DHS records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Colorado State Senator Randy Baumgardner and records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Colorado State Senator Owen Hill.



- On **July 24**, **Paul Srubas**, with *Press-Gazette Media* in Green Bay, WI, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement statistical data pertaining to removals in the State of Wisconsin for fiscal years 2010 through 2012.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 22**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, and **Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to assistance provided by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in the processing of FOIA requests for USCIS records.
- On **July 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Michael Corey**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, records containing CBP coordinates, construction information, schematics, fence materials, and other information pertaining to fencing installed on the United States-Mexico Border prior to 2006.
- On **July 24**, DHS, Science and Technology Directorate released to **Catherine Crump**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in New York, NY, records consisting of contracts, statements of work, briefings, and e-mails pertaining to Unmanned Aircraft Systems.

#### **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

August 8, 2013

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **August 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on DHS assistance on cybersecurity available to states, at the National Conference of State Legislators State Legislator Cybersecurity Training conference in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **August 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on cybersecurity in the federal government at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement Cybersecurity for Government Conference in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **August 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Cybersecurity Strategist and Counsel Tom Finan will participate in a panel discussion on cyber risk and prevention measures at the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants National Governmental Accounting and Auditing Update Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **August 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of Federal Network Resilience John Streufert will participate in a panel discussion entitled “Common Framework: Working With National & Industry Standards” at the SANS Institute Critical Security Controls Summit in Washington, DC. Open press.
- From **August 13 to 15**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a Basic Incident Responder to Digital Evidence Training Program, which provides students with training concerning assessing, acquiring and preserving digital evidence, for representatives from the Federal Aviation Administration in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **August 14**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will discuss cybersecurity education efforts, including cyber competitions, at the 2013 Security in Government Conference in Canberra, Australia. Closed press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- On **August 12 and 13**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will share information about protections for immigrant victims and the work of the Ombudsman’s Office to improve the delivery of immigration services at the Immigration Center for Women and Children in San Francisco, CA. Closed Press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **August 3**, 470,891 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 20.3 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Preventing Gun Violence*

- On **August 13**, the US Secret Service will conduct an Active Shooter Briefing for local law enforcement in Baltimore, MD. Closed press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **August 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Special Agent in Charge New York James Hayes Jr. will deliver remarks at the United Nations headquarters movie screening of “Baby Sellers,” is a TV movie focusing on international trafficking of babies into the United States, featuring a HSI special agent as its protagonist. . Open press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **August 20**, FEMA is expected to release funding awards for the FY 2013 Homeland Security preparedness grants, including allocations for the Port Security Grants, Transit Security Grants, Nonprofit Security Grants, and Tribal Security Grants.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **August 11 to 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to the Eighth Coast Guard District where he will assess the conditions and morale at several units, convey important leadership priorities to members and families, and recognize Coast Guard individuals for high achievement. He will also provide remarks at the Chief Petty Officers Association Convention in Houston, TX.
- On **August 12**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will lead a demonstration for first responders in Arlington, VA of a device that enables rapid location of firefighters in distress and will improve overall rescue time and serve as a reliable and affordable indoor location technology for fire departments across the country. Closed press.
- From **August 12 to 16**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and Transportation Security Administration will deliver training during the National Explosive Detection Canine Team Program at the Canine Olympics in Denver, IN. Open press.
- **August 12 to 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles will visit U.S. Northern Command in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Closed Press.
- On **August 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Thomas Homan will represent ICE on a panel entitled "Immigration as it pertains to Law Enforcement" at the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **August 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will speak on CBP's trade transformation initiatives at a Customs Lawyers Association meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **August 14**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss Risk-Based Security and TSA Pre✓™ at Airports Council International–North America Public Safety and Security Conference in Toronto, Canada. Open press.
- On **August 15**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will host the Transition to Practice Financial Services Technology Demonstration Day in New York, NY, which identifies emerging cybersecurity technologies developed with federal funding and facilitates their development and transition into widely available products. This event will feature eight cybersecurity technologies that have been developed at the Department of Energy National Laboratories and are deemed to have potential for commercial transition. Closed press.
- On **August 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the Department of State (DOS) will host a teleconference on I-730, Asylee/Refugee Relative Petition, for stakeholders. During this engagement USCIS and DOS will provide an overview of the I-730, discuss filing requirements, and explain consular processing abroad. Closed press.
- On **August 16**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will speak on the importance of engaging the whole community in emergency response and health preparedness, as well as highlight lessons learned from the Boston Marathon Bombing response at the Annual Wyoming Trauma Conference in Cheyenne, WY. Open press.
- On **August 16**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in the Central U.S. Earthquake Consortium meeting in Washington, D.C.. The Administrator will discuss maximizing the CUSEC/FEMA partnership to achieve mutual benefits for National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program to include mitigation, preparedness, response/recovery planning, awareness, and education. Closed press.

### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **August 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Infrastructure Security Compliance Division Director David Wulf will deliver a briefing on the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program to House Committee on Homeland Security Majority Staff and House Committee on Energy and Commerce Staff. Closed press.

### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 12**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will meet with staff from the office of Senator Patty Murray to tour CBP Air and Marine and ICE operations in Bellingham, Washington. Closed press.
- On **August 12**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will meet with staff from the office of Senator Bob Corker, Ranking Member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, to tour the El Paso Intelligence Center and CBP operations in El Paso, TX. Closed press.
- On **August 12**, a representative from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees on the Transit Security and Intercity Passenger Rail Security Grant Programs Allocation.
- On **August 13**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief staff from the offices of Representative John Carter, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, and Representative Filemon Vela regarding the Brownsville West Rail Bridge project. Closed press.
- On **August 13**, representatives from the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will meet with Representative Horsford's staff to discuss DHS nondiscrimination policy and Title VI regulations/oversight. Closed press.
- On **August 13**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick will provide a briefing and tour for Senator Saxby Chambliss' staff of FLETC facilities and law enforcement training simulations in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **August 15**, U.S. Customs and Border protection (CBP) will host Representative James Lankford on a tour of CBP operations at the National Air Training Center in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Closed press.
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- On **August 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Everett Eissenstat, Senate Finance Committee Senior Trade Counsel, to discuss pending FY 2014 proposals that would increase Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 customs user fee collections. Closed press.
- On **August 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Principal Legal Advisor Director of Field Operations Jim Stolley will brief the majority staff of the House Committee on Judiciary on prosecutorial discretion. Closed press.
- On **August 15**, FEMA staff will brief Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee staff about the process by which FEMA provides public assistance following a major disaster. Closed press.
- On **August 15**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson will brief House Appropriations Committee staff on the status of the Government Accountability Office report on disaster grants and contracts awarded over \$10 million. Closed press.
- On **August 15**, Senator Patty Murray's staff is scheduled to visit Coast Guard Sector/Air Station Port Angeles, WA.
- **August 15 to 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will host Representative John Carter on a tour of CBP operations in South Texas. Closed press.
- On **August 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Assistant Field Office Director Todd Tyron will provide a tour of the ERO Batavia Servicing Processing Center, in Batavia NY, to the staff of Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-CA). Closed press.



- On **August 19**, a representative from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security and the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee on the Transit Security and Intercity Passenger Rail Security Grant Programs Allocation. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Napolitano*

- On **August 12**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to Cincinnati, OH to deliver keynote remarks at the Fraternal Order of Police National Conference. Open press.
- On **August 20**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the department's 5th Annual Law Enforcement Information Sharing Roundtable in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **August 21**, Secretary Napolitano will host a round table with think tank representatives. Closed press.
- On **August 22**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York, NY to visit Ground Zero, meet with NYPD and NYFD leadership, and meet with local DHS employees.
- On **August 28**, Secretary Napolitano will host a summit to explore lessons learned from the Boston Marathon Bombings and will include Mayors and Police Chiefs.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$15.7 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce contract costs and improve contract management through various changes such as consolidating contracts, transitioning to more effective contracts, leveraging bulk purchase discounts, and performing work in-house.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **August 6**, President Obama has signed 324 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and obligated over \$27.1 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

### V. Legal

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **August 1**, DHS produced two internal reports pursuant to an incoming July 8, 2013 letter from Chairman Upton and Ranking Member Waxman, which had previously been made available to E&C staff for an *in camera* review on July 25th.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Boston Marathon bombings, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, ammunition procurement policies and procedures, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **June 26**, **Rachel Hatch**, with the **University of Kentucky** requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to in situ burning from April 28, 2010, through July 11, 2010, during the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.
- On **July 2**, **Pat Mullins**, with the **Republican Party of Virginia** in Richmond, VA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services records of correspondence between Terence "Terry" McAuliffe and the following: (1) Secretary Janet Napolitano; (2) any employees of ICE; and (3) any employees of USCIS.
- On **July 8**, **Jason Leopold**, with **Al Jazeera** in Beverly Hills, CA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Intelligence and Analysis records pertaining to the website CAGEPRISONERS ([www.cageprisoners.com](http://www.cageprisoners.com)).

- On **July 16, Michael Pell**, with *Reuters News*, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to National Emergency Management Information System disaster claims for major disasters, fire management assistance, and emergency declarations from January 2000, through March 2013.
- On **July 18, Scott MacFarlane**, with *Cox TV* in Gaithersburg, MD, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the FEMA Hazus-MH training sessions in 2012 and 2013.
- On **July 23, Lisa Hammersly**, with the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* in Fort Smith, AR, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to a pipeline oil spill on March 29, 2013, in Mayflower, AR.
- On **July 23, Ian Mandel**, an individual in Hoboken, New Jersey requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas and any employee or representative of GreenTech Automotive or Gulf Coast Funds Management including but not limited to the following individuals: (1) Terence “Terry” McAuliffe; (2) Anthony “Tony” Rodham; (3) Xiaolin “Charles” Wang; and (4) Gary Tang.
- On **July 25, Michael Morisy**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security various records pertaining to Tamerlan Tsarnaev.
- On **July 25, Sean Dunagan**, with *Judicial Watch* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records pertaining to the alleged mishandling of law enforcement sensitive records obtained from the Texas Department of Public Safety's Homeland Security State and Local Intelligence Community of Interest Database by a named individual.
- On **July 25, Sean Dunagan**, with *Judicial Watch* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the arrest of two individuals in Austin, Texas in connection with a sexual assault on a 13-year-old girl.
- On **July 25, Tom Nash**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the “Dream 9” who attempted to cross the United States-Mexico border into Arizona on July 22, 2013.
- On **July 25, Steven Emerson**, with *SAE Productions, Inc.* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Department of Homeland Security Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties records pertaining to any communications, meetings and training sessions conducted or coordinated with the following entities from January 20, 2009, through July 1, 2013: (1) the Islamic Society of Boston (ISB); (2) the Muslim American Society in Boston (MAS-Boston); or (3) the Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center (ISBCC).
- On **July 25, Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Berkeley, CA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General a copy of the Report of Investigation for 16 DHS-OIG investigations.
- On **July 25, Katie Davis**, with *NBC 10* in Cranston, RI, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response grant awarded to the Scituate Fire and Rescue Engineering Board in Scituate, RI in 2009.
- On **July 25, Jake Rossen**, with the *New York Times*, requested from the U.S. Secret Service records pertaining to an investigation into the large-scale theft of a hard drive containing the contents of an animated motion picture that was stolen from Threshold Entertainment in December 2002.
- On **July 26, Abraham Payton**, with *American Bridge 21st Century* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records of correspondence between Senator Mitch McConnell(R-KY) and the following individuals from 1985 through the present: (1) the Secretary of Homeland Security, (2) the Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security, and (3) the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs.
- On **July 26, Andrew Long**, with the *Arizona Center for Investigative Reporting* in Phoenix, AZ, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and the following entities from 2000 through the present: (1) Valley Metro; (2) Valley Metro Regional Public Transportation Authority, and (3) Valley Metro Rail, Inc.



- On **July 26, Martha Mendoza**, with the *Associated Press*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security various records from January 1, 2008, through the present pertaining to: (1) cyber or online vulnerabilities; (2) cyberattacks; and (3) cybersecurity budgets and contracts.
- On **July 26, Ritika Rodrigues**, with the **U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General a copy of the records released to two previous FOIA requesters and the FOIA Unit notes associated with the requests.
- On **July 29, Christopher Sherman**, with the *Associated Press*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the agreement signed by Secretary Janet Napolitano in Matamoros, Mexico on July 23, 2013, that “creates a framework for the bi-national utilization of the United States-Mexico Cross Border Security Communications Network;” and (2) records pertaining to the “Declaration of Principles Regarding Coordinated Operations” signed by DHS and Mexico Secretariat of Government in April 2013.
- On **July 29, Jason Cherkis**, with the *Huffington Post*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records of correspondence between ICE and Representative Louis Buller “Louie” Gohmert, Jr. (R-TX) from January 3, 2005, through the present.
- On **July 29, Ellery McCardle**, with *KAAL-TV* in Austin, MN, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the number of arrests of illegal immigrants by ICE in Mower County, MN from 2003 through 2013.
- On **July 30, Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the Secure Communities task force.
- On **July 30, Melissa del Bosque**, with *Texas Observer* in Austin, TX, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to an investigation into the DHS-OIG Field Office in McAllen, TX.
- On **July 31, Jack Gillum**, with the *Associated Press*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of e-mails sent to or from any DHS e-mail account in which the name “Sandweg” is in the body, subject, or any fields of the e-mails from January 20, 2009, through June 1, 2009.
- On **July 31, Amelia Kalant**, with **Unite Here International Union** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) various records pertaining to allegations of sexual harassment and/or sexual assault involving subcontracted cafeteria employees at the Nebraska Avenue Complex and other sites from 2010 through the present.
- On **July 31, Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Berkeley, CA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) the following records: (1) a copy of released FOIA responses from 2009 through the present pertaining to U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Border Patrol, including, but not limited to Case Numbers CRCL 11-09-01, PRIV 11-0372, and PRIV 11-0700; and (2) a copy of weekly DHS and cabinet reports to the White House for fiscal years 2009 through the present.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Laura Wilkinson**, an individual in Austin, TX, records consisting of immigration records contained in Barack Hussein Obama Sr.’s Alien File. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **July 25**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s FOIA backlog and plans to remedy the situation. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **July 25**, the Department of Homeland Security issued to **Michael Morisy**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, a full denial in response to his request seeking various records pertaining to Tamerlan Tsarnaev. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(A).

- On **July 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, records containing data pertaining to apprehensions and dispositions by the Office of Border Patrol from February 1, 2013, through February 28, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).
- On **July 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, records containing data pertaining to apprehensions and dispositions by the Office of Border Patrol from March 1, 2013, through March 31, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).
- On **July 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Rory Campbell**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of: (1) Colorado State Senator Randy Baumgardner (R-CO) from January 15, 2013, through July 15, 2013; and (2) Colorado State Representative Randy Baumgardner (R-CO) from January 1, 2009, through January 15, 2013.
- On **July 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Nancy Morowetz**, with **Washington Square Legal Services, Inc.** in New York, NY, records consisting of guidance issued by ICE's Office of the Principal Legal Advisor and Enforcement and Removal Operations to Field Offices concerning the implementation of ICE Directive 11061.1 "Facilitating the Return to the United States of Certain Lawfully Removed Aliens." Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records consisting of a PowerPoint presentation titled "ICE Air 101" pertaining to the ICE Air Operations Program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Alex Haskell**, with **Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP** in Washington, DC, records consisting of a letter and a listing of DHS food service management contracts from fiscal years 2007 through 2011. These records were released in full.
- On **July 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Katie Drapcho**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of David Young while he served in the following positions: (1) Chief of Staff to Senator Charles Grassley (R-IA) from January 1, 2006, through May 31, 2013; (2) Chief of Staff to Senator Jim Bunning (R-KY) from January 1, 2005, through December 31, 2006; (3) Legislative Director to Senator Jim Bunning from January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2004; (4) Legislative Assistant to Senator Jim Bunning from January 1, 1999, through December 31, 2000; and (5) Legislative Assistant to Senator Hank Brown (R-CO) from January 1, 1994, through December 31, 1996.
- On **July 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services issued to **Brian Stull**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)** in Durham, North Carolina, a full denial in response to his request seeking the Alien File for a named individual. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **July 31**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Tom Winter**, with **NBC News** in New York, NY, records consisting of correspondence between Senator Robert Menendez (D-NJ) and the USCIS Tampa District and Miami District offices from January 1, 2006, through May 23, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption (6).
- On **July 31**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Katherine Culliton-Gonzalez**, with the **Advancement Project** in Washington, DC, records consisting of e-mails and memoranda pertaining to the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **July 31**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services issued to **Michael Morisy**, with **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to Mohamed Atta. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(A).
- On **July 31**, the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General released to **Jeremy Redmon**, with the **Atlanta Journal-Constitution** in Woodstock, GA, records consisting of a Report of

Investigation pertaining to the April 28, 2011 death of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainee Miguel Angel Hernandez. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).

- On **July 31**, the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General issued to **Kristen Setera**, with *WCVB-TV* in Boston, Massachusetts, a full denial in response to her request seeking investigative records pertaining to two named individuals. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(C).

#### **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- From **August 19 to 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations Attaché Mexico will host a Global Trafficking in Persons training in Guadalajara, Mexico. Approximately 55 Government of Mexico officials from state and federal law enforcement agencies in the region will attend. This training is sponsored and paid for by the Department of State's Narcotics Affairs Section. Closed press.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director (EAD) James A. Dinkins will attend the 9th Annual Counterterrorism and Financial Crimes Forum and participate on a panel on Terrorism Prosecution in Cary, North Carolina. Closed press.
- On **September 11**, U.S. Customs and Border protection Assistant Commissioner Allen Gina will participate as a member of the U.S. delegation to the 2013 North America Consumer Product Safety Summit in Ottawa, Canada. He will speak at a panel session entitled "Market and Import Surveillance and the Importance of International Coordination." Closed press.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **August 22**, representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will host a Transition-to-Practice Technology Demonstration Day in San Jose, CA for investors, integrators, and information technology companies that will feature eight innovative cybersecurity technologies that have been developed at the Department of Energy's national laboratories. The program identifies emerging cybersecurity technologies that were developed with federal funding and helps facilitate their transition into products capable of widespread use. Open press.
- On **August 22**, representatives from the US Secret Service will provide a cyber-investigations briefing in Washington, DC for a delegation from the Thailand Armed Forces Security Center. Closed press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- On **August 19 and 20**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with representatives from the American and Immigration Lawyers Association and local domestic violence service providers in Charleston and Greer, NC to share information about protections for immigrant victims and the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration services through individual case assistance and formal recommendations to US Citizenship and Immigration Services. Closed press.
- On **August 22**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom with representatives from the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs will participate in a White House Common-sense Immigration Reform roundtable in Milwaukee, WI with community leaders from across Wisconsin hosted by the United Migrant Opportunity Services (UMOS), a non-profit advocacy organization which provides programs and services to improve employment, educational, health and housing opportunities of under-served populations. UMOS programs operate throughout the state of Wisconsin, as well as in Minnesota, Kansas, Missouri, and Texas. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **August 10**, 472,332 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 20.9 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Preventing Gun Violence*

- On **August 20**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a pilot of the revised Law Enforcement First Responder Training Program in Glynco, GA. The program supports the Vice President's task force on reducing violence by providing effective training for active shooter situations for law enforcement officers, first responders, and school officials. Attendees at this program include state, local, rural, tribal and territorial law enforcement. Closed press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **August 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Assistant Field Office Director Los Angeles Robert Naranjo will host Amy Lieberman of Women's eNews for a tour of the Santa Ana City Jail in Santa Ana, CA, which houses gay, bisexual and transgendered detainees. The tour will highlight DHS's implementation of new standards to create safer environments for vulnerable detained populations, including transgender individuals.
- On **August 21**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss Risk Based Security Initiatives and his vision for TSA with members of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution Editorial Board in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **August 22**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will discuss Risk Based Security Initiatives and the future of TSA with media in Tampa, FL. Open press.



- On **August 22**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will participate in an interview with Eric McNulty and Leonard Marcus from Harvard's National Preparedness Leadership Institute about his experiences throughout his emergency management career and as Deputy Administrator at FEMA.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the week of **August 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Canada Border Services Agency expect to post publicly the joint Integrated Cargo Security Strategy, which advances the concept of "cleared once, accepted twice."
- On **August 20**, FEMA is expected to release funding awards for the FY 2013 Homeland Security preparedness grants, including allocations for the Port Security Grants, Transit Security Grants, Nonprofit Security Grants, and Tribal Security Grants.
- On **August 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will participate in the ground-breaking ceremony for the new Border Patrol Station in Detroit, MI. Open press.
- On **August 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner, Office of Air and Marine, Randolph Alles, U.S. Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher, and local CBP leadership will participate in a dedication ceremony naming the Great Lakes Air and Marine Branch's newest vessel after fallen Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry. Open press.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **August 18 and 19**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will provide an update on the National Emergency Communications Plan to emergency responders from Federal, State, and local governments and representatives from the public and private sectors at the Association of Public-Safety Communications Professionals Conference and Expo in Anaheim, CA. Open press.
- On **August 19**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski and Assistant Administrator Kelly Hoggan will meet with the Port of Seattle and Alaska Airlines Executives at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, respectively, to address key priorities, joint issues and initiatives including TSA Pre✓™ and other Risk Based Security. Closed press.
- On **August 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Director Bonnie Arellano (State, Local and Tribal Liaison) and leadership from the Arizona Joint Field Command (JFC) will host a Four Tribes Meeting with the Salt River, Gila River, and Ak-Chin Indian Communities and the Tohono O'odham Nation in Tucson, AZ. Closed press.
- From **August 19 to 20**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will attend the inaugural Aviation Security Cooperation Group in Singapore. This bilateral working group between the United States and Singapore will focus on fostering cooperation to strengthen transportation security through the exchange of information and engagement on existing and possible future security initiatives. Closed press.
- From **August 19 to 23**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a State and Local Law Enforcement Training Symposium in Glynco, GA, which offers multiple training tracts to state, local, rural, tribal and territorial officers from 20 states. Closed press.
- From **August 19 to 23**, Transportation Security Administration will conduct an Access Control workshop for government officials from the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam in Bangkok, Thailand, which examines access control requirements, to include physical barriers/fences, zoning of restricted areas, aircraft security, and identification requirements for those with access to the secure area of the airport. Closed press.
- From **August 19 to 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Attaché will host a Global Trafficking in Persons training in Guadalajara, Mexico. Approximately 55 Government of Mexico officials from state and federal law enforcement agencies in the region will attend. Closed press.

- From **August 19 to 23**, the Transportation Security Administration will conduct a Quality Control in Civil Aviation Security workshop in Mazatlan, Mexico designed for airport managers and security personnel responsible for airport police and security operations. Through lecture, discussion, and practical exercises, participants examine aviation security, compliance methods, and best practices as they apply to the Partner Nation's aviation concerns. Closed press.
- On **August 20**, representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will introduce, demonstrate, and lead a panel discussion in Long Beach, CA on the Coastal Surveillance System pilot, which allows the real-time sharing of information in an unclassified setting to better secure maritime environments. Closed press.
- On **August 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will visit the Green River Community College (GRCC) in Auburn, Washington to express appreciation for its participation in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Campus Resilience Pilot Program. Press TBD.
- On **August 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on implementing Executive Order 13636 on Improving Critical Infrastructure Cyber Security to National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee. Open press.
- On **August 21 and 22**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Acting Director Dr. Huban Gowadia and Chief of Border Patrol Michael Fisher will tour the Checkpoint Pilot being conducted in Laredo and Hebbronville, TX to evaluate the operational utility of using enhanced radiation detection monitors at checkpoints. Closed press.
- On **August 21 and August 22**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will deliver remarks about the National Disaster Recovery Framework at the 7<sup>th</sup> Senior Disaster Management Officials Forum in Bali, Indonesia. Closed Press.
- On **August 21 to 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Assistant Commissioner of International Affairs Charles Stallworth will travel to Accra, Ghana, to participate in and give the closing address at the West Africa Cooperative Security Initiative (WACSI) Regional Border Security Leadership Workshop. WACSI provides participating nations with technical assistance and resources to fight transnational organized crime. Closed Press.
- On **August 22**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Drug Endangered Children Investigations Training Program to tribal law enforcement officers in Taos, NM, which is designed to give the investigator the tools necessary to collect, preserve and present evidence to the prosecutor to prove the crime of felony child abuse and neglect. Closed press.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Executive Associate Director (EAD) James A. Dinkins will attend the 9th Annual Counterterrorism and Financial Crimes Forum in Cary, NC. EAD Dinkins will participate on a panel on Terrorism Prosecution that is expected to highlight HSI's role in the Boston Marathon investigation. Closed press.
- On **August 22**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy David Heyman will host a panel on resilience and disaster preparedness at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **August 22 to 23**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss behavior detection techniques with Korean counterparts in Seoul, South Korea. Closed press.
- On **August 22 and 23**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will participate in the FLETC course on Women in Law Enforcement in Peru. While in Peru, he will also meet with Peruvian Government Officials and Embassy Lima to strengthen DHS engagement in Peru.
- On **August 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will deliver remarks to Coast Guard Auxiliary leadership at the National Convention of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in San Diego, CA. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- During the week of **August 19**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will participate in meet and greet meetings with committee staff from the House



Appropriations Committee, Senate Appropriations Committee, House Committee on Homeland Security, and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.

- During the week of **August 19**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Alaska with Senators Lisa Murkowski and Mark Begich to visit several units, convey important leadership priorities to members and families, and recognize Coast Guard individuals for high achievement.
- On **August 19**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will brief staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security and the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee on the Transit Security and Intercity Passenger Rail Security Grant Programs Allocation. Closed press.
- On **August 20**, CBP San Juan Field Office Director Marcelino Borges will participate in a meeting with Representative Donna Christensen regarding violent crime in the U.S. Virgin Islands. The meeting will take place in St. Thomas, USVI. Closed press.
- On **August 20**, at the request of Representative John Barrow, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Resident Agent in Charge Savannah Jason Medica will participate in a Veterans and Military job fair in Statesboro, GA. U.S. Citizenship and Immigrations Services and U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives are also expected to attend. Open press.
- On **August 22**, at the request of the staff of Representative Randy Forbes, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Assistant Director, Cyber Crimes Center (C3) Ian Quinn will provide a briefing and tour of C3. Closed press.
- On **August 23**, Representative Cathy McMorris-Rodgers will tour the Border Patrol Station in Colville, WA. Closed press.
- On **August 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Newark Deputy Field Office Director Ruben Perez will provide a tour of the Elizabeth Contract Detention Facility to Representative Grace Meng and her staff. Closed press.
- On **August 23 to 24**, staff from the office of Representative Pete Gallego will tour the land Ports of Entry in Ysleta, Fabens, and Presidio, TX. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, at the request of Representative Luke Messer, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Chicago Deputy Special Agent in Charge James Gibbons will brief the Representative on the ICE HSI mission and priorities in Indianapolis, Indiana. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, at the request of Representative Chuck Fleishmann, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Assistant Field Office Director Chattanooga John Bobo and Homeland Security Investigations Resident Agent in Charge Chattanooga Ronald Appel will provide the Representative with an ICE 101 overview briefing. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Napolitano*

- On **August 20**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver remarks at the department's 5th Annual Law Enforcement Information Sharing Roundtable in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **August 21**, Secretary Napolitano will host a round table with think tank representatives. Closed press.
- On **August 22**, Secretary Napolitano will travel to New York, NY to visit Ground Zero, meet with NYPD and NYFD leadership, and meet with local DHS employees.
- On **August 27**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver a farewell speech at the National Press Club. Open press.
- On **August 28**, Secretary Napolitano will host a summit to explore lessons learned from the Boston Marathon Bombings and will include Mayors and Police Chiefs. Closed press.

#### IV. Items of Note

##### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By transferring unused software licenses across Components, rather than purchasing new software licenses, DHS has avoided costs of more than \$1.1 million to date.

##### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **August 13**, President Obama has signed 325 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and obligated over \$27.1 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### V. Legal

##### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the performance of the BioWatch program, the Boston Marathon bombings, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems. ammunition procurement policies and procedures, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 24**, **Rachael Marcus**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to any administrative tort claims against the U.S. Border Patrol for personal injury and/or death for fiscal year 2005 through the present.
- On **July 5**, **Nandi Robinson**, with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to contracts between FEMA and the Performance Institute, Inc. from 2000 through 2012.
- On **July 18**, **Anais Vaillant**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to goods seized at the United States-Canadian border.
- On **July 24**, **Jack Gillum**, with the *Associated Press*, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) the following records from January 1, 2013, through the present: (1) a copy of all e-mails sent to or from USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas in which the following names or company is in any fields of the e-mails: (a) Rodham; (b) Simone Williams; (c) Molasky Group; or (d) Alexandra Haskell; and (2) a copy of all BlackBerry "PIN" messages and SMS text messages sent to or from the Director's government BlackBerry.
- On **July 25**, **Michael Morisy**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the U.S. Recreational Boat Accident Database from 1995 through 2012.
- On **July 25**, **Jose Bethancourt**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to the immigration status and recent Visa / Border Crossing Card cancellation of a named individual.
- On **July 26**, **Marinka Peschmann**, a freelance journalist in Ontario, Canada, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of communication between USCIS and the following companies from January 1, 2009, through the present: (1) Huawei Technologies; and (2) Gulf Coast Funds Management.
- On **July 31**, **Frank Bass**, with *Al Jazeera International* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to repetitive loss information from FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) from 1978 through the present.
- On **August 1**, **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of communication between USCIS and the following individuals from August 12, 2009, through the present: (1) Anthony Rodham, Gulf Coast Funds Management, Chief Executive Officer; and (2) Terry McAuliffe, co-founder of GreenTech Automotive.
- On **August 1**, **Dana Williams**, with the *South Florida Sun Sentinel* in Fort Lauderdale, FL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement a list of the 255 suspects arrested as part of Operation iGuardian.

- On **August 1**, **Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to U.S. Customs and Border Protection's drone program.
- On **August 1**, **Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the United States-Mexico Repatriation Technical Working Group from 2004 through the present.
- On **August 1**, **Cameron Sullivan**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of: (1) Congressman David Camp from January 1, 1991, through the present; and (2) Michigan State Representative David Camp from January 1, 1989, through January 1, 1991.
- On **August 2**, **Jacqueline Fell**, with **Cox Media Group** in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records of correspondence to or from TSA Deputy Administrator John Halinski containing the word "misconduct" from June 1, 2013, through August 1, 2013.
- On **August 5**, **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, requested from the Department of Homeland Security various records pertaining to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) FOIA backlog, including matters referred to in ICE's news release dated June 21, 2013, titled "TOP STORY: ICE FOIA office working hard."
- On **August 5**, **Tarah Heinzen**, with the **Environmental Integrity Project** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and DHS, Office of Inspector General records pertaining to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) concentrated animal feeding operation reporting rule (CAFO Reporting Rule), proposed on October 21, 2011, under section 308 of the Clean Water Act, and the subsequent withdrawal of the CAPO Reporting Rule, announced by EPA on July 20, 2012.
- On **August 6**, **Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to ICE's Interior Repatriation Program in 2012 and 2013.
- On **August 6**, **Lenny Lantsman**, with **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement narcotics seizure statistics at U.S. port districts.
- On **August 6**, **Ingrid Eagly**, with the **University of California, Los Angeles School of Law** requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the Institutional Hearing Program and the Enhanced Institutional Hearing Program.
- On **August 6**, **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous data pertaining to ICE detainers issued in July 2013.
- On **August 6**, **Stacey Normington**, with **Cozen O'Connor LLC** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of the memorandum of understanding (MOU) signed on July 19, 2013, between CBP and the Federal Maritime Commission to share Automated Commercial Environment International Trade Data System data.
- On **August 7**, **David Ganim**, with **Prison Legal News** in Lake Worth, FL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the provision of telephone services to ICE detainees.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 1**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Katherine Culliton-Gonzalez** with the **Advancement Project** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements system/database, voter registration purposes, and executed memorandum of agreements with state or local jurisdictions relating to Arizona's implementation of Proposition 200. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 1**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General released to **Brad Heath**, with **USA Today** records consisting of e-mails, memoranda, and police reports pertaining to incidents of



lost and stolen weapons. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), 7(E), and 7(F).

- On **August 1**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to **Melissa del Bosque**, with *Texas Observer* in Austin, TX, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to an investigation into the DHS-OIG Field Office in McAllen, Texas. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **August 1**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) released to **Mark Flatten**, with the *Washington Examiner* in Washington, DC, records consisting of a copy of the 2010 Collective Bargaining Agreement between American Federation of Government Employees Local 2002 and FLETC. These records were released in full.
- On **August 2**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) issued to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence between Senator Mark Pryor and FLETC pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.
- On **August 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Rory Campbell**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Owen Hill, as a private citizen, or as a member of the Colorado State Senate from January 1, 2013, through July 15, 2013.
- On **August 2**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Intelligence and Analysis issued to **Jason Leopold**, with *Al Jazeera* a GLOMAR response to his request seeking records pertaining to the website CAGEPRISONERS ([www.cageprisoners.com](http://www.cageprisoners.com)).
- On **August 2**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Erica Hunter**, with *CNBC's American Greed* in Chicago, IL, records consisting of communication logs and case reports pertaining to reports regarding Aubrey Lee Price and his alleged suicide in June 2012. These records were released in full.
- On **August 6**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Bonnie Stewart**, with *Oregon Public Broadcasting* in Portland, OR, records consisting of towing recommendations and a letter pertaining to the vessel DAVY CROCKETT. These records were released in full.
- On **August 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Melissa del Bosque**, with *Texas Observer* in Austin, TX, records consisting of the BorderStat Violence report for fiscal year 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 7**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, records consisting of a complaint narrative listing regarding allegations of use of force, misconduct, and/or civil rights violations by Border Patrol agents, from fiscal year 2008 through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **August 7**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Eric Lipton**, with the *New York Times*, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to correspondence between Senator Robert Menendez and his staff and the DHS Office of the Secretary or other officials in the central office of DHS regarding port security in the Caribbean or the Dominican Republic from 2008 through the present, including e-mails or correspondence from staff from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **August**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to expand its information-sharing program (called RIDE) with Iowa's Department of Motor Vehicles. RIDE is designed to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity by sharing information with state DMVs. Mississippi, Florida and Idaho are currently participating in RIDE.
- By **September**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to provide National Cargo Security Program (NCSP) recognition to Israel. The program involves a thorough examination of supply chain security components and related requirements that constitute a country's NCSP. These actions are taken to

determine whether the subject NCSP provides a level of security commensurate with current U.S. air cargo security requirements.

- On **September 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner, Office of International Trade, Richard DiNucci will participate as a member of the U.S. delegation to the 2013 North America Consumer Product Safety Summit in Ottawa, Canada. He will speak at a panel session entitled “Market and Import Surveillance and the Importance of International Coordination”. Closed Press
- On **September 18 or 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale and Department of Defense leadership will announce a new one-year pilot program for combat-injured special operations forces and other DOD wounded warriors. This program, called “HERO (Human Exploitation Rescue Operative) Child Rescue Corps” or HERO Corps, will be announced at the ICE Cyber Crimes Center. Open press.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to enhance E-Verify’s Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to “lock” social security numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates launching its Customer Identify Verification (CIV) tool, which will use US-VISIT’s Secondary Inspections Tool to verify the identity of customers appearing for an interview at local USCIS field offices.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **August 27 to 29**, the U.S. Secret Service will provide a joint presentation with Trustwave SpiderLabs on the “Lifecycle of Cyber Crime” at the International Association of Financial Crime Investigators Conference in Denver, CO, which will include an in-depth briefing on the latest trends and tactics in the manufacture, distribution and sale of counterfeit U.S. currency as well as highlight security features on the next generation \$100 Federal Reserve Note to be released to the public in October 2013. Open press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- On **August 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to announce the expiration of Iraqi Special Immigrant Visa and remind beneficiaries to adjust their status before October 1, 2013.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **August 17**, 473,832 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 21.5 million queries have been run through the system.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **August 19**, the Hurricane Sandy Task Force Report was released. FEMA anticipates media queries and stories related to the report.
- On **August 28**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Timothy Manning will discuss National Preparedness Month and preparing children for natural disasters as part of a National Preparedness Month satellite radio media tour.
- On **TBD**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in an interview with CNN focused on the new Ready Kids Campaign launched by FEMA’s Ready Campaign.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **August 26**, the DHS Council on Combating Violence Against Women expects to publish a comprehensive resource guide highlighting initiatives within DHS that support combating violence against women on the DHS website. This guide will be available online and will also provide contact information for relevant DHS components and initiatives. The Council was created in March 2013 to promote consistency across the Department on internal policies and to improve the Department's ability to combat violence against women in the communities served or impacted by the work of DHS components.
- On **August 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Border Patrol Chief Michael J. Fisher will participate in a ground-breaking ceremony for a new Border Patrol Station in Detroit, MI. Open press.
- On **August 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Los Angeles Homeland Security Investigations Special Response Team (SRT) will host a hands-on demonstration for select local media at a training facility in Castaic, CA, to afford reporters an opportunity to see firsthand how the agency’s SRT special agents deal with tactical situations. Selected press.
- On **August 30**, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Deputy Executive Associate Director (EAD) Tim Robbins will host an opening ceremony for the Southern California Secure Communities Support Center (SC3), at the Chet Holifield Federal Building, in Laguna Niguel, CA. Closed press.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **August 26 to 28**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Advanced Interviewing for Law Enforcement Investigators Training Program to state and local officers in Artesia,



NM, which is designed to enhance the skills of law enforcement criminal investigators as they conduct interviews of victims, witnesses, and suspects. Closed press.

- On **August 26 to September 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Jakarta will conduct a Combatting Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction at a Department of Defense sponsored and funded Maritime Ports Counter Proliferation Workshop for Indonesian law enforcement. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Richard Serino will participate in a Think Tank – Data Jam event at the White House, co-hosted by Deputy Administrator Serino and U.S. Chief Technology Officer Todd Park. The event will convene leaders in technology, design, academia, entrepreneurship, and philanthropy, as well as local and state officials to develop ideas for innovative solutions to emergency management challenges. Open press.
- From **August 27 to 28**, the Science & Technology Directorate will host the Connecticut Fund for the Environment and the Press Club of Long Island at the Plum Island Animal Disease Center for tours and briefing on the Environmental Impact Statement and the ultimate disposition of the island. Closed press.
- On **August 28 to 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Executive Director Maria Luisa Boyce (Office of Trade Relations) will attend a workshop on trade facilitation in Montevideo, Uruguay, hosted by the Pathways to Prosperity in the Americas initiative. Fifteen nations currently participate in the initiative: Belize, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Uruguay, and the United States. Closed press.
- On **August 30**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver Survival Shooting In-Service training to state and local officers in Glynco, GA, which introduces students to tactical techniques of weapons handling. Closed press.
- On **August 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT to deliver remarks and preside over the retirement ceremony for Captain Kenneth W. Megan, Director of the United States Coast Guard Band.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laredo Field Office Director Eugenio Garza, Jr., and Laredo Border Patrol Sector Acting Chief Patrol Agent John C. Esquivel will meet, in Laredo, TX, with Representative Henry Cuellar and representatives from Laredo International Airport to discuss inbound and outbound passenger processing. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, the staff of the Senate Appropriations Committee will tour the campus of the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, MD to discuss the U.S. Fire Administration and the Emergency Management Institute, including facilities use and needs, training, and curriculum development. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, a representative of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Security Policy & Industry Engagement will provide a pipeline tour of Washington Gas in Rockville, MD for staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security to provide an explanation of TSA's role with the stakeholder engagement for pipeline security. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, Acting U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Sandweg will meet with Senator Tom Carper, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host Senator Jeff Flake in a tour of the Border Patrol Station in Naco, AZ, and participate in a meeting with community stakeholders. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, FEMA staff will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications about children and disasters, including FEMA's recommendations to the 2010 National Commission on Children and Disasters and lessons learned from past disasters. Closed press.
- On **August 29**, the U.S. Secret Service will conduct a cyber briefing in Washington, DC for House and Senate Judiciary staff, House Appropriation staff, and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental

Affairs staff to highlight the recent cyber investigation success stories of Liberty Reserve, which involved the online laundering of more than \$6 billion. Closed press.

- On **August 28**, at the request of Representative Luke Messer, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Chicago Deputy Special Agent in Charge James Gibbons will brief the Representative on the ICE HSI mission and priorities in Indianapolis, IN. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, at the request of Representative Chuck Fleishmann, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Chattanooga Assistant Field Office Director John Bobo and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Chattanooga Resident Agent in Charge Ronald Apel will provide the Representative with an ICE 101 overview briefing. Closed press.
- On **August 28 to 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host staff from the office of Representative Pete Gallego, who will tour the land Ports of Entry in Del Rio and Eagle Pass, TX. Closed press.
- On **August 29**, representatives from the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will conduct a semi-annual brief on its programs to Senate Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **August 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) and Deputy Assistant Commissioner Deb Schilling (Office of Administration) will brief staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce regarding the Resource Optimization Strategy. Closed press.
- On **August 31 to September 1**, Senator John Hoeven will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and U.S. Coast Guard operations in San Diego, CA. Closed press.
- From **September 10 to 12**, Acting U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Sandweg will meet with members of the U.S. House of Representatives, including Jason Chaffetz, Michael McCaul, Shelia Jackson Lee, and Tony Cardenas. All meetings are closed press.
- On **September 13**, at the request of Representatives Matt Salmon and Paul Gosar, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Phoenix Field Office Director Jon Gurule will provide a briefing and tour of the Arizona Removal Operations Coordination Center to the Representatives. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Napolitano*

- On **August 27**, Secretary Napolitano will deliver a farewell speech at the National Press Club (open press). The Secretary is also tentatively scheduled to sign the Joint Statement on Global Supply Chain Security and the Joint Statement to Establish a National Cargo Targeting Center with Colombian Minister of Finance and Public Credit.
- On **August 28**, Secretary Napolitano will host a summit to explore lessons learned from the Boston Marathon Bombings and will include Mayors and Police Chiefs (closed press). The Secretary will also meet with Director Clapper and Director Olsen to discuss an information sharing initiative.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$10 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce costs through improved management of DHS facilities. For example, Components have consolidated offices, cancelled planned office explanations, and purchased, rather than leasing office space to achieve cost avoidances.

## *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **August 20**, President Obama has signed 325 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and obligated over \$27.2 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **V. Legal**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the week of **August 26**, DHS provided a response to Senator Grassley's August 9, 2013 letter and previous correspondence, and a response to Senator Coburn's August 2, 2013 letter, on the topic of the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the performance of the BioWatch program, the Boston Marathon bombings, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Columbia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, ammunition procurement policies and procedures, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **June 17**, **Robert Ortega**, with the *Arizona Republic* in Phoenix, AZ, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection a copy of the database or dataset containing all immigration violations recorded by the U.S. Border Patrol from fiscal year 2012 through the first six months of fiscal year 2013.
- On **July 1**, **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection case-by-case data on apprehensions and dispositions for June 2013.
- On **August 6**, **Sarah Brumfield**, with the *Associated Press*, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to a capsized vessel on August 5, 2013, near Ocean City, MD.
- On **August 6**, **Sharyl Attkisson**, with *CBS News* in Leesburg, VA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records pertaining to her and/or her news reporting from 2010 through the present.
- On **August 7**, **Michael Evans**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records pertaining to Secretary Janet Napolitano's meetings with the following individuals: (1) Mexican Interior Secretary, Miguel Angel Osorio Chong, in Matamoros, Mexico, on July 23, 2013, to discuss immigration and border security; and (2) Mexico's President Enrique Pena Nieto and members of his cabinet in Mexico City, Mexico, on July 24, 2013.
- On **August 7**, **Mary Ann Bragg**, with the *Cape Cod Times* in Provincetown, MA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to the grounding of the PROVINCETOWN III on August 25, 2012, in the Boston Harbor.
- On **August 8**, **Brian Shane**, with the *Worcester County Times* in Ocean City, MD, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to the capsizing of NAUGHTY CAT on August 5, 2013, near Ocean City, MD.
- On **August 8**, **Pat Mullins**, with the **Republican Party of Virginia** in Richmond, VA; **Ian Mandel**, an individual in Hoboken, NJ; and **Nathaniel Gilman**, an individual in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records from January 1, 2009, through August 6, 2013: (1) records of communication between DHS and the White House, or between DHS and the Department of Energy (DOE) pertaining to the following individuals or corporations: (a) Terence McAuliffe; (b) Anthony Rodham; (c) GreenTech Automotive; and (d) Gulf Coast Funds Management; and (2) a copy of any agency visitor logs pertaining to the aforementioned individuals or corporations.
- On **August 8**, **Ian Mandel**, an individual in Hoboken, NJ, and **Nathaniel Gilman**, an individual in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of communication from January 1, 2009, through August 7, 2013, between the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Office of the Secretary, the Office of the Deputy Secretary, the Office of the Chief of Staff, the Office of the Executive Secretariat, the Office of the General Counsel (OGC), or the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA), and any of the following individuals or corporations: (1) Terence McAuliffe; (2) Anthony Rodham;



- (3) Xiaolin “Charles” Wang; (4) Yi “Gary” Tang; (5) Marianne McInerney; (6) GreenTech Automotive; (7) Gulf Coast Funds Management; and (8) the Virginia Center for Foreign Investment and Job Creation.
- On **August 8, Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of responsive records provided by CBP for 35 FOIA requests.
  - On **August 8, Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting** in Berkeley, CA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the Reports of Investigation (ROI) for 13 DHS-OIG investigations pertaining to the U.S. Border Patrol.
  - On **August 8, Catherine Rentz**, with the **Investigative Reporting Workshop** at **American University** in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to Operation Stonegarden Grants awarded in the State of Texas from January 2009, through July 2013.
  - On **August 11, Jennifer Lynch**, with the **Electronic Frontier Foundation** in San Francisco, CA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records from January 1, 2010, through the present pertaining to CBP’s drones: (1) a copy of clearly established protocols or policies protecting privacy and civil rights; (2) a copy of any Privacy Impact Assessments (PIA); (3) a copy of the current law regarding the collection and use of photographs, video, and other data; (4) a copy of policy and procedures pertaining to the protection of law enforcement sensitive information; and (5) records pertaining to discussions about privacy procedures or guidelines.
  - On **August 12, Sheila Miller**, with the **National Immigration Law Center** in Los Angeles, CA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records from August 15, 2012, through the present pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals applicants, including denials of applications by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and requests resulting in a Request for Evidence and/or a Notice of Intent to Deny.
  - On **August 12, Justin McCarthy**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Secret Service records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or any other services to First Lady Michelle Obama and any companions on their summer 2012 trip to London for the Olympics.
  - On **August 12, Laura Nahmias**, with **The New York World** in New York, NY, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to individual and household claims for Hurricane Sandy for the State of New York from the National Emergency Management Information System database from October 29, 2012, through August 9, 2013.
  - On **August 14, Jason Buch**, with the **San Antonio Express-News** in San Antonio, TX, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to all results of DHS-OIG investigations into use of force incidents by Border Patrol agents and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers from 2005 through the present.
  - On **August 14, Scott MacFarlane**, with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security, National Protection and Programs Directorate a list of all misconduct investigations/cases by county into Mid-Atlantic Region 3 employees of the Federal Protective Service from 2012 through the present, including nature of misconduct, location of employee, and disciplinary action.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 8**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Josh Loewenstein**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, records consisting of correspondence logs for Representative Shelley Moore Capito. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **August 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, records containing data pertaining to apprehensions and dispositions by the Office of Border Patrol from April 1, 2013, through April 30, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).

- On **August 8**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Rachel Marcus**, with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Berkeley, CA, records consisting of a narrative listing of closed DHS-OIG investigations pertaining to U.S. Customs and Border Protection from January 1, 2008, through the present. These records were released in full.
- On **August 8, and August 14**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency released to **Ken Serrano**, with the *Asbury Park Press* in Neptune, NJ; **Jarrett Renshaw**, with *The Star-Ledger* in Trenton, NJ; and **Stephen Stirling**, with *The Star-Ledger* in Newark, NJ, a compact disk consisting of individual claims records for Hurricane Sandy for the State of New Jersey. Portions of the releases were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **August 9**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **David Perera**, with *FierceGovernmentIT* in Washington, DC, records consisting of a draft copy of the Information Sharing Environment Coordination Authority Capability Baseline Assessment, dated May 21, 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **August 9**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Patrick Stranix**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, records consisting of correspondence logs for Senator Mark Pryor. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **August 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Kevin Bogardus**, with *The Hill* in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to communication between DHS and the following individuals or entities from January 1, 2009 through the present: (1) Senator Robert Menendez (D-NJ) and/or any individual employed by or affiliated with his office; (2) Dr. Salomon E. Melgen and/or any individual employed by or affiliated with him; (3) Pedro Pablo Kuczynski; and (4) any individual employed by or affiliated with ICSSI or Boarder Support Services.
- On **August 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Katie Drapcho**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Mark Jacobs while affiliated with the following organizations: (1) Reaching Higher Iowa from January 1, 2013, through June 27, 2013; (2) GenOn Energy from April 13, 2010, through September 30, 2011; (3) RRI Energy from May 28, 2009, through April 12, 2010; (4) Reliant Energy from August 1, 2002, through May 27, 2009; and (5) Goldman, Sachs, & Co. from January 1, 1989, through July 31, 2002.
- On **August 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Mark Flatten**, with the *Washington Examiner* in Washington, DC, records consisting of a copy of the 2010 Master Agreement between USCIS and the American Federation of Government Employees, National Citizenship and Immigration Services. These records were released in full.
- On **August 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Joel Millman**, with *The Wall Street Journal*, records pertaining to the total number of U.S. asylum cases granted based on race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, and political opinion from fiscal year 2001 through the present. These records were released in full.
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- On **August 14**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency released to **Al Shaw**, a reporter with *ProPublica* in New York, NY, a compact disk consisting of individual claims records for Hurricane Sandy for various states. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **August 14**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency released to **Jason Clayworth**, with *The Des Moines Register* in Des Moines, IA, a compact disk consisting of individual claims records for Iowa's 2008 flood and tornado for the individual and household programs for the State of Iowa. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.

- On **August 14**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **David Perera**, with *FierceHomeland Security* in Washington, DC, records consisting of the Bottom Up Review of FEMA's Public Assistance Program. These records were released in full.

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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

August 29, 2013

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- On **September 5**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team will discuss DHS cybersecurity priorities for critical infrastructure at the Foundation for Nuclear Studies in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 5**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers will meet with New Zealand Minister for Information Communication Technology Amy Adams to discuss cybersecurity, specifically regarding critical infrastructure and telecommunications. Closed press.
- On **September 5**, representatives from the US Secret Service will brief a delegation from the French embassy on cybersecurity investigations. The group is part of a French government initiative to develop a multi-departmental strategy to combat cyber crime and provide consumers a secure cyber environment. Closed press.

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#### *Expected Stories*

- On **September 4 and 5**, FEMA expects news stories related to the launch of National Preparedness Month in New York City and the kick-off of America's PrepareAthon at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **September 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is expected to start collecting biometrics for Canadian visa applicants at its Applicant Support Centers. USCIS has been collecting biometrics for the United Kingdom since 2007 on a fee-reimbursable basis.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **August 26 to September 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Jakarta will conduct a Combatting Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction at a Department of Defense sponsored and funded Maritime Ports Counter Proliferation Workshop for Indonesian law enforcement. Closed press.
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- On **September 4**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Guatemalan Foreign Minister Fernando Carrera to discuss DHS engagement in Guatemala, including addressing illegal immigration issues and security cooperation along the Mexico/Guatemala border. Closed press.
- On **September 5**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will deliver remarks during the opening ceremony of America's PrepareAthon at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington, D.C. (open press). The Administrator will also participate in the "Disaster Response: Preparing Your Business for the Unexpected" webinar hosted by Bank of America on ways to prepare to stay in business. Closed press.
- On **September 5 and 6**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss research on countering violent extremism as well as community engagement efforts, community education materials, grants, and international coordination at a meeting with counterparts from Australia in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 9 and 10**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with Public Safety Canada Assistant Deputy Minister Paul MacKinnon to discuss law enforcement protections and accountability as well as issues related to withdrawal from a preclearance area. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **September 10**, Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio, Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, is tentatively scheduled to testify before the House Transportation & Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation on the implementation status of various Coast Guard commercial shipping regulation initiatives. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 31 to September 1**, Senator John Hoeven will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and U.S. Coast Guard operations in San Diego, California. Closed press.
- On **September 3**, Senator Ted Cruz will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in the Rio Grande Valley region of Texas (McAllen/Brownsville area). Closed press.
- On **September 3**, Acting U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Sandweg will meet with staff of the House Committee on the Judiciary. Closed press.
- On **September 4**, Acting U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Sandweg will meet with staff of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Closed press.
- On **September 4**, at the request of the House Committee on Appropriations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Director Export Enforcement Coordination Center (E2C2) Craig Healy will brief staff of the Committee about the E2C2 mission and provide them with a tour of E2C2. Closed press.
- On **September 4**, Director of the Federal Protective Service Eric Patterson will provide a quarterly briefing to House Committee on Homeland Security Minority Staff. Closed press.
- On **September 4**, House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness Response and Communications senior staff will visit and tour the Mt. Weather EOC in Mt. Weather, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 5**, Acting U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Sandweg will meet with staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **September 5**, Federal Protective Service Deputy Director Sue Armstrong will provide a quarterly briefing to House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Staff on their efforts to address GAO recommendations on contract guards and risk assessments. Closed press.

- On **September 5**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office staff will conduct a semi-annual brief on its research and development, assessment, acquisition, and forensics programs to House Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **September 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Chairman Tom Carper regarding trade and preclearance issues at the Senator's office in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **September 10 to 12**, Acting U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director John Sandweg will meet with members of the U.S. House of Representatives, including Jason Chaffetz, Michael McCaul, Shelia Jackson Lee, and Tony Cardenas. All meetings are closed press.
- On **September 13**, at the request of Representatives Matt Salmon and Paul Gosar, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Phoenix Field Office Director Jon Gurule will provide a briefing and tour of the Arizona Removal Operations Coordination Center to the Representatives. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Napolitano*

- On **September 1**, Secretary Napolitano will participate in a meeting with Senator Tom Carper and Acting Deputy Secretary Rand Beers.
- On **September 3**, Secretary Napolitano will meet with Mexican Ambassador Eduardo Medina Mora. Closed press. The Secretary will also meet with Senator Tom Carper. Closed press.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- As part of the Efficiency initiative to leverage the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of furniture in the National Capital Region, DHS issued several new strategically sourced contracts in the Fall of 2011. To date, DHS has avoided costs of \$17.2 million through this initiative.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **August 27**, President Obama has signed 325 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations, and this Administration has obligated over \$27.3 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### V. Legal

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the week of **August 26**, DHS made another production of documents to Chairman Upton pertaining to the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, the performance of the BioWatch program, the Boston Marathon bombings, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, and Unmanned Aircraft Systems.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **August 7**, **Robert Deasy**, with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to USCIS standard operating procedures and policies on the adjudication of Form I-601A.
- On **August 15**, **Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes**, with **San Diego State University** in San Diego, CA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security the number of aliens removed or returned by state from 2000 through the present.



- On **August 16, Losmin Jimenez**, with **Americans for Immigrant Justice** in Miami, FL, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to CBP's use of drones in the State of Florida.
- On **August 16, Scott MacFarlane**, with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a list of all ICE employees in Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, DC that have been disciplined for misconduct in fiscal year 2013. (Case Number ICE 2013FOIA29945.)
- On **August 16, Scott MacFarlane**, with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a list of all ICE employees in Maryland, Virginia, and Washington, DC, including salaries and the amount of overtime worked in 2012.
- On **August 19, Rachel Weaver**, with the **U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of DHS-OIG Report of Investigation I12-USSS-OSI-0080.
- On **August 19, Jarrett Renshaw**, with **The Star Ledger** in Trenton, NJ, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to any requests for information that DHS-OIG issued to state or local government agencies regarding Hurricane Sandy recovery efforts.
- On **August 19, Robert Brauchle**, with the **Daily Press** in Newport News, VA, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to disaster assistance received by various counties and cities in the State of Virginia for Tropical Depression Ida and the nor'easter in 2009.
- On **August 20, Walt Kane**, with **News 12** in Edison, NJ, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to reimbursement requests submitted by Citywide Mobile Response for the World Trade Center attacks on September 11, 2001.
- On **August 20, Justin McCarthy**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Secret Service records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or any other services to President Obama and any companions on their August 2013 trip to California.
- On **August 20, Shawn Musgrave**, with **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to reports of significant FOIA activity received from all DHS component FOIA offices by the DHS Privacy Office in 2012.
- On **August 20, Jennifer Newell**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in San Francisco, CA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the policies and practices of ICE governing the referral of cases for criminal prosecution under 8 U.S.C. §1326 for individuals subject to reinstatement of removal who are eligible for, or have requested, a reasonable fear interview.
- On **August 20, Dom Cosentino**, with **Deadspin** and **Gawker Media** in New York, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to requests for interviews with Aaron Hernandez, former New England Patriot, through the Boston Field Office. (Case Number ICE 2013FOIA30273.)
- On **August 21, Ingrid Eagly**, with the **University of California, Los Angeles School of Law** in Los Angeles, CA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the use of video teleconferencing in immigration court proceedings.
- On **August 21, Erin Siegal**, with **Playboy Magazine** in San Ysidro, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to "Operation Dancing Bride," a multi-agency investigation into the Gambino and Bonanno mafia organizations and others to recruit women from Russia and other Eastern European countries to enter the United States illegally to work as exotic dancers.
- On **August 21, Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the purchase of hotel rooms to relieve overcrowding at the San Ysidro and Otay Mesa processing centers due to the volume of illegal immigrants requesting asylum, from January 1, 2013, through the present. (Case Number ICE 2013FOIA30485.)

- On **August 21**, **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the DHS-OIG response to the February 25, 2013 request letter from the Bicameral Task Force on Climate Change.
- On **August 21**, **Jana Winter**, with **Fox News** in New York, NY, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) a copy of the DHS-OIG Cartagena report; and (2) a copy of any reports and/or investigations involving U.S. Secret Service and/or allegations involving employees of any other agency or organization in Colombia.
- On **August 21**, **John Shiffman**, with **Reuters News** in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center records pertaining to the Department of Justice / Drug Enforcement Administration's multi-agency Special Operations Division from 2009 through the present.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Carol Wolf**, with **Bloomberg News** in Washington, DC, records consisting of a narrative listing of complaints closed by DHS-OIG from January 1, 2010, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), 7(D), and 7(F).
- On **August 15**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Cuthbert Langley**, with **WCBD-TV News 2** in Mount Pleasant, SC, records consisting of a case report, Search and Rescue report, map, and log sheets pertaining to the recreational boating accident near the Charleston harbor on May 24, 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **August 16**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Katherine Culliton-Gonzalez**, with **Advancement Project** in Washington, DC, records consisting of e-mails and correspondence pertaining to the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements system/database, voter registration purposes, and executed Memorandum of Agreements with state or local jurisdictions relating to Arizona's implementation of Proposition 200. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **August 16**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Lisette Garcia**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's FOIA backlog and plans to remedy the situation. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **August 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Mark Flatten**, with the **Washington Examiner** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to the DHS Efficiency Review and a copy of DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) Report OIG-10-19, DHS Conference Spending Practices and Oversight, dated November 2009. These records were released in full.
- On **August 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Mark Flatten**, with the **Washington Examiner** in Washington, DC, a spreadsheet containing agency employees who have used "official time" under any category in 5 USC 7131 or related statutes since January 29, 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **August 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Scott MacFarlane**, with **Cox TV** in Washington, DC, records consisting of invoices from Google and Yahoo for services provided during the execution of warrants for account information. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Abraham Payton**, with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, records consisting of a log of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Senator Mitch McConnell from January 24, 2003, through August 14, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **August 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Cameron Sullivan**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, records consisting of a log of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Congressman David Camp from January 24, 2003, through August 14, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.

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- In **September**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **September**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 State Preparedness Report (SPR) tool to 56 states and territories. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities. The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 requires an SPR for any state/territory receiving federal preparedness assistance administered by the Department of Homeland Security. The SPR methodology allows states and territories to measure current capabilities relevant to the capability targets they have established based upon their unique threat/hazard profile.

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- From **September 9 to 12**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will discuss cyber forensics with the Scientific Working Group on Digital Evidence (SWGDE) at the University of Texas in San Antonio, TX. The SWGDE brings together digital and multimedia evidence experts to develop tools that enable law enforcement investigators to more effectively and efficiently analyze and collect evidence from digital devices such as computers, cell phones, and GPS devices. Closed press.
- From **September 9 to 13**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Introduction to Digital Evidence Analysis Training Program for criminal investigators from federal, state and local law enforcement agencies in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **September 10**, Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on DHS' role in cybersecurity to representatives from the financial sector at the Fidelity Information Services Chief Information Security Officers Council in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **September 10**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss DHS' continuous diagnostics and mitigation program with cybersecurity professionals from all levels of government at a SANS Institute webinar entitled, "What Will Work: Using the DIIS Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation Contract to Make Real Security Advances." Open press.
- On **September 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbic Stempfley will deliver remarks on collaboration with the private sector in implementing Executive Order 13636 at the National Institute of Standards and Technology Cybersecurity Framework Workshop in Dallas, TX. Open press.
- On **September 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Rosemary Wenchel will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Cyber Threat Information Sharing with State and Local Governments," at the Intelligence and National Security Alliance Intelligence Community Summit in Washington, DC. Open press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- On **September 11 and 12**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will discuss opportunities to improve the delivery of immigration services and benefits in New York, NY and Newark, NJ with representatives from national and local legal services providers, non-profit advocacy organizations, and law firms, and businesses who utilize immigrant labor. Closed press.
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#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

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the CIV tool will be implemented for Form N-400 applicants and will continue to be implemented for different form types in upcoming weeks.

- On **September 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to expand its E-Verify information-sharing program (called RIDE) with Iowa's Department of Motor Vehicles. RIDE is designed to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity by sharing information with state DMVs. Mississippi, Florida and Idaho are currently participating in RIDE.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **September 3 to 18**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will be on international travel in Korea, Vietnam, Australia, and New Zealand.
- From **September 6 to 14**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will travel to Korea, China, and Japan for an exchange with government counterparts of best practices, emerging technologies, and operating procedures that promote aviation security issues. On **September 10**, Administrator John S. Pistole will discuss international partnerships and collaboration and securing the international transportation network at the United States Trade and Development Agency and Civil Aviation Association of China U.S.-China Aviation Summit Symposium and Exposition in Beijing, China. Open press.
- From **September 5 to 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations The Hague Attaché Dave Adkins will travel to Lagos, Nigeria, to meet with counterparts from the Nigerian Drug Law Enforcement Agency, Nigerian Customs, Nigerian Immigration Service and the U.S. Consul General to conduct a debriefing on the results of the AFRICOM sponsored HSI mentoring project conducted from June to September 2013. Closed press.
- On **September 9**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak about Executive Leadership in Disasters to a group of 15-20 country level emergency managers from all over the world at the U.S. Forest Service International Seminar on Emergency Management in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 9 and 10**, the Privacy Office will discuss implementation of the Visa and Immigration Information Agreement with Canada, which will automate the exchange of biographic and biometric information used to adjudicate applications for immigration benefits of third country nationals, excluding legal permanent residents. The Privacy Office ensures that all Beyond the Border projects are informed and guided by the U.S.-Canada Joint Privacy Principles. Closed press.
- On **September 9 to 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner, Office of Air and Marine Randolph Alles is scheduled to travel to Colorado Springs, CO, for a site visit of the U.S. Northern Command. Closed Press.
- On **September 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of State, Local, and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will attend the Police Executive Research Forum Conference in Washington, D.C. Press TBD.
- On **September 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Tokyo Attaché Jason Wilson will deliver remarks on ICE's international mission and address potential collaboration capacities for joint transnational criminal investigations with the government of Japan to approximately 150 police officers at the Tottori Prefectural Police Headquarters in Tottori, Japan. Closed press.
- From **September 10 to 13**, the Transportation Security Administration will host representatives from the Dutch Government in Washington, DC and at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport for discussions and briefings on checkpoint security, the implementation of liquid, aerosol, and gels screening, and expansion of risk-based security initiatives. Closed press.
- On **September 11**, the Science and Technology Directorate's National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism Center of Excellence will host a symposium for researchers from industry and academia as well as government stakeholders highlighting its key research efforts in combatting terrorism and transnational crime for stakeholders in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **September 11**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak at the HHOPE Worldwide Day of Service event commemorating September 11 in Boston, MA. The September 11 National Day of Service

and Remembrance is part of an ongoing commitment of the Boston Chapter of HOPE worldwide to increasing fire prevention and disaster preparedness awareness. Open press.

- On **September 11**, Acting Assistant Commissioner Richard DiNucci (Office of International Trade) will participate as a member of the U.S. delegation to the 2013 North America Consumer Product Safety Summit in Ottawa, Canada. He will speak at a panel session entitled “Market and Import Surveillance and the Importance of International Coordination.” Closed press.
- On **September 11 to 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner (Office of International Affairs) Charles E. Stallworth will travel to Accra, Ghana, to give the closing address at the West Africa Cooperative Security Initiative Regional Border Security Leadership Workshop. In addition to DHS, participating agencies include the Department of State’s Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and U.S. Africa Command. Closed press.
- On **September 11 to 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Beijing Attaché James Nagle will travel to Mongolia to participate in a regional meeting with officials from the Mongolian National Police Agency, Ministry of Culture, and Embassy officials. Closed press.
- On **September 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will deliver remarks at the monthly North Texas Crime Commission meeting in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- On **September 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Hong Kong Acting Attaché Eben Roberts will discuss HSI’s money laundering priorities with a group of anti-money laundering banking representatives in Taiwan during an Anti-Money Laundering Roundtable, hosted by U.S. law enforcement agencies. Closed press.
- On **September 12**, the Privacy Office will discuss the Department’s use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems, information sharing, and the implementation of Executive Order 13636 on Cybersecurity with members of the Data Privacy & Integrity Advisory Committee in Washington, DC. The Committee members will also review and possibly vote on recommendations regarding privacy considerations in the Department’s use of live data for training purposes, testing new or updated systems, or for research. Closed press.
- On **September 12**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will meet with senior officials at UNICEF in New York, NY to continue discussions with the organization regarding disaster recovery and innovation. Closed press.
- On **September 12 and 13**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Detroit, MI to participate in the U.S.-Canada Border Conference and deliver the annual Rosenthal Lecture at the University of Michigan’s Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy. Open press.
- From **September 12 to 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Hong Kong Acting Attaché Eben Roberts and Assistant Attaché Wally Tsui will present keynote speeches at the “2013 Forum on Combating Human Trafficking, Strengthening Partnership & Improving Victim Services” conference in New Taipei City, Taiwan. The hosts anticipate approximately 90 participants, including representatives from various Taiwan NGOs, law enforcement officials, prosecutors and judges. Press is TBD.
- On **September 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will deliver a keynote address on CBP’s trade transformation initiatives and border security mission at the 2013 U.S./Canada Border Conference in Detroit, MI. Closed press.
- From **September 14 to 25**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will host a delegation from Thailand in Washington, DC to discuss the development of a regulatory compliance program within their country. TSA will also provide tours of operations at the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and San Francisco International Airport (SFO) to the Thai delegation. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **September 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) and Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing entitled “Fulfilling A Key 9/11 Commission Recommendation: Implementing Biometric Exit”. Open press.

- On **September 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant For Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard Maritime Transportation about maritime transportation regulations. Open press.
- On **September 13**, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration Associate Administrator David Miller and FEMA Region X Regional Administrator Ken Murphy will testify during a field hearing before the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia on coastal erosion and the challenges of disaster response in Anchorage, AK. Open press.
- On **September 17**, Acting Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate Suzanne Spaulding will have her confirmation hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.
- On **September 18**, Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management entitled, "FEMA Reauthorization: Recovering Quicker and Smarter." Open press.
- On **September 18**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate is scheduled to testify before the Senate Banking Committee Subcommittee on Economic Policy about the National Flood Insurance Program. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations and Office of Administration will brief staff from the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding user fees. Closed press.
- On **September 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, John Wagner will brief staff from the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security on preclearance operations. Closed press.
- From **September 10 to 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director John Sandweg will meet with members of the U.S. House of Representatives. The members include Jason Chaffetz, Michael McCaul, Shelia Jackson Lee, and Tony Cardenas. All meetings are closed press.
- On **September 12**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office staff will conduct a semi-annual brief on its research and development, assessment, acquisition, and forensics programs to House Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **September 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will meet with Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff regarding her nomination. Closed press.
- On **September 13**, Representatives Raúl Grijalva, Beto O'Rourke, and Filemon Vela will tour the port of entry in Nogales, AZ. Closed press.
- On **September 13**, at the request of Representatives Matt Salmon and Paul Gosar, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Removal Operations Phoenix Field Office Director Jon Gurule will provide a briefing and tour of the Arizona Removal Operations Coordination Center. Closed press.
- On **September 14**, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration (FIMA) Associate Administrator David Miller, FEMA Region X Regional Administrator Ken Murphy, FIMA Deputy Associate Administrator Roy Wright, and Deputy Director of External Affairs Stephanie Tennyson will join Senator Beigich and staff on a site visit to Nome, AK to attend a community meeting and discuss disaster challenges facing coastal erosion-prone communities. Open/closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **September 9**, Acting Secretary Beers will participate in a bi-annual meeting with Deputy Attorney Cole and Interpol Director Bray.
- On **September 10**, Acting Secretary Beers will meet with Senator Tom Carper.

- On **September 11**, Acting Secretary Beers with travel to New York, NY where he will participate in the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony, meet with Deputy Mayor Holloway and Office of Emergency Management Director Joe Bruno and host an employee event with TSA employees at LaGuardia Airport.
- On **September 12 and 13**, Acting Secretary Beers and Attorney General Holder will travel to Rome, Italy to participate in the Justice and Interior Minister G6. Secretary Beers will also have bilateral meetings with UK Home Secretary May, Polish Interior Minister Sienkiewicz, Spanish Minister Diaz and Italian Minister Maroni.
- On **September 17**, Acting Secretary Beers will meet with the Cybersecurity Coordinator at the White House Michael Daniel to discuss the development of a cyber campus.

#### **IV. Items of Note**

##### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Office Supplies Blanket Purchase Agreement initiative through use of the department-wide and the Federal government-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for office supplies, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$25 million to date.

##### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **September 3**, President Obama has signed 326 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and obligated over \$27.4 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### **V. Legal**

##### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the performance of the BioWatch program, the Boston Marathon bombings, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Illeparin.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **August 7**, **Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to the approval of Gulf Coast Funds Management to participate in the foreign visa program.
- On **August 15**, **Melinda Ritchie**, with the **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign** in Urbana, IL, requested from the Department of Homeland Security a copy of the log of official correspondence between all members of Congress and the Secretary of Homeland Security and Assistant Secretaries (or representatives of the Secretary) from June 1, 2012, through January 3, 2013.
- On **August 21**, **Katherine Jay**, with **The Law Offices of Katherine Jay P.A.** in Fort Lauderdale, FL, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services records pertaining to orphan adoptions and orphan visa applications.
- On **August 22**, **Jamie Schell**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis records of correspondence and other information requested by or provided to the following individual and organizations: (1) Congressman Steve Daines, including as a private citizen; (2) RightNow Technologies; (3) Genesis Partners, LLC; (4) Clair W. Daines Inc.; (5) Gallatin Development Corp.; (6) Daines Limited Partnership; (7) Joshua 24:15, Inc.; (8) Sunrise Development, LLC; (9) Bridger Technologies; and (10) Kids Up, Inc.
- On **August 22**, **Daniel Gilligan**, an individual in Raleigh, NC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and Congressman Mark Schauer, his official staff, and his committee staff from the House Agriculture Committee and House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.



- On **August 22, Erin Jordan**, with the *Gazette* and *KCRG-TV 9* in Iowa City, IA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the employment of K. Brian London (recently appointed to be the head of the Iowa Department of Public Safety) with ICE or its predecessor, the U.S. Customs Service.
- On **August 22, Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to illegal immigrants apprehended in the Tucson, AZ sector seeking asylum by claiming a “credible fear” of drug cartels in Mexico from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **August 22, Mark Collette**, with the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times* in Corpus Christie, TX, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to reports of all deaths of suspected unauthorized immigrants recorded by Border Patrol in Texas since 2005.
- On **August 23, Steven Dudley**, with **InSight Crime** at **American University** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the organizational criminal group known as the Zetas and human smuggling in and around the states of Tamaulipas and Nuevo Leon, Mexico, from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2011.
- On **August 23, Steven Dudley**, with **InSight Crime** at **American University** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the organizational criminal group known as the Gulf Cartel (Cartel del Golfo, Golfos, or CDG) and human smuggling in and around the states of Tamaulipas and Nuevo Leon, Mexico, from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2011.
- On **August 23, Steven Dudley**, with **InSight Crime** at **American University** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the murder of 72 migrant workers in San Fernando, Tamaulipas, Mexico, in August 2010.
- On **August 23, Steven Dudley**, with **InSight Crime** at **American University** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the mass graves found in or around San Fernando, Tamaulipas, Mexico, from September 1, 2010, through December 31, 2011.
- On **August 23, Steven Dudley**, with **InSight Crime** at **American University** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records from August 20, 2010, through the present pertaining to the disappearances and deaths of the following individuals: (1) Roberto Jaime Suarez Vazquez, the Tamaulipas, Mexico, government investigator; and (2) Juan Carlos Suarez Sanchez, the municipal director of public safety in San Fernando, Tamaulipas, Mexico.
- On **August 23, Shawn Musgrave**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to reports of significant FOIA activity received from all DHS component FOIA offices by the DHS Privacy Office from December 2012, through the present.
- On **August 26, Lindsey Miller**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records of correspondence and other information requested by and provided to Julianne Ortman, as a private citizen, or as a member of the following organizations: (1) Minnesota State Senate (R-MN) from January 1, 2002, through the present; (2) Sheriff's Office, Hennepin County, Minnesota from January 2007, through the present; and (3) Board of Commissioners, Carver County, Minnesota from January 2000, through December 2002.
- On **August 27, Justin McCarthy**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the U.S. Secret Service records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or any other services to President Obama and any companions on their December 2012 trip to Honolulu, Hawaii and return trip to Washington, DC.
- On **August 27, Jill Replogle**, with *KPBS San Diego* in San Diego, CA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records of correspondence from July 1, 2013, through the present pertaining to the following: (1) Friends of Adelanto Detainees; (2) Friends of Orange County Detainees; (3) Community Initiatives for Visiting Immigrants in Confinement (CIVIC); (4) Souls Offering Loving and Compassionate Ears (SOLACE); and (5) community visitation programs.

- On **August 27, Jacqueline Stevens**, with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, IL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to detainee work programs in ICE detention facilities.
- On **August 27, Jacqueline Stevens**, with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, IL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the publication of Section 5.8, regarding the Volunteer Work Program, in the ICE Performance-Based National Detention Standards (PBNDS) 2011.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Stephanie Schwartz**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the reopening of the Citizenship and Integration Grant Program announcement (DHS-13-CIS-010-002) on June 3, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Zane Farr**, with **Communications Workers of America** in Washington, DC, records consisting of contract information pertaining to the USCIS Customer Support Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 4.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Mark Flatten**, with the **Washington Examiner** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to CBP employees who have used “official time” under any category in 5 USC 7131. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6. Additionally, CBP advised the requester the National Collective Bargaining Agreement between CBP and the National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU), dated May 11, 2011, is publicly available at:  
[http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/careers/benefits\\_employees/bargaining\\_agreement.ctt/bargaining\\_agreement.pdf](http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/careers/benefits_employees/bargaining_agreement.ctt/bargaining_agreement.pdf).
- On **August 22**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center issued to **John Shiffman**, with **Reuters News** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the Department of Justice / Drug Enforcement Administration’s multi-agency Special Operations Division from 2009 through the present.
- On **August 23**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Intelligence and Analysis released to **Matthew Sledge**, with **The Huffington Post**, records consisting of nine Reports Officer Instructor and Student Guides on various subjects. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 3, 6, 7(E), and 7(F).
- On **August 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Michael Tan**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in San Francisco, CA, records pertaining to ICE’s examination of detained individuals’ claims to U.S. citizenship. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **August 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Carl Takei**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to ICE’s investigation of the in-custody deaths of the following individuals: (1) Antonio Gomez-Hernandez; (2) Amra Miletic; (3) Victor Ramirez-Reyes; and (4) Anibal Ramirez-Ramirez. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **August 23**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Shawn Musgrave**, with **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, records consisting of the 2012 Chief FOIA Officer Weekly Reports. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **August 23**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, with **USA Today**, records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA’s administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.

- On **August 26**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Julia Angwin**, with *The Wall Street Journal*, records consisting of e-mails, memoranda, and other records pertaining to the unclassified “Memorandum of Agreement between the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence on Guidelines for Access, Retention, Use and Dissemination by the National Counterterrorism Center of Terrorism Information Contained with Datasets Identified as Including Non-Terrorism Information and Information Pertaining Exclusively to Domestic Terrorism.” Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **August 26**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Megan Wilson**, with *The Hill* in Washington, DC, records consisting of congressional correspondence for several members of Congress. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **August 28**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Whitney Nevill-Wallace**, with *Entertainment Tonight* in Studio City, CA, records consisting of case reports, maps, letters, Form 2692s, and witness statements pertaining to an individual who went missing on June 30, 2005, and was said to be found in 2010. These records were released in full.

#### **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- On **September 19**, Acting Secretary Rand Beers, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale, and Department of Defense leadership will announce a new one-year pilot program for combat-injured special operations forces and other DOD wounded warriors. This program, called “HERO (Human Exploitation Rescue Operative) Child Rescue Corps” or HERO Corps, will be announced at the ICE Cyber Crimes Center. Open press.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to enhance E-Verify’s Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to “lock” social security numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is expected to launch its redesigned website. The USCIS website will retain the look and feel of uscis.gov while migrating to a new content management system called DRUPAL, which will allow quicker and easier content management while providing enhanced customer service.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates launching its Customer Identify Verification tool, which will use US-VISIT’s Secondary Inspections Tool to verify the identity of customers appearing for an interview at local USCIS field offices.
- In **September**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **September**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 State Preparedness Report (SPR) tool to 56 states and territories. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities. The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 requires an SPR for any state/territory receiving federal preparedness assistance administered by the Department of Homeland Security. The SPR methodology allows states and territories to measure current capabilities relevant to the capability targets they have established based upon their unique threat/hazard profile.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **September 16 to 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Seized Computer Evidence Recovery Specialist program for federal, state, and local law enforcement in Glynco, GA, which provides students with the fundamental forensic techniques. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on cyber threats impacting critical infrastructure and government networks to law enforcement and intelligence officials from across government at the Cyber Information Sharing and Collaboration Program Advanced Threat and Technical Exchange in Falls Church, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate as well as the Management Directorate will discuss cybersecurity outreach and awareness at the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education Workshop in Gaithersburg, MD. Open press.
- From **September 17 to 19**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Basic Incident Response to Digital Evidence in Alliance, OH, which provides students with the training necessary to serve as a first responder charged with the identification, preservation, collection and transportation of digital evidence. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications will discuss cyber threats to critical infrastructure, at the American Institute of Engineers' Cyber Security & Critical Infrastructure Protection Symposium in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, Director of the Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team Marty Edwards will deliver remarks on public-private sector coordination in cybersecurity issues to cybersecurity professionals from the energy sector at the Oil and Gas iQ's Cyber Security for Oil and Gas event in Houston, TX. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, the Science & Technology Directorate will meet with international partners including the United Kingdom, European Union, Sweden, Australia, Netherlands, Germany, and Canada in Washington, DC, to follow up on existing engagements and discuss opportunities for deeper engagement in cybersecurity co-fund projects. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, Director of the United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team Ann Barron-DiCamillo will deliver remarks on the DHS EINSTEIN program at the Cyber Security for Critical Infrastructure Protection event sponsored by the Technology Training and the Cyber Security Forum Initiative to consist of government and industry cybersecurity professionals in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, representatives from the DHS Integrated Task Force will discuss the implementation of Executive Order 13636 and Presidential Policy Directive 21 with private sector stakeholders to the Patton Boggs Homeland Security Practice Group via webinar. DHS established the Integrated Task Force, which is made up of representatives from across all levels of government, to accomplish the integrated implementation of these two directives. Open press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- From **September 16 to 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will naturalize more than 18,000 new citizens during more than 180 naturalization ceremonies across the country in honor of Constitution Day and Citizenship Day. Secretary of Labor Thomas E. Perez will welcome new citizens during a naturalization ceremony at Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento, CA on September 17 and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack will speak at a naturalization ceremony at the U.S. District Court in Pittsburgh on September 20.

- On **September 17**, Acting Secretary of Homeland Security Rand Beers and White House Cabinet Secretary Danielle Gray will deliver remarks, and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will administer the *Oath of Allegiance* to 25 citizenship candidates at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History in Washington, DC. Open press.
- From **September 17 to 19**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Kansas City and St. Louis, MO to share information about the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration services through individual case assistance and formal recommendations. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will participate in a White House Common-sense Immigration Reform roundtable in Kansas City, MO with community leaders from across Missouri hosted by the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **September 7**, 478,041 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 23.1 million queries have been run through the system.

## II. Department/Agency Priorities

### *Expected Stories*

- On **September 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Assistant Director Jim Dinkins will tape an interview for a video produced by Thorn (formerly the Demi and Ashton Organization), to discuss HSI's role as a global leader in online child sexual exploitation cases. Others being interviewed for the video include Demi Moore, Ashton Kutcher, and representatives from Google, Facebook, NCMEC, the White House and Department of Justice. The video will be used in presentations and available on Thorn's website.
- On **September 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection New York Field Office Director Robert E. Perez and Port Director Adele Fasano will host a foreign press tour of the Port of New York/Newark. Representatives from select Chinese, Japanese, Russian and German media outlets have been invited to participate. Select press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **September 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to announce the Citizenship and Integration grant awards totaling about \$9,884,125 to approximately 40 community-based organizations nationwide. The Citizenship and Integration Grant program is designed to promote immigrant civic integration and prepare permanent residents for citizenship.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **September 12 to 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Hong Kong Acting Attaché Eben Roberts and Assistant Attaché Wally Tsui will present keynote speeches at the "2013 Forum on Combating Human Trafficking, Strengthening Partnership & Improving Victim Services" conference in New Taipei City, Taiwan. The hosts anticipate approximately 90 participants, including representatives from various Taiwan NGOs, law enforcement officials, prosecutors and judges. Press is TBD.
- From **September 14 to October 4**, Acting Secretary Beers, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole, and other TSA representatives will participate in the International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly in Montreal, Canada. Topics will include aviation security policy, risk-based security, and aviation security implementation support. Closed press.
- On **September 16**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will discuss initiatives such as risk-based security, TSA Cares, and the Passenger Support Specialist program with civil rights representatives at the Federal Aviation Administration's National Civil Rights Training Conference for Airports in Arlington, VA, which provides information to airport authority personnel responsible for ensuring airport accessibility for individuals with disabilities. Closed press.

- On **September 16 to 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James A. Dinkins will deliver the opening keynote address on the necessity of international partnerships in combatting child exploitation at the International Centre for Missing and Exploited Children in Alexandria, VA. Closed press.
- From **September 16 to 18**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss trends in emergency medical services systems at the National Association of State Emergency Medical Service Officials annual meeting and tradeshow in Nashville, TN. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will participate in a Labor-Management Forum with National Treasury Employees Union representatives in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss lessons learned during Hurricane Sandy at the New York University roundtable event entitled, "After Superstorm Sandy: Lessons Learned for Bolstering Energy Resilience" in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Director of the Office of Biometric Identity Management Ken Gantt will deliver remarks on the transition of US-VISIT with representatives from government, industry and academia at the Biometrics Consortium and Conference in Tampa, FL. Open press.
- From **September 17 to 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak will travel to Hong Kong and meet with the Hong Kong Customs' Intellectual Property Investigation Bureau. Closed press.
- From **September 17 to 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of State, Local and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will represent ICE at the National Native American Law Enforcement Association National Training Conference in Las Vegas, NV. Closed press.
- From **September 17 to 19**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss biometric technologies for defense, homeland security, identity management, border crossing, and electronic commerce with experts in biometric technologies, system and application developers, IT business strategists, and government and commercial officers at the Biometric Consortium Conference in Tampa, FL. Open press.
- From **September 17 to 19**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will provide training and perform outreach and recruitment activities to tribal leaders at the National Native American Law Enforcement Association Conference in Las Vegas, NV. Closed press.
- From **September 17 to 20**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will deliver Tactical Medicine Training at the National Native American Law Enforcement Association National Training Event in Las Vegas, NV. This training provides law enforcement officers/operators with the most current information, knowledge, and skills necessary to prevent the loss of their life or the life of another while in a combat or tactical environment. FLETC will also deliver the Leadership Through Understanding Human Behavior Training Program, which is intended to provide law enforcement leaders with a training vehicle that can help them develop more effective workgroups and teams. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Acting Field Office Director David Marin will provide an ERO 101 briefing and tour of the James A. Musick Facility to representatives from the National Center on Immigrant Integration Policy (NCIIP). The NCIIP is conducting a study of children with detained and deported parents. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, the Transportation Security Administration's Transportation Security Operations Center will host a group of representatives from the new BNSF Railway Security Team along with members of the Association of American Railroads for a tour and briefing at the Freedom Center in Herndon, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Office Douglas A. Smith will travel to Newark, NJ to participate in a roundtable discussion on infrastructure, cyber and global supply chain resilience with private sector leaders. Closed press.



- On **September 19**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will host the TSA Coalition Conference at Washington Reagan National Airport with leaders from national disability and religious organizations to discuss advances in security screening and issues of concern to coalition members and their constituencies. Topics will include TSA workforce, language access, and risk-based security. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the Roundtable Discussion on Community Preparedness in Washington, D.C. He will speak on opportunities for nongovernmental/community-based organizations to foster collaboration with each other, and to strengthen the community preparedness network. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs Dr. Kathy Brinsfield will deliver remarks to the National Governors Association's Center for Best Practices about DHS collaboration with other federal agencies to coordinate public health preparedness efforts before, during and after an event.
- On **September 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas will open a national stakeholder engagement on the Unauthorized Practice of Immigration Law (UPIL). Representatives from the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice will speak about capacity building, fraud reporting and prevention, and enforcement actions that have occurred since the launch of the USCIS UPIL Initiative in 2011. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino and FEMA Director for the Office of External Affairs Joshua Batkin will visit Target headquarters in Minneapolis, MN to build upon the important relationship that FEMA has developed with Target since 2010. Target has played an important role in supporting private sector engagement at FEMA and was the first company to provide an employee to serve a 90-day rotation as FEMA's Private Sector Representative. Closed press.
- From **September 23 to 27**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Office Douglas A. Smith will travel to Brussels and Berlin to attend meetings with ICE's intellectual property rights enforcement contingent in Europe. He will also attend the Global Risk Forum's annual meeting in Berlin.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **September 17**, Acting Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate Suzanne Spaulding will have her confirmation hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.
- On **September 17 or 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on her nomination to be NPPD Under Secretary. Open press.
- On **September 18**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate is scheduled to testify before the Senate Banking Committee Subcommittee on Economic Policy about the National Flood Insurance Program. Open press.
- On **September 18**, FEMA Associate Administrator for the Office of Response and Recovery Joseph L. Nimmich will testify before the House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management about FEMA recovery efforts in Hurricane Sandy impacted states, the tornadoes that impacted Moore, OK, and Sandy Recovery Improvement Act implementation. Open press.
- On **September 19**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Timothy Manning will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications about the Nation's State of Preparedness, specifically looking at Presidential Policy Directive/PPD-8 and the National Preparedness Report. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, Under Secretary for Management Rafael Borrás will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency about DHS acquisition practices. Open press.

### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 16**, Representatives Raúl Grijalva, Beto O'Rourke, and Filemon Vela will tour the Bridge of the Americas in El Paso, Texas. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski is tentatively scheduled to accompany Representative Devin Nunes, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Trade, on a tour of the National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center in Arlington, Virginia. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director John Sandweg will meet with Representative Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Enforcement and Removal Operations Assistant Field Office Director Washington Paul Capicchioni will participate in the 2013 U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Washington District Congressional Conference. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Cybersecurity Strategist and Counsel Tom Finan will brief Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Majority staff on cybersecurity insurance. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak will provide staff of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce with a briefing on counterfeit and adulterated pharmaceutical investigations. Closed press.
- On **September 20**, FEMA Associate Administrator for the Office of Response and Recovery Joseph L. Nimmich, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration Administrator David Miller, and other principals will provide their Quarterly Congressional Briefing for FEMA's Authorizing and Appropriations staff about the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act, secure data sharing, Sandy Recovery Office insights to include National Disaster Recovery Framework and Sandy Rebuilding Task Force efforts, and Biggert-Waters implementation update. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **September 12 and 13**, Acting Secretary Beers and Attorney General Holder will travel to Rome, Italy to participate in the Justice and Interior Minister G6. Secretary Beers will also have bilateral meetings with UK Home Secretary May, Polish Interior Minister Sienkiewicz, Spanish Minister Diaz and Italian Minister Maroni.
- On **September 16**, Acting Secretary Beers will attend a farewell reception in honor of Israeli Ambassador Michael Oren hosted at the State Department.
- On **September 17**, Acting Secretary Beers will deliver remarks and administer the oath of allegiance at a naturalization ceremony at the Smithsonian Museum of American History as part of National Citizenship Week. Open press.
- On **September 19 and 20**, Acting Secretary Beers will travel to Mexico City, Mexico with Vice President Biden to participate in the High Level Economic Dialogue.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified over \$364 million in cost avoidances by leveraging the purchasing power of the entire Department to acquire commonly used software licenses (such as Microsoft, Adobe, and Oracle, among others) for DHS-wide usage.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **September 10**, President Obama has signed 328 major disaster declarations and 63 emergency declarations and obligated over \$27.4 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

## V. Legal

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the performance of the BioWatch program, the Boston Marathon bombings, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **August 22**, **Shawn Musgrave**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency a copy of the National Shelter System database.
- On **August 23**, **Ted Hesson**, with *Fusion* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services a copy of the Alien File for a named individual.
- On **August 28**, **Eileen Sullivan**, with the *Associated Press*, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the Threshold Targeting Program.
- On **August 28**, **Sarah Cortes**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to subpoenas and electronic orders of preservation received by FOIA from CBP from 2008 through 2013 pertaining to the Tor Project, or named individuals involved with the Tor Project.
- On **August 29**, **Jesse Franzblau**, with *The National Security Archive* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the U.S. Border Field Intelligence Center, in El Paso, Texas, from 2010 through the present, including its functions and its coordination with Mexican officials through its Bilateral Interdiction Working Group.
- On **September 3**, **Jesse Franzblau**, with *The National Security Archive* in Washington, DC, requested from the Office of Biometric Identity Management records pertaining to the Automated Biometric Identification System.
- On **September 3**, **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) records of correspondence between Senator Mitch McConnell and FLETC pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.
- On **September 3**, **Lindsey Miller**, with the *Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to any investigations into the following companies: (1) Pillowtex; (2) Hagggar Corporation or Hagggar Company; (3) Dollar General; (4) Reebok; and (5) Sara Lcc.
- On **September 3**, **Ginger Thompson**, with *The New York Times*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of all e-mails between former ICE Director John Morton, former ICE Assistant Deputy Director Beth Gibson, former ICE Secure Communities Executive Director David Venturella, and various employees at the Department of Homeland Security and the White House from January 2009, through January 2013.
- On **September 3**, **Katherine Tennis**, with the *American University School of International Service* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of all agreements between ICE and its predecessor organizations with foreign governments pertaining to Enforcement and Removal Operations.
- On **September 3**, **Matt Dixon**, with the *Florida Times-Union* in Jacksonville, FL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: (1) records of communications between ICE and the City of Jacksonville or the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office; (2) records pertaining to Jacksonville's 287(g) program; and (3) records of communications between ICE and the House or Senate Judiciary Committees pertaining to the 287(g) program.
- On **September 3**, **Jake Tapper**, with *Cable News Network (CNN)*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General a copy of all reports pertaining to the investigation into the U.S. Secret Service conduct in Cartagena and/or specifically the Report of Investigation that was transmitted to Secretary Napolitano on September 26, 2012.

- On **September 4**, **Sharita Gruberg**, with the **Center for American Progress** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General records pertaining to complaints and/or investigations involving U.S Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) made by lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender detainees in ICE facilities, from fiscal year 2008 through the present.
- On **September 4**, **Leticia Espinosa**, with **Hoy Newspaper** in Chicago, IL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to I-9 audits in the State of Illinois.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 29**, the Department of Homeland Security issued to **Carl Messineo**, with the **Partnership for Civil Justice Fund** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to “warrantless mass or dragnet surveillance programs that operate by impact and effect to collect information and data on United States persons.”
- On **August 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **William Selway**, with **Bloomberg News** in Washington, DC, spreadsheets of information containing a list of detention facilities used by ICE and a list of the average daily populations by facility. These records were released in full.
- On **August 30**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General issued to **Tarah Heinzen**, with the **Environmental Integrity Project** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records pertaining to the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) concentrated animal feeding operation reporting rule (CAFO Reporting Rule), proposed on October 21, 2011, under section 308 of the Clean Water Act, and the subsequent withdrawal of the CAFO Reporting Rule, announced by EPA on July 20, 2012.
- On **September 3**, the Department of Homeland Security, Science and Technology Directorate released to **Spencer Hsu**, with **The Washington Post**, records consisting of e-mails, briefings, and memoranda pertaining to projects related to Robert Greenberg of G&H International. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **September 4**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, records consisting of logs of correspondence for Congressman Darrell Issa pertaining to his January 2011 inquiry into the administration of the FOIA. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **September 4**, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Daniel Gilbert**, with **The Wall Street Journal**, records consisting of letters to companies that sought letters of determination from the USCG that certain positions are exempt from 33 CFR 141.15. These records were released in full.
- On **September 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to **Frank Konkell**, with **Federal Computer Week** in Vienna, VA, a full denial in response to his request seeking a copy of OIG reports completed in the past six months pertaining to the former DHS Chief Information Officer Richard Spires. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(C).

#### **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is expected to launch its redesigned website. The USCIS website will retain the look and feel of uscis.gov while migrating to a new content management system called DRUPAL, which will allow quicker and easier content management while providing enhanced customer service.
- In **September**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 State Preparedness Report (SPR) tool to 56 states and territories. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities. The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 requires an SPR for any state/territory receiving federal preparedness assistance administered by the Department of Homeland Security. The SPR methodology allows states and territories to measure current capabilities relevant to the capability targets they have established based upon their unique threat/hazard profile.
- In **September**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Mexico Customs expects to begin implementing complementary cargo pre-inspection programs. These pilot programs will allow compliant cargo to bypass

traditional inspections at the ports of entry and facilitate the rapid flow of legitimate trade between both countries.

- In **September**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish in the Federal Register redesign plans for the CBP Form 5106. CBP will use this annual review process to propose the collection of additional information through a revision of the form. The proposed 5106 form changes will allow CBP to screen for shell companies and conduct better risk assessment for targeting of shipments.
- In **September**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing CBP's plan to expand on the Simplified Entry Test. This data will fulfill merchandise entry requirements and will allow for earlier release decisions and more certainty for the importer in determining the logistics of cargo delivery. This capability will eliminate paper processing, expedite processing and save money for government and the trade community.
- In late **September**, DHS expects to announce a Resilience STAR™ pilot project in a community prone to hurricanes. The pilot will test whether a DHS-backed Resilience STAR™ designation can be used to speed the market acceptance of building homes to construction standards designed to withstand the effect of natural disasters in disaster prone or high risk areas.
- On **September 26**, DHS expects to issue the Directive on Nondiscrimination for Individuals with Disabilities, which establishes DHS policy and implementation mechanisms for ensuring nondiscrimination for individuals with disabilities served by DHS.
- On **September 30**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS EEO Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- In **October**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to enhance E-Verify's Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to "lock" social security numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity.
- In **October**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects to public the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the PREA and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA).
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to launch dedicated customer contact center and online support for USCIS ELIS customers. Individuals who file through USCIS ELIS will be able to fill out an online form or submit an email directly to a dedicated team of representatives for customer support and assistance. Responses to customers will be provided via email or through call-back.
- In **October**, DHS expects to implement a Global Entry Pilot with Saudi Arabia and Israel allowing expedited clearance for pre-approved, low-risk travelers upon arrival in the U.S.
- On **October 10**, DHS expects to provide the President with a successor to the National Infrastructure Protection Plan to address the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive-21 and alignment with the National Preparedness Goal and System required by Presidential Policy Directive-8.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **September 16 to 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Seized Computer & Evidence Recovery Specialist program in Glynco, GA, which provides law enforcement officers from various federal, state and local law enforcement agencies with the fundamental forensic techniques for the analysis of electronic data stored on Microsoft Windows based computer systems and select external media. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will discuss cybersecurity and information sharing with representatives from the public and private sector at the Billington Cybersecurity Summit in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on securing critical infrastructure at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Cyber Security Summit in Washington, D.C. Open press.

#### *Immigration/Border Security*

- From **September 16 to 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will naturalize more than 18,000 new citizens during more than 180 naturalization ceremonies across the country in honor of Constitution Day and Citizenship Day. Secretary of Labor Thomas E. Perez will welcome new citizens during a naturalization ceremony at Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento, CA on September 17 and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack will speak at a naturalization ceremony at the U.S. District Court in Pittsburgh on September 20.
- On **September 24**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will participate in a stakeholder engagement session with immigration legal service providers in Washington D.C. to share information about the Ombudsman's Office and discuss opportunities to improve the delivery of immigration benefits and services. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **September 14**, 479,506 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2013, over 23.7 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Preventing Gun Violence*

- From **September 23 to 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Active Shooter Threat Instructor Training Program in Glynco, GA, which is designed to qualify law enforcement officers from various federal and state law enforcement agencies to serve as in-service instructors for the Active Shooter Threat Training Program. Closed press.
- On **September 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Survival Shooting In-Service program in Glynco, GA designed to develop survival/reaction shooting skills of law enforcement officers. Closed press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **September 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Miami will be featured in an episode of *Drugs, Inc.* on the National Geographic Channel (airs at 9:00 p.m. Eastern). *Drugs, Inc.* examines various aspects of the illegal drug trade; this episode, entitled "Miami Vices," will focus on enforcement efforts in Miami, FL.



### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- Beginning on **September 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected provide a one-week public preview of its redesigned website and gather feedback before fully launching the redesigned website in October.
- On **September 26**, the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties expects to issue the Directive on Nondiscrimination for Individuals with Disabilities, which establishes DIIS policy and implementation mechanisms for ensuring nondiscrimination for individuals with disabilities served by DHS.
- From **September 28 to October 19**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will launch Managed Inclusion operations at Raleigh-Durham International Airport, Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, and Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. Managed inclusion is a real-time threat assessment of passengers at select airports that enables TSA to modify standard security lanes to identify travelers for expedited screening. Closed press.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **September 16 to 22**, representatives from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will participate in an instructor exchange program with the German Ministry of Infrastructure and Sports, Law Enforcement to observe and share tasks, responsibilities, and technical equipment used in the training of law enforcement personnel for marine/waterborne operations in furtherance of a Memorandum of Understanding between the FLETC and the Rheinland-Pfalz Police. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center Director Connie Patrick will discuss collaborative partnerships in a keynote address during the opening ceremony at the National Native American Law Enforcement Association National Training Event in Las Vegas, NV. Closed press.
- From **September 17 to October 4**, the U.S. Secret Service will coordinate all law enforcement and public safety while providing protection to between 100 and 150 heads of state at the United Nations General Assembly in New York, NY.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will deliver a keynote speech at the 2013 National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America Government Affairs Conference in Washington, D.C. His remarks will address CBP's trade transformation initiatives, cargo security, and global trade trends. Closed press.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Singapore Customs Deputy Director-General Lim Teck Leong as part of negotiations on a mutual assistance agreement and to discuss opportunities for future collaboration. Closed press.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with members of the Los Angeles Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders Association in Washington, D.C., to discuss CBP's trade transformation initiatives. Closed press.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of the Principal Legal Advisor Associate Legal Advisor Becky Brown will meet in Washington, D.C. with representatives from the government of Singapore to continue negotiating a Customs Mutual Assistance Agreement. Closed press.
- From **September 23 to 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Bangkok will provide Trafficking in Persons and Fraudulent Travel Document training in Nong Kai, Thailand. The training will be provided by IISI Bangkok personnel to 45 Royal Thai Police, Immigrations and Customs officials. Closed press.
- From **September 23 to 24**, the Science and Technology Directorate's Center of Excellence Center for Visualization and Data Analytics co-led by Rutgers University will co-sponsor a workshop in Piscataway, NJ on Urban Planning for Climate Events to investigate sustainable human environments through urban planning for climate events such as storms, heat events, and floods. Closed press.
- On **September 23 to 25**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement will meet with a delegation from Singapore Customs to continue negotiations on a

Customs Mutual Assistance Agreement and to discuss opportunities for future collaboration. Closed press.

- From **September 23 to 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Senior Counselor for International Policy Peter Vincent will deliver keynote remarks on combating corruption and illicit trade across the Asia-Pacific Region and participate at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Pathfinder Conference in Bangkok, Thailand. Closed press.
- From **September 23 to 25**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will lead prototype testing and demonstrations of the Finding Individuals for Disaster and Emergency Response (FINDER) technology in partnership with NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Virginia Task Force 1, and the FEMA Urban Search and Rescue Task Force in Lorton, VA. The latest prototype, which incorporates technological improvements previously recommended by emergency responders, will be demonstrated in simulated post-disaster search and rescue scenarios. The project is aimed at developing a tool for detecting the heartbeat of survivors buried in up to 30 feet of rubble. Open press on the morning of September 25 only.
- From **September 23 to 26**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will oversee the installation of the Small Dark Aircraft detection system at the northern border with the assistance of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) in Spokane, WA. The prototype system, which uses acoustic and radar detection, will be used during a nine-month test and evaluation period by CBP at the northern border as an anti-smuggling measure to detect, track and interdict aircraft involved in the smuggling of contraband, WMD and people across the border. Closed press.
- From **September 23 to 27**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration Office of Civil Rights & Liberties, Ombudsman and Traveler Engagement Branch will discuss countering violent extremism activities at the ASIS International Seminar and Exhibits in Chicago, IL. Closed Press.
- From **September 23 to 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner, Office of Information and Technology Charles Armstrong will travel to Mexico City, Mexico, for Cross Border Secure Communications Network Bi-National Working Group Meetings.
- From **September 23 to 27**, Assistant Secretary Douglas A. Smith will travel to Brussels and Berlin to attend meetings with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's intellectual property rights enforcement contingent in Europe and meet with travel and tourism stakeholders to discuss expansions to our trusted traveler programs. He will also attend the Berlin Global Risk Forum on how to examine corporate market disruptors; and strategic, fiduciary, and regulatory imperatives to address them.
- On **September 23-28**, representatives from the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will discuss community engagement approaches to countering violent extremism with government and NGO representatives in Frankfurt, Dusseldorf and Berlin, Germany in coordination with the U.S. State Department. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will address members of the Potomac Officers Club in McLean, VA, as part of the group's Executive Dinner Series. His remarks will center on identifying threats and CBP's border security efforts, including interagency coordination, to address them. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate via teleconference in the Chicago Regional Transit Security Working Group Meeting with stakeholders such as Chicago Transit Authority, Chicago Police Department, and Metra. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss activities undertaken by the Small Business Innovation Research Program at the Minority Serving Institutions—Community of Partners Council National Training Conference at the National Institute of Standards and Technology in Gaithersburg, MD. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate's National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center will host a site visit by representatives of the United Kingdom's Defence Science and Technology Laboratory at Fort Detrick, MD who are seeking best practices to inform their construction of a Biosafety Level-4 laboratory. Closed press.

- On **September 24**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak at the Individual and Community Preparedness Awards Ceremony at the White House, where he will recognize individuals and communities who have made an exemplary contribution to their community's preparedness. Open press.
- From **September 24 to 26**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss technical operations of vital Domain Name System resources and policies for how the names and numbers of the Internet should run at a meeting of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers in Los Angeles, CA, which is a non-profit organization that maintains the operational stability of the Internet by coordinating the global system of identifiers that connect addresses to unique network locations. Closed press.
- On **September 25**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection will participate in the Airports Council International – North America Conference panel via video conference and discuss technology strategy, development, deployment, industry coordination as well as the way TSA leverages technology to advance Risk-Based Security. Closed press.
- On **September 25**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will host a FEMA Think Tank event in Oak Ridge, TN that will focus on Innovation in the White Space: Cutting Edge Emergency Management Applications. Open press.
- On **September 26**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration at Palm Beach International Airport will conduct a "Screening Experience for Travelers with Disabilities" event in conjunction with JetBlue Airlines, which will allow approximately 60 autistic children and 30 helpers to enjoy a day at the airport and become familiar with the screening checkpoint. Open press.
- On **September 26**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will speak at the Boston Emergency Managers Summit sponsored by Emergency Management Events on the value of public-private partnerships in developing products and solutions that support emergency management capabilities and services with leaders in emergency management, public safety, and homeland security in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **September 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will deliver opening remarks at the Automated Commercial Environment Trade Support Network meeting in Washington, D.C. His remarks will focus on ongoing efforts related to CBP's trade facilitation mission. Closed press.
- On **September 26**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks at the Tennessee Emergency Management Forum in Oak Ridge, TN. He will speak about Innovation in Emergency Management Partnerships. Open press.
- On **September 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to host the third in a series of Chinese language public engagements at the Tomich Center in Washington, D.C. The event will be live streamed. Open press.
- From **September 26 to 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Bangkok will provide Trafficking in Persons and Fraudulent Travel Document training in Vientiane, Laos. The training will be provided by HSI Bangkok personnel to 45 Laos Police, Immigrations and Customs officials. Closed press.
- From **September 26 to 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of State, Local and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will provide opening remarks at the Southwestern Border Sheriffs Coalition/Texas Border Sheriff's Coalition annual meeting in San Diego, CA. Closed press.
- From **September 26 to 27**, the Science and Technology Directorate's Center for Visualization and Data Analytics Center of Excellence at Purdue University will host discussions in West Lafayette, IN on activities and challenges related to visual analytics, data, and homeland security with stakeholders from the public and private sector. Closed press.
- From **September 26 to 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Senior Counselor for International Policy Peter S. Vincent, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Office of International Affairs Assistant Director John Connolly, and HSI Beijing Attaché James Nagle will attend the Joint

Liaison Group, Anti-Corruption Working Group hosted by the People's Republic of China. During this event, Attaché Nagel will attend the Asia-Euro-Economic Forum on anti-corruption, participate in round table discussions with provincial leaders and provide case briefings related to ongoing HSI Investigations. Closed press.

- From **September 26 to 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Senior Counselor for International Policy, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Office of International Affairs Assistant Director John Connolly, HSI Hong Kong Acting Attaché Eben Roberts, and Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) Assistant Director Tim Moniyhan will participate in a multi-departmental Sino-United States Joint Liaison Group Anti-Corruption Working Group in Xian, China and again in Beijing, China. The working group will address anti-corruption efforts with Chinese government officials and cooperation on combating transnational corruption crimes. Closed press.
- On **September 27**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss risk-based security initiatives and TSA PreCheck with members of the American Bar Association Air & Space Law Forum in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **September 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss recent emergency management exercises in the energy sector at the Joint Electricity Executive Committee and Government Executives Meeting in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 27**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks about “Developing an Adaptive Homeland Security Environment” at the Center for Homeland Defense Security’s Education Summit in Boston, MA. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **September 23**, Senior Counselor to the Secretary Alice Hill and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James Dinkins will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs about combating human trafficking at the federal, state, and local level. Open press.
- On **September 26**, Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner as well as witnesses from Immigration and Customs Enforcement as well as the DHS Office of Policy will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing entitled “Fulfilling A Key 9/11 Commission Recommendation: Implementing Biometric Exit”. Open press. [Note: This hearing was rescheduled from September 10.]
- On **October 2**, FEMA National Continuity Programs Assistant Administrator Damon Penn will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management about FEMA Reauthorization and ensuring the Nation is prepared. Open press.
- On **October 9**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance about implementation of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012. Open press.
- On **October 10**, RDML Joseph Servidio, Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, will testify before the House Transportation & Infrastructure - Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about the Coast Guard’s Environmental Regulations Program. Open press.
- On **October 24**, representatives from Transportation Security Administration (TSA witnesses TBD) will testify before the Subcommittees on Transportation Security and Oversight and Management Efficiency about TSA’s Screening of Passengers by Observation Techniques Program.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 20**, Senator Inhofe is scheduled to visit the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT.
- On **September 23**, Representative Steve Scalise will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations at the New Orleans Air and Marine Branch in Hammond, LA. Closed press.

- On **September 24**, Representative Mario Diaz-Balart will tour U.S. Border Patrol operations in the Rio Grande Valley region of Texas. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Administration and Office of International Trade will brief staff from the offices of Senators Mary Landrieu and David Vitter and Representative Charles Boustany regarding the collection of antidumping and countervailing duties for crawfish, garlic, honey and mushrooms. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director John Sandweg will meet with staff from the offices of Senator Harry Reid, Senator Charles Schumer, Senator Richard Durbin, Senator Robert Menendez, and Senator Patrick Leahy. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director John Sandweg will meet with staff from the U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Unit Chief National Gang Unit Deborah Parker, and Program Manager Jason Shatarsky, will brief the staff of Representative Randy Forbes on transnational gangs. Closed Press.
- On **September 25**, Representative Tim Walberg will tour U.S. Border Patrol operations in and around Detroit, MI. Closed press.
- On **Wednesday, September 25**, a representative from U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the office of Senator Mazie Hirono on the process to select cities for the Section 560 reimbursable fee agreement pilot program. Section 560 of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2013 allows the Commissioner of CBP to enter into certain public-private partnerships to provide new or enhanced services on a reimbursable basis in any of CBP's non-foreign operational environments and provides that CBP may enter into up to five such partnerships by December 31, 2013. Closed press.
- On **September 25**, staff from the Office of Health Affairs (OHA) will provide staff from the House Committee on Homeland Security with an overview of the OHA Chemical Defense Program. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **September 19 and 20**, Acting Secretary Beers will travel to McAllen, TX to inspect border security operations, meet with U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement employees in the region, and receive a briefing on the Administration's efforts in securing the nation's border and combating narcotics and weapons smuggling, while facilitating lawful travel and trade. He will then travel to Mexico City, Mexico to meet with Interior Secretary Osorio Chong, Finance Secretary Videgaray Caso and participate in the High Level Economic Dialogue with Vice President Biden.
- On **September 23**, Acting Secretary Beers will meet with Acting Principal Deputy Coordinator for the Bureau of Counterterrorism at the U.S. Department of State Anne Witkowsky to discuss counterterrorism capacity-building. The Acting Secretary will also attend a meeting hosted by Michael Daniel, the Cybersecurity Coordinator for the White House, to discuss the cyber campus.
- On **September 26 and 27**, Acting Secretary Beers will travel to Montreal, Canada to participate in the 38th Session of the International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly.
- On **October 3**, Acting Secretary Beers will testify in front of the Senate Homeland Security Committee on homeland security threats. The Acting Secretary will also attend the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Awards Presentation (open press).

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of \$6.9 million to date by utilizing a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for

multi-functional devices and reducing expenditures on printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **September 17**, President Obama has signed 329 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$27.5 billion in assistance for individuals, local and state governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### **V. Legal**

##### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the performance of the BioWatch program, the Boston Marathon bombings, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **August 7**, **Arthur Hirsch**, with *The Baltimore Sun* in Baltimore, MD, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to the catamaran accident on August 5, 2013.
- On **August 26**, **Brenda Bell**, with the *Austin American-Statesman* in Austin, TX, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to Texas applicants who applied for vacant seats on the National Advisory Council.
- On **September 3**, **Ginger Thompson**, with *The New York Times*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano, former DHS Chief of Staff Noah Kroloff, and various employees at DHS and the White House from January 2009, through January 2013, pertaining to the following: (1) detention; (2) workplace raids; (3) fugitive operations; (4) 287(g); (5) the Criminal Alien Program; (6) deferred action; (7) comprehensive immigration reform; and (8) the Dream movement.
- On **September 3**, **Kathy Power**, with **Fennemore Craig, P.C.** in Phoenix, AZ, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the DHS June 15, 2012 Deferred Action for Child Arrivals Memorandum.
- On **September 3**, **Eric Martin**, with *TradeWinds* in Oslo, Norway, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to port-state control inspections and detentions each month from January 1, 2011, through August 31, 2013.
- On **September 4**, **Jamie Schell**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of the following individual and several named companies: (1) State Senator James Rubens from January 1994, through January 1999; (2) James Rubens, chairman of the Granite State Coalition Against Gambling, from January 2005, through June 2013; and (3) James Rubens, a consultant for the Union of Concerned Scientists, from January 2005, through April 2013.
- On **September 5**, **Matthew Schaub**, with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of communications between DHS and the CMB Regional Centers LLC and/or any of its representatives, including former Congressman Robert Schilling.
- On **September 6**, **Elizabeth Henneke**, with the **University of Southern California Gould School of Law** in Los Angeles, CA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: (1) records of communications between ICE and the Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) pertaining to country conditions similar to those mentioned in the 2012 EOIR report titled *Mexico: Mistreatment Faced by Homosexual and Transgender Individuals and the Government's Efforts to Protect Their Rights*; and (2) records pertaining to background documentation for that report.



- On **September 6, Justin McCarthy**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, D.C., requested from U.S. Secret Service records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or any other services to President Obama and any companions on their August 2013 trip to Martha's Vineyard and return trip to Washington, D.C.
- On **September 9, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection case-by-case data on apprehensions and dispositions for July 2013, and August 2013.
- On **September 9, Bob Ortega**, with the *Arizona Republic* in Phoenix, AZ, requested from the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) a listing of closed OIG investigations from October 2011, through August 31, 2013; (2) the findings and reports of 21 named death investigations; (3) the findings and reports of all closed investigations involving U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) from January 1, 2009, through August 31, 2013; and (4) a copy of other FOIA requests received by CBP about these incidents.
- On **September 9, Michael Morisy**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court from January 1, 2001, through the present.
- On **September 9, Scott MacFarlane**, with *NBC 4* in Washington, D.C., requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of all "PREMIUM CLASS TRAVEL" reports filed by DHS in fiscal years 2008 through 2012.
- On **September 10, Jamie Corey**, with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the following individual and companies: (1) Stewart C. Mills III; (2) Mills Gas Mart; (3) Mills Fleet Farm; (4) Fleet Farm Properties; (5) Mills Automotive Group; (6) Mills Auto Center; (7) Mills Resolute Bank; and (8) Mills Parts Center.
- On **September 10, Jason Smathers**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to the Bullhead City River Regatta in Bullhead City, AZ.
- On **September 11, Rory Campbell**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Daniel S. Sullivan in the following positions: (1) Alaska Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources from December 2010, through the present; (2) Alaska Attorney General from June 2009, through December 2010; and (3) U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs from May 2006, through January 2009.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 5**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center released to **Megan Wilson**, with *The Hill* in Washington, DC, records consisting of correspondence for Congressman Frank Wolf. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 5**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Randy Tyler**, with the **American Civil Liberties of Washington** in Washington, DC, records consisting of threat assessments and photographs pertaining to reports regarding the Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program and activities in the State of Washington in 2007 and 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 1, 3, 6, and 7(E).
- On **September 5**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Alexander Abdo**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in New York, NY, records consisting of e-mails, memoranda, and other records pertaining to proposed changes to the unclassified "Memorandum of Agreement between the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence on Guidelines for Access, Retention, Use and Dissemination by the National Counterterrorism Center of Terrorism Information Contained with Datasets Identified as Including Non-Terrorism Information and Information Pertaining Exclusively to Domestic Terrorism." Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **September 5**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Anne Weismann**, with **Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington** in Washington, DC, records consisting of congressional

correspondence logs for the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Peter King; (2) Representative Bennie Thompson; (3) Senator Joseph Lieberman; and (4) Senator Susan Collins. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.

- On **September 5**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, with **Cox TV** in Washington, DC, records containing information pertaining to political appointees (non-career Senior Executive Service, Schedule C and presidential appointees) at DHS who began work on or after January 20, 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 5**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, records pertaining to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) FOIA backlog, including matters referred to in ICE's news release dated June 21, 2013, titled "TOP STORY: ICE FOIA office working hard." Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 9**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Matthew Sledge**, with the **Huffington Post**, records consisting of e-mail correspondence and DHS training materials pertaining to protecting privacy for intelligence professionals. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **September 9**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Brad Heath**, with **USA Today** in McLean, VA, and **Scott MacFarlane**, with **Cox TV** in Washington, DC, records consisting of performance evaluations and performance reviews for employees in the Office of Legislative Affairs and Office of Public Affairs. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 10**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Vriti Jain**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, records consisting of correspondence pertaining to Congressman William Cassidy. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 10**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General released to **Sharita Gruberg**, with the **Center for American Progress**, records consisting of a narrative listing of complaints and investigations pertaining to complaints made by gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender detainees alleging abuse by corrections officers and other detainees in U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and contracted ICE detention facilities, from fiscal years 2008 through 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **September 11**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Katie Drapcho**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, records consisting of a log of correspondence to DHS from Iowa State Senator Joni Ernst from January 1, 2005, through July 15, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 11**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Jerry Zremski**, with **The Buffalo News** in Washington, DC, records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the Peace Bridge in Buffalo, NY. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **September 11**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Jason Miller**, with **Federal News Radio**, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to Richard Spires, the former DHS Chief Information Officer, from January 1, 2013, through May 8, 2013.
- On **September 11**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Andrew Wyner**, with the **Project On Government Oversight** in Washington, DC, records consisting of the Statement of Work for FEMA Contract HSFEHQ10A1598. These records were released in full.
- On **September 11**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency issued to **Matthew Sledge**, with the **Huffington Post** in New York, NY, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to training for fusion center reports officers or intelligence officers created after October 2008.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **September**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Mexico Customs expect to begin implementing complementary cargo pre-inspection programs. These pilot programs will allow compliant cargo to bypass traditional inspections at the ports of entry and facilitate the rapid flow of legitimate trade between both countries.

- In **September**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish in the Federal Register redesign plans for the CBP Form 5106. CBP will use this annual review process to propose the collection of additional information through a revision of the form. The proposed 5106 form changes will allow CBP to screen for shell companies and conduct better risk assessment for targeting of shipments.
- In **September**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing CBP's plan to expand on the Simplified Entry Test. This data will fulfill merchandise entry requirements and will allow for earlier release decisions and more certainty for the importer in determining the logistics of cargo delivery. This capability will eliminate paper processing, expedite processing and save money for government and the trade community.
- In late **September**, DHS expects to announce a Resilience STAR™ pilot project in a community prone to hurricanes. The pilot will test whether a DHS-backed Resilience STAR™ designation can be used to speed the market acceptance of building homes to construction standards designed to withstand the effect of natural disasters in disaster-prone or high risk areas.
- On **September 30**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS EEO Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- In **October**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is expected to launch its redesigned website. The USCIS website will retain the look and feel of uscis.gov while migrating to a new content management system called DRUPAL, which will allow quicker and easier content management while providing enhanced customer service.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to enhance E-Verify's Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to "lock" social security numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity.
- In **October**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects to publish the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the PREA and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA).
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to launch dedicated customer contact center and online support for USCIS ELIS customers. Individuals who file through USCIS ELIS will be able to fill out an online form or submit an email directly to a dedicated team of representatives for customer support and assistance. Responses to customers will be provided via email or through call-back.
- In **October**, DHS expects to implement a Global Entry Pilot with Saudi Arabia and Israel allowing expedited clearance for pre-approved, low-risk travelers upon arrival in the U.S.
- On **October 10**, DHS expects to provide the President with a successor to the National Infrastructure Protection Plan to address the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive-21 and alignment with the National Preparedness Goal and System required by Presidential Policy Directive-8.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **September 30**, the Iraqi Special Immigrant Visa Program is scheduled to expire. Individuals applying must adjust status before October 1. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services has posted an alert regarding this on its public website and will provide additional public notice once a decision has been made on whether or not Congress will extend the program.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **September 30**, U.S. Customs and Border protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with representatives from the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, including President and CEO Jerry Sanders, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to discuss CBP operations in the area and ongoing trade initiatives. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will address members of Leadership California in Washington, D.C., as part of the group's "LC Goes to D.C." event. His remarks will center on the relationship between the economic and national security aspects of CBP's trade facilitation and border security missions at the ports of entry. Leadership California is an organization dedicated to advancing the leadership role that California women play in impacting business, social issues and public policy. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with the Senate Finance Committee's Senior Trade Counsel to discuss pending FY 2014 proposals that would increase user fee collections. Closed press.
- On **October 1 to 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will travel to Brussels, Belgium. On October 1, he will meet with representatives from Airlines for America and the Association of European Airlines to discuss security and passenger facilitation initiatives. On October 2, he will meet with personnel at the U.S. Embassy prior to meeting with Belgian Interior Minister Joëlle Milquet to sign a letter of intent regarding mutual recognition of trusted traveler programs. He will then deliver a keynote speech at the 2013 Customs Immigration Border Management Executive Forum. Closed press.
- From **October 2 to 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will attend the 15<sup>th</sup> International Congress of the Columbian Federation of International Trade Logistics Agents (FITAC) in Bogotá, Colombia. He will participate in a panel discussion on "Progress and Challenges in Customs Modernization" alongside World Customs Organization Deputy Secretary-General Sergio Mujica, the Directors General of the Customs Services of Colombia and Uruguay, and the Secretary-General of the National Customs Service of Chile. While in Bogotá, he will also meet with personnel at the U.S. Embassy, meet with Colombian Customs Director-General Juan Ricardo Ortega, and lead a business roundtable discussion with stakeholders. Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos Calderón is also scheduled to appear at the FITAC event. Closed press.
- From **October 3 to 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will travel to Paris, France to meet with personnel at the U.S. Embassy; with representatives from the French government and Air France regarding mutual recognition of trusted traveler programs; and with the French National Police regarding information-sharing. Lastly, he will conduct a site visit of Immigration Advisory Program operations at Paris-Charles de Gaulle Airport. Closed press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- Throughout **October**, the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual National Cyber Security Awareness Month, DHS will urge every American to help improve the nation's cyber resilience and take actionable steps to keep themselves, their identities, and their information safe online through public engagements with stakeholders from the public and private sector as well as the general public.

- On **October 1**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan will discuss recent activities in cybersecurity at Carnegie Mellon University's CyLab Partners Conference in Pittsburg, PA. Carnegie Mellon's CyLab is one of the largest university-based cybersecurity research and education centers in the United States. Closed press.
- On **October 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will discuss the importance of cybersecurity for government, businesses, and individuals at the launch of National Cybersecurity Awareness Month at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston in Boston, MA with state and local officials. Open press.
- On **October 1**, representatives from the US Secret Service will discuss cybercrime and data breach activity as well as actions the payment card industry should employ to combat cybercrime with representatives from Visa in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **October 1 to 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Cyber Crimes Center Deputy Assistant Director Ian Quinn and Unit Chief Patrick Redling will attend the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children's (NCMEC) roundtable event with key stakeholders to facilitate communication between NCMEC, Electronic Service Providers and law enforcement agencies. The following companies have been invited to participate: AOL, Facebook, GoDaddy, Google, MeetMe, Microsoft, Omegle, Photobucket, Pinterest, Tagged, Tumblr, Twitter and Yahoo! Closed press
- On **October 2**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will discuss implementation of the Executive Order on Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity at the McAfee Security Conference in Las Vegas, NV with government and private sector cybersecurity professionals. Closed press (though the event will be webcast).
- On **October 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Cybersecurity Strategist and Counsel Tom Finan will discuss cybersecurity insurance with insurance company representatives at the American Insurance Association Cybersecurity Symposium in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will discuss global challenges in cybersecurity at the Fulbright Association Conference in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- From **October 2 to 3**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will lead a user evaluation of the Virtual Training project with members of the Sacramento, CA, police, fire, and EMS departments. The Virtual Training project uses commercial gaming technology to provide a multiplayer, online environment for training first responders across agencies, disciplines, and jurisdictions. Open press.
- On **October 3 to 4**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host a Sandy Hook lessons learned meeting in Washington, DC with the State of Connecticut to prepare a risk assessment tool that meets the needs of the educational system while developing guidance that helps the architectural community to design and build safer schools and setting threshold requirements that all schools should meet to ensure a safe environment for students and teachers. Closed press.

## **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

### *Expected Stories*

- Beginning **September 24**, *Univision* will broadcast live from the southern border and air a series of stories, one of which includes the U.S. Border Patrol's horse patrol operations in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas and another regarding bi-national cooperation at the Boquillas border crossing.
- On **October 4**, Getty Images photographer John Moore will tour and take photographs at the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement contract detention facility in Adelanto, CA. Getty Images provides photographs to news organizations across the country when requested and will use these new images to replace older photographs.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **October 1**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to begin transitioning exit lane access control responsibilities to airport owners and operators, consistent with the Airport Security Program Amendment. Closed press.
- On **October 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will fully launch its redesigned website. The redesigned USCIS website has a new look and feel and employs a new content management system called DRUPAL, which will allow quicker and easier content management while providing enhanced customer service.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **September 29 through October 3**, the Science & Technology Directorate will present the Stand-off Detection of Explosives and Suicide Bombers (STANDEX) program in Paris, France with representatives from NATO. STANDEX is a NATO-Russia joint effort to develop technologies and an integrated software package to identify suspected explosives threats on people and in carried items in a metro setting.
- From **September 30 to October 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Kabul and Department of State Anti-Terrorism Assistance (ATA) will co-sponsor a weapons handling and familiarization course at Camp Watan, Kabul, Afghanistan, for the Afghan Transnational Criminal Investigations Unit (TCIU). The course will familiarize TCIU officers with the nomenclature and basic marksmanship principles involved with shooting and handling the Beretta 9mm and AK47 weapons systems. Closed press.
- From **September 30 to October 4**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a Law Enforcement Instructor Development Course at the International Law Enforcement Academy in San Salvador designed to introduce students to advanced instructional techniques and processes for the effective development, design, delivery and administration of law enforcement training programs. Countries participating in the training include Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Panama. Closed press.
- During the week of **September 30**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino is tentatively scheduled to travel to Colorado to review federal support to the State of Colorado and meet with disaster survivors. Press TBD.
- On **October 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Hong Kong Assistant Attaché Kendrick Yeung will present on investigative techniques used in child exploitation cases at the 2013 International Workshop on Strategies for Combatting Human Trafficking, hosted by Taiwan's National Immigration Agency in Taipei, Taiwan. This directly resulted in an increased traction with Taiwan's Criminal Investigation Bureau, as well as the joint investigation of a US citizen for production of child pornography. Approximately 100 law enforcement, prosecutors, and NGO representatives are expected to attend the workshop. Closed press.
- On **October 1**, Science and Technology Directorate Acting Under Secretary Dan Gerstein will discuss the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility and the Center of Excellence for Emerging and Zoonotic Animal Diseases at Kansas State University with representatives from Kansas State University in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 2**, US Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will discuss the Blue Campaign with representatives from Tahirih Justice Center's Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center in Washington, DC. The Pro Bono Legal Center provides legal training to pro-bono attorneys through a referral service for victims of human trafficking to protect immigrant women and girls from gender-based violence through legal services, advocacy, and public education programs. Closed press.
- From **October 2 to 9**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Dan Gerstein will discuss opportunities for collaboration on rapid diagnostics, first responder technologies, disaster resilience, cybersecurity, foreign animal diseases, and explosives with representatives from the United Kingdom at a bilateral meeting on homeland security technologies in London, UK. Closed press.



- From **October 3 to 4**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will co-chair the Cross Border Crime Forum in Ottawa, Canada, along with counterparts from U.S. Department of Justice, Public Safety Canada, and Justice Canada.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **October 1**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security about the implementation of an Entry-Exit system. Open press.
- On **October 2**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will discuss ongoing efforts to develop Nuclear Detection and National Technical Nuclear Forensics capabilities with Chairman McCaul of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **October 2**, FEMA National Continuity Programs Assistant Administrator Damon Penn will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management about FEMA Reauthorization and ensuring the Nation is prepared. Open press.
- On **October 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Houston Special Agent in Charge, Brian Moskowitz will testify during a hearing before the House Committee on Homeland Security in Houston, Texas titled: *Modern Day Slavery: Combating Human Trafficking in our Major Cities*. A survivor of human trafficking and representatives from local law enforcement and non-governmental organizations will also testify. Open press.
- On **October 9**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance about implementation of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012. Open press.
- On **October 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Security Investigations Assistant Director John Woods will testify before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security about B1 and B2 visas and the border crossing card. Open press.
- On **October 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Assistant Director, National Security Investigations Division John Woods will testify before the National Security Subcommittee of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform during a hearing to examine the federal government's efforts to secure the border. Topics that will be discussed include Border Crossing Cards and B1/B2 visas. Open press.
- On **October 10**, RDML Joseph Servidio, Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, will testify before the House Transportation & Infrastructure - Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about the Coast Guard's Environmental Regulations Program. Open press.
- On **October 10**, Chief Financial Officer Peggy Sherry and Acting Chief Privacy Officer Jonathan Cantor will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency about DHS management practices. Open press.
- On **October 24**, representatives from Transportation Security Administration (TSA witnesses TBD) will testify before the Subcommittees on Transportation Security and Oversight and Management Efficiency about TSA's Screening of Passengers by Observation Techniques Program.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with the Senate Finance Committee's Senior Trade Counsel to discuss pending FY 2014 proposals that would increase user fee collections. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director John Sandweg will meet with staff members from the office of Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director John Sandweg will meet with Representative Judy Chu. Closed press.

- On **October 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director John Sandweg will meet with Representative Ron Barber. Closed press.
- On **October 2**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will provide Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee staff with a pipeline security overview. Closed press.
- On **October 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will provide House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee staff with an overview of CBP Field Operations' presence, operations, and authorities at the air, land, and sea ports of entry. Closed press.
- On **October 4**, Federal Protective Service Assistant Director for Field Operations Patrick Moses will brief Congressman Marc Veasey on operations in Fort Worth, TX. Closed press.
- On **October 4**, the Privacy Office in conjunction with U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Common Vetting Task Force, Office of the Chief Information Officer, and Office of Intelligence & Analysis will provide an unclassified briefing to Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff on DHS Data Framework, specifically the tests for Common Entity Index Prototype, Cerberus, and Neptune.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **October 3**, Acting Secretary Beers will testify in front of the Senate Homeland Security Committee on homeland security threats. The Acting Secretary will also attend the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Awards Presentation (open press).
- On **October 22**, Acting Secretary Beers will meet with Polish Interior State Secretary Piotr Stachanczyk to discuss U.S. border management practices while Poland and other EU member states consider EU smart borders proposals.
- On **October 30**, Acting Secretary Beers will attend the Enduring Security Framework Executive Steering Group reception. Closed press.
- On **October 31**, Acting Secretary Beers is tentatively scheduled to deliver remarks at the Institute for the Analysis of Global Security Target Energy 2013, a conference focused on enhancing the security of energy supplies from kinetic and cybersecurity attacks. Open press.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$22 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to streamline and eliminate duplication in their mission-support processes.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **September 24**, President Obama has signed 329 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations, and this Administration has obligated over \$27.7 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### V. Legal

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the performance of the BioWatch program, the Boston Marathon bombings, the Department's role in Operation Fast and Furious, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **September 9**, **Heather Akers-Healy**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to the Transit Security Grant for the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit System.

- On **September 11**, **David Mitchell**, with *The Advocate* in Baton Rouge, LA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to the barge crash involving the vessel RICKY LEBOUF on September 17, 2012.
- On **September 11**, **David Hench**, with the *Portland Press Herald* in Portland, ME, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to the collision on September 7, 2013, at the Portland Harbor.
- On **September 12**, the National Security Agency referred to the U.S. Coast Guard records responsive to requests from **Hank Tester**, with *WTVJ* in Miami, FL, and **Peter Schey**, with the **Center for Human Rights and Constitutional Law** in Los Angeles, CA, seeking records pertaining to the incident in which two U.S.-registered private civil aircraft were destroyed by Cuban military aircraft on February 24, 1996.
- On **September 12**, **Jacqueline Stevens**, with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, IL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to budgeting and contractual allocations for individual private contractors and employees for Detainee Volunteer Wages.
- On **September 12**, **Bob Ortega**, with the *Arizona Republic* in Phoenix, AZ, requested from the Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), and DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties the following records: (1) records pertaining to CBP's use of force policy and electronic control device programs; and (2) a copy of other FOIA requests received seeking information about use of force policy and electronic control device programs and the dispositions of the requests.
- On **September 12**, **Perla Trevizo**, with the *Arizona Daily Star* in Tucson, AZ, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection case-by-case apprehension data for which the method of arrest is "other agency" in the Tucson and Yuma sectors from fiscal year 2010 through the present.
- On **September 13**, **James Edwards**, with *WGBH Radio 89.7* in Boston, MA, requested from the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) a list of all people taken into custody by the USSS in relation to the Boston Marathon bombing investigation from April 15, 2013, through April 20, 2013.
- On **September 13**, **Meghann Myers**, with the *Navy Times* in Springfield, VA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to a December 2012 investigation regarding the sexual assault of a civilian on September 15, 2012.
- On **September 17**, **Beth Werlin**, with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) detention records for individuals detained in the Rio Grande Valley sector for February 2013, and March 2013; and (2) records pertaining to policy and procedures for the transfer of individuals from one CBP station to another.
- On **September 17**, **Abbie Swanson**, with *Harvest Public Media* in Columbia, MO, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to seizures and investigations for Tyson poultry plants in Noel and Monett, MO.
- On **September 17**, **Katie Drapcho**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) correspondence to DHS from Iowa State Senator Joni Ernst for work flow code ESLIAISON2 FEMA.
- On **September 17**, **Courtney Mabeus**, with *The Frederick News-Post* in Frederick, MD, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to lost and stolen property from FEMA's Distribution Center in Frederick, MD from January 2012, through the present.
- On **September 18**, **Paul Ingram**, with the *Tucson Sentinel* in Tucson, AZ, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) records in the Use of Force Reporting System and e3 Assault Module pertaining to "rocking" incidents on the United States/Mexico border from fiscal years 2010 through 2013; (2) a copy of the Use of Force Policy Division's (UFPD) field audit team reports completed in the Tucson sector; (3) a copy of CBP's Use of Force Policy Handbook; (4) a copy of the Use of Force Continuum; and (5) a copy of the Office of Training and Development's report pertaining to the consistency of use of force training across CBP from fiscal years 2012 through 2013.

#### FOIA Releases

- On **September 12**, the Department of Homeland Security issued to **Tarah Heinzen**, with the **Environmental Integrity Project** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records pertaining to the Environmental Protection Agency's concentrated animal feeding

operation reporting rule (CAFO Reporting Rule), proposed on October 21, 2011, under section 308 of the Clean Water Act, and the subsequent withdrawal of the CAPO Reporting Rule, announced by EPA on July 20, 2012.

- On **September 12**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Mary Ann Bragg**, with the *Cape Cod Times* in Provincetown, MA, records consisting of case reports, charts, radio logs, form 2692s, photographs, and statements pertaining to the grounding of the vessel PROVINCETOWN III on August 25, 2012, in the Boston Harbor. These records were released in full.
- On **September 13**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Jason Smathers**, with *MuckRock News* in Boston, MA, records consisting of Secretary Janet Napolitano's calendar for April 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **September 13**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, NY, records pertaining to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) FOIA backlog, including matters referred to in ICE's news release dated June 21, 2013, titled "TOP STORY: ICE FOIA office working hard." Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **September 13**, the Department of Homeland Security issued to **Sharyl Attkisson**, with *CBS News* in Leesburg, VA, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records pertaining to her and/or her news reporting from 2010 through the present.
- On **September 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Rory Campbell**, with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of Daniel S. Sullivan in the following positions: (1) Alaska Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources from December 2010, through the present; (2) Alaska Attorney General from June 2009, through December 2010; and (3) U.S Assistant Secretary of State for Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs from May 2006, through January 2009.
- On **September 13**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency released to **Joe Ryan**, with *Newsday* in Melville, NY, records containing the number of lawsuits filed against the National Flood Insurance Program. These records were released in full.
- On **September 16**, the Department of Homeland Security issued to **Sean Dunagan**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the alleged mishandling of law enforcement sensitive records obtained from the Texas Department of Public Safety's Homeland Security State and Local Intelligence Community of Interest Database by a named individual.
- On **September 16**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Scott MacFarlane**, with *Cox TV* in Washington, DC, records consisting of e-mail correspondence and memoranda pertaining to several members of Congress. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 16**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Emily Willard**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to the February 27, 2012 meeting between Secretary Janet Napolitano and Mexican representatives in Mexico City. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(A), 7(B), 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 16**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Amy Bennett**, with **OpenTheGovernment.org** in Washington, DC, records consisting of position descriptions for the recently created FOIA related job series, Government Information Series, 0306. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Tovin Lapan**, with the *Las Vegas Sun* in Henderson, NV, records consisting of contracts for immigration detention facilities in the State of Nevada. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **September 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Scriven King**, a freelance reporter in Boston, MA, records pertaining to ICE's procurement and use of Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicles. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).

- On **September 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement issued to **Daniel Halem**, with the **Office of the Commissioner of Major League Baseball** in New York, NY, a response neither confirming nor denying the existence of records pertaining to performance enhancing drugs that “Dr. Anthony Galea or Mary Ann Catalano provided to Major League Baseball players, including Alex Rodriguez.”
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Daniela Hernandez**, with **Wired.Com** in San Francisco, CA, records pertaining to how DHS uses social media in applications for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Scott MacFarlane**, with **Cox TV** in Washington, DC, correspondence logs for the following members of Congress: (1) Representative John Lewis; (2) Representative Paul Broun; (3) Representative George Miller; (4) Senator Johnny Isakson; and (5) Senator Richard Burr. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Alexander Abdo**, with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in New York, NY, records consisting of a management directive pertaining to how DHS implements Executive Order 12333. These records were released in full.
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security issued to **Josh Margolin**, with **ABC News** in New York, NY, a full denial in response to his request seeking a copy of after action reports for the Boston Marathon bombing on April 15, 2013. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Charlie Speight**, an individual in Glen Burnie, MD, records consisting of correspondence pertaining to the DHS acquisition of firearms and ammunition. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater MD, records consisting of correspondence to and from Senator Mark Pryor. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 17**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center issued to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, MD, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence between FLETC and Senator Mitch McConnell pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.
- On **September 17**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency released to **Sarah Mervosh**, with **The Dallas Morning News** in Dallas, TX, records consisting of a non-identifying list of grant applications for residents of West, TX who received monetary assistance from April 17, 2013, through August 19, 2013, for the fertilizer plant explosion. These records were released in full.
- On **September 17**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Jason Smathers**, with **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, records consisting of permits, charts, and checklists pertaining to the Bullhead City River Regatta in Bullhead City, AZ. These records were released in full.
- On **September 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Katie Cribbs**, with **WINK-TV** in Fort Myers, FL, records from the Alien File for the late “Jay” Jaroslav Vanko. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jacqueline Stevens**, with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, IL, records from the Alien File of a named individual. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jacqueline Stevens**, with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, IL, records from the Alien-File of a named individual. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2, and FOIA Exemptions 7(C) and 7(E).
- On **September 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jacqueline Stevens**, with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, IL, records from the Alien File of a named individual. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemptions d5 and k2, and FOIA Exemptions 5, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **September 18**, the U.S. Coast Guard released to **Fiona Hudson**, with *News Australia* in Southbank, Victoria, Australia, records consisting of case reports, form 2692s, and e-mails pertaining to deaths on board the vessel CARNIVAL SPIRIT since January 2008. These records were released in full.
- On **September 18**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Matthew Kownacki**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, records consisting of an agenda, calendar of events, and other records pertaining to Secretary Janet Napolitano's meeting on February 7, 2013, on immigration with President Obama, other Cabinet members, and advisors in the Roosevelt Room of the White House. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **September 18**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Stephen Braun**, with the *Associated Press*, records consisting of congressional correspondence pertaining to a complaint filed concerning the use, sharing, retention, improper collection, over-collection, and/or dissemination of telephone and/or internet data or other information. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 18**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Joshua Israel**, with **ThinkProgress Center for American Progress Action Fund** in Washington, DC, records consisting of correspondence to DHS from several members of Congress. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 18**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Rich Wilkinson**, with **Watkins Meegan LLC** in Tysons Corner, VA, records consisting of interagency agreements and memoranda of understanding between DHS and the Defense Contract Audit Agency. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.

#### VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- On **October 10**, DHS expects to provide the President with a successor to the National Infrastructure Protection Plan to address the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive-21 and alignment with the National Preparedness Goal and System required by Presidential Policy Directive-8.
- By **October 30**, FEMA expects to release Continuity Guidance Circular 2, which provides guidance and a methodology to help non-Federal Governments and government jurisdictions identify their essential functions through the use of Business Process Analysis and Business Impact Analysis.
- By **October 30**, FEMA expects to release the Continuity Assistant Tool Continuity Assistance for Non-Federal Governments, which provides guidance and assistance for States, Territories, Tribes, Local Government Jurisdictions, and private sector organizations to identify continuity program strengths and areas for improvement.
- In **October**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **October**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate expects to announce the selection of the FY2014 RRAP projects, which are cooperative, non-regulatory assessments of infrastructure assets, systems, and capabilities within a defined geographic region to identify and address critical dependencies, interdependencies, cascading effects, vulnerabilities, and other protection gaps for State, local, tribal, territorial, and private sector partners.
- In **October**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing CBP's plan to expand on the Simplified Entry Test. This data will fulfill merchandise entry requirements and will allow for earlier release decisions and more certainty for the importer in determining the logistics of cargo delivery. This capability will eliminate paper processing, expedite processing and save money for government and the trade community.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to enhance E-Verify's Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to "lock" social security numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity.
- In **October**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects to amend the regulations at 8 CFR part 293 addressing the payment of interest on cash bond deposits to reflect a recent determination made by the Department of the Treasury to change the interest rate. The proposed rule would change the interest rate



paid on cash deposited to secure immigration bonds from a fixed rate of 3 percent per annum to a fluctuating “T-Bill rate.”

- In **October**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to conduct a field assessment of the Conventional Fixed Station Interface, which is a low-cost, after-market solution that enables different systems to communicate with each other so that the consoles agencies use to dispatch emergency personnel can communicate regardless of manufacturer.
- In **October**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish an interim final rule setting forth eligibility requirements, application procedures and fees, and benefits relevant to participation in the U.S. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Business Travel Card Program.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Somalia.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to add Form I-90 to USCIS ELIS (Electronic Immigration System). This will allow customers to file Form I-90 electronically and enhance customer service.
- In **October**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects to publish the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the PREA and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA).
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to launch dedicated customer contact center and online support for USCIS ELIS customers. Individuals who file through USCIS ELIS will be able to fill out an online form or submit an email directly to a dedicated team of representatives for customer support and assistance. Responses to customers will be provided via email or through call-back.
- In **October**, DHS expects to implement a Global Entry Pilot with Saudi Arabia and Israel allowing expedited clearance for pre-approved, low-risk travelers upon arrival in the U.S.
- In **November**, DHS expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **November**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **November**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to extend the Air Cargo Advance Screening (ACAS) pilot. On April 23, CBP published a Notice in the Federal Register extending ACAS pilot for six months. ACAS enables members of the air cargo industry to send and receive advance security filing data for their air cargo.
- In **November**, the US Secret Service expects to publish the first of three reports regarding attacks against government targets at all levels as well as significant public spaces. The report will address information about the execution of the attacks, the targets, and preliminary information on the subject. This will be followed by reports on cases targeting hard infrastructure, monuments, landmarks, and attractions.
- In **November**, DHS expects to launch the Beyond the Border: Phase 2 of the Truck Cargo Pre-Inspection Pilot in which officers will pre-inspect truck cargo in Ontario opposite the Peace Bridge and Buffalo, NY that is destined for the U.S. This pilot, which will run 12 months, is intended to test whether or not pre-inspection facilitates lawful trade across the shared border.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish a Federal Register Notice outlining the intent to begin collecting a fee for Form I-131A for non-citizens who lose their travel documents abroad.

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### I. Presidential Priorities

#### *Immigration*

- From **October 6 to December 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Mexico City will provide Mexican Customs Investigator Training to twenty-four Mexican Customs investigators under the Merida Initiative. The investigators will attend a ten-week course at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Charleston, SC. The U.S. Department of State is supporting and funding the training. This will be the third such training HSI provides to Mexican Customs, similar trainings were held in 2010 and 2011. Closed press. **Postponed in anticipation of a continued lapse in appropriations.**
- On **October 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will discuss trade transformation initiatives and mission priorities, cargo risk assessment, and the Beyond the Border Action Plan at the Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance Conference in Washington, D.C. Other speakers include Senators Lindsey Graham and Jon Tester, Congressmen Bill Owens and Kevin Cramer. Closed press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- **E-Verify Update:** Due to the lapse in appropriations, there will not be an E-Verify update.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **October 8**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss the nexus between physical and cyber security with executives and compliance/regulatory officials from utility companies at the EUCI and Troutman Sanders Cybersecurity for Utilities conference in Washington, DC. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 9**, representatives from the DHS Integrated Task Force will discuss the implementation of Executive Order 13636 and Presidential Policy Directive-21 with technology manufacturers and communications service providers at the Telecommunications Industry Association conference in Fort Washington, MD. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 9**, the Science & Technology Directorate will host a Transition to Practice event in Washington, DC focused on moving promising cybersecurity technologies that were developed in federal laboratories into the private sector for further development into commercially viable products with potential for widespread distribution in the marketplace. The demonstration is open to cybersecurity practitioners, technology investors, system integrators, and information technology companies to learn more about these technologies. Additionally, the demonstration will offer private one-on-one sessions to technology investors from private industry to discuss piloting opportunities and other areas of interest for further cybersecurity research. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 21**, Acting Secretary Beers will travel to New York, NY to ring the opening bell at NASDAQ and participate in a cybersecurity roundtable. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**

### II. Department/Agency Priorities

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **October 10**, DHS expects to provide the President with a successor to the National Infrastructure Protection Plan to address the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive-21 and alignment with the National Preparedness Goal and System required by Presidential Policy Directive-8. **Submission date pending a continuing lapse in appropriations.**
- On **October 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the Department of Defense will announce a new one-year pilot program for combat-injured special operations forces and other DOD wounded warriors. This program, called "HERO (Human Exploitation Rescue Operative) Child Rescue

Corps” or HERO Corps, will be announced at a location yet to be determined. The program will train, prepare, and embed approximately 19 wounded warriors as computer forensics interns in ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) offices around the country. The interns will assist HSI special agents in identifying victims of online child sexual exploitation so the predators can be arrested and prosecuted for possessing, distributing, and producing child pornography. Closed press.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **September 30 to October 4**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will offer the Radiological and Nuclear Detection Awareness Course for law enforcement at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Budapest, Hungary. **DHS participation in this training cancelled due to a continuing lapse in appropriations.**
- On **October 7**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations stationed in the UK will participate in the G8 United Kingdom Symposium on Transnational Child Sex Offenders to discuss specific threats posed to children including transient, embedded, and internet enabled offenders. Closed press.
- From **October 7 to 9**, representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will meet with United Kingdom's Home Office and representatives from the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and Ministry of Defence to discuss current and proposed cooperative activities in the areas of cyber research, biodefense, explosives detection, and agricultural defense. The U.S. delegation will conduct site visits at London Heathrow Airport, UK Ports of Entry, Pirbright Institute for Animal Health, and the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory. Closed press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- From **October 7 to 11**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a Law Enforcement Adjunct Instructor Training Program in Glynco, GA, which serves as the foundational instructor training program for personnel who occasionally conduct law enforcement training in partnership with full-time instructors. Closed press. **Training cancelled due to a continuing lapse in appropriations.**
- From **October 7 to 11**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a Law Enforcement Instructor Development Course at the International Law Enforcement Academy in San Salvador designed to introduce students to advanced instructional techniques and processes for the effective development, design, delivery, and administration of law enforcement training programs. Countries participating in the training include Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Panama. Closed press. **Training cancelled due to a continuing lapse in appropriations.**
- From **October 7 to 18**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) stationed in China will conduct a fraud document detection training to Public Security Bureau, Frontier Inspection Service (FIS) officers in Guangzhou, China. Instructors will provide four trainings to approximately 40 FIS officers to allow them to detect counterfeit and altered U.S. travel documents and their security features. This collaboration with Chinese law enforcement and airline personnel enables HSI to multiply resources while preventing the travel of suspicious passengers in the Guangdong province and other parts of China. Closed press.
- From **October 7 to 18**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a Crime Scene Investigation/Sex Crimes course at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Gaborone, Botswana designed to provide students with skills needed to perform effective investigations of sex crimes to include evidence collection and preservation, witness care, interviews, support, and forensic coordination/examination. Countries participating in the training include Botswana, Cameroon, Comoros, Djibouti, Gabon, and Republic of Congo. Closed press. **Training cancelled due to a continuing lapse in appropriations.**
- From **October 7 to November 18**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a Law Enforcement Executive Development course at the International Law Enforcement Academy in Gaborone, Botswana designed to provide students with modern and proven law enforcement executive level leadership skills. Students will include law enforcement supervisors from participating nations including

Botswana, Cameroon, Comoros, Djibouti, Gabon, and Republic of Congo. Closed press. **Training cancelled due to a continuing lapse in appropriations.**

- From **October 8 to 10**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will present the Galaxy Serpent,” which is a first-of-a-kind, web-based, virtual international table-top exercise focusing on the technical aspects of national nuclear forensics libraries, at the Nuclear Forensics International Technical Working Group meeting in St. Petersburg, Russia. Closed press. **Participation postponed in anticipation of a continued lapse in appropriations.**
- On **October 9 and 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp and Vice Admiral Currier will travel to New York City, NY for the Coast Guard Foundation’s 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Salute to the United States Coast Guard. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- From **October 10 to 11**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations in China will participate in round table discussions with provincial leaders and provide case briefings on cyber crime to the Intellectual Property Rights Working Group hosted by the People’s Republic of China in Beijing. Closed press.
- On **October 12**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak at the International Association of EMS Chiefs Leadership Summit in Washington D.C. about ‘EMS Collaboration – Success through partnerships.’ Closed press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **October 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Houston Special Agent in Charge, Brian Moskowitz will testify during a hearing before the House Committee on Homeland Security in Houston, Texas titled: *Modern Day Slavery: Combating Human Trafficking in our Major Cities*. A survivor of human trafficking and representatives from local law enforcement and non-governmental organizations will also testify. Open press.
- On **October 9**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance about implementation of the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012. Open press.
- On **October 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Security Investigations Assistant Director John Woods will testify before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security about B1 and B2 visas and the border crossing card. Open press. **Postponed in anticipation of a continued lapse in appropriations.**
- On **October 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will testify on cybersecurity work with state, tribal, territorial and local governments at a joint hearing before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Communications and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 10**, RDML Joseph Servidio, Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, will testify before the House Transportation & Infrastructure - Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about the Coast Guard’s Environmental Regulations Program. Open press.
- On **October 10**, Chief Financial Officer Peggy Sherry and Acting Chief Privacy Officer Jonathan Cantor will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency about DIIS management practices. Open press.
- On **October 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich and Director of the Federal Protective Service Eric Patterson will testify on security at federal facilities at a hearing before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency on Federal Facility Protection. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 22**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy David Heyman, FEMA Protection and National Preparedness Grant Program Directorate Assistant Administrator Brian Kamoic, and U.S.

Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs about port security. Open press.

- On **October 24**, representatives from Transportation Security Administration (TSA witnesses TBD) will testify before the Subcommittees on Transportation Security and Oversight and Management Efficiency about TSA's Screening of Passengers by Observation Techniques Program.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **October 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Enforcement and Removal Operations Deputy Executive Associate Director Timothy Robbins and Chief of Staff Thomas Giles will brief the majority staff of the House Committee on the Judiciary on A files or case files of certain detainees released in February 2013. Closed press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 8**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection are scheduled to brief staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the Joint Wireless Program Management Office and interoperable communications/the Tactical Communications Network program. Closed press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, in coordination with the office of Senator Charles Schumer, is scheduled to host a ribbon-cutting and media event to announce new Automated Passport Control kiosks at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, New York. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **October 4**, Acting Secretary Beers will attend a meet and greet with Wounded Warriors hosted by the Department of Defense.
- On **October 7**, Acting Secretary Beers will attend a reception in honor of the United Kingdom's National Crime Agency hosted by Ambassador Peter Westmacott.
- On **October 22**, Acting Secretary Beers will travel to Philadelphia, PA to speak at the International Association of Chiefs of Police National Conference. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 30**, Acting Secretary Beers will attend the Enduring Security Framework (ESF) Executive Steering Group reception. ESF is a forum for industry leaders at the chief executive level to engage with senior leaders of government agencies to discuss problems that impact national security and build a shared appreciation of how the confluence of technological, operational, and political factors may introduce risk to the private sector. Closed press.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the IT Inventory Management initiative and Component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of \$28.8 million to date.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- Due to the lapse in appropriations, there will be no FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance update.

### **V. Legal**

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- Due to the lapse in appropriations, there will be no Oversight and Investigations update.

#### *FOIA Requests*

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## FOIA Releases

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- On **September 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Michael Evans**, an analyst with **The National Security Archive** 18 pages of records pertaining to Secretary Janet Napolitano's meeting with Mexican Interior Secretary, Miguel Angel Osorio Chong, in Matamoros, Mexico, on July 23, 2013, to discuss immigration and border security. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).
- On **September 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, seven pages of records consisting of e-mails sent by or to Secretary Napolitano and her executive staff from April 1, 2013, through July 18, 2013, pertaining to her resignation from DHS. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
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## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

October 10, 2013

### I. Presidential Priorities

#### *Immigration*

- **E-Verify Update:** Due to the lapse in appropriations, there will not be an E-Verify update.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **October 17**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss risk-based security at the Securing the Skies: Aviation Security a Dozen Years After 9/11 Conference in Washington, DC. Open press. **This event was cancelled due to the continuing lapse in appropriation.**

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **October 21**, Acting Secretary Beers will travel to New York, NY to ring the opening bell at NASDAQ and participate in a cybersecurity roundtable. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**

### II. Department/Agency Priorities

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **October 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Enforcement and Removal Operations San Diego Field Office Director Gregory Archambeault will provide an interview and a tour of the Otay Mesa Detention Facility to *San Diego Union* reporter Elizabeth Aguilera and discuss general operations of the Otay Mesa Detention Facility. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**

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#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **October 13**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will deploy its Mobile Detection Deployment Unit, which contains radiation detectors and communications equipment for security support to special events or intelligence driven operations, at the Chicago Marathon in Chicago, IL. Closed press.
- On **October 16**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate and Deputy Administrator Rich Serino are scheduled to participate in a meeting with the FEMA National advisory Committee in Philadelphia, PA. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 16**, the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will participate in a VITAL ARCHER 14 exercise planning session designed to test US government capabilities and procedures for responding to a WMD event. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 16**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will discuss strengthening interagency coordination, communication, and cooperation at the Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee meeting in Los Angeles, CA. Closed press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- On **October 16 and 17**, Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Tamara Kessler will lead the DHS delegation at the Fourth Periodic Report on implementation of the International Covenant on Civil

and Political Rights to the UN Human Rights Committee in Geneva, Switzerland. Other DHS participants include representatives from Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**

- On **October 17**, Assistant Secretary for the International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Cartagena, Colombia to attend the INTERPOL General Assembly and lead the Executive Steering Committee as INTERPOL Vice President for the Americas.
- On **October 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and the Department of Defense will announce a new one-year pilot program for combat-injured special operations forces and other DOD wounded warriors. This program, called “HERO (Human Exploitation Rescue Operative) Child Rescue Corps” or HERO Corps, will be announced at a location yet to be determined. The program will train, prepare, and embed approximately 19 wounded warriors as computer forensics interns in ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) offices around the country. The interns will assist HSI special agents in identifying victims of online child sexual exploitation so the predators can be arrested and prosecuted for possessing, distributing, and producing child pornography. Closed press.
- On **October 18**, Acting Deputy Commissioner McAleenan will discuss trade transformation initiatives at the Pacific Coast Council of Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders Associations’ Western Cargo Conference in Rancho Mirage, CA. Open press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- From **October 18 to 19**, a representative from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will discuss ICE’s mission and partnership opportunities with law enforcement agencies at the Major City Chiefs Fall Meeting in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**
- From **October 19 to 21**, DHS representatives including U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director John Sandweg, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Winkowski, and Federal Law Enforcement Training Center instructors will meet with federal, state, and local law enforcement counterparts at the International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press. **Participation will be cancelled if lapse in appropriation continues.**

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### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **October 15**, Acting Secretary Beers will meet with French Secretary General for National Defense Francis Delon. Closed press.
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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

October 17, 2013

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

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- On **October 21**, Acting Secretary Beers will travel to New York, NY to ring the opening bell at NASDAQ and participate in a cybersecurity roundtable.
- On **October 23**, representatives from the U.S. Secret Service will provide cybersecurity and critical infrastructure security briefings to a delegation of the Australian Federal Police in Washington, DC. Closed press.
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### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) will attend a ribbon cutting ceremony for the ICE Portland co-location building that will be shared by ERO and HSI. Open press.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **October 22**, Science & Technology Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will offer remarks at the Phase II launch for the Center of Excellence for Awareness and Location of Explosives-Related Threats (ALERT) in Boston, MA. ALERT, led by Northeastern University, won the re-competition for the Explosives Research Center of Excellence. Open press.
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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

October 24, 2013

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **October 30**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will discuss the pro-bono legal response to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals with representatives from non-profit immigration service organizations including the American Immigration Lawyers Association and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network Inc. in Washington, DC. This conversation will focus on how the national collaborative effort of service providers and organizers can help DHS better understand and define lessons learned in the legal services roll out. Closed press.
- On **October 31**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will discuss the DHS Blue Campaign and other Department initiatives to combat against human trafficking with representatives from the Freedom Network, a national coalition of anti-human trafficking service organizations in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 31**, representatives from the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman's Office will discuss the work of the DHS Council to Combat Violence Against Women with representatives from organizations that support immigrant victims of domestic violence and sexual assault including Casa de Esperanza, the Washington State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the National Immigrant Justice Center, and ASISTA in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 19**, 483,521 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 761,000 queries have been run through the system. E-Verify was nonoperational during the federal government shutdown from October 1-16. There were no new queries during this period.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **October 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will meet with representatives from the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. to discuss I-94 automation, Global Entry, and admissibility review processing times. Closed press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **October 28 to 30**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss benefits of SAFETY Act programs with respect to acts of cyber terrorism at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement's training workshop in Washington, DC. The forum will address pressing IT issues for the government today including cyber terrorist threats. Open press.
- On **October 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks to senior cybersecurity professionals from the private sector on DIIS' work with partners to enhance cybersecurity for critical infrastructure at the Internet Security Alliance meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of Federal Network Resilience John Streufert will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Security Shift: What does Continuous Monitoring Mean for Reducing Enterprise Risk?" at the Chertoff Group Security Series in McLean, VA. Open press.
- On **October 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on cybersecurity and critical infrastructure resilience to senior emergency services professionals at the InterAgency Board semiannual meeting in Alexandria, VA. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on cybersecurity for the financial industry at a Bloomberg Government event entitled "Cybersecurity: Costs and Solutions" in Washington, DC. Open press.

- On **November 1**, Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will discuss cyber incident response in the National Capital Region with state and local senior government officials at the Senior Leaders Seminar in Washington, DC. Closed press.

## II. Department/Agency Priorities

### *Expected Stories*

- On **October 29**, as part of the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Sandy, the Weather Channel is scheduled to profile Coast Guard Station New York as a part of its "Wake Up With AI" morning show. The segment will focus on the damage to the station, how the crew continued to do their jobs, and what steps have been taken to be ready if a storm like Sandy should ever happen again.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **October 28**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks at the International Association of Emergency Managers Conference in Reno, NV about the response to Hurricane Sandy as well as lessons learned from the Boston Marathon Bombing response. Open press.
- On **October 28**, FEMA Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning and Assistant Administrator for the Grants Program Brian Kamoic will speak at the Big City Emergency Managers Fall Meeting in Washington, D.C. about FEMA's future strategy and other emergency management issues. Closed press.
- On **October 28**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will speak at the United and South Eastern Tribes Annual Meeting in Cherokee, NC regarding FEMA's interaction with Tribes, the forthcoming tribal consultation policy, and the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act Tribal Declarations Stafford Act implementation changes. Closed press.
- From **October 28 to 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Bangkok representatives will provide Wildlife Trafficking Investigations training in Bangkok, Thailand. HSI Bangkok, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, and the investigative non-governmental organization Freeland will provide training to 45 Royal Thai Police, Cambodian, and Laotian officials assigned to combat wildlife trafficking in Southeast Asia. The U.S. Department of State, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Section is supporting and funding the training. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate at the 2013 Southeast Regional Institute on Deafness Conference via video teleconference from FEMA Headquarters. Press TBD.
- From October 29 to 31, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will provide training, guidelines, and resources to students participating in the Law Enforcement First Responders Training Program in Glynnco, GA, designed for state and local law enforcement officers and law enforcement support personnel. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Training and Development Chris Hall is scheduled to meet with representatives from several non-governmental organizations to include the American Civil Liberties Union, the Southern Border Communities Coalition, the Woman's Refugee Commission, and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops regarding use of force training scenarios. Closed press.
- On **October 30 and 31**, the Transportation Security Administration will co-sponsor an International Pipeline Security Forum with Natural Resources Canada in Ottawa, Canada for representatives from government and industry. Closed press.
- On **October 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski is tentatively scheduled to meet with Yost Zakhary, incoming President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Closed press.
- From **October 31**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a visit by the delegation of the German Ministry of the Interior for Sports and Infrastructure for a briefing, tour, and training demonstrations in Charleston, SC. Closed press.
- On **November 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Hong Kong Acting Attaché Eben Roberts will present on HSI's efforts to combat counterfeit

medicines at the 4th Annual Global Drug Safety Day and Exhibition in Hong Kong. The Annual Global Drug Safety Day and Exhibition is being coordinated by the Practicing Pharmacists Association of Hong Kong and is geared toward health care professionals, patient advocacy groups, pharmaceutical companies, private citizens, and government officials. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **October 24**, representatives from Transportation Security Administration (witnesses TBD) will testify before the Subcommittees on Transportation Security and Oversight and Management Efficiency on the Screening of Passengers by Observation Technique Program. Open press.
- On **October 29**, RADM Fred Kenney, Coast Guard Judge Advocate General, will testify before the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation on the Coast Guard's Legislative Change Proposals. Open press.
- On **October 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity Communications Bobbie Stempfley will testify on DHS' cybersecurity and communications with State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial governments at a joint hearing before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Communications and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies. Open press.
- On **October 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich and Director of the Federal Protective Service Eric Patterson will testify on security at federal facilities at a hearing before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency on Federal Facility Protection. Open press.
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- To date, DHS has identified more than \$19 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Energy Efficiencies and Energy Management Efficiency Review initiatives as well Component-led efforts to reduce energy consumption, through such means as installing energy efficient lighting and implementing power-management settings on desktops and laptops.

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- In **October**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing CBP's plan to expand on the Simplified Entry Test. This data will fulfill merchandise entry requirements and will allow for earlier release decisions and more certainty for the importer in determining the logistics of cargo delivery. This capability will eliminate paper processing, expedite processing and save money for government and the trade community.
- In **October**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects to amend the regulations at 8 CFR part 293 addressing the payment of interest on cash bond deposits to reflect a recent determination made by the Department of the Treasury to change the interest rate. The proposed rule would change the interest rate paid on cash deposited to secure immigration bonds from a fixed rate of 3 percent per annum to a fluctuating "T-Bill rate."
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- In **October**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish an interim final rule setting forth eligibility requirements, application procedures and fees, and benefits relevant to participation in the U.S. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Business Travel Card Program.
- In **October**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects to publish the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the PREA and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA).
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to launch dedicated customer contact center and online support for USCIS ELIS customers. Individuals who file through USCIS ELIS will be able to fill out an online form or submit an email directly to a dedicated team of representatives for customer support and assistance. Responses to customers will be provided via email or through call-back.
- In **October**, DHS expects to implement a Global Entry Pilot with Saudi Arabia and Israel allowing expedited clearance for pre-approved, low-risk travelers upon arrival in the U.S.
- In late **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to launch its redesigned website. The redesigned USCIS website has a new look and feel and employs a new content management system called DRUPAL, which will allow quicker and easier content management while providing enhanced customer service.
- In late **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to overhaul the Change of Address webpages to clarify online steps and need to complete the online submission process in its entirety. This will reduce the number of individuals whose addresses are not updated at the case processing office or center and avoid mailing issues.
- In late **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Somalia.
- In late **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to enhance E-Verify's Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to "lock" Social Security Numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity.
- In late **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish an interim policy memorandum entitled 17-Month Extension of Post-Completion Optional Practical Training (OPT) for F-

1 Students Enrolled in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Degree Programs. This memo will clarify that F-1 students engaging in post-completion OPT are eligible for a 17-month STEM extension even if they have not yet completed the thesis requirement or equivalent for their STEM degree.

- In **November**, DHS expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **November**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **November**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to extend the Air Cargo Advance Screening (ACAS) pilot. On April 23, CBP published a Notice in the Federal Register extending ACAS pilot for six months. ACAS enables members of the air cargo industry to send and receive advance security filing data for their air cargo.
- In **November**, the US Secret Service expects to publish the first of three reports regarding attacks against government targets at all levels as well as significant public spaces. The report will address information about the execution of the attacks, the targets, and preliminary information on the subject. This will be followed by reports on cases targeting hard infrastructure, monuments, landmarks, and attractions.
- In **November**, DIIS expects to launch the Beyond the Border: Phase 2 of the Truck Cargo Pre-Inspection Pilot in which officers will pre-inspect truck cargo in Ontario opposite the Peace Bridge and Buffalo, NY that is destined for the U.S. This pilot, which will run 12 months, is intended to test whether or not pre-inspection facilitates lawful trade across the shared border.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish a Federal Register Notice outlining the intent to begin collecting a fee for Form I-131A for non-citizens who lose their travel documents abroad.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **November 7**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the Creative Artists Agency, an entertainment and sports agency representing professionals in film, television, and sports among other industries, in Los Angeles, CA to discuss the DHS Blue Campaign's efforts to combat human trafficking and opportunities to partner. Closed press.
- On **November 7**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the governing body of the County of Los Angeles, to discuss the DHS Blue Campaign's efforts to combat human trafficking and opportunities to partner. Closed press.
- On **November 8**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will participate in panel discussions at the National Legal Aid and Defenders Association Annual Conference in Los Angeles, CA to share information about the Blue Campaign, the Department's work to protect immigration victims of crime through the Council on Combatting Violence Against Women, and the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration services and benefits. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 26**, 486,002 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 1.7 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- From **November 4 to 6**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will discuss aviation security at International Air Transport Association Aviation Security meeting in Istanbul, Turkey. He will then travel to Berlin, Germany and Dublin, Ireland to meet with counterparts on aviation security issues. Closed press for Berlin and Dublin.
- On **November 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will deliver remarks on CBP's border, travel and trade security initiatives at a meeting of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's National Security Task Force in Washington, D.C. Other scheduled speakers include former DHS Secretary Tom Ridge, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp, DHS Acting Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate Suzanne Spaulding, and National Security Agency Director General Keith Alexander. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon and representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will discuss airport security at the American Association of Airport Executives Security Summit meeting in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director John Sandweg will meet with Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (ACBPS) Chief Executive Officer Michael Pezzullo to discuss exports, counter-proliferation, and future opportunities. Closed press.
- On **November 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will attend the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Northeast Cargo Symposium hosted by the Coalition of New England Companies for Trade (CONNECT) in Newton, MA. He will participate in a panel discussion on CBP's trade facilitation initiatives; he will also be presented with CONNECT's "Person of the Year" award. Open press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **November 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will discuss DHS' efforts and priorities related to critical infrastructure to public and private sector stakeholders at the Critical Infrastructure Protection Advisory Council in Washington, DC. Open press.

- On **November 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on critical infrastructure cybersecurity to industry representatives and trade association members at the National Security Task Force Fall Meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Communications and Cybersecurity Rosemary Wenchel will deliver remarks on the importance of cyber defense and ways industry can be part of the solution to public and private sector stakeholders at the Innovations Solutions Consortium Charity Reception and Concert in Falls Church, VA. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of Federal Network Resilience John Streufert will participate in a panel discussion entitled, “Understanding the Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation Program” at the SANS Institute in Washington, DC. Open press.
- From **November 6 to 7**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan will discuss technology development, transition, education, and awareness that are essential for developing a resilient power grid at the annual industry workshop on Trustworthy Cyber Infrastructure for the Power Grid at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in Champaign, IL. Closed press.
- On **November 8**, the Science & Technology Directorate will host two Transition to Practice events in Washington, DC (one for Congress and the other for industry) focused on moving promising cybersecurity technologies that were developed in federal laboratories into the private sector for further development into commercially viable products with potential for widespread distribution in the marketplace. During the events, cybersecurity professionals from government will learn about these new technologies through presentations, demonstrations, and discussions with the research teams that produced the technologies. Closed press.

#### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- From **November 4 to 6**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program to state and local officers in Charleston, SC, which is designed to qualify the student by instilling the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully handle an active threat event. Closed press.
- On **November 8**, US Secret Service will conduct a Workplace Violence and Active Response Briefing in Washington, DC for Special Agents, Uniformed Division Officers and additional Secret Service personnel. Closed press.

## **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- In **November 7**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to conduct a field assessment of the Conventional Fixed Station Interface, which is a low-cost, after-market solution that enables different systems to communicate with each other so that the consoles agencies use to dispatch emergency personnel can communicate regardless of manufacturer.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **November 4**, representatives from the US Secret Service will discuss counterfeit currency with representatives from the Central Bank of Chile and Policia de Investigaciones and the Carabineros of Chile in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **November 4 to 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Chief of Staff Paul Rosen will provide remarks on ICE’s role in Intellectual Property Enforcement at the EUROPOL Awareness and Knowledge Building Conference on Counterfeit Household Products and Fake Automotive Parts in Alicante, Spain. The EUROPOL funded conference will explore the public safety threat of counterfeit goods for automotive parts and international collaboration in the area. Press TBD.
- From **November 4 to 8**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Money Laundering and Assets Forfeiture Training Program to state and local officers in Artesia, NM, which

focuses on investigative techniques through an interactive investigation of a simulated money laundering investigation. Closed press.

- On **November 5**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will conduct one-on-one meetings to inform private sector attendees about the how the benefits of SAFETY Act programs apply to cybersecurity technologies at the Mandiant Incident Response Conference in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA on emerging trends in emergency management and lessons learned from recent events. Open press.
- On **November 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Executive Associate Director (EAD) Thomas Homan will sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) to commemorate the start of ERO's second Community Supported Release Program pilot in the Boston and New Orleans areas. The MOU is a one-year pilot program to test public-private cooperation for community-supported release in Boston and New Orleans. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs (OHA) and Chief medical Officer Kathy Brinsfield will deliver remarks at the AMSUS- Society of the Federal Health Agencies Annual Continuing Education Meeting about ongoing OHA initiatives and the role of OHA in health security support to employees and the public. Closed press.
- From **November 5 to 7**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Ottawa, Canada to conduct Beyond the Border outreach at the Canadian American Business Council and continue preclearance negotiations at Public Safety Canada.
- From **November 5 to 8**, two Science & Technology Directorate university centers of excellence will participate in the Vigilant Guard Exercise in Orono, ME, which is a series of exercises that focus on defense support to civil authorities. Attendees will include representatives from National Guard units, state and local emergency management agencies, the Red Cross, the National Weather Service, and non-governmental organizations. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with representatives from the Australia Customs and Border Protection Service (ACBPS), to discuss intelligence liaison and future opportunities for collaboration between CBP and ACBPS. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Anti-Terrorism Intelligence Awareness Training Program in Tucson, AZ, which is designed to provide line officers and first-line supervisors with an overview of terrorism with a focus on both domestic and international activities, a working knowledge of the criminal intelligence process, an overview of the detection and reporting of indicators of terrorist activities, and the reporting of suspicious activity. Closed press.
- On **November 7**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the Harvard Kennedy School Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Business and Government Professional Interest Council Keynote. The Administrator will discuss collaboration between government and business during a crisis, including conditions for its success. Press TBD.
- On **November 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Manila will present on HSI's role in child sex tourism, human trafficking, and cyber investigations to approximately 50 members of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines Cebu City Chapter in Cebu City, Philippines. Closed press.
- On **November 7**, Science & Technology Directorate National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center Director Patrick Fitch will discuss aspects of Syria's chemical weapons attacks, attribution of biological attacks, and the history of biological warfare at a symposium hosted by the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies and the Center for the Study of Weapons of Mass Destruction in Washington, DC. Closed press.
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state and local law enforcement as well as the first responder community in New York, NY. Closed press.

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- On **November 8 and 9**, Transportation Security Administration representatives will participate in the Miami Full Scale Intermodal Security Training Exercise Program table-top exercise and operational drill to encourage the adoption of a risk based strategy, focusing on deterrence, detection as well as operational resilience with Miami Dade Transit in Miami, FL. Closed press, but likely to generate local coverage.
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- On **November 5**, Federal Protective Service Director Eric Patterson will deliver a quarterly update briefing to the U.S. House Committee on Homeland Security minority staff. Closed press.
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- On **November 6**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Committee Director Larry Zelvin will deliver a briefing on US-CERT operations to the House Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
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### FOIA Requests

- On **September 25, Mitchell Byars**, with the *Daily Camera* in Boulder, CO, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to homes that were destroyed during the Boulder County flooding from September 11, 2013, through September 15, 2013.
- On **September 26, Marina Bolotnikova**, with *The Harvard Crimson* in Cambridge, MA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to DHS-OIG's investigation into racial profiling at Boston Logan Airport.
- On **September 27, Joel Millman**, with *The Wall Street Journal* in Portland, OR, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services the total number of asylum applications granted by category and nationality from fiscal years 2001 through 2013.
- On **September 30, Stella Roque**, with *City University* in London, United Kingdom, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to FinCEN Form-105 which the Federal Reserve Bank of New York filed associated with cargo flights from Andrews Air Force Base to the Baghdad International Airport from 2003 through 2008 carrying cash shipments to Iraq.
- On **September 30, Jesse Franzblau**, with *The National Security Archive* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to support provided to Mexico's National Command Center regarding information sharing processes from 2010 through the present.
- On **October 1, George Maschke**, with *AntiPolygraph.org* in Zuid, Holland, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of a PowerPoint presentation pertaining to Operation Lie Busters presented by a CBP Special Agent at the American Association of Police Polygraphists' meeting on June 3, 2013, at the Omni Charlotte Hotel in Charlotte, NC.
- On **October 1, Alberto Halpern**, with the *Newspaper Tree* in El Paso, TX, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the U.S. Border Patrol's bicycle patrol in the El Paso, TX sector.
- On **October 1, Ian Gordon**, with *Mother Jones* in San Francisco, CA, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the U.S. Border Patrol unaccompanied children apprehensions in fiscal year 2013, broken down by country of citizenship and border sector.
- On **October 1, Elizabeth Wagner**, with *NBC Bay Area News* in San Jose, CA, requested from the United States Coast Guard records pertaining to the costs to medically evacuate passengers from the following vessels: (1) the GRAND PRINCESS on September 27, 2013; and (2) the DIAMOND PRINCESS on September 19, 2013.
- On **October 7, Erica Proffer**, with *KRGV-TV* in Weslaco, TX, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection statistical data pertaining to the apprehensions and drugs seized for the Rio Grande Valley sector from October 5, 2013, through October 7, 2013.
- On **October 7, Erica Proffer**, with *KRGV-TV* in Weslaco, TX, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to a search effort on October 7, 2013, near the Conway Bike Trails in Mission, TX.
- On **October 8, Jack Gillum**, with the *Associated Press*, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Secret Service records pertaining to Special Weapons And Tactics (SWAT) and special response teams.
- On **October 10, Eric Florip**, with *The Columbian* in Vancouver, WA, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to the permit decision approved on September 27, 2013, regarding the Columbia River Crossing Bridge.
- On **October 11, Christopher Sherman**, with the *Associated Press* in McAllen, TX, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the annual number of sexual assaults reported to U.S. Border Patrol along the Southwest border, broken down by year and Border Patrol sector, since 2003.
- On **October 14, Maria Zamudio**, with *The Chicago Reporter* in Chicago, IL, requested from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services statistics pertaining to the N-400 applications from 2008 through the present.
- On **October 14, Amy Dalrymple**, with *Forum Communications Company* in Fargo, ND, requested from the U.S. Coast Guard records pertaining to a pipeline break and crude oil spill near Tioga, ND.

- On **October 17, Hilary Russ**, with *Thomson Reuters* in New York, NY, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of an analysis sent to DHS-OIG by the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board regarding Hurricane Sandy debris removal assistance requests.
- On **October 17, Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, MD, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of each written response or letter from DHS to any of the following members of Congress in calendar years 2011 through 2013: (1) Representative Michael McCaul; (2) Representative Candice Miller; (3) Representative Peter King; (4) Representative Patrick Meehan; (5) Representative Susan Brooks; (6) Representative Jeffrey Duncan; and (7) Representative Richard Hudson.
- On **October 17, James Edwards**, with *WGBH Radio* in Boston, MA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records pertaining to an application for asylum and for withholding of removal for Ibragim Todashev.
- On **October 17, Claudia Valenzuela**, with the **National Immigrant Justice Center (NIJC)** in Chicago, IL, requested from the Department of Homeland Security various records pertaining to credible fear and reasonable fear interviews and processes from January 1, 2010, through the present.
- On **October 17, Alicia Hutton**, with the **Federal Public Defender Office** in Boston, MA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security a copy of the Alien File for Anzor Tsarnaev.
- On **October 17, Abraham Payton**, with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between the DHS Secretary, the DHS Deputy Secretary, the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, and the following: (1) Congressman William Cassidy; and (2) Congressman Thomas Cotton.
- On **October 17, Tori Richards**, with **Watchdog.org**, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records from September 15, 2013, through the present mentioning the shutdown, budget, or furlough.
- On **October 17, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous, case-by-case statistical information on ICE removals of individuals turned over to ICE directly after serving their prison term, pursuant to arrangements with federal, state, and local prison facilities in fiscal year 2013.
- On **October 17, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to or used in the review/evaluation of the implementation and effect of former Director John Morton's December 21, 2012 detainer guidelines.
- On **October 17, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement anonymous, case-by-case data on individuals served a Form I-122, Form I-221, Form I-862, Form I-863, or OSC Forms during fiscal year 2013.
- On **October 17, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous data on ICE detainers issued in September 2013.
- On **October 17, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous, alien-by-alien, detention facility-by-detention facility data on all individuals detained, released, or otherwise in ICE custody in September 2013.
- On **October 17, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement anonymous, case-by-case information on each removal/return covered by the monthly Secure Communities Statistics for September 2013.
- On **October 17, Susan Long**, with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, NY, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement anonymous, case-by-case information on each removal/return in September 2013.

- On **October 18, Jacqueline Stevens**, with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, IL, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to detainee wage payments from the “Imprest Fund.”
- On **October 18, Jeanne Jeong**, with **Human Rights Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement statistical information pertaining to individuals in removal proceedings in Davidson County, TN.
- On **October 18, Patrick Taurel**, with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to ICE’s implementation of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program.
- On **October 18, Dennis Ahearn**, with **Ahearn Phillips, LLC** in Fredericksburg, VA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement a copy of the business calendars for Executive Assistant Director Radha Sekar and Financial Systems Manager Laura Hertz.
- On **October 18, Rich Lord**, with the **Pittsburgh Post-Gazette** in Pittsburgh, PA, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records produced during fiscal year 2006 pertaining to the reasons Department of Justice attorneys declined to commence or recommend federal prosecution of potential criminal matters.
- On **October 18, Jesse Franzblau**, with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to the Declaration of Principles regarding coordinated operations between the United States and Mexico, signed during a meeting between former Secretary Janet Napolitano and Mexico’s Secretary of Interior Miguel Osorio Chong in April 2013.
- On **October 18, Sheila Velcz**, with the **University of Pittsburgh, School of Law** in Pittsburgh, PA, requested from the Department of Homeland Security statistical information by gender and age pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals.
- On **October 18, Jessica Scaman**, with the **Arkansas Democrat Gazette** in Little Rock, AR, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center records pertaining to all contracts the Department of Homeland Security has had with Axiom Corporation of Little Rock, AR since January 1, 2001, including the following contracts: (1) HSFLGL-07-F-00167; and (2) HSFLGL-08-F-00175.
- On **October 22, Jesse Mendoza**, with the **Valley Morning Star** in Harlingen, TX, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of all detainee grievance forms referring to an ICE detainee accused of sexual abuse of a ward at the Port Isabel Detention Center.
- On **October 22, Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the position of Deputy Assistant Director of Custody Programs and Community Outreach; and (2) records pertaining to expenditures for the ICE Public Advocate Office.
- On **October 22, Amanda Norris**, with the **Virgin Islands Daily News** in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection the following records for the ports of St Thomas and St Croix: (1) records pertaining to enforcement actions where medical waste might have been involved in the last three years; and (2) records pertaining to delays in the past year due to illegally and improperly placarded containers of medical waste.
- On **October 23, Abraham Payton**, with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between the DHS Secretary, the DHS Deputy Secretary, the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, and the following: (1) Congressman Steven Daines; (2) Congressman Shelley Capito; (3) Congressman Jack Kingston; (4) Congressman Paul Broun; and (5) Congressman Philip Gingrey.
- On **October 23, William Selway**, with **Bloomberg News** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to how the agency set bail for those detained in the T. Don Hutto Detention Center in Texas from June 1, 2013, through October 22, 2013.

## FOIA Releases

- On **September 26**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **James Ferg-Cadima**, with the **Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF)** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **September 26**, the Department of Homeland Security released to **Amelia Kalant**, with **Unite Here International Union** in Washington, DC, consisting of e-mails pertaining to a purported incident involving subcontracted cafeteria employees at the Nebraska Avenue Complex. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **September 26**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Jacqueline Stevens**, with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, IL, an Excel spreadsheet containing N-600 application statistics by fiscal year, reason for filing, and field office. These records were released in full.
- On **September 26**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency released to **Jarrett Renshaw**, with the **Star-Ledger** in Trenton, NJ, records consisting of a declaration report pertaining to Hurricane Sandy for the State of New Jersey. These records were released in full.
- On **September 26**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General released to **Andrew Becker**, with the **Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)** in Berkeley, CA, records consisting of Reports of Investigation (ROI) summaries and complaint records on 13 individual cases. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 27**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General released to **Daniel Gonzalez**, with **The Arizona Republic** in Phoenix, AZ, records consisting of narratives of complaints and investigations involving U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement employees who were arrested, indicted, and/or convicted of corruption charges in fiscal years 2004 through 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(A), 7(C), 7(D), 7(E), and 7(F).
- On **September 27**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General released to **Jessica Schieder**, with the **Center for Effective Government** in Washington, DC, records pertaining to the impact of sequestration. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **September 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Thomas Winter**, with **NBC News** in New York, NY, records consisting of e-mails between CBP and the office of Senator Robert Menendez regarding the Dominican Republic's ports of entry and security at those ports. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 30**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency issued to **Jason Leopold**, with **Truthout** in Beverly Hills, CA, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the "Occupy Wall Street" protest in Oakland.
- On **October 1**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Kenric Ward**, with **Watchdog.org** in Alexandria Virginia, records consisting of e-mails and other correspondence pertaining to Green Tech Automotive and Gulf Coast Funds Management. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On **October 22**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency released to **Tom Porter**, with the **Maine Public Broadcasting Network** in Bangor, ME, records consisting of a letter providing the total expenditures for the Maine Coastal projects. These records were released in full.
- On **October 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Michael Morisy**, with **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence between DHS and the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court from January 1, 2001, through the present.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **November**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing CBP's plan to expand on the Simplified Entry Test. This data will fulfill merchandise entry requirements and will allow for earlier release decisions and more certainty for the importer in determining



the logistics of cargo delivery. This capability will eliminate paper processing, expedite processing and save money for government and the trade community.

- In **November 26**, the US Secret Service expects to publish the first of three reports regarding attacks against government targets at all levels as well as significant public spaces. The report will address information about the execution of the attacks, the targets, and preliminary information on the subject. This will be followed by reports on cases targeting hard infrastructure, monuments, landmarks, and attractions.
- In **November**, DHS expects to release a report titled *Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012*, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **November**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **November**, DHS expects to launch the *Beyond the Border: Phase 2 of the Truck Cargo Pre-Inspection Pilot* in which officers will pre-inspect truck cargo in Ontario opposite the Peace Bridge and Buffalo, NY that is destined for the U.S. This pilot, which will run 12 months, is intended to test whether or not pre-inspection facilitates lawful trade across the shared border.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to enhance E-Verify's Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to "lock" Social Security Numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity.
- In **November**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects to publish the *Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Final Rule*. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the PREA and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA).

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **November 12**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will discuss family immigration law and share information with attorneys and non-profit service providers about the Ombudsman's case assistance services and recommendations to improve the delivery of immigration services and benefits at the Catholic Legal Immigration Network's Southeast Regional Conference in El Paso, TX. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will share information about the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration services as well as the DHS Blue Campaign to combat human trafficking at the Delaware Justice of the Peace Court Judges Conference in Dewey Beach, DE. Closed press.
- On **November 16**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will discuss the DHS Blue Campaign's efforts to combat human trafficking at Together Let's Stop Trafficking, a Human Trafficking Summit in Ottawa, Canada, which brings together experts to discuss opportunities to create a law enforcement fusion center focused on worldwide human trafficking efforts. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 26**, 486,002 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 1.7 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- From **November 11 to 12**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss risk-based security and current European Union initiatives at the Airports Council International Airport Security and Border Control Conference in Doha, Qatar. Open press.
- On **November 13**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Victoria Newhouse will discuss risk-based security initiatives at the AVSEC World Conference in Istanbul, Turkey. Open press.
- On **November 14**, the Transportation Security Administration will host the Annual Aviation Industry Conference in Reston, VA to provide attending air carrier representatives, relevant professional organizations, and government officials with an opportunity to discuss concerns, ideas, and approaches as they pertain to Federal Air Marshals operations. Closed press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **November 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck as well as representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss sharing cyber threat information, engaging in next-generation cyber security research and development, and creating educational programs to address the shortfall in cyber talent with industry and academic partners remarks at the Advanced Cyber Security Center Conference in Boston, MA. Open press.
- From **November 12 to 14**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss the Directorate's contributions to homeland security and priorities moving forward including cybersecurity, industry engagement, and SAFETY Act implementation at the Institute of Electrical Engineers International Conference on Technologies for Homeland Security in Waltham, MA. Open press.
- From **November 13 to 14**, representatives from DHS will participate in the GridExII exercise in Herndon, VA sponsored by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, which is focused on crisis response and information sharing during simulated widespread power grid outages caused by cyber and physical attacks. More than 150 utilities and transmission companies from the United States, Canada, and Mexico and federal agencies are expected to participate. Closed press.

### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- From **November 4 to 8**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct Active Shooter Response Tactics training for Federal, state, and local law enforcement in Glynco, GA. Closed press.
- On **November 14 and 15** (rescheduled from October 3 and 4), the Science and Technology Directorate will host a Sandy Hook lessons learned meeting in Washington, DC with the School Safety Infrastructure Council of Connecticut and the Katy Independent School District of Texas. The purpose of the gathering is to prepare a risk assessment tool to meet the needs of the educational system; develop guidance for designing and building better schools; and set threshold requirement scores for schools to ensure a safe environment for students and teachers. Closed press.

## **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will publish a notice on the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Somalia. This publication time was impacted by the shutdown.
- In early **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is expected to enhance E-Verify's Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to "lock" Social Security Numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity. This enhancement was delayed due to the shutdown.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **November 12**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will provide a delegation of senior police officials from the United Arab Emirates sponsored by the International Association of Chiefs of Police for a tour of the Cheltenham, MD facility as part of an effort to create a new police training academy. Closed press.
- On **November 12 and 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will accompany Deputy Attorney General James Cole on a tour of CBP, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and U.S. Coast Guard operations in and around San Diego, CA. Closed press.
- On **November 12 and 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend an Office of National Drug Control Policy Counternarcotic Working Group meeting in Miami, FL. Closed press.
- From **November 12 to 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director John Sandweg will host Department of Justice officials on travel to San Diego, CA and McAllen, TX. The delegation will visit operation sites, receive case briefings, and will visit the Port Isabel Detention Center (PIDC) in Port Isabel, TX. Closed press.
- From **November 12 to 16**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will travel to Brussels, Belgium to participate in a North Atlantic Treaty Organization plenary meeting in Allies and Partners format of the Civil Emergency Planning Committee. The Administrator will deliver a presentation on planning for catastrophic disasters and the importance of cyber resilience.
- On **November 14**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will deliver remarks at the U.S. Border Security Forum in Alexandria, VA.
- On **November 14**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host the New York Area Science and Technology Forum at the National Urban Security Technology Laboratory in New York, NY to discuss emerging technology as well as business models with the first responder community. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will deliver remarks on the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program to industry stakeholders at the Chemical Sector Coordinating Council meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, representatives from the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will participate in the meeting with interagency partners as well as American Arab, Sikh, Muslim, and South Asian organizations in Washington, DC. Closed press.

- On **November 15**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will deliver remarks on chemical security at a listening session for chemical industry stakeholders on the implementation Executive Order 13650 “Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security” in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **November 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski and Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend the fourth public meeting of the 13th Term Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for Customs and Border Protection in Washington, D.C. Open to the public.
- From **November 19 to 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Acting Director John Sandweg travel to Phoenix, AZ and San Salvador, El Salvador to meet with El Salvadorian officials and local staff. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **November 13**, the nominee for Secretary of Homeland Security, Mr. Jeh Johnson will have his confirmation hearing before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.
- On **November 13**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will testify before the House Judiciary Committee about Biometric Exit. Open press.
- On **November 14**, Acting Secretary of Homeland Security Rand Beers will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs about threats to the homeland. National Counterterrorism Center Director Matthew Olson and FBI Deputy Director Sean Joyce will also testify. Open press.
- On **November 14**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about TSA’s Behavior Detection and Analysis Program. Open press.
- On **November 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Security Investigations Assistant Director John Woods will testify before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security about efforts to secure the border, including Border Crossing Cards and B1/B2 visas. Open press.
- On **November 14**, FEMA Deputy Associate Administrator for the Office of Response and Recovery Elizabeth Zimmerman will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee about Hurricane Sandy recovery. Open press.
- On **November 15**, Acting Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency about DHS financial management. Open press.
- On **November 19**, RADM William D. Lee, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Policy and Capabilities will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security on Maritime Border Security. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **November 12**, FEMA Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Grants Program Directorate Christopher Logan will brief House Homeland Security Committee staff on monitoring grants. Closed press.
- On **November 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak will brief Representative Doug Collins. Closed press.
- On **November 13**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a facility tour and overview in Cheltenham, MD for new Senate Appropriations staff. Closed press.
- On **November 13**, representatives from the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Representative Duncan Hunter about icebreakers. Closed press.

- On **November 14**, the Office of Policy will brief members of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Quadrennial Homeland Security Review progress. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will have introductory meetings with Senator Coburn and Representatives McCaul and Meehan. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will participate in a “meet and greet” with staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees.
- On **November 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director, Alejandro Mayorkas, will meet with House Judiciary Committee Chairman Goodlatte to discuss the EB-5 Program; particularly processing times, USCIS EB-5 initiatives and fraud and national security.
- On **November 15**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Biometric Identity Management will provide a briefing on its activities to the House Appropriations Committee and Senate Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **November 15**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will share information about the Ombudsman’s Office case assistance services and recommendations to improve the delivery of immigration services and benefits with staff from the offices of Senator Carper and Coons and Representative Carney in Georgetown and Dover, DE. Closed press.
- On **November 16**, Representative Janice Hahn and U.S. Trade Representative Michael Froman will tour the port of Los Angeles/Long Beach as part of a broader trade-related visit. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Dallas Special Agent in Charge David Marwell will meet with Representative Michael McCaul for a courtesy visit. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **November 12**, Acting Secretary Rand Beers and other DHS leadership will attend a memorial service for Transportation Security Officer Gerardo Hernandez in Los Angeles, CA. Closed press.
- On **November 13**, Acting Secretary Beers will deliver the Oath of Allegiance and remarks at the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation Naturalization Ceremony in Arlington, VA (open press). The Acting Secretary will also participate in a Veterans Day ceremony at U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.
- On **November 14**, Acting Secretary Beers is tentatively scheduled to testify in front of the Senate Homeland Security Committee on homeland security threats. The Acting Secretary will also participate in the North American Electric Reliability Corporation’s Grid Security Exercise 2013.
- On **November 18**, Acting Secretary Beers will participate in the bi-annual U.S.-EU Justice and Home Affairs Ministerial hosted by the Department of Justice.
- On **November 19**, Acting Secretary Beers will deliver remarks at the Countering Violent Extremism Community Engagement Conference in McLean, VA. Closed press.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Components have achieved printing-related cost avoidances since Q4 FY09 by posting documents online rather than printing and improving their print management processes. To date, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$6 million through implementation of this initiative.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **November 5**, President Obama has signed 338 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$28.4 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## V. Legal

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the performance of the BioWatch program, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 16, Lauren Rosenthal**, a representative with **KUCB** in Unalaska, Alaska, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the vessel NOBLE DISCOVERER's anchor dragging incident on July 14, 2012, in Unalaska, Alaska.
- On **October 23, Jason Smathers**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records pertaining to Senator Bill Nelson (D-FL) concerning the transfer of his constituents to the Port of Key West, Florida: (1) workflow number 983854, received June 17, 2013; and (2) workflow number 984287, received June 20, 2013.
- On **October 24, Ethan Schwartz**, an individual in Brooklyn, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the correspondence logs for Representative Donna Edwards (D-MD) from June 2008, through the present.
- On **October 24, Maria Sacchetti**, a reporter with **The Boston Globe** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the Alien File for Ibragim Todashev.
- On **October 25, Ghita Schwarz**, an attorney with the **Center for Constitutional Rights** in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to ICE "home enforcement operations" and the impact on local communities.
- On **October 25, Ross Weidner**, a reporter with **ABC7 Chicago, WLS-TV** in Chicago, Illinois, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous records pertaining to alien sex offenders released under orders of supervision in the Chicago jurisdiction.
- On **October 25, Elliot Spagat**, a journalist with the **Associated Press** in San Diego, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the number of defensive asylum petitioners who were paroled pending the outcomes of their requests including: (1) the number of those who failed to appear before immigration judges as ordered; and (2) the number of those who were labeled absconders, for fiscal years 2011 through 2013.
- On **October 25, Frank Bass**, a reporter with **Al Jazeera International** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to logs of calls to the Homeland Security Investigations Tip Line (866-DHS-2-ICE) from its inception through September 30, 2013.
- On **October 25, John Greenwald, Jr.**, a freelance television producer with **The Black Vault** in Northridge, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the raid of the home of journalist Audrey Hudson on August 6, 2013.
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and (3) a description of current policies guiding the detainment of travelers and the use of background checks at the Niagara Falls Station.

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- On **November 7**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Peter Joseph**, an executive director with the **Association to Invest in the USA (AIUSA)** in Chicago, Illinois, 2,458 pages of records consisting of e-mail correspondence pertaining to the EB-5 program. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5 and 6.
- On **November 7**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will release to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 504 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 7**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services will release to **Kenric Ward**, a journalist with **Watchdog.org** in Locust Grove, Virginia, 913 pages of records consisting of EB-5

application records for the Virginia Center for Foreign Investment and Job Creation. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 3, 4 and 6.

- On **November 8**, the United States Coast Guard will release to **Stephanie Joyce**, a representative with **KUCB** in Unalaska, Alaska, one audio file and 45 pages of records consisting of a case report, photographs, logs, and charts pertaining to the anchor-dragging incident involving the vessel NOBLE DISCOVERER on July 14, 2012. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(C).

## **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- In **November**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Treasury Department plan to publish a Final Rule in the *Federal Register* that amends CBP's regulations regarding returning U.S. residents who are eligible to file a single customs declaration for members of a family residing in one household and traveling together upon arrival in the United States. The amendments expand the definition of the term "members of a family residing in one household" and would allow more U.S. residents traveling as a family to group together their duty exemptions for articles acquired abroad. These changes more accurately reflect relationships among members of the public who are traveling together and reduce the amount of paperwork that CBP officers need to review during inspection, thereby facilitating passenger processing. [Publication date TBA.]
- In **November**, pending OMB approval, the Transportation Security Administration expects to launch its initial application enrollment site at Indianapolis International Airport to collect information from individuals who will apply to the TSA Pre✓™ Application Program.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish the Bona Fide Determination policy memo.
- In **November**, DIIS expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **November**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **November**, DIIS expects to launch the Beyond the Border: Phase 2 of the Truck Cargo Pre-Inspection Pilot in which officers will pre-inspect truck cargo in Ontario opposite the Peace Bridge and Buffalo, NY that is destined for the U.S. This pilot, which will run 12 months, is intended to test whether or not pre-inspection facilitates lawful trade across the shared border.
- In **November**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects to publish the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the PREA and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.
- In **November**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to expand the number of airlines participating in TSA Pre✓™ through the addition of Southwest airlines on November 13 and JetBlue Airlines on November 21.
- On **November 26**, the U.S. Secret Service expects to publish the first of three reports regarding attacks against government targets at all levels as well as significant public spaces. The report will address information about the execution of the attacks, the targets, and preliminary information on the subject. This will be followed by reports on cases targeting hard infrastructure, monuments, landmarks, and attractions.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to release the revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. The redesigned form includes new data collection technologies and additional questions.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish a rule to bring H-1B, E3 and CW1 regulations into alignment with other nonimmigrant classifications and remove unnecessary hurdles for these visa classifications as part of Secretary's Enhancing Opportunities Rule effort.

- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish H-4 NPRM rule, extending eligibility for employment authorization to spouses of certain H-1B workers.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish T Nonimmigrant Status Regulation based on comments on a related 2002 interim rule. This will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes made based on comments or operations experience.
- By the **end of December**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to enable 2.2 million members of the military (active duty, guard and reserve) to access expedited screening at all Pre✓™ airports with implementation of a list-based solution. Military members currently access the lane using their Common Access Card (CAC), an interim technical solution until list-based access becomes available.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **November 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a special naturalization ceremony with Vice President Joe Biden at The King Center in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a special naturalization ceremony in Gettysburg, PA in conjunction with the Gettysburg Foundation and the National Park Service on the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Lincoln Gettysburg Address. Closed press.
- On **November 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), in conjunction with the Department of Justice Executive Office for Immigration Review, will host a stakeholder engagement to discuss the implementation of the ABT settlement agreement. This settlement agreement stipulates that certain individuals who intend to file an asylum application or who have already filed an asylum application are entitled to new procedures relating to the crediting of time toward eligibility for employment authorization. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 2**, 488,149 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 2.3 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- From **November 18 to 22**, the Transportation Security Administration is tentatively scheduled to host a technology workshop for Latin American Civil Aviation Commission Member States in Washington, DC to facilitate an understanding of aviation security risk, available countermeasures to mitigate risk, and how to select and implement those countermeasures in an operational environment. Closed press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **November 18 to 21**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will brief stakeholders at the AppSec USA conference in New York, NY on the Software Assurance Marketplace Beta Program, which helps improve the quality and adoption of software assurance tools that help developers keep their software free from vulnerabilities and functional. Open press.
- On **November 19**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on tactics to combat cyber intrusions to IT professionals from all levels of government, NGOs, and the private sector at the Regional Interagency Steering Committee in Denver, CO. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan will discuss collaborative cybersecurity research and development projects with Israel's National Information Security Authority in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **November 21**, U.S. Secret Service will discuss critical systems protection and cyber intelligence systems in a briefing to representatives of the National Security Staff in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **November 21**, National Protection and Program Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss the implementation of Executive Order 13636 "Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity" and Presidential Policy Directive 21 "Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience" at the National Infrastructure Advisory Council meeting in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **November 21**, National Protection and Program Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on the importance of individual cybersecurity and staying safe online at the Timber Pines Community Association in Spring Hill, FL. Closed press.

### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- From **November 19 to 20**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will lead evaluations of the Virtual Training project with first responders in Sacramento, CA. The Virtual Training project will allow responders to role-play complex scenarios, ultimately improving coordination and communication and mitigating injuries and loss of lives during actual responses. The gaming scenario that will be tested is a real-time, multi-discipline, active shooter response. Open press on November 20.
- From **November 19 to 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program to state and local officers in Glynco, GA and Atterbury, IN. Closed press.

## **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 13**, the Transportation Security Administration expanded the number of airlines participating in TSA Pre<sup>®</sup>™ through the addition of Southwest airlines on November 13. JetBlue Airlines will join TSA Pre<sup>®</sup>™ on **November 21**.
- On **November 14**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to conduct a field assessment of the Conventional Fixed Station Interface, which is a low-cost, after-market solution that enables different systems to communicate with each other so that the consoles agencies use to dispatch emergency personnel can communicate regardless of manufacturer.
- On **November 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is expected to enhance E-Verify's Monitoring and Compliance function to allow USCIS analysts to "lock" Social Security Numbers that appear to be used fraudulently within E-Verify to prevent fraud and enhance system integrity.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **November 17 to 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will be on international travel to Ireland, Bahrain, Sweden, Denmark, and England. During the trip, the Commandant will meet with USCG units in Bahrain, meet with the Irish Navy, attend World Maritime University in Malmo, Sweden, and attend the International Maritime Organization Assembly in London, U.K.
- On **November 19**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will receive an update from local officials on progress made through the Securing the Cities Initiative in the Los Angeles, CA, which provides training, equipment, and program assistance to eligible high-threat, high-density urban areas. Open Press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will participate in a ribbon-cutting ceremony to introduce new Automated Passport Control (APC) kiosks at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, National Protection and Program Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will participate in a panel discussion on critical infrastructure security and resilience in a dynamic risk environment at the Homeland Security Dialogue Forum in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Scrino will speak to a business class at Yale School of Management about innovation and FEMA's priorities. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, representatives from the National Protection and Program Directorate will discuss chemical security at an industry listening session on the implementation Executive Order 13650 "Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security" in Springfield, IL. Open press.
- From **November 19 to 22**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center and Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will deliver the Commercial Vehicle Counterterrorism Training Program to law enforcement officers from federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in Valhalla, NY. The program is designed to train law enforcement officers on the terrorist trends related to commercial vehicles traveling on the nation's highways and local jurisdictions and how these vehicles are used to commit acts of terrorism, either as a weapon of mass destruction or through transportation of materials to further the cause of terrorist organizations. Closed press.

- On **November 20**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the 2013 Federal Alliance for Safe Homes Annual Conference in Lake Buena Vista, FL. Open press.
- On **November 21**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will lead a stakeholder demonstration of the LiveWall tool, which is a digital voice, video, data, and conferencing system tailored to Emergency Operations Centers that is both affordable and will improve coordination and collaboration among Centers, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **November 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will travel to Chicago, IL to speak to CBP Leadership Institute participants and participate in the program's graduation ceremony. Closed press.
- On **November 22**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will meet with Wendy Spencer, CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service to discuss the FEMA Corps program, as well as other opportunities to work together. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **November 19**, RADM William D. Lee, Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Policy and Capabilities and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security on Maritime Border Security. Open press.
- On **November 19**, Chief Privacy Officer Karen Neuman will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on the Federal Workforce on the oversight role of the Privacy Office and challenges that may prevent the Office from carrying out its mandate. Open press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Border Patrol Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello will testify before the House Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security about Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime. Open press.
- On **November 19**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Financial Services Committee on a hearing on the National Flood Insurance Program and Biggert-Waters implementation. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **November 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Assistant Commissioner Christopher Hall from the Office of Training and Development will brief Senators Charles Schumer and Robert Menendez, as well as Representative Ron Barber's staff on CBP's use of force policy and review. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Dallas Special Agent in Charge David Marwell will meet with Representative Michael McCaul for a courtesy visit. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John D. Cohen will discuss the intelligence committee marks with House and Senate Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Dallas Special Agent in Charge David Marwell will meet with Representative Michael McCaul for a courtesy visit. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will provide a threat update briefing to House Homeland Security Committee Members. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, representatives from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and DHS Common Vetting Task Force will provide a classified Big Data briefing to House and Senate Appropriations Committee and Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff. Closed press.
- On **November 21**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will brief House Homeland Security Committee staff on Radiation Portal Monitors. Closed press.



- On **November 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host an outreach session and tour of John F. Kennedy International Airport for local congressional staff. Closed press.
- On **November 22**, representatives from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide a classified border threat briefing to Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **November 14**, Acting Secretary Beers will testify in front of the Senate Homeland Security Committee on homeland security threats. The Acting Secretary will also participate in the North American Electric Reliability Corporation's Grid Security Exercise 2013.
- On **November 18**, Acting Secretary Beers will participate in the bi-annual U.S.-EU Justice and Home Affairs Ministerial hosted by the Department of Justice. The Acting Secretary will also place a congratulatory phone call to New York City Mayor-elect Bill de Blasio.
- On **November 19**, Acting Secretary Beers will deliver remarks at the Countering Violent Extremism Community Engagement Conference in McLean, VA. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, Acting Secretary Beers will meet with Defense Deputy Assistant Secretary Eric Rosenbach. The Acting Secretary will also attend an exhibit at the Mexican Cultural Institute hosted by Mexican Ambassador Medina Mora. Open press.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$335 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to reduce training costs by converting instructor-led trainings to online courses, reducing reliance on training vendors by developing courses in-house, and aligning training needs to agency priorities.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **November 12**, President Obama has signed 339 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$28.4 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### V. Legal

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the Department's role in the launch and operation of *healthcare.gov*, the performance of the BioWatch program, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 17**, **Bruce Friedrich**, an extern with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the Hemisphere Program.
- On **October 18**, **David Iaconangelo**, a journalist with the *Latin Times* in Brooklyn New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) statistics pertaining to T visas for Nonimmigrant Status for the New York City District from fiscal years 2010 through 2013.
- On **October 25 and October 28**, **CJ Ciaramella**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts; **Jason Leopold**, an independent investigative reporter and Editor at Large with *The Public Record* in Beverly Hills, California; and **William Marshall**, a senior investigator with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the seizure of materials from the home of former *Washington Times* reporter Audrey Hudson on August 6, 2013.

- On **October 25, Darrell Hill**, a staff attorney with the **American Civil Liberties Union of Arizona (ACLU-AZ)** in Phoenix, Arizona, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to three named individuals from Mexico; and (2) a copy of the policies and procedures in effect from January 1, 2010, through the present pertaining to the following: (a) the detention, processing, and investigation of undocumented immigrants eligible for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program; (b) the management, processing, and classification of undocumented immigrants remanded to federal custody by state and local law enforcement for suspected immigration violations; and (c) the decision of whether or not to detain undocumented immigrants remanded to federal custody by state and local law enforcement for suspected immigration violations.
- On **October 28, Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to talking points or summary memoranda prepared for the head of the USCG, agency spokesperson, or public information officer regarding the warrants served on former *Washington Times* reporter Audrey Hudson.
- On **October 30, Sharon Gaudin**, a writer with *ComputerWorld*, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the barge BAL0011.
- On **October 30, October 31, and November 1, Lucy Kinder**, an individual; **Allen Martin**, a news anchor and reporter with *KPIX-TV/KBCW-TV* in San Francisco, California; **Alexei Oreskovic**, a correspondent with *Reuters News*; **Ayan Kayal**, legal counsel with *CBS Interactive, Inc.* in San Francisco, California; and **Jeff Elder**, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal*, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) various records pertaining to the following barges: (1) BAL0010; (2) BAL0001; (3) BAL0011; and (4) BAL0100.
- On **October 31, Sam Biddle**, a journalist with *Gawker Media* in New York, New York, and **Martha Mendoza**, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Santa Cruz, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the barge owned and operated by By and Large LLC and located in the San Francisco Bay.
- On **October 31, Ayan Kayal**, legal counsel with *CBS Interactive, Inc.* in San Francisco, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to Multinational Logistics Services Ltd. and any of its subsidiaries or affiliates regarding any activity on Treasure Island in the San Francisco Bay.
- On **October 31, Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to nondisclosure agreements between the USCG and Google Inc.
- On **October 31, Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the inspection reports or licensure records maintained by the USCG pertaining to Google's construction and/or operation of barges in San Francisco, California and Portland, Maine.
- On **October 31, Lorraine Collier**, a representative with *KOMO TV NEWS* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the investigative report regarding the September 13, 2013 collision between the ferry HYAK and a sailboat in the waters off the San Juan Islands.
- On **October 31, Jason Leopold**, an independent investigative reporter and Editor at Large with *The Public Record* in Beverly Hills, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to a group called "stopwatchingus" or "stop watching us;" (2) records pertaining to [rally.stopwatchingus.us](http://rally.stopwatchingus.us); and (3) records pertaining to a rally and/or protest held on October 26, 2013, in Washington, DC that has been referred to as the "Stop Watching Us" rally.
- On **October 31, Evan Hill**, a reporter with *Al Jazeera America* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) a copy of reports generated in July 2013 pertaining to the interception and/or inspection of a package of nine counterfeit identification documents inbound from Canada; and (2) a list of any other packages inbound from Canada intercepted and inspected in July 2013.

- On **November 1**, **William Burr**, a researcher with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of a photograph of a Pakistani national taken into custody in Philadelphia on July 10, 1987.
- On **November 1**, **Brandon Bailey**, a staff writer with the *San Jose Mercury News* in San Jose, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records: (1) records pertaining to barges BAL0011 and BAL0010; and (2) records pertaining to any discussions the USCG Sector Long Island Sound held with representatives from Google, Turner Construction, and Cianbro Corporation regarding these barges.
- On **November 1**, **Joanna Henson**, a paralegal with **Rueb & Motta, PLC** in Concord, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to manifests from the USCG Eighth District stations lining the Gulf Coast from Louisiana to Florida from April 20, 2010, through April 16, 2012.
- On **November 5**, **Cameron Sullivan**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and State Representative Jason Conger (R-OR) from January 2011, through the present.
- On **November 5**, **Cameron Sullivan**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of: (1) Congressman Gary Peters (D-MI) from January 2009, through the present; (2) Gary Peters, Michigan Lottery Commissioner, from April 2003, through February 2008; and (3) Michigan State Senator Gary Peters (D-MI) from January 1995, through January 2002.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 31**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Jennifer McDermott**, a staff writer with *The Day* in New London, Connecticut, four pages of records consisting of an inspection pertaining to the construction of the barge at Admiral Harold E. Shear State Pier in New London, Connecticut. These records were released in full.
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- On **November 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **John Connolly**, a contributing editor with *Vanity Fair* in New York, New York, 35 pages of records consisting of investigative records pertaining to complaints received by DHS-OIG against Acting/Deputy Inspector General Charles Edwards and/or the Office of Investigations subsequent handling of those complaints. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(A), 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Berkeley, California,

33 pages of records consisting of investigative records pertaining to complaints received by DHS-OIG against Acting/Deputy Inspector General Charles Edwards and/or the Office of Investigations subsequent handling of those complaints. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(A), 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **November 5**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Jamie Schell**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of the following individual and several named companies: (1) State Senator James Rubens (R-NH) from January 1994, through January 1999; (2) James Rubens, chairman of the Granite State Coalition Against Gambling, from January 2005, through June 2013; and (3) James Rubens, a consultant for the Union of Concerned Scientists, from January 2005, through April 2013.
- On **November 6**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Pat Mullins**, Chairman with the **Republican Party of Virginia** in Richmond, Virginia, 23 pages of records consisting of e-mails and written correspondence pertaining to Green Tech Automotive and Gulf Coast Funds Management. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On **November 6**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Ian Mandel**, an individual in Hoboken, New Jersey, 93 pages of records consisting of e-mails and written correspondence pertaining to Green Tech Automotive and Gulf Coast Funds Management. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On **November 6**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **G. W. Schulz**, a reporter with the **Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)** in Austin, Texas, 463 pages of records pertaining to Port Security and Transit Security Grant Programs site visits for fiscal year 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **November 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will release to **Ginger Thompson**, a reporter with **The New York Times** in New York, New York, 1,030 pages of records pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) which were released in Case Numbers DHS//OS/PRIV 12-0559 and 2013-HQFO-00304. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

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- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish T Nonimmigrant Status Regulation based on comments on a related 2002 interim rule. This will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes made based on comments or operations experience.
- By the **end of December**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to enable 2.2 million members of the military (active duty, guard and reserve) to access expedited screening at all Pre✓™ airports with implementation of a list-based solution. Military members currently access the lane using their Common Access Card (CAC), an interim technical solution until list-based access becomes available.
- In **January**, DHS expects to launch the Beyond the Border: Phase 2 of the Truck Cargo Pre-Inspection Pilot in which officers will pre-inspect truck cargo in Ontario opposite the Peace Bridge and Buffalo, NY that is destined for the U.S. This pilot, which will run 12 months, is intended to test whether or not pre-inspection facilitates lawful trade across the shared border.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

November 21, 2013

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **November 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will provide families of paroled Haitian orphans with information about filing for lawful permanent resident status in order to get a green card. The provision expires Sunday, December 8, 2013. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with stakeholders from the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Dallas, TX to share information about the Ombudsman's Office and discuss opportunities to improve the delivery of immigration benefits and services. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will participate in a stakeholder engagement session with immigration legal service providers in Dallas, TX to share information about the DHS Blue Campaign, the Department's work to protect immigration victims of crime through the Council on Combatting Violence Against Women, and the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration services and benefits. Closed press.
- On **December 6**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will host U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Alejandro Mayorkas for a meeting with representatives from the National Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project, the Accessing Safety Initiative, and the Vital Voice organization in Washington D.C. to discuss USCIS policies impacting immigrant victims of domestic violence and other crimes. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 16**, 491,698 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 3.6 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **November 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will discuss DHS' role in cybersecurity with managers and executives in the communications and electronics field at the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association luncheon in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **November 25**, the Privacy Office and National Protection and Programs Directorate co-hosted classified and unclassified briefings on DIIS cyber operations for the DHS Data Privacy and Integrity Advisory Committee's Cybersecurity Subcommittee, which is comprised of subject matter experts from the privacy and civil liberty community. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on public-private sector partnerships in cybersecurity at the Information Technology and Communications Sectors Quad Government Coordinating Councils/Sector Coordinating Council meeting in Falls Church, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity innovation and DHS' efforts in security and resilience at the Information Technology and Communications Sectors Annual Quad Government Coordinating Councils/Sector Coordinating Councils meeting in Falls Church, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will discuss cybersecurity for cloud policies and data consolidation at the FedScoop Executive Roundtable Session in Washington, DC with IT professionals from across the federal government. Open press.



- On **December 3**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss privacy considerations in the government's use of social media at the International Association of Privacy Professionals Practical Privacy Series in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **December 4**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss cybersecurity insurance at the C5 Cyber Risk, Data Protection Insurance Forum in London, UK with security experts from the insurance industry. Closed press.
- On **December 4 and 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding, Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck, and Director of Federal Network Resilience John Streufert will discuss best practices in secure communications, implementation of Executive Order 13636, as well as DIIS' Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation program at the Security Innovation Network Showcase in Washington, DC with private sector executives and government security officials. Closed press.

## II. Department/Agency Priorities

### *Expected Stories*

- Wall Street Journal Reporter Julian Barnes is scheduled to interview the Commanding Officer of CGC POLAR STAR in Seattle on the ship's deployment to the Arctic. Publication Date: TBD.
- U.S. Coast Guard members of an Air Station Kodiak hosting crew are scheduled to be interviewed for a story to be broadcast on the Outdoor Channel program Steve's Outdoor Adventures. The story is about the hazards hunters can encounter in the dangerous/remote Alaska terrain and the Coast Guards' SAR/hunter rescues. Broadcast Date: TBD.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **November 26**, the US Secret Service expects to publish the first of three reports regarding attacks against government targets at all levels as well as significant public spaces. The report will address information about the execution of the attacks, the targets, and preliminary information on the subject. This will be followed by reports on cases targeting hard infrastructure, monuments, landmarks, and attractions.
- On **December 3**, the class action agreement affecting the asylum employment-eligibility clock will go into effect so that asylum applicants in the United States whose cases are remanded can receive credit for the number of days that have passed between the date the claim was initially denied by an immigration judge and the date of the remand order. Until this change, asylum applicants could not apply for work authorization at the same time they applied for asylum.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **November 17 to 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will be on international travel to Ireland, Bahrain, Sweden, Denmark, and England. During the trip, the Commandant will meet with USCG units in Bahrain, meet with the Irish Navy, attend World Maritime University in Malmo, Sweden, and attend the International Maritime Organization Assembly in London, U.K.
- On **November 25**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak to a group of students at the Massachusetts Institute for Technology Center for Transportation Logistics in Boston, MA about "Logistics and Innovation at FEMA: Lessons from the Past and a Direction for the Future." Closed press.
- From **November 25 to 29**, the Transportation Security Administration will administer an Excellence in Screening Techniques/ Supervisor workshop in Manila, the Philippines, which focuses on vulnerability mitigation. Closed press.
- On **November 26**, Acting Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will deliver a presentation to a class at the National Defense University about "Pandemics and the Threat to National Security." Closed press.
- From **December 2 through 6**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Office Michael Stroud will participate in the India-Homeland Security Dialogue – Police Chiefs Conference in New Delhi,

India. The conference will focus on response and resilience, maritime security and law enforcement, urban policing and surveillance, mass transit security, and community policing.

- From **December 2 to 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director John Sandweg and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to San Salvador, El Salvador and Guatemala City, Guatemala to meet with El Salvadorian and Guatemalan officials and local staff to receive briefings and discuss challenges related to the issuing of travel documents for El Salvadoran and Guatemalan foreign nationals with a final order of removal. Closed press.
- On **December 2 and 3**, Acting Deputy Secretary Rafael Borrás will travel to Miami and Key West, FL, to observe CBP operations along with U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Thomas Winkowski. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host the Youth Leadership Glynn for a tour in Glynn, GA as part of a Chamber of Commerce-sponsored program to train and encourage high school students to become active community leaders. Closed press.
- From **December 3 to 4**, Science and Technology Directorate will conduct an Operational Field Assessment of the Ambulatory Hands-Free Patient Vital Signs Monitoring technology in San Diego, CA. The project's goal is to provide paramedics with a hands-free, wireless device to monitor a patient's vital signs, creating a safer environment for both emergency medical services personnel and patients. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, the Transportation Security Administration will meet with representatives from JetBlue Airways to discuss their timeline for participation in the TSA Pre✓™ program. Closed press.
- From **December 7 through 12**, Acting U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will travel to Dublin, Ireland, to attend World Customs Organization Policy Commission meetings.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **November 26**, staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in Baltimore, MD. Closed press.
- On **November 26**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will host a visit from House Homeland Security Committee Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency staff for a briefing on operations and training in Charleston, SC. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director John Sandweg will participate in a meet and greet with Representative Zoe Lofgren. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, representatives from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, in conjunction with interagency counterparts, will present a classified threat briefing to the Chairman and Ranking Member of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **December 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director John Sandweg will participate in a meet and greet with staff of Representative Nancy Pelosi. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **December 2**, Acting Secretary Rand Beers will attend a farewell ceremony for Deputy Secretary of Defense Ash Carter at the Pentagon.
- On **December 4**, Acting Secretary Rand Beers will travel to Brussels, Belgium to meet with European and international counterparts to discuss Foreign Fighters. Closed press.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified over \$508 million in cost avoidances by leveraging the purchasing power of the entire Department to acquire commonly used software licenses (such as Microsoft, Adobe, and Oracle, among others) for DHS-wide usage.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **November 19**, President Obama has signed 339 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$28.5 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **V. Legal**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the Department's role in the launch and operation of healthcare.gov, the performance of the BioWatch program, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UASs), the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 5**, **Katherine Roberts**, a journalist with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to incoming shipments through the Baltimore, Maryland and Newark, New Jersey ports of entry from October 1, 2013, through October 17, 2013.
- On **November 7**, **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between Congressman William Cassidy (R-LA) and DHS pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.
- On **November 7**, **Elsa Partan**, a producer with **WCAI** in Woods Hole, Massachusetts, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the Nobska Decision Memorandum and Trip Report.
- On **November 8**, **Jesse Franzblau**, a researcher with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to policy changes in CBP guidelines, regarding use of force practices at the United States-Mexican border, in response to the recommendations made in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) report OIG-13-114.
- On **November 12**, **Harmon Fine**, a representative with **Supply Pro, Inc.** in Houston, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of an incident report pertaining to the sinking of an absorbent boom made by New Pig Corporation.
- On **November 12**, **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between Senator Mike Enzi (R-WY) and DHS pertaining to: (1) policy, legislation, or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.
- On **November 13**, **Cora Currier**, a representative with **ProPublica**, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to proposed rule changes for export of firearms and ammunition as part of the President's Export Control Reform Initiative, from January 1, 2012, through the present.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 7**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Kenric Ward**, a journalist with **Watchdog.org** in Locust Grove, Virginia, 913 pages of records consisting of EB-5 application records for the Virginia Center for Foreign Investment and Job Creation. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 3, 4, and 6.
- On **November 7**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Peter Joseph**, an executive director with the **Association to Invest in the USA (IIUSA)** in Chicago, Illinois, 2,458 pages of records consisting of e-mail correspondence pertaining to the EB-5 program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.

- On **November 8**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Stephanie Joyce**, a representative with **KUCB** in Unalaska, Alaska, one audio file and 45 pages of records consisting of a case report, photographs, logs, and charts pertaining to the anchor-dragging incident involving the vessel NOBLE DISCOVERER on July 14, 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(C).
- On **November 12**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 1,712 pages of records consisting of memoranda, e-mails, and contracts pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 15**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Miles Doran**, a journalist with **CBS News** in Atlanta, Georgia, seven pages of records consisting of an enforcement activity report and a letter pertaining to the CARNIVAL TRIUMPH for an incident that occurred on July 12, 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **November 19**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Jack Gillum**, a reporter with the **Associated Press** in Washington, DC, 57 pages of records consisting of e-mails sent to or from USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas in which any of the following words is in the e-mails: (1) Rodham; (2) Simone Williams; (3) Molasky Group; or (4) Alexandra Haskell. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 19**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 747 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Daniel Gilligan**, an individual in Raleigh, North Carolina, 24 pages of records consisting of correspondence from Congressman Mark Schauer (D-MI) to DHS. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **November 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Ethan Schwartz**, an individual in Brooklyn, New York, 75 pages of records consisting of logs of correspondence for Representative Donna Edwards (D-MD). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **November 20**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 530 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 20**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 666 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 20**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 708 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 20**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 605 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.

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- On **November 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 39 data fields pertaining to ICE's augmented FOIA log for responses issued in February 2013. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, two Excel spreadsheets consisting of 38 data fields pertaining to ICE removals conducted in August 2013. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).
- On **November 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Jason Cherkis**, a reporter with the *Huffington Post* in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing five data fields pertaining to ICE detainees released on February 25, 2013.

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- In **November**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS EEO Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- In **November**, NPPD expects to release its Annual Report on Integrated Entry and Exit Data System that contains statistics on DHS biographic and biometric data systems.
- In **November**, the Office of the Ombudsman's Office expects to study implementation of "Revised Guidance for the Referral of Cases and Issuance of Notices to Appear (NTAs) in Cases involving Inadmissible and Removable Aliens," which focuses NTA issuance on cases with public safety threats, criminals and aliens engaged in fraud.
- In **late November**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Mexico Customs expect to begin implementing complementary cargo pre-inspection programs. These pilot programs will allow compliant cargo to bypass traditional inspections at the ports of entry and facilitate the rapid flow of legitimate trade between both countries.
- In **late November/Early December**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish in the Federal Register redesign plans for the CBP Form 5106. CBP will use this annual review process to propose the collection of additional information through a revision of the form. The proposed 5106 form changes will allow CBP to screen for shell companies and conduct better risk assessment for targeting of shipments.
- In **December**, OIA expects to release the second annual report which details the progress in achieving the goals of the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- In **December**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.

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- In **December**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman expects to issue a formal recommendation regarding U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)' Administrative Appeals Office that will identify opportunities to improve appeal processing times and establish clearer policy guidance for the appeals process.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish in the Federal Register an Interim Final Rule on T nonimmigrant status.
- In **December**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete FINDER demonstrations, which use low-power microwave radar to detect the small movements from breathing and the heartbeat of a buried victim, even when the signal must pass through several meters of building debris and rubble.
- By **December**, TSA expects to expand its Transportation Worker Identity Credential (TWIC) OneVisit solution to a second location in addition to Alaska via a semi-automated card mailing solution to require no more than one visit to a designated enrollment center. This expansion and enhancement is the second phase of a three-phase approach.
- By the **end of December**, TSA expects to enable members of the military to access expedited screening at all Pre✓™ airports using their Common Access Card. To date, more than 220,000 members of the military have experienced TSA Pre✓™ which allows passengers to leave on their shoes, light outerwear and belt, keep their laptop in its case, and their 3-1-1 compliant liquids/gels bag in a carry-on.
- By the **end of December**, TSA expects to remove the Terrorist Watch list from domestic aircraft operators and foreign air carriers.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Federal Register Notice outlining the intent to begin collecting a fee with the I-131A for non-citizens who lose their travel documents abroad.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Child Soldier NPRM rule.



## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

December 2, 2013

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **December 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will add document library functionality to Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur, in the USCIS Electronic Immigration System. This functionality allows foreign investors to access a document library to select evidence that supports their specific investment in a new commercial enterprise within an approved regional center and provides a streamlined option for filing and will support the Form I-526 application process.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **December 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Mexico Customs Administrator-General Alejandro Chacon regarding Advanced Passenger Information/Passenger Name Records and related topics. Closed press.
- From **December 2 to 3**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will attend Memorandum of Understanding negotiations on the use of Federal Air Marshals in Moscow, Russia. Closed press.
- From **December 2 to 6**, the Transportation Security Administration will facilitate an Excellence in Screening Techniques/Supervisor training in St. Vincent and discuss procedures for Federal Air Marshals in St. Lucia. The training in St. Vincent focuses on vulnerability mitigation and provides participants with the opportunity to assess, review, and perform improved security procedures and to provide the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to deter, detect, and prevent the introduction of any explosive, incendiary, weapon, or other item not permitted on board an aircraft or into the secure area of an airport. Closed press.
- From **December 3 to 5**, the Transportation Security Administration will host representatives from the Republic of Korea for the Aviation Security Cooperation Group meeting in Washington, DC and provide them a briefing and tour at the Transportation Security Operations Center in Herndon, VA. There will be a signing of a joint statement on the Incheon Airport Liquids, Aerosols, and Gels pilot and an external airport inspection capability. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will address the Argentinian Ministry of Interior and Transport in Washington, DC, in a session on the railways in Argentina. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will make a presentation on "All Things TSA" at the United Motor Coach Association annual safety seminar in Ashburn, VA. Closed press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **December 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Ramey Border Patrol Sector plans to host a news conference to announce Puerto Rico's FY 2013 Operation Stonegarden grant recipients and to discuss implementation throughout the commonwealth. These grants will enable ten municipal police departments and the Puerto Rico Police's Specialized Maritime Units to extend border protection operations throughout Puerto Rico's 700 miles of coastal border. Open press.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- The Coast Guard is issuing a final rule that will implement section 301 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004, which authorizes the Commandant to waive the statutory requirement to mark sunken vessels with a light at night if it is determined that placing a light would be impractical and that such a

waiver will not create an undue hazard to navigation. The rule is expected to publish within next two weeks and a news release will be issued.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **December 3**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak about the importance of shared responsibility in effective emergency management at the Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, Transportation Security Administration Privacy Officer Peter Pietra will speak at the International Association of Privacy Professionals Practical Privacy seminar in Washington, DC, on implementing privacy program and compliance activities in a federal agency. Closed press.
- From **December 3 to 4**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will conduct an Operational Field Assessment of the Ambulatory Hands-Free Patient Vital Signs Monitoring technology in San Diego, CA. The project's ultimate goal is to provide paramedics with a hands-free, wireless device to monitor a patient's vital signs, creating a safer environment for both emergency medical services personnel and patients. Closed press.
- On **December 4**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will speak to the Harvard National Preparedness Leadership Institute about emerging trends and issues at FEMA, and on some of the innovative work that FEMA is doing. Closed press.
- On **December 4**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will attend a joint review of the agricultural screening tools portfolio developed by the National Center for Zoonotic and Animal Disease Defense at Texas A&M University in Fort Belvoir, VA. Closed press.
- From **December 6 to 8**, the US Secret Service will host members of the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation SWAT Team in Beltsville, MD for a series of practical exercises to simulate a protective visit to solve complex tactical problems. Training will be centered around the areas involving motorcade ambush and perimeter site security. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **December 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba, along with Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher and ICE Deputy Director Dan Ragsdale will testify at a House Judiciary Committee hearing on Credible Fear asylum processing. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, along with representatives from TSA, will provide a classified briefing on UAE preclearance to staff from the Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Representative Peter DeFazio to discuss UAE preclearance. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Border Patrol and the Office of Field Operations will meet with staff from the House Judiciary Committee (both majority and minority staff, separately) to discuss credible fear in advance of the hearing on December 12. CIS and ICE will also participate. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, Office of Health Affairs (OHA) leadership will brief majority and minority staffers for the Senate Appropriations Committee on OHA's assessment of current BioWatch capability. This briefing was requested in the Senate report for FY2014 appropriations.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 29**, **Derek Harper**, a journalist with *The Press of Atlantic City* in Pleasantville, New Jersey, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the report pertaining to the sinking of the vessel CAPE HATTERAS off of Ocean City, New Jersey on April 23, 2013.

- On **November 1, Michelle Cohen**, Election Counsel with **Project Vote** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to use of the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) system for elections, registration of voters, and maintenance of voter registration lists from February 11, 2013, through the present.
- On **November 4, Matt Smith**, a journalist with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Berkeley, California, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the H-1B and the Benefits Fraud Assessment Report.
- On **November 4, Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the June 3, 2013 memorandum from the Fraud Detection and National Security (FDNS) Directorate on Revised H-1B Anti-Fraud Operational Guidance.
- On **November 7, Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) statistics pertaining to L-1B petitions for the California Service Center and Vermont Service Center for fiscal years 2012 through 2013.
- On **November 12, HB Cho**, a reporter with *The Korea Daily* in Duluth, Georgia, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to a named individual and his immediate family.
- On **November 13, Jordana Gustafson**, a reporter with *Oregon Public Broadcasting* in Portland, Oregon, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to a named individual.
- On **November 15, Michele Sobel**, a booking producer with *MSNBC* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the status of a named individual who was being held at Broward Detention Center in Florida last year.
- On **November 15, Patricia Alulema**, an associate producer with *CBS News* in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to complaints of sexual assault and/or rape made by immigrants held at United States federal detention centers, from 2008 through 2013.
- On **November 15, Shane Shifflett**, a reporter with *The Huffington Post* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) data pertaining to apprehensions in every United States Border Patrol sector from September 1, 2012, through October 17, 2013.
- On **November 15, Brandon Bailey**, a staff writer with the *San Jose Mercury News* in San Jose, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records from January 1, 2011, through the present: (1) records pertaining to barges BAL0010 or BAL0001; and (2) records pertaining to discussions the USCG held with representatives from By and Large LLC; Google; or other companies regarding these barges.
- On **November 16, David Pardo**, a representative with **MSPB Watch** in Alexandria, Virginia, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of CBP's No FEAR Act Annual Reports to Congress from 2003 through the present.
- On **November 18, Jack Gillum**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to contact, detention, seizure of property, or surveillance of the following individuals: (1) Glen Greenwald; (2) Barton Gellman; (3) Laura Poitras; (4) David Miranda; and (5) Edward Snowden.
- On **November 18, David Chavez**, a journalist with *Borderzine* in El Paso, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to cases of undocumented criminals released from detention by ICE in El Paso, Texas from 2008 through 2012.
- On **November 19, Paul Ingram**, a reporter with the *TucsonSentinel* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) records pertaining to "rocking" incidents on the United States-Mexico border, broken down by sector and year; (2) the current CBP "continuum of force;" and (3) training rates of CBP employees in the use of non-lethal weaponry from October 2002, through December 2012.

- On **November 19**, **Tamara Miller**, an attorney with **The Federal Practice Group** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records provided to Congress in 2012 regarding the United States Secret Service (USSS) “Colombia Prostitution Scandal.”
- On **November 19**, **Tamara Miller**, an attorney with **The Federal Practice Group** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to internal investigations conducted in the last five years regarding leaks to the media made by DHS and/or United States Secret Service (USSS) employees.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Marina Bolotnikova**, Editorial Chair with **The Harvard Crimson** in Cambridge, Massachusetts, 14 pages of records consisting of a portion of DHS-OIG Report of Investigation (ROI) I12-TSA-PHL-00968 pertaining to racial profiling at Boston Logan Airport. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 15**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Miles Doran**, a journalist with **CBS News** in Atlanta, Georgia, seven pages of records consisting of an enforcement activity report and a letter pertaining to the CARNIVAL TRIUMPH for an incident that occurred on July 12, 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **November 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Ginger Thompson**, a reporter with **The New York Times** in New York, New York, 1,030 pages of records pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) which were released in Case Numbers DHS/OS/PRIV 12-0559 and 2013-HQFO-00304. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 3,782 pages of records consisting of memoranda, e-mails, and contracts pertaining to FEMA’s administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Shawn Musgrave**, an individual with **MuckRock** in Boston, MA, 75 pages of records consisting all of significant FOIA activity received from all DHS component FOIA offices by the DHS Privacy Office from August through October of 2013. Portions of this response are withheld pursuant to FOIA exemption (b) (6).
- On **November 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to , **Abraham Payton**, a representative with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, 12 pages of a correspondence log. Portions of this response are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption (b) (6).
- On **November 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Cameron Sullivan**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, 12 pages consisting of a correspondence log. Portions of this request are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption (b)(6).
- On **November 29**, the U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Jill Replogle**, a journalist with **KPBS** in San Diego, California, 61 pages of records consisting of e-mails and a copy of the draft testimony prepared by Joseph Langlois for the Subcommittee on National Security of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **November 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, two hundred six (206) pages consisting of copies of the Criminal Alien Population Projection Analysis (CAPPA) Version 1.2 , December 2010, the Criminal Alien Population Projection Analysis (CAPPA) Version 1.1 Refresh, October 2010 and the Criminal Alien Population Projection Analysis, Release 1.1, December 2009. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **December 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will release to **David Perrera**, an editor with **FierceHomelandSecurity** in Washington, DC, a copy of the comprehensive review of U.S. Border Patrol

facilities and subsequent cost benefit analysis undertaken at the direction of Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).

- On **December 3**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will release to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, 18 pages of records consisting of a correspondence log for Senator Mike Enzi (R-WY). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

December 5, 2013

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 30**, 494,001 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 4.5 million queries have been run through the system.
- On **December 9**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria M. Odom will meet with leadership representatives from the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) in Washington D.C. to discuss the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration benefits and services. LULAC is the largest and oldest Hispanic Organization in the United States and works to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, health and civil rights of Hispanic Americans through community-based program. Closed press.
- On **December 10**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria M. Odom will meet with stakeholders in Washington, DC to discuss lessons learned from implementation of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. Stakeholders will include representatives from the National Legal Implementation Strategy Team (NLIST), which developed a comprehensive plan for legal representation of individuals seeking Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. Members of NLIST include: Catholic Legal Immigration Network INC., American Immigration Council, Own the Dream, National Lawyers Guild, United We Dream, National Association of Latino Elected Officials, National Immigration Law Center, American Immigration Lawyers Association, and Immigration Advocates Network. Closed press.
- On **December 11**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will participate in a teleconference with immigration section members of the Los Angeles County Bar Association to discuss the delivery of immigration services and benefits by USCIS in their community and share information about the work of the Ombudsman's Office. Closed press.
- On **December 12**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom and National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary Rosemary Wenchel will join TBD White House officials in a cybersecurity/common-sense immigration reform roundtable discussion in Washington DC. This engagement will be a follow-up meeting to a roundtable discussion former Secretary Napolitano participated in over the summer with the law firm, Kirkland and Ellis and will include tech start-up companies, business leaders from a variety of sectors including security, intelligence, and science/technology, as well as attorneys from Kirkland and Ellis, and focus on the Department's cybersecurity initiatives as well as the need for immigration reform and their connection to growing a skilled workforce. Closed press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **December 7 to 13**, representatives from the US Secret Service participate in an international collaborative exercise in Amsterdam, the Netherlands with the Netherlands National Police. The exercise will focus on Critical Systems Protection site assessments and how to improve cyber resilience at protected events and venues. Closed press.
- On **December 9**, representatives from the US Secret Service will conduct a cyber-investigations overview briefing from the London Commissioner of Police and National Coordinator of Economic Crime in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **December 11**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss detecting and reporting counterfeit products at the Annual Computer Security Applications Conference and Layered Assurance Workshop in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- On **December 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Will growing reliance on cyber space impact traditional understandings of law, intelligence, government activity, and private sector action?" at the



DHS Office of General Counsel Intelligence & National Security Law Conference in Washington, DC.  
Closed press.

## II. Department/Agency Priorities

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **December 8 to 10**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will meet with counterparts from Mexico to discuss a Federal Air Marshal Service Memorandum of Understanding, receive a tour of the Bunker (a facility similar to the Transportation Security Operations Center), and observe screening and baggage procedures at the airport in Mexico City, Mexico. Closed press.
- From **December 9 to 10**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will discuss how Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program technology priorities are developed, how they relate to the priorities of the S&T technical divisions and the Nuclear Domestic Detection Office, and how successfully developed technologies transition to the operating components and the open market at the DHS S&T SBIR workshop in Washington DC. Closed press.
- From **December 9 to 11**, Science and Technology Directorate Acting Under Secretary Daniel Gerstein will lead an delegation to London, UK for the annual S&T Bilateral Meeting with the United Kingdom's Home Office and key partner ministries. Discussions will address biological detection, chemical and cyber security, explosives detection, first responder technologies, nuclear contraband detection, and resilient systems, as well as a plan for the coming year. Closed Press.
- From **December 9 to 13**, representatives from the Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will participate in a Countering Violent Extremism speakers tour sponsored by the US Embassy in London, UK, which will include exchanges with civil society and local government officials. Closed press.
- On **December 10**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss DHS operational performance testing of Unmanned Air Systems at the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Technical Analysis and Applications Center Conference in Bernalillo, NM. Closed press.
- On **December 10 and 11**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will travel to Ottawa, Canada for the U.S-Canada Emergency Management Consultative Group meeting. Closed press.
- From **December 10 to 12**, the Transportation Security Administration will host delegates from Hong Kong on site visits to New York with the New York Police Department-Transit Bureau, New Jersey Transit, Port Authority Trans-Hudson, and New York City Metropolitan Transportation Authority to allow for discussions and benchmarking of security practices. Closed press.
- From **December 10 to 12**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Law Enforcement First Responder Training Program in Joplin, MO for state and local law enforcement. Closed press.
- On **December 11 and 12**, representatives from the US Secret Service will participate in the Law Enforcement and Homeland Security Forum and Technology Expo in Chantilly, VA, which will include a series of presentations about the capabilities of national systems. Closed press.
- On **December 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks to government officials via video teleconference on progress and next steps for the US-Canada Critical Infrastructure Resilience Working Group at the Emergency Management Consultative Group meeting sponsored by Public Safety Canada. Closed press.
- On **December 11**, Acting Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield, will deliver opening remarks at the Food, Animal and Veterinary Response Exercise on December 11 in Kansas City, MO.
- On **December 11**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, Deputy Administrator Rich Serino, and other FEMA Headquarters and Regional leadership will meet in Atlanta, GA for the Regional Administrator and Federal Coordinating Officer Meeting. Administrator Fugate will deliver remarks as well. Closed press.
- On **December 12**, the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the National Capital Region Intermodal Security Training and Exercise Program Tabletop Exercise, focusing on Arlington County, at the National Transportation Safety Board in Washington, D.C., with Washington Metropolitan

Area Transit Authority, Maryland Transit Administration, Virginia Railway Express, CSX, Amtrak, and Arlington Regional Transit. Closed press.

- On **December 13**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver remarks at the Board meeting of the Metropolitan Boston Emergency Medical Service Council about FEMA's response to recent disasters as well as lessons learned. Open press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **December 10**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Management Directorate will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs, Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce about administratively uncontrollable overtime. Open press.
- On **December 11**, VADM John Currier, Coast Guard Vice Commandant, will testify before the House Transportation & Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about how the Coast Guard is meeting the Service's mission goals. Open press.
- On **December 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will testify before the House Judiciary Committee on credible fear and asylum. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will also testify. Open press.
- On **December 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Federal Protective Service Director Eric Patterson and NPPD Office of Infrastructure Protection Assistant Secretary Caitlin Durkovich will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs about federal facility security. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- From **December 12 to 15**, staff from the House Homeland Security Committee will tour Border Patrol operations in and around El Centro, CA, and Tucson, AZ. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis Principal Deputy Under Secretary John Cohen will present a briefing update in conjunction with the FBI on the National Suspicious Activity Initiative to the House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of International Trade will brief House Ways & Means Committee staff and staff from the office of Representative Ron Kind on the "consumptive demand" exception for the Tariff Act provision on forced labor. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **December 9**, Acting Secretary Beers will attend the Joint Intelligence Community Council Meeting hosted by Director of National Intelligence James Clapper. Closed press.
- On **December 10**, Acting Secretary Beers will host a conference call with Homeland Security Advisory Council Task Force on Cyberskills members to discuss the Department's progress with developing, and fostering a national cybersecurity workforce capable of meeting current and future cybersecurity challenges. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, Acting Secretary Beers is tentatively scheduled to participate in a conference call hosted by Commerce Secretary Penny Pritzker to discuss FirstNet. Other participants would include Office of Management and Budget Director Sylvia Burwell and Attorney General Eric Holder (closed press). He will swear in Dr. Huban Gowadia as the Director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office. Closed press.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- DHS Components have avoided costs of \$4.9 million to date by reutilizing excess office equipment, such as furniture and construction tools and equipment.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **December 3**, President Obama has signed 341 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$28.7 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **V. Legal**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the Department's role in the launch and operation of healthcare.gov, the performance of the BioWatch program, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

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- On **November 22**, DHS OIG released to Patricia Alulema, Associate Producer with CBS News in New York, NY, a previously released 16 page narrative listing of complaints and investigations involving sexual assaults at ICE detention facilities. Portions of the response were withheld pursuant to FOIA exemptions 6, 7A and 7C.
- On **November 22**, DHS OIG released to Ritika Rodrigues, Counsel for the U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight in Washington, DC, 319 pages of emails, notes, and job vacancy documents relating to her request for records released on two prior OIG FOIA requests and the FOIA Unit case notes in processing those requests. Portions of the response were withheld pursuant to FOIA exemptions 2, 5, 6, 7A and 7C.
- On **December 4**, the U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release to **Daniel Gilligan**, an individual in **Raleigh, North Carolina**, 15 pages of records consisting of correspondence pertaining to Congressman Mark Schauer. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **December 4**, the U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release to **Joel Millman**, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in Portland, Oregon, 3 pages of records and an Excel workbook consisting of data pertaining to the total number of asylum applications granted by category and nationality between fiscal year 2001 through 2013.
- On **December 5**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) will release to **Harmon K. Fine**, with *Supply Pro, Inc.* in Houston, Texas a one page receipt in response to his request for a copy of an incident report where an absorbent boom made by New Pig Corporation sank. This document will be released in full.

## **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- In **December**, OIA expects to release the second annual report which details the progress in achieving the goals of the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- In **December**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **December**, DHS expects to public the PREA Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA).
- In **December**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **December**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete the Wildland Firefighter Advanced Personal Protection System initiative, which aims to develop a National Fire Protection Association certified garment system that improves radiant thermal protection; reduces heat stress; and improves the form, fit, and function of garments
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to release the enhanced Form N-400. The redesigned form includes new data collection technologies and new questions.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a rule to bring H-1B, E3 and CW1 regulations into alignment with other nonimmigrant classifications and remove unnecessary hurdles for these visa classifications as part of Secretary's Enhancing Opportunities Rule effort.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish H-4 NPRM rule, extending eligibility for employment authorization to spouses of certain H-1B workers.
- In **December**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman expects to issue a formal recommendation regarding U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)' Administrative Appeals Office that will identify opportunities to improve appeal processing times and establish clearer policy guidance for the appeals process.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services expects to publish in the Federal Register an Interim Final Rule on T nonimmigrant status.
- In **December**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete FINDER demonstrations, which use low-power microwave radar to detect the small movements from breathing and the heartbeat of a buried victim, even when the signal must pass through several meters of building debris and rubble.
- In **December**, TSA expects to expand its Transportation Worker Identity Credential (TWIC) OneVisit solution to a second location in addition to Alaska via a semi-automated card mailing solution to require no more than one visit to a designated enrollment center. This expansion and enhancement is the second phase of a three-phase approach.
- By the **end of December**, TSA expects to enable members of the military to access expedited screening at all Pre✓™ airports using their Common Access Card. To date, more than 220,000 members of the military have experienced TSA Pre✓™ which allows passengers to leave on their shoes, light outerwear and belt, keep their laptop in its case, and their 3-1-1 compliant liquids/gels bag in a carry-on.
- By the **end of December**, TSA expects to remove the Terrorist Watch list from domestic aircraft operators and foreign air carriers.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Federal Register Notice outlining the intent to begin collecting a fee with the I-131A for non-citizens who lose their travel documents abroad.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Child Soldier NPRM rule.

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December 12, 2013

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **December 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director John Sandweg and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will travel to Queretaro, Mexico to participate in the Executive Steering Committee meetings under Department of Homeland Security's Bilateral Strategic Plan (BSP) with Mexico Customs officials. Under the BSP, DHS and Mexico Customs officials will meet to discuss several joint initiatives and set goals on short and long term objectives for both agencies. Closed press.
- On **December 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will deliver welcoming remarks to representatives from the National Treasury Employees Union and the National Border Patrol Council at a briefing on CBP's Integrity Strategy in Washington, DC Closed press.
- On **December 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with representatives from the Congressional Research Service to share information about the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration benefits. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **December 7**, 495,548 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 5 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **December 16**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will attend a safety and security meeting in Howard County, MD with 50 Over-the-Road Bus operators for Erie Bus Tours and Travel and discuss security enhancements and related issues. Closed press.
- On **December 17**, CBP Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will participate in a panel discussion on CBP preclearance operations at the "Securing the Skies: Aviation Security a Dozen Years after 9/11" conference hosted jointly by the Air Line Pilots Association and Airlines for America in Washington, D.C. TSA Administrator Pistole will deliver the keynote address. Open press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **December 18**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host the Transition to Practice (TTP) Technology Demonstration Day in Washington, DC for Investors, Integrators, and IT Companies, which will showcase eight innovative cyber security technologies developed at Department of Energy National Laboratories. Cyber security professionals and technology investors from private industry will learn about these new technologies through presentations, demonstrations, and discussions with the research teams that produced them. The TTP program works to identify and transition emerging cyber security technologies developed with federal funding into products capable of broad utilization. Open press.
- On **December 20**, Director of the DHS Integrated Task Force Bob Kolasky will deliver remarks on the National Infrastructure Protection Plan at the National Institute of Standards and Technology Information Security Privacy Advisory Board Meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- On **December 16 and 17**, the US Secret Service will conduct an Active Shooter Response Briefing to the Social Security Administration's Office of the Inspector General personnel in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **December 16 to 18**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program in Charleston, SC, which is designed to qualify the student by instilling the

knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. This audience will consist primarily of state and local law enforcement officers. Closed press.

- From **December 17 to 19**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program in Laredo, TX, which is designed to qualify the student by instilling the knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. This audience will consist primarily of state and local law enforcement officers. Closed press.

## II. Department/Agency Priorities

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **December 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Treasury Department plan to announce that a Final Rule will be published in the *Federal Register* that amends CBP's regulations regarding returning U.S. residents who are eligible to file a single customs declaration for members of a family residing in one household and traveling together upon arrival in the United States. The amendments expand the definition of the term "members of a family residing in one household" and would allow more U.S. residents traveling as a family to group together their duty exemptions for articles acquired abroad.
- During the week of **December 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will announce the next phase of the Loaned Executive initiative. USCIS officials, in partnership with private-sector executives, will enhance operational effectiveness and efficiency in the arts and entertainment and nursing fields by engaging private sector experts through the DHS Loaned Executive program for a period of six months. This is a continuation of the Entrepreneurs in Residence program that concluded earlier this year.
- During the week of **December 16**, DHS and the White House plan to publicly release the 2013 Beyond the Border Implementation Report.
- On **December 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski and Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to participate in an event to sign Section 560 reimbursable fee agreements with Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport; the City of El Paso, Texas; the Houston Airport System; the South Texas Assets Consortium (which includes four ports of entry); and Miami-Dade County (which includes two ports of entry). Section 560 of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2013 allows the Commissioner of CBP to enter into certain public-private partnerships to provide new or enhanced services on a reimbursable basis in any of CBP's non-foreign operational environments and provides that CBP may enter into up to five such partnerships by December 31, 2013. Open press.
- On **December 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will add the document library functionality to Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur, in the USCIS Electronic Immigration System (USCIS ELIS). This functionality allows foreign investors to access a document library to select evidence that supports their specific investment in a new commercial enterprise within an approved regional center. This functionality provides a streamlined option for filing and will support the Form I-526 application process.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **December 16**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John Cohen will provide an overview of the DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis and DHS intelligence and information sharing joint efforts with the Department of Defense at the National Intelligence University's Distinguished Speaker Program Forum at the Defense Intelligence Agency at Bolling Air Force Base, Washington DC. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, Acting Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will present during the Special Operations Medical Association Assembly in Tampa, FL on a panel about "Active Shooter and Bombing Incidents." Closed press.



- On **December 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend the Office of National Drug Control Policy Interagency Leadership Meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **December 17**, Acting Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will serve as a panelist at the National Defense University's Federal Health Futures Roundtable in Washington, D.C. addressing "Innovations in Times of Chaos: An Opportunity We Cannot Pass Up." Closed press.
- On **December 18**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary John Cohen will attend the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Unified Message Task Team conference, which will provide guidance on the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative governance and technology transition issues as well as updates on the unified messages and threat notifications for state, local, tribal, and territorial partners following a critical incident or breaking threat stream. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the Alaska Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management Alaska Partnership for Infrastructure Protection meeting in Anchorage to discuss private sector critical infrastructure owner and government response preparedness for security and emergency events. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **December 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Enforcement Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Tom Homan, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Customs and Border Patrol U.S. Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher will testify before the House Judiciary Committee about asylum processes. Open press.
- On **December 17**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich and Director of the Federal Protective Service Eric Patterson will testify about security at federal facilities before the U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee in Washington, DC. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 13**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski and US Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner will brief House Homeland Security Committee Members on UAE Preclearance. Closed press.
- On **December 13**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will have a teleconference with Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee staff on AT-2. Closed press.
- From **December 13 to December 15**, staff from the House Homeland Security Committee will tour Border Patrol operations in and around El Centro, CA, and Tucson, AZ. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Acting Secretary Beers*

- On **December 16**, Acting Secretary Beers is scheduled to attend the Cabinet Dinner hosted by President and Mrs. Obama.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of \$7 million to date by utilizing a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for multi-functional devices and reducing expenditures on printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

## *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **December 10**, President Obama has signed 341 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$28.7 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **V. Legal**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the week of **December 9**, DHS responded to correspondence from Senator Coburn dated November 6, 2013, and planned for a HSGAC subcommittee hearing originally scheduled for December 10, but postponed until next week, on the topic of Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Department's role in the launch and operation of healthcare.gov, the performance of the BioWatch program, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 9**, **Matt Jenkins**, a journalist with *High Country News* in El Paso, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the investigation report pertaining to the collision between ALASKA I and HANJIN BARCELONA in the Bering Sea on February 11, 1998.
- On **November 16**, **James Meek**, an investigative producer with *ABC News* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the following individuals identified in a Department of Justice (DOJ) press release on January 29, 2013: (1) Mohanad Shareef Hammadi (Case Number USCIS COW2013000925); and (2) Waad Ramadan Alwan.
- On **November 18**, **Chris Meller**, a representative with *MuckRock News* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the correspondence log for Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) or his representatives from January 3, 2003, through November 15, 2013.
- On **November 20**, **Nandi Robinson**, a representative with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records from 2006 through the present: (1) a log of correspondence between DHS and the following: (a) David W. Jolly; (b) Florida Association of Broadcasters; and (c) SRI International; and (2) records pertaining to any complaints of, investigations into, or requests made by the aforementioned individual and entities.
- On **November 21**, **Josiah Heyman**, a professor with the **University of Texas** in El Paso, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of an external independent review of CBP use of force policy by the Police Executive Research Forum.
- On **November 21**, **Ginger Thompson**, a reporter with *The New York Times* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) data pertaining to the 2,901 aliens detained and deported as part of the nationwide Operation Cross Check in September 2011.
- On **November 22**, **Ginger Thompson**, a reporter with *The New York Times* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) data pertaining to all ICE removals from fiscal year 2003 through the present.
- On **November 22**, **Jesse Franzblau** a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the letter of intent signed between former Secretary Janet Napolitano and Mexico's former Secretary of Interior Gomez-Mont in February 2010, regarding better coordination on a number of mutual aviation security initiatives.
- On **November 25**, **Rich Lord**, a reporter with the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to budgets for funds allocated for distribution to confidential human sources, confidential informants, cooperating witnesses, or other non-employees who may receive payment for evidence, for fiscal years 2010 through 2014.

- On **November 25, Jordana Gustafson**, a reporter with *Oregon Public Broadcasting* in Portland, Oregon, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to an immigration case for a named individual.
- On **November 25, Jennifer Brown**, a reporter with *The Denver Post* in Denver, Colorado requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of recent audits conducted by FEMA and the Colorado Department of Natural Resources regarding flood management for Boulder, Larimer, Weld, Adams, and Logan Counties in Colorado.
- On **November 25, Chip Skambis**, an editor with *WCJB TV20 News* in Gainesville, Florida, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) number EMW-2011-FV-04462.
- On **November 26, Lucy Westcott**, a journalist with *Capital News Service* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to correspondence to DHS from the following individuals from January 1, 2009, through the present: (1) Representative. Frank M. Kratovil, Jr. (D-MD); (2) Representative Roscoe Bartlett (R-MD); (3) Representative Andy Harris (R-MD); (4) Representative Dutch Ruppersberger (D-MD); (5) Representative John Sarbanes (D-MD); (6) Representative Donna Edwards (D-MD); (7) Representative Steny Hoyer (D-MD); (8) Representative John Delaney (D-MD); (9) Representative Elijah Cummings (D-MD); (10) Representative Chris Van Hollen (D-MD); (11) Senator Barbara Mikulski (D-MD); (12) Senator Ben Cardin (D-MD); and (13) Governor Martin O'Malley (D-MD).
- On **November 26, Robyn Burrows**, Counsel with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of communication between the Office of White House Counsel and the DHS Privacy Office and DHS Office of the General Counsel (OGC) pertaining to the Office of White House Counsel's review of agency records from January 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **November 26, Jason Smathers**, a representative with **Muckrock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of all Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) or other agreements between these agencies and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that allow DHS and ICE to access data collected by the FBI's Data Intercept Technology Unit (DITU).
- On **November 27, Eliot Brown**, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to EB-5 applications for Related Companies.
- On **December 2, Scott MacFarlane**, an investigative reporter with *NBC4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of records released in FOIA Case Numbers OIG 2012-100, 2012-139, 2012-154, and 2012-155.
- On **December 4, Ryan Kath**, an investigative reporter with *41 Action News* in Kansas City, Missouri, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to OIG investigation I11-FPS-CHI-00785.
- On **December 4, Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous, case-by-case data on each removal in November 2013 that was covered by the Secure Communities reports.
- On **December 4, Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous data on all individuals who were detained, released, or otherwise in ICE custody in November 2013.
- On **December 4, Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) anonymous data on all ICE detainers issued in November 2013.
- On **December 4, Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)



anonymous, case-by-case data on individuals served a Form I-122, Form I-221, Form I-862, Form I-863, or OSC Forms in November 2013.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on ICE removals in November 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, 206 pages of records pertaining to the Secure Communities Criminal Alien Projection Analysis version 1.2 that was used as part of ICE's fiscal year 2013 budget submission. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on all ICE detainers issued in February 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Alicia Caldwell**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, 473 pages of records pertaining to complaints about treatment in the workplace filed within the Los Angeles area of responsibility since January 1, 2008. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jason Buch**, a reporter with the *San Antonio Express News* in San Antonio, Texas, 113 pages of records pertaining to the investigation of use of force incidents for U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) employees from 2005 through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous case-by-case information on each removal and return in February 2013 covered by the monthly Secure Communities reports. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jason Leopold**, a reporter with **Truthout** in Beverly Hills, California, four pages of records consisting of a memorandum from the Long Island ICE Tea Party to the agency requesting investigations of two specific individuals. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **November 21**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Daniel Gilligan**, an individual in Raleigh, North Carolina, 24 pages of records consisting of correspondence from Congressman Mark Schauer (D-MI) to DHS. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **November 21**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Ethan Schwartz**, an individual in Brooklyn, New York, 75 pages of records consisting of a correspondence log for Representative Donna Edwards (D-MD). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **November 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jason Cherkis**, a reporter with the *Huffington Post* in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing five data fields pertaining to ICE detainees released on February 25, 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **November 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, two Excel spreadsheets containing 38 data fields pertaining to ICE removals conducted in August 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).
- On **November 22**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Patricia Alulema**, an associate producer with *CBS News* in New York, New York, 16 pages of

records previously released consisting of a narrative listing of complaints and investigations involving sexual assaults at U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention facilities. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).

- On **November 22**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Ritika Rodrigues**, Counsel with the **U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight** in Washington, DC, 319 pages of records consisting of e-mails, notes, and job vacancies pertaining to her request for records released on two prior OIG FOIA requests and the FOIA Unit case notes in processing those requests. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 2, 5, 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **November 25**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Kenric Ward**, a journalist with **Watchdog.org** in Alexandria Virginia, 45 pages of records consisting of e-mails and records pertaining to GreenTech Automotive and Gulf Coast Funds Management. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On **November 25**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Marinka Peschmann**, a freelance journalist in Ontario, Canada, 61 pages of records consisting of e-mails and records pertaining to Gulf Coast Funds Management from January 1, 2009, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Abraham Payton**, a representative with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, 12 pages of records consisting of a correspondence log for Congressman William Cassidy (R-LA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **November 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Cameron Sullivan**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, 12 pages of records consisting of a correspondence log for Congressman Gary Peters (D-MI). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **November 29**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Jill Replogle**, a journalist with **KPBS** in San Diego, California, 61 pages of records consisting of e-mails and a copy of the draft testimony prepared by Joseph Langlois for the Subcommittee on National Security of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **December 3**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, 18 pages of records consisting of a correspondence log for Senator Mike Enzi (R-WY). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **December 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Damien Cave**, a correspondent with **The New York Times** in Mexico City, Mexico, a no records determination in response to his request seeking the following records: (1) a copy of Interagency Agreements between CBP and its components and its Mexican counterparts or any arm of the Mexican government; (2) records pertaining to the tracking of complaints against CBP personnel deployed on the Southwest border; and (3) payments made by CBP in civil lawsuits filed against CBP or its personnel and contractors.
- On **December 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Claire Brownell**, a reporter with **The Windsor Star** in Windsor, Canada, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records of misconduct complaints pertaining to CBP officers at the Ambassador Bridge and Windsor-Detroit Tunnel from Jan. 1, 2010, through June 30, 2012.
- On **December 4**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Joel Millman**, a reporter with **The Wall Street Journal** in Portland, Oregon, three pages of records and an Excel workbook consisting of data pertaining to the total number of asylum applications granted by category and nationality for fiscal years 2001 through 2013.
- On **December 4**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Daniel Gilligan**, an individual in Raleigh, North Carolina, 15 pages of records consisting of correspondence to and from Congressman Mark Schauer (D-MI). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.

- On **December 4**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) issued to **Steve Reilly**, a reporter with the *Press & Sun-Bulletin* in Binghamton, New York, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to properties approved for Hazard Mitigation Assistance property acquisitions under Tropical Storm Lee and Hurricane Irene in New York.
- On **December 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Jana Winter**, a reporter with *Fox News* in New York, New York, and **Jake Tapper**, an anchor with *Cable News Network (CNN)*, 24 pages of records consisting of the publicly-available inspection report OIG-13-24, and 71 pages of records consisting of the Report of Investigation (ROI) titled, “United States Secret Service (USSS) Cartagena Review – Phase One (I12-USSS-OSI-00800).” Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(A), 7(C), 7(D), and 7(E).
- On **December 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **David Iaconangelo**, a journalist with the *Latin Times* in Brooklyn, New York, one page of records containing statistics pertaining to T visas. These records are released in full.
- On December 10, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Chris Meller**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 14 pages of a correspondence log for Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **December 11**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **James Meeks**, an investigative producer with *ABC News* in Washington, DC, seven pages of records consisting of Alien File records pertaining to Waad Ramadan Alwan, an individual identified in a Department of Justice (DOJ) press release on January 29, 2013. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **December 12**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Robert Deasy**, Director of Liaison and Information with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, DC, 1643 pages of records consisting of emails and documents pertaining to USCIS standard operating procedures and policies on the adjudication of Form I-601A. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **December 12**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Michelle Cohen**, Election Counsel with **Project Vote** in Washington, DC, 100 pages of records consisting of memoranda and other documents pertaining to use of the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) system for elections, registration of voters, and maintenance of voter registration lists. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **December 12**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Brendan Fischer**, a researcher with *The Center for Media and Democracy* in Madison, Wisconsin, 1881 pages of records consisting of emails, charts and memoranda pertaining to SAVE program monitoring, compliance and review. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 3, 4, 5 and 6.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **December**, OIA expects to release the second annual report which details the progress in achieving the goals of the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- In **December**, DHS expects to public the PREA Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA).
- In **December**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete the Wildland Firefighter Advanced Personal Protection System initiative, which aims to develop a National Fire Protection Association certified garment system that improves radiant thermal protection; reduces heat stress; and improves the form, fit, and function of garments
- In **December**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman expects to issue a formal recommendation regarding U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)’ Administrative Appeals Office that will identify opportunities to improve appeal processing times and establish clearer policy guidance for the appeals process.



- In **December**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete FINDER demonstrations, which use low-power microwave radar to detect the small movements from breathing and the heartbeat of a buried victim, even when the signal must pass through several meters of building debris and rubble.
- In **December**, TSA expects to expand its Transportation Worker Identity Credential (TWIC) OneVisit solution to a second location in addition to Alaska via a semi-automated card mailing solution to require no more than one visit to a designated enrollment center. This expansion and enhancement is the second phase of a three-phase approach.
- In **December**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Treasury Department plan to publish a Final Rule in the Federal Register that amends CBP's regulations regarding returning U.S. residents who are eligible to file a single customs declaration for members of a family residing in one household and traveling together upon arrival in the United States. The amendments expand the definition of the term "members of a family residing in one household" and would allow more U.S. residents traveling as a family to group together their duty exemptions for articles acquired abroad. These changes more accurately reflect relationships among members of the public who are traveling together and reduce the amount of paperwork that CBP officers need to review during inspection, thereby facilitating passenger processing. [Publication date TBA.]
- By the **end of December**, TSA expects to enable members of the military to access expedited screening at all Pre✓™ airports using their Common Access Card. To date, more than 220,000 members of the military have experienced TSA Pre✓™ which allows passengers to leave on their shoes, light outerwear and belt, keep their laptop in its case, and their 3-1-1 compliant liquids/gels bag in a carry-on.
- By the **end of December**, TSA expects to remove the Terrorist Watch list from domestic aircraft operators and foreign air carriers.
- In **January**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **January**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Federal Register Notice outlining the intent to begin collecting a fee with the I-131A for non-citizens who lose their travel documents abroad.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Child Soldier NPRM rule.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to centralize civil surgeon filing and introduce a new form for civil surgeons.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to release the revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. The redesigned form includes new data collection technologies and additional questions.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish H-4 NPRM rule, extending eligibility for employment authorization to spouses of certain H-1B workers.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish T Nonimmigrant Status Regulation based on comments on a related 2002 interim rule. This will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes made based on comments or operations experience. The T rule is currently with DHS OGC.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a listening session for stakeholders in the arts and entertainment and nursing industries with private-sector executives to look at policies and practices regarding arts and entertainment and nursing adjudications as part of the Loaned Executive initiative.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish Volume 11: Travel, Employment, and Identity Documents to its online Policy Manual.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Haiti.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **February 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder engagement on customer service to discuss the launch of the new Interactive Voice Response System and redesigned *How Do I* guides, among other updates. Closed press.
- Between **February 14 and 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to naturalize 17,800 new citizens during 148 ceremonies across the United States in commemoration of Presidents Day. Open press.
- On **February 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Director Lori Scialabba will travel to Atlanta, GA to administer the Oath of Allegiance and participate in a special naturalization ceremony at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum in commemoration of Presidents Day. Open press.
- On **February 18**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks at a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services naturalization ceremony in Phoenix, AZ, in celebration of President's Day. Open press.
- On **February 18**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will testify before the Phoenix Mayor's Task Force on Sex Trafficking in Phoenix, AZ, about the Blue Campaign and the Department's efforts to raise awareness of human trafficking. Closed press.
- On **February 18 to 21**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will participate in meetings in Phoenix, Tucson, and Nogales, AZ to discuss the delivery of immigration benefits and services by the Ombudsman's Office as well as the work of the DHS Blue Campaign to raise awareness on human trafficking issues with local representatives from the Arizona State Bar's immigration section, American Immigration Lawyers Association, Phoenix Greater Economic Council, as well as local non-profit legal service providers, non-profit victim service providers, human trafficking advocacy organizations, and University of Arizona and Arizona State University immigration scholars. Closed press.
- On **February 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national webinar on T and U visas, and the Violence Against Women Act for law enforcement agencies in coordination with DHS Office of State and Local Law Enforcement. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national teleconference on publication of revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. Closed press.
- On **February 21**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver keynote remarks and facilitate a One-DHS Training hosted by the Arizona Police Officer Standards and Training Board regarding protections for immigrant victims. This training will include representatives from local Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection offices sharing information with Arizona state and local law enforcement officials regarding tools to support investigations and prosecutions, such as the T and U visas for victims of trafficking and crime. Closed press.
- On **February 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Deputy Director Rendell Jones will administer the Oath of Allegiance at a naturalization ceremony at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate, Museum and Gardens in Mount Vernon, VA. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 8**, 509,417 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 8.7 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- From **February 18 to 21**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will meet with the Kuwait Civil Aviation Authority and Ministry of Interior regarding security screening concerns before traveling to Kuwait International Airport before observing and verifying comparable aviation

screening operations related to Preclearance at and Abu Dhabi International Airport in the United Arab Emirates and then hold meetings with the Frankfurt Consulate and hold a Town Hall at the Regional Operations Center in Frankfurt, Germany. Closed press.

- From **February 18 to 21**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss research and development in aviation security at the International Air Transport Association Checkpoint of the Future in Singapore. Open press.
- On **February 19**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will discuss Risk Based Security and the TSA Pre™ application program at the Airport Consultants/American Association of Airport Executive Airport Planning Design and Construction Symposium in Denver, CO with over 600 representatives from airports, consulting firms, airlines and government agencies. Open press.

### *Cybersecurity*

- On **February 19**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will deliver remarks to executives from industry and government on Science and Technology Directorate priorities including efforts to develop cybersecurity capabilities to support the first responder community at the Homeland Security Dialogue Forum in Washington, DC. Closed press.

## **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- In **February**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate expects to announce support to state and local governments to help in the adoption of the Cybersecurity Framework through technical assistance in the form of intrusion detection and prevention from the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register extending Temporary Protected Status for Haiti for 18 months, through January 22, 2016.
- From **February 25 to 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) plans to host press events at Cyril B. King Airport in Charlotte Amalie, U.S. Virgin Islands, and at Henry E. Rohlsen Airport in Christiansted, U.S. Virgin Islands, to promote the “Don’t Pack a Pest” outreach program to travelers. “Don’t Pack a Pest” is a multi-agency initiative to improve inter-governmental cooperation in carrying out agricultural safeguarding activities; partners include CBP, the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Open press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to host a national teleconference to provide program and policy-related updates to the EB-5 community and introduce the new Investor Program Office Chief. Closed press.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **February 15 to 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director John Sandweg and ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Deputy Executive Associate Director Peter Edge will travel to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Afghanistan. In the UAE, Acting Director Sandweg will sign a Memorandum of Understanding regarding the ongoing formal information exchange between ICE and the Minister of Interior/Abu Dhabi Police and conduct bilateral meetings with the UAE Ministry of Interior. In Afghanistan, they will meet with Afghanistan Minister of Interior law enforcement personnel, the newly formed Transnational Criminal Investigative Unit, and ICE HSI employees stationed in Afghanistan. Closed press.
- From **February 17 to 20**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Laredo, Port Isabel and Harlingen, TX, accompanied by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, to tour CBP, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services operations and meet with various local stakeholders. On Tuesday, **February 18**, the delegation will participate in a press event with GSA Administrator Dan Tangherlini and Representative Henry Cuellar to announce \$61 million in funding for port infrastructure

improvements for the Gateway to the Americas International and Lincoln-Juarez Bridges in Laredo. All operational tours and stakeholder meetings are closed press.

- From **February 17 to 21**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will participate in @tomic2014, an international table-top exercise in the Netherlands, focused on preventing nuclear and radiological terrorism. Closed press.
- On **February 18 and 19**, the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the European Civil Aviation Conference Explosive Detection Dog conference in Paris, France. Closed press.
- From **February 18 to 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will conduct the Commercial Vehicle Counterterrorism Training Program in Raleigh, NC. The program provides law enforcement officers, responsible for traffic enforcement, with an awareness of how commercial vehicles can be used to commit acts of terrorism. Closed press.
- On **February 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection Infrastructure Security Compliance Division Director Dave Wulf will deliver remarks on chemical facility security at the Executive Order 13650 Listening Session in Baton Rouge, LA. The listening session is expected to attract chemical facility owners and operators. Open press.
- On **February 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations will host the next quarterly meeting of the ICE Non-Government Organization (NGO) Working Group at in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- Between **February 19 and 21**, the U.S. Secret Service will hold counterfeit detection training in support of the U.S. Currency training program in Miami, FL for Federal Reserve Board employees. Closed press.
- On **February 19 to 21**, representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Tijuana will travel to Tapachula, Chiapas, with FBI and Department of State Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs personnel from El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, and Mexican immigration officials to discuss issues of the increasing gang presence and associated violence on Mexico's southern border. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks at the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund 2014 Latino State of the Union at the Time Warner Center, New York City, NY.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will attend the fifth public meeting of the 13th Term Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for Customs and Border Protection in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **February 21 to March 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner James Tomsheck (Office of Internal Affairs) will travel to Belgrade, Serbia, to participate in the Serbian Border Police and Customs Directorate's Joint Anti-Corruption Initiative. This request was received from the U.S. Department of Justice, which is leading the Initiative.
- From **February 21 to 24**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara and Deputy Assistant Secretary Alaina Clark will attend the National Governors Association winter meeting in Washington, DC. Portions Open and closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about maritime transportation regulations. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Deputy Director Student Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) Rachel Canty, HSI SEVP Strategic Communications Unit Chief Kathryn Kennedy and Acting Chief SEVP School Certification Unit Katie Westerlund will provide staff of Senator Charles Grassley with a briefing on SEVP and a tour of the SEVP Operations located in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

- On **February 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Grand Rapids Resident Agent in Charge Kenneth Duke, and partners from the Michigan Fusion Center—an interagency law enforcement group—will have an introductory meeting with staff of Representative Bill Huizenga. Closed press.
- On **February 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, John Wagner will brief staff from the House Oversight and Government Reform Subcommittee on National Security on the Workload Staffing Model and Resource Optimization Strategy. Closed press.
- From **February 18 to 19**, staff from the Senate Finance Committee will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in Philadelphia, PA. Closed press.
- From **February 18 to 20**, staff from various Congressional offices will view U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in Detroit, MI, as part of a tour of the Detroit/Windsor, Ontario, area sponsored by the Canada Border Services Agency. Closed press.
- From **February 18 to 21**, staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Homeland Security will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in South Texas. Closed press.
- On **February 19**, Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will conduct a classified briefing on Operation First Light before the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will conduct a classified briefing on Operation First Light, before the U.S. House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **February 21**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will give House Appropriations staff a tour of TSA operations at San Francisco International Airport. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **February 18**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Federal Bureau of Investigations Director James Comey.
- On **February 19**, Secretary Johnson will travel with President Obama to Toluca, Mexico to participate in the North American leader's summit with President Nieto and Canadian Prime Minister Harper.
- On **February 20 and 21**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Los Angeles, CA where he will tour Transportation Security Administration and U.S. Customs and Border Protection security operations at Los Angeles International Airport, tour security operations at the Port of Los Angeles/Long Beach, meet with LA Mayor Garcetti, host an immigration roundtable, visit the Joint Regional Intelligence Center and attend a reception hosted by Jane Harman, President of the Wilson Center. Press TBD.
- On **February 24**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick. The Secretary will also host the Council of Governors Meeting also attended by Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel (closed press). The Secretary will also meet with Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel.
- On **February 25**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Office of Personnel Management Director Katherine Archuleta. The Secretary will also meet with World Customs Organization Secretary General Kunio Mikuriya.
- On **February 27**, Secretary Johnson will meet with International Civil Aviation Organization Secretary General Raymond Benjamin.
- On **February 28**, Secretary Johnson will meet with House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security Chairman John Carter and Ranking Member David Price. The Secretary will also meet with Yale Law School's American Constitution Society students. The Secretary is also tentatively scheduled to meet with Chilean Foreign Minister Alfredo Moreno to discuss the Visa Waiver Program. The Secretary is tentatively scheduled to meet with Colombian Foreign Affairs Minister Maria Angela Holguin to sign the U.S.-Colombia Joint Statement on Combating Trafficking in Persons.

### IV. Items of Note

### *Efficiency Review*

- Components have achieved printing-related cost avoidances since Q4 FY09 by posting documents online rather than printing and improving their print management processes. To date, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$6 million through implementation of this initiative.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **February 11**, President Obama has signed 348 major disaster declarations and 67 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.4 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **V. Legal**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, preclearance operations in Abu Dhabi, TSA's Screening Partnership Program, Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the performance of the BioWatch program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **January 3, Benjamin Crair**, a reporter with *The New Republic* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the importation of sloths by the Dallas World Aquarium, Daryl Richardson, and Luis Sigler, from January 1, 1992, through January 1, 2014.
- On **January 5, Benjamin Crair**, a reporter with *The New Republic* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the importation into the United States of live animal specimens from Panama that reference Jacobo Lacs from January 1, 1992, through January 1, 2014.
- On **January 20, Scott MacFarlane**, an investigative reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of a master list of all items seized/confiscated by CBP staff at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport and Dulles International Airport in 2013.
- On **January 23, Keith Herbert**, a writer with *Newsday* in Melville, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to Public Assistance grants following Hurricane Sandy for the following states: (1) New York; (2) New Jersey; (3) Massachusetts; (4) Connecticut; and (5) Rhode Island.
- On **January 24, Joel Millman**, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in Portland, Oregon, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to Petitions for Alien Relatives (Form I-130) for fiscal years 2003 through 2014.
- On **January 24, Sally Kestin**, a reporter with the *Sun Sentinel* in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to investigations or seizures of the shipment of medical supplies, prescription drugs, or pharmaceuticals from the United States to Cuba since 2000.
- On **January 27, Al Shaw**, a journalist with *ProPublica* in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the current version of the Midterm Levee Inventory (MLI) database, as detailed in the November 30, 2012 FEMA report, "Midterm Levee Inventory Project Summary Report: Standard Operations Task Order 4."
- On **January 29, Todd Feathers**, a representative with *MuckRock News* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the Periodic Review Board, which is charged with assessing the detainees at Guantanamo Bay, from January 1, 2011, through January 29, 2014.
- On **January 30, Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) statistical data pertaining to the number of detainees held in ICE facilities in the last decade.



- On **January 30, Alicia Caldwell**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the crash of a drone on January 27, 2014.
- On **January 30, Paul Birmingham**, an investigative producer with *KVOA-TV* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to U.S. Border Patrol agents who were placed on leave or otherwise faced action due to being intoxicated while on duty from January 1, 2013, through January 1, 2014.
- On **January 31, Neal Carlton**, a federal liaison with the **Texas Department of Agriculture** in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records for fiscal years 2009 through the present: (1) performance reports for CBP activity along the Mexico-United States border; (2) reports on Border Patrol agents and equipment inter-sector adaptability in response to changing flows of illegal entries; (3) reports identifying the number of Border Patrol agents conducting patrol activities along the Texas-Mexico border; (4) CBP personnel statistics by job type; and (5) reports on effectiveness of surveillance and patrol activities along the Texas-Mexico border.
- On **February 3, Rich Lord**, a staff writer with the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) the following records from fiscal years 2010 through 2014: (1) records pertaining to funds allocated for distribution to confidential human sources, confidential informants, cooperating witnesses, or other non-employees who may receive payment for evidence, payment for information, or payment for services used in criminal investigations (Case Number USSS 20140310); (2) records pertaining to accounting and reconciliation procedures governing payments to the aforementioned groups (Case Number USSS 20140311); and (3) records pertaining to payments made in any reward for enforcement cooperation program, whistleblower reward program, reward for information program, or similar program in which non-employees are paid a fraction, percentage or flat amount for monies obtained through an enforcement action.
- On **February 3, Rory Campbell**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence to DHS from or on behalf of State Representative Amy Stephens (R-CO) from January 1, 2006, through January 15, 2014.
- On **February 3, Katie Drapcho**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to FOIA requests sent to DHS regarding Senator Mark Warner (D-VA) or Governor Mark Warner (D-VA) from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **February 3, Donna Bryson**, a reporter with the *Associated Press*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the software known as Case Investigative Life Cycle; and (2) records pertaining to the following companies and their principals: (a) Leading Team Inc., (b) IRP Solutions Corporation; (c) DKH, LLC; (d) David A. Banks; (e) Demetrius K. Harper; (f) Gary L. Walker; (g) Clinton A. Stewart; (h) David A. Zirpolo; and (i) Kendrick Barnes.
- On **February 3, Jim McElhatton**, a reporter with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the application of DHS Chief of Staff Christian Marrone.
- On **February 3, David Perera**, an editor with *FierceHomeland Security* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to BioWatch Generation 3 analysis of alternatives.
- On **February 5, Saad Kamal**, an analyst with **Washington Analysis, LLC** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to calendar appointments and/or e-mails containing the word “Rapiscan” addressed to or involving Michael Russell, Deputy Associate General Counsel, from November 1, 2013, through February 3, 2014.
- On **February 5, Thomas Lake**, a reporter with *Sports Illustrated* in Decatur, Georgia, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) investigation of Concrete Management Corp., in Colorado, a company that was charged in 2013 with a misdemeanor for a pattern of using illegal workers.

## FOIA Releases

- On **February 3**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to, **Kate Bailey**, FOIA Program Manager with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to the approval of Gulf Coast Funds Management to participate in the foreign visa program. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On February 4, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, Maryland, 78 pages of records consisting of letters of correspondence from DHS to the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Michael McCaul (R-TX); (2) Representative Candice Miller (R-MI); (3) Peter King (R-NY); (4) Patrick Meehan (R-PA); (5) Susan Brooks (R-IN); (6) Jeffrey Duncan (R-SC); and (7) Richard Hudson (R-NC). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **February 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Audrey Singer**, a senior fellow with the **Brookings Institution** in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **February 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jason Smathers**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 340 pages of records pertaining to the Faithful Readiness Emergency Conference held in January 2011 and other meetings related to local faith-based organizations. These records were released in full.
- On **February 5**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Lucy Kinder**, an individual, 214 pages of records consisting of photographs, e-mails, and letters pertaining to By and Large of Google concerning the following barges: (1) BAL0010; (2) BAL0011; (3) BAL0001; and (4) BAL0100. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **February 7**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, DC, one page of records consisting of statistical data pertaining to L-1B petitions for the California Service Center and Vermont Service Center for fiscal years 2012 through 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 37 data fields of anonymous case by case information on each ICE removal (including returns) covering November 2012. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 98 data fields of anonymous person by person information on all ICE detainees issued in February 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Andrew Becker**, a staff reporter with the **Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)** in Emeryville, Berkeley, California, 59 pages of records containing a photograph, summary of criminal conviction, and background investigation records pertaining to Fernando Arango, a convicted CBP Officer. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Russell Clemons**, an individual in Pensacola, Florida, seven pages of records consisting of Shoreline Cleanup and Assessment Technique (SCAT) reports, maps, and photographs pertaining to the use of Corexit or any other pollutants related to the Deepwater Horizon incident on April 20, 2010 adjacent to Perdido Key, Florida. These records are released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by

detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from August 1 to August 31, 2013.

- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Mark Hansel**, a reporter with *The Kentucky Enquirer* in Fort Mitchell, Kentucky, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of six data fields pertaining to individuals released from the Boone County Immigration Detention Facility in February 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **February 11**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, DC, 117 pages of records consisting of e-mails and other documents pertaining to the June 3, 2013 memorandum from the Fraud Detection and National Security (FDNS) Directorate on Revised H-1B Anti-Fraud Operational Guidance. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 3, 5, and 6.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Grace Meng**, with **Human Rights Watch** in New York, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 7 data fields related to non-citizens removed on criminal grounds from October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2012. The Excel spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from March 1 to March 31, 2013. The Excel Spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields of anonymous case by case information on each ICE removals (including returns) covering April 2013. The Excel spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Maria Zamudio**, a reporter with **The Chicago Reporter** in Chicago, Illinois, one Excel spreadsheet containing 5 data points related to convicted criminal aliens released but not deported from 2008 to present under the 2001 Supreme Court ruling in *Zadvydas vs. Davis*. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 98 data fields of anonymous person by person information on all ICE detainers issued from September 1 to September 30, 2013, 2013. The Excel spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields of anonymous case by case information on each ICE removals (including returns) covering February 2013. The Excel spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jacqueline Stevens**, Professor of Political Science and legal Studies at **Northwestern University** in Evanston, Illinois, 10 pages of records related to the ICE facility on Commonwealth Business Drive in Tallahassee, Florida. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from July 1 to July 31, 2013. The Excel Spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Amy Isackson**, a reporter with **National Public Radio** in Cardiff, California, one Excel workbook containing data related

to the number of people repatriated through each southwest border port on entry from fiscal year 2003 to present. The Excel workbook will be released in full.

- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Kate Bailey**, with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, District of Columbia, a one page record the number of Alien Transfer Exit Program (ATEP) removals from January 1, 2011 to June 1, 2013. The one page record will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from November 1 to November 30, 2012. The Excel Spreadsheet will be released in full.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Andrew Becker**, a staff reporter with the **Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)** in Emeryville, California, 2 pages of records consisting of a memorandum from CBP to DHS. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 11**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Eric Lipton**, a reporter with the **New York Times** in Washington, DC, 56 pages of records. Portions of this response are withheld pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b) (5) and (b)(6).
- On **February 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will release to **Luke Rosiak**, a reporter with **The Washington Examiner**, in Washington, DC, 78 pages of records consisting of letters of correspondence from DHS to the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Michael McCaul (R-TX); (2) Representative Candice Miller (R-MI); (3) Peter King (R-NY); (4) Patrick Meehan (R-PA); (5) Susan Brooks (R-IN); (6) Jeffrey Duncan (R-SC), and (7) Richard Hudson (R-NC). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **February 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will release to **Matthew Schaub**, an individual with **The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee**, in Washington, DC, a 13 page document containing (R-CO) Mike Coffman's congressional log. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5, 6, and 7E.
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with **Fusion** in New York, New York, a one page record containing a list of pregnant women detained in the ICE El Paso Processing Center in 2013 broken down by month, including women who miscarried while in detention and specific length of stay. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Thomas Jones**, a blogger with the **339 Group LLC** in Edgewater, Maryland, 20 pages of records containing copies of correspondence from United States Senator Mitch McConnell (R-KY)- both from his personal Senate office or from any leadership offices - and the response to the correspondence. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (TRAC)** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of 46 data fields containing anonymous alien by alien, detention facility by detention facility, data for all individuals who were been detained, released, or were in ICE custody from February 1 to February 28, 2013. These records are released in full.
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Dongjae Jung**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, three pages of records containing the deportation statistics for the 287(g) program in fiscal year 2012. These records are released in full.
- On **February 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **William Selway**, a reporter with **Bloomberg News** in Washington, DC, nine pages of records related to e-mails, memoranda, policy directors and/or other agency communication from June 1, 2013 through October 22, 2013 concerning how the agency set bail for those detained in the T. Don Hutto Detention Center in Texas. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will roll out a two-phase overhaul of e-Request. The look and feel of the tool will significantly improve so that it is easier to use and more customer friendly. After the rollout, USCIS will improve the functionality of the online tool by adding new types of nondelivery requests.
- In **February**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- By **February**, DHS expects to release an Annual Strategic Assessment regarding the coordination efforts of the Federal departments and agencies to advance continuity of operations in interoperable emergency communications.
- In **February**, the Office of the Ombudsman's Office expects to study implementation of "Revised Guidance for the Referral of Cases and Issuance of Notices to Appear (NTAs) in Cases involving Inadmissible and Removable Aliens," which focuses NTA issuance on cases with public safety threats, criminals and aliens engaged in fraud.
- In **February**, DHS expects to publish the Prison Rape Elimination Act Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.
- In **February**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will announce that the Kingdom of Jordan will participate in the Container Security Initiative. Non-intrusive inspection and radiation detection technology will be used to screen high-risk containers at the Port of Aqaba before they are shipped to the United States. Publication date is pending.
- By **February**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 Tribal Policy Implementation Plan to comply with President Obama's Memorandum on Tribal Consultation that directs each federal department and agency to develop a detailed plan of action for complete and consistent implementation of Executive Order 13175.
- By **February**, DHS expects to consolidate the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Section 504 implementing regulations into one unified regulation for the Department, and to promulgate regulations implementing Section 504 for the Department's federally assisted programs.
- In late **February**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is scheduled to begin testing Phase II of the U.S./Canadian truck cargo pre-inspection pilot program at the Peace Bridge in Buffalo, NY. A formal launch event is currently being planned for late February/early March. Under the pilot, CBP Officers will operate in Canada and pre-inspect cargo bound for the United States, thus expediting the flow of legitimate trade. Phase II will test the ability of the pre-inspection process to reduce wait times and border congestion. On February 7, Senator Schumer's office announced that the pilot will commence on February 24; however, CBP has not set a firm date as implementation is dependent upon completion of a Memorandum of Agreement with Canadian stakeholder agencies.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to publish in the Federal Register a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) on Security Training Programs for Surface Mode Employees as required by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007. This rule would apply to freight railroad carriers, public transportation agencies (including rail mass transit and bus systems), passenger railroad carriers, and over-the-road bus owner/operators. TSA also proposes to clarify and amend sensitive security information (SSI) protections to cover certain information associated with surface transportation.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to provide National Cargo Security Program (NCSP) recognition to Israel. The program involves a thorough examination of supply chain security components and related requirements that constitute a country's NCSP. These actions are taken to determine whether the subject NCSP provides a level of security commensurate with current U.S. air cargo security requirements.

- By the end of **March**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to release a Request for Proposal and award a contract for the Credential Authentication Technology for approximately 12 units intended for developmental and operational testing against TSA's system requirements to assess suitability and effectiveness in checkpoint operations.



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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **December 18**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) National Ombudsman and Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Enforcement Fairness in Washington, DC to discuss employment immigration issues impacting small businesses. The SBA National Ombudsman assists small businesses facing unfair enforcement actions, excessive fines, retaliation, or disproportionately burdensome regulations involving federal agencies and serves as an impartial liaison between the business and the agency in question, and the opportunity to obtain high-level agency review of the regulatory action or issue impacting small business. Closed Press.
- On **December 19**, the DHS Council on Combating Violence Against Women (CCVAW) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will co-host a public webinar on ICE's efforts to combat violence against women during immigration enforcement and in immigration detention. Open Press.
- On **December 19**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, DC and via teleconference in Texas to discuss challenges related to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' Texas Service Center, which processes applications and petitions for immigration benefits. Closed Press.
- On **December 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Patrol Office of Field Operations, Miami Field Office, will hold a local press event to highlight the Section 560 Agreement signing between Miami-Dade County and CBP. Section 560 of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2013 allows the Commissioner of CBP to enter into certain public-private partnerships to provide new or enhanced services on a reimbursable basis in any of CBP's non-foreign operational environments and provides that CBP may enter into up to five such partnerships by December 31, 2013. Miami-Dade Aviation Department Director Emilio Gonzalez and Miami Director of Field Operations Vernon Foret will participate. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **December 14**, 497,053 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 5.5 million queries have been run through the system.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- Beginning in **January**, the program "Will To Live" debuts on weather.com. The story follows Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound's search and rescue efforts during a man overboard case in their area of responsibility.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **December 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Treasury Department will publish a Final Rule in the Federal Register that amends CBP's regulations regarding returning U.S. residents who are eligible to file a single customs declaration for members of a family residing in one household and traveling together upon arrival in the United States. The amendments expand the definition of the term "members of a family residing in one household" and will allow more U.S. residents traveling as a family to group together their duty exemptions for articles acquired abroad. These changes more accurately reflect relationships among members of the public who are traveling together and reduce the amount of paperwork that CBP officers need to review during inspection, thereby facilitating passenger processing. The change will take effect on January 17, 2014, thirty days after publication.
- On **December 20**, TSA expects to announce that members of the military will have access expedited screening at all Pre✓™ airports using their Common Access Card. To date, more than 220,000 members of the military have experienced TSA Pre✓™ which allows passengers to leave on their shoes,

light outerwear and belt, keep their laptop in its case, and their 3-1-1 compliant liquids/gels bag in a carry-on.

- On **December 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will add the document library functionality to Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur, in the USCIS Electronic Immigration System (USCIS ELIS). This functionality allows foreign investors to access a document library to select evidence that supports their specific investment in a new commercial enterprise within an approved regional center. This functionality provides a streamlined option for filing and will support the Form I-526 application process.
- In **December**, DHS expects to release the second annual report which details the progress in achieving the goals of the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- In **December**, DHS plans to release the National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP) 2013 as part of the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive-21. NIPP 2013 builds upon previous NIPPs by emphasizing the complementary goals of security and resilience for critical infrastructure. The updated NIPP reflects the vision in which the Nation's physical and cyber critical infrastructure remain secure and resilient, with vulnerabilities reduced, consequences minimized, threats identified and disrupted, and response and recovery hastened.
- In **December**, DHS expects to public the PREA Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA).
- In **December**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete the Wildland Firefighter Advanced Personal Protection System initiative, which aims to develop a National Fire Protection Association certified garment system that improves radiant thermal protection; reduces heat stress; and improves the form, fit, and function of garments
- In **December**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman expects to issue a formal recommendation regarding U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)' Administrative Appeals Office that will identify opportunities to improve appeal processing times and establish clearer policy guidance for the appeals process.
- In **December**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete FINDER demonstrations, which use low-power microwave radar to detect the small movements from breathing and the heartbeat of a buried victim, even when the signal must pass through several meters of building debris and rubble.
- In **December**, TSA expects to expand its Transportation Worker Identity Credential (TWIC) OneVisit solution to a second location in addition to Alaska via a semi-automated card mailing solution to require no more than one visit to a designated enrollment center.
- By the **end of December**, TSA expects to open additional TSA's Pre✓™ Application enrollment centers in the New York City area, the Washington, D.C. metro area and the Los Angeles area. TSA ultimately plans to expand to more than 300 application centers across the country in the coming years.
- By the **end of December**, TSA expects to remove the Terrorist Watch list from domestic aircraft operators and foreign air carriers.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **December 16 to 18**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Mexico City and Queretaro, Mexico, for meetings with counterparts from the Government of Mexico and to participate in the DHS-Hacienda Customs Executive Steering Committee (ESC) meeting. Leadership from ICE, CBP, and S&T will also participate in the ESC meeting.
- From **December 17 to 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Hong Kong Acting Attaché Eben Roberts will attend the World Customs Organization Asia/Pacific Regional High-Level Seminar on Customs Anti-Drugs Strategy, co-hosted by Australian Customs and Border Protection and Hong Kong Customs and Excise Department (HKCE) at HKCE headquarters. The seminar aims to provide a platform for Asia/Pacific officials to share counter-

drug strategies and experiences, while exploring effective approaches to combating drug trafficking. Closed press.

- On **December 18**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will host a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service-sponsored delegation from Russia in Glynco, GA to examine national training procedures for law enforcement personnel working in protected nature areas. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) London will meet with the United Kingdom's Border Policing Command (BPC) Director from the National Crime Agency (NCA). This meeting will address the operational structure of the BPC and explore opportunities for enhanced collaboration with HSI London. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **December 19**, A TBD witness will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs on "Alleged Misconduct by the Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security." Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **December 18**, Representative Mark Amodei (R-NV) will host a law enforcement coordination meeting involving federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement officials in Battle Mountain, Nevada. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) representatives will be Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Resident Agent in Charge Reno Kyle Burns and Enforcement Removal Operations (ERO) Supervisory Detention and Deportation Officer Reno Curtis Hemphill. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, a Customs and Border Protection representative from the Office of Air and Marine will brief staff from the Senate Judiciary Committee on west coast maritime operations. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, staff from the office of Representative Alan Lowenthal will tour Customs and Border Protection operations at the port of Los Angeles/Long Beach, California; scheduled permitting, the Congressman may also attend. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary John Cohen and Office of Intelligence and Analysis staff, in conjunction with the FBI, will present a briefing update on the National Suspicious Activity Initiative to the House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of Human Capital (OHC) Director of Employee and Labor Relations Michael Ellis will provide a briefing for majority staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security on the employment status of Mr. Ayo Kimathi. The briefing is in response to a December 4, 2013 letter from Chairman Michael McCaul (R-TX) request. Closed press.
- On **December 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Assistant Director Office of International Affairs (OIA) John Connolly will provide majority staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security with a briefing on international operations. Representatives from DHS and the Department of State will also participate in the briefing. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **January 8**, Secretary Johnson will meet separately with House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul and Ranking Member Bennie Thompson.
- On **January 13**, Secretary Johnson will participate in the Principal Level Exercise hosted by the National Security Staff.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Tactical Communications initiative through use of the department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for tactical communications services and equipment (such as radios), DHS achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$27 million to date.



## *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **December 17**, President Obama has signed 342 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$28.8 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **V. Legal**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Department's role in the launch and operation of healthcare.gov, Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the performance of the BioWatch program, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 22**, **Matt Jenkins**, a reporter with *High Country News* in El Paso, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records: (1) a copy of the investigation report pertaining to a man-overboard incident involving the vessel ALASKA VICTORY on May 25, 2011 (Case Number USCG 2014-0523); (2) a copy of the investigation report pertaining to a man-overboard incident involving the vessel ALASKA WARRIOR on July 6, 2009 (Case Number USCG 2014-0524); and (3) a copy of the investigation report pertaining to a man-overboard incident involving the vessel ALASKA JURIS on March 1, 2012.
- On **December 4**, **Abraham Payton**, a representative with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence for Congressman William Cassidy (R-LA).
- On **December 4**, **Mitch Blacher**, a reporter with *KGTV* in San Diego, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the total salary paid to all U.S. Border Patrol agents broken down by sector and including the amount received for overtime for fiscal years 2008 through 2012.
- On **December 5**, **John Holland**, a reporter with *The Virginian-Pilot* in Norfolk, Virginia, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to a boating collision involving two kayakers and the vessel LOST PEARL on August 31, 2013, in Rudee Inlet in Virginia Beach, Virginia.
- On **December 5**, **Edward Beeson**, a reporter with the *Star-Ledger* in Newark, New Jersey, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and compensation related to Hurricane Sandy from April 1, 2013 through the present.
- On **December 6**, **Teresa Marshall**, a representative with **People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) Foundation** in Norfolk, Virginia, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to Feld, Inc. DBA Ringling Brothers Circus importing a giraffe from May 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **December 9**, **Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of memoranda issued in 2011, 2012, or 2013 by the Office of the Secretary or the United States Secret Service (USSS) Director regarding Cartagena.
- On **December 9**, **Scott MacFarlane**, an investigative reporter with *NBC4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of records released in FOIA Case Numbers OIG 2013-118, 2013-148, and 2013-164.
- On **December 10**, **Jason Buch**, a reporter with the *San Antonio Express-News* in San Antonio, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) passenger manifests for a 2005 Pilatus aircraft bearing tail number N679PE from March 2005, through the present; and (2) passenger manifests for a Saberline 60 aircraft bearing tail number XBULF from January 2005, through the present.

## FOIA Releases

- On **December 5**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Harmon Fine**, a representative with **Supply Pro, Inc.** in Houston, Texas, one page of records consisting of a receipt pertaining to the amount of absorbent boom sold by New Pig Corporation. These records were released in full.
- On **December 6**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Jack Gillum**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, 57 pages of records consisting of e-mails sent to or from USCIS Director Alejandro Mayorkas in which the following company or names appeared in any field of the messages: (1) Rodham; (2) Simone Williams; (3) Molasky Group; or (4) Alexandra Haskell. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **December 10**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Chris Meller**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 14 pages of records consisting of a correspondence log for Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **December 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **David Iaconangelo**, a journalist with the *Latin Times* in Brooklyn, New York, one page of records consisting of statistics pertaining to T visas. These records were released in full.
- On **December 11**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **James Meek**, an investigative producer with *ABC News* in Washington, DC, seven pages of records consisting of Alien File records pertaining to Waad Ramadan Alwan. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **December 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **David Perera**, an editor with *FierceHomeland Security* in Washington, DC, 15 pages of records consisting of a copy of the comprehensive review of U.S. Border Patrol facilities and subsequent cost benefit analysis undertaken at the direction of Border Patrol Chief Michael Fisher. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(E).
- On **December 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Sheila Velez**, a Professor at the **University of Pittsburgh, School of Law**, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a four page document containing statistical information related to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). The record is being released in full.
- On **December 17**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Kim Zetter**, a senior report with **Wired Magazine** in San Francisco, California, 95 pages of records consisting e-mails related to the Stuxnet worm. Portions of this response are withheld to FOIA exemptions 5, 6, and b7(E).
- On **December 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to , **Jamie Schell**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, 10 pages of correspondence. Portions of this response are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption (b)(6).
- On **December 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in **Edgewater, Maryland**, 5 pages of correspondence. Portions of this response are withheld pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(6).
- On **December 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) will release to **Michael Corey**, a Senior News Applications Developer with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Berkeley, California, 5 pages of records consisting of coordinates pertaining to fencing installed on the U.S.-Mexico Border prior to 2006.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **January**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **January**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **January**, USCIS will implement a new process to receive and adjudicate civil surgeon designations centrally at the National Benefits Center. This centralization will require new physicians seeking civil

surgeon designation will need to complete Form I-910, Application for Civil Surgeon Designation, and pay a fee. Centralization of civil surgeon application process will improve the application intake process, enhance USCIS's ability to manage and track applications, promote consistency and uniformity in USCIS decisions and improve overall efficiency and integrity of the program.

- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to release the revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. The redesigned form includes new data collection technologies and additional questions.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish communication materials to mark National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish H-4 NPRM rule, extending eligibility for employment authorization to spouses of certain H-1B workers.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish T Nonimmigrant Status Regulation based on comments on a related 2002 interim rule. This will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes made based on comments or operations experience.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a listening session for stakeholders in the arts and entertainment and nursing industries with private-sector executives to look at policies and practices regarding arts and entertainment and nursing adjudications as part of the Executives in Residence initiative.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Federal Register Notice outlining the intent to begin collecting a fee with the I-131A for non-citizens who lose their travel documents abroad.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish Volume 11: Travel, Employment, and Identity Documents to its online Policy Manual.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing the extension of Temporary Protected Status for Haiti.
- In **February**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish in the Federal Register redesign plans for the CBP Form 5106. The proposed form changes will allow CBP to screen for shell companies and conduct better risk assessment for targeting of shipments.
- In **February**, DHS expects to launch the Voluntary Program as directed by EO 13636 in which critical infrastructure owners and operators will have a centralized advocate and resource to access guidance on Cyber Framework adoption, identify DHS and government-wide assistance around other cybersecurity risk management activities, and share best practices with sector and cross-sector partners.



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### I. Department/Agency Priorities

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **December 23**, Jeh Johnson and Alejandro Mayorkas were sworn-in as Secretary and Deputy Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security. Lori Scialabba is the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Director and Rendell Jones the Acting Deputy Director.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **December 23**, US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Field Operations held a local press event in Laredo, TX to highlight the Section 560 Agreement signing between the South Texas Assets Consortium (STAC) and CBP. Section 560 of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2013 allows the Commissioner of CBP to enter into certain public-private partnerships to provide new or enhanced services on a reimbursable basis in any of CBP's non-foreign operational environments and provides that CBP may enter into up to five such partnerships by December 31, 2013. Open press.

### II. Legal

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **December 4**, **Matt Jenkins**, an editor with the *High Country News* in El Paso, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the May 2012 "Guidance for Boarding Officers Encountering Violations of the U.S. Documentation Laws" or any superseding update.
- On **December 11**, **Michael Volpe**, a freelance reporter with the *Daily Caller* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) the number of L1 visas approved for Client Network Services Incorporated (CNSI) for the past five years.
- On **December 12**, **Rachael Bale**, a researcher with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Emeryville, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) a log of calls made to the DIIS-OIG Hotline reporting sexual assault or sexual abuse at U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention facilities from 2009 through the present; (2) the underlying documents used in the Government Accountability Office (GAO) Report titled, "Immigration Detention: Additional Actions Could Strengthen DHS Efforts to Address Sexual Abuse;" and (3) a listing of complaints and/or investigations into sexual assault or sexual abuse at ICE detention facilities.
- On **December 13**, **Joshua Rushing**, a reporter with *Al Jazeera America* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to communications and correspondence sent by members or employees of the New Orleans Field Office from October 1, 2013, through the present pertaining to: (1) fingerprinting; (2) biometrics; and (3) the Criminal Alien Removal Initiative (CARI).
- On **December 16**, **Ryan Latvaitis**, a freelance journalist with the *Rantoul Press* in Urbana, Illinois, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records of correspondence to or from the following individuals: (1) Tony Cler; (2) Derald Ackerman; (3) Angie Jones; (4) Stacy Severins; (5) Dustin Ehler; (6) Brian Baxter; (7) Travis Youmans; (8) Jess Childress; or (9) Sean Weary, regarding DR-4157 for the tornadoes in east central Illinois in November 2013.
- On **December 16**, **Colleen Reynolds**, a reporter with *The East Hampton Press/Southampton Press* in East Hampton, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to a sinking incident on December 7, 2013.
- On **December 17**, **Benjamin Alexander-Bloch**, a reporter with *The Times-Picayune* in New Orleans, Louisiana, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) parish-by-parish arrest and deportation/removal statistics in the metro New Orleans area.
- On **December 17**, **Rachael Bale**, a researcher with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Emeryville, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records

pertaining to allegations of sexual abuse or sexual assault from October 1, 2009, through the present contained in the Office of Professional Responsibility's Joint Integrity Case Management System (JICMS).

- On **December 18**, **Laura Wides-Munoz**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Miami, Florida, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: (1) a copy of the inter-governmental service agreement (IGSA) with the Glade County Sheriff's Department; and (2) a copy of inspection reports of the Glades County Jail.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 12**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Brendan Fischer**, a researcher with **The Center for Media and Democracy** in Madison, Wisconsin, 1,881 pages of records consisting of e-mails, charts, and memoranda pertaining to the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) system monitoring, compliance, and review. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 3, 4, 5, and 6.
- On **December 12**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Michelle Cohen**, Election Counsel with **Project Vote** in Washington, DC, 100 pages of records consisting of memoranda and other records pertaining to use of the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) system for elections, registration of voters, and maintenance of voter registration lists. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **December 12**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Robert Deasy**, Director, Liaison and Information with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Washington, DC, 1,643 pages of records consisting of e-mails and records pertaining to USCIS standard operating procedures and policies on the adjudication of Form I-601A. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **December 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Stephen Davis**, a representative with *Fox6 News* in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 13 pages of records consisting of complaint intake records pertaining to Milwaukee County. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **December 16**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Emeryville, California, four pages of records consisting of e-mails discussing DHS employee corruption. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(A).
- On **December 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Sheila Velez**, a professor with the **University of Pittsburgh, School of Law** in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, four pages of records containing statistical information pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). These records were released in full.
- On **December 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jamie Schell**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, 10 pages of records consisting of correspondence for Congressman Steve Daines (R-MT). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **December 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, five pages of records consisting of correspondence from Senator Mitch McConnell (R-KY) to DHS pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **December 17**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Kim Zetter**, a reporter with *Wired* in San Francisco, California, 93 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the Stuxnet worm. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **December 18**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting (CIR)* in Emeryville, California, 72 pages of records consisting of investigative records for multiple investigations. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, 7(A), 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **December 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jesse Franzblau** with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, 91 pages of records related to the policies and procedures in place relating to the recovering of the belongings taken during seizures involving undocumented immigrants in the U.S., or dual nationality U.S./Mexican citizens, and the guidelines for disposing of or confiscating valuable items if the materials are not claimed. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **December 18**, ICE released to **Ginger Thompson**, a reporter with **The New York Times** in New York, New York, 467 pages of records related resumed deportations to Haiti following the January 2010 earthquake that were released in litigation. ICE is releasing these records without claiming any additional exemptions.
- On **December 18**, ICE released to **Ryann Grochoswki Jones**, a reporter with **The New York Times** in New York, New York, 2,408 pages of Form I-213 narratives that were produced during the course of the *NDLON v. ICE* litigation, ICE is releasing these records without claiming any additional exemptions.
- On **December 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to **Spencer Hsu**, a staff writer with **The Washington Post** in Washington, DC, 638 pages of records consisting of e-mail correspondence, and memoranda between S&T personnel, Eastern Kentucky University, the National Institute for Hometown Security, Robert Greenberg, and G&H International. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7c.
- On **December 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Alexa O'Brien**, an individual with **MuckRock News**, in Boston, Massachusetts, 1,100 pages of congressional correspondence logs. Portions of the records are being withheld under Exemption (b) (6).
- On **December 23**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Kim Zetter**, a reporter with **Wired** in San Francisco, California, 112 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the Stuxnet worm. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **December 26**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Kim Zetter**, a reporter with **Wired** in San Francisco, California, 152 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the Stuxnet worm. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **December 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released the final response to **Julia Angwin**, an editor for **The Wall Street Journal**, in New York, New York, 312 pages of responsive documents for this request. Portions of this release will be withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions (b)(5), (b)(6) and (b)(7)(c).
- On **December 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Alexa O'Brien**, an individual with **MuckRock News**, in Boston, Massachusetts, 148 pages of records consisting of former Secretary Napolitano's Calendar for July, 2011, through December, 2011. There is no calendar for August 2011. Portions of the release are being withheld under FOIA Exemption 6.
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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

January 2, 2014

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- **E-Verify Update:** As of **December 22**, 498,824 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 5.9 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **January 8**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate's Industrial Control Systems - Cyber Emergency Response Team will discuss cybersecurity for control systems at the Rockwell Automation Water Industry Sales Summit in Scottsdale, AZ. Open press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **December 26**, Chief Privacy Officer Karen Neuman signed the Electronic Filing System (e-Filing) Privacy Impact Assessment Update for publication on the DHS Privacy Office website. e-Filing was originally published in August 2009 to allow individuals to securely apply for immigration benefits online. The update includes the collection and use of Internet Protocol address and browser information as part of detecting, pursuing, and deterring immigration benefit fraud.
- On **January 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Las Vegas Assistant Special Agent in Charge Michael Harris and local Human Exploitation Rescue Operative Child Rescue Corps (HERO) intern Kevin LeDuc will meet with a producer and reporter from the Las Vegas NBC affiliate to discuss a multi-part series on the HERO program and ICE/HSI's ongoing efforts to combat child sexual exploitation. Open press.
- On **January 10**, Arrow Media is tentatively scheduled to conduct filming of a drug smuggling tunnel recently discovered in San Ysidro, California by the Border Patrol. The filming is part of a show on border security that will air on the Discovery channel (date to be determined).

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- During the week of **January 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) expects to announce the Executives in Residence initiative, the next phase of the DHS Loaned Executive Program after the conclusion of the Entrepreneurs in Residence initiative earlier this year. In its current phase, USCIS will bring private-sector executives from the arts and entertainment and nursing industries together with USCIS immigration experts over a period of six months to enhance operational effectiveness, efficiency and consistency in its adjudication within the arts and entertainment and nursing fields. USCIS plans to host two public engagements in January to kick-off the program and solicit stakeholder feedback on priority areas for action during the course of the initiative.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Singapore Attaché Richard Deasy will participate in a briefing with General Vincent Brooks, Commanding General of U.S. Army Pacific (USARPAC). General Brooks will discuss his vision of USARPAC's role in the Asia-Pacific region. Closed press.
- On **January 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) The Hague, Netherlands Attaché David Adkins will meet with the Dutch National Public Prosecutor (NPP) for Narcotics and Money Laundering to discuss money laundering operations in the Netherlands. The Dutch are seeking additional money laundering investigative leads from ICE/HSI and other U.S. law enforcement agencies and have streamlined the approval process for undercover law enforcement activity related to money laundering. Closed press.

- On **January 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Detroit Special Agent in Charge Marlon Miller will join the Detroit Police Department and U.S. Customs and Border Protection to announce the results of an Intellectual Property Rights enforcement effort during the National Hockey League Winter Classic events. ICE/HSI special agents have seized more than \$500,000 in counterfeit merchandise associated with the 2013 Winter Classic. Open press.
- From **January 6 to 10**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Money Laundering and Asset Forfeiture Training Program to state, local, tribal sworn law enforcement in East Greenbush, NY. This program provides an understanding of how to investigate money laundering offenses and the various methods and schemes of money laundering. Closed press.
- On **January 7**, Chief Privacy Officer Karen Neuman will meet with representatives of the privacy advocacy community and provide an overview of the DHS Data Framework Unmanned Aircraft Systems. Non-governmental advocate groups invited to the meeting include representatives from the American Civil Liberties Union, Electronic Frontier Foundation, Constitution Project, and the CATO Institute, among others. Closed press.
- On **January 7**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Serino will deliver keynote remarks at the International Disaster Conference and Expo in New Orleans, LA. He will discuss FEMA strategic issues and some of the new initiatives FEMA is undertaking to enhance resilience. Open press.
- On **January 7 and 8**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to New London, CT to deliver remarks at the Coast Guard Academy Leadership Lecture Series. Closed press.
- From **January 7 to 9**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Leadership Through Understanding Human Behavior Training Program to state, local, and tribal sworn law enforcement in Choctaw, MS. This program develops a better understanding of interpersonal dynamics and how an individual's strengths, weaknesses and roles within workgroups and teams affect mission outcomes. Closed press.
- On **January 8**, the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss the value of the Hybrid Public Safety Microphone at Building Innovation 2014: The National Institute of Building Sciences Conference & Expo in Washington, DC. The microphone, also known as Turtle Mike, uses software to integrate legacy radio systems with broadband networks and will improve communications, interoperability, expand coverage, and allow responders the flexibility and added capabilities of broadband networks while maintaining the reliable, resilient communications needed during incidents. Open press.
- On **January 8**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss the future of incident management information sharing and the case for a public safety cloud at the International Disaster Conference and Exposition in New Orleans, LA, which brings together public and private sector professionals from around the world for discussions on policy, lessons learned, best practices, and forward thinking in order to mitigate loss of life and property when catastrophic events occur. Open press.
- On **January 8**, the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will co-host a Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) webinar with Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory that focuses on model and simulation results from research funded by S&T. WEA is one of the major components of FEMA's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System and provides an interface for delivery of critical alert information to cellular phones in a danger zone. Open press.
- On **January 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) National Security Investigations Division special agents will provide a briefing to South Central Asian journalists on counter-terrorism at the U.S. Department of State's (DOS) Foreign Press Center. This is part of a DOS reporting tour for journalists from India and Pakistan, who will be traveling to Washington, D.C., New York, and Los Angeles to learn about counterterrorism and law enforcement cooperation and coordination in the United States. Open press.
- From **January 8 to 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Repatriation and International Agreements Unit Chief, Jenaro Morales will participate in the "Cuban Migration Talks" to be held in Havana, Cuba. ICE/ERO, along with the DHS Office of



International Affairs, and the U.S. Department of State (DOS), will participate in these talks and negotiations relating to U.S. repatriation of Cuban nationals. Closed press.

- On **January 9**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the Joint Service Intelligence Group meeting with government and private sector critical infrastructure stakeholders to discuss infrastructure improvements within the state of Alaska. Closed press.
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#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

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### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **January 2**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Brownsville, TX to attend the memorial service for U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officer Darrell Jean Windhaus, who passed away while on duty this past Sunday. Closed press.
- On **January 6**, Secretary Johnson is tentatively scheduled to have an introductory phone call with New York Governor Andrew Cuomo.
- On **January 8**, Secretary Johnson will meet separately with House Homeland Security Committee Chairman Mike McCaul and Ranking Member Bennie Thompson.
- On **January 13**, Secretary Johnson will participate in the NSS Principal Level Exercise.
- On **January 14**, Secretary Johnson will participate in the Cabinet meeting and photograph with President Obama and Vice President Biden.
- On **January 15**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee Ranking Member David Price.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Office Supplies Blanket Purchase Agreement initiative through use of the department-wide and the Federal government-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for office supplies, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$29 million to date.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **December 30**, President Obama has signed 343 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## V. Legal

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Department's role in the launch and operation of healthcare.gov, Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the performance of the BioWatch program, the behavior of certain Secret Service Agents in Colombia, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin

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- On **January 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will release to **Abraham Payton**, a representative with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, 23 pages of records consisting of correspondence pertaining to Congressman William Cassidy (R-LA). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

January 9, 2014

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **January 10 and 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington D.C. and via teleconference in Texas to discuss challenges related to the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' EB-5 Program for immigrant investors and Texas Service Center which processes applications and petitions for immigration benefits. Closed Press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 4**, 500,960 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 6.4 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- From **January 6 to 17**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct the Macintosh Forensics Training Program for state, local, tribal, and federal sworn law enforcement officers in Glynco, GA, which provides students the training to identify and analyze electronic data stored on Apple computer systems that may be of evidentiary value. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of Federal Network Resilience John Streufert will deliver remarks via webinar on DHS' Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation and Continuous Monitoring as a Service programs as part of the 2014 Continuous Monitoring in Government Webinar for Federal Government IT security professionals and program management professionals. Open press.
- On **January 14 and 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin and Senior Cybersecurity Strategist and Counsel Tom Finan will participate in panel discussions for senior-level counsel and privacy and security executives at the Global Law Forum's Cybersecurity Law & Policy Summit in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **January 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of Stakeholder Engagement & Cyber Infrastructure Resilience Jenny Menna will deliver remarks to executives and managers from the electric utility industry on partnership and coordination among federal entities to identify cyber threats at the Utility Cyber Security Conference in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.

#### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- On **January 13**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will conduct a State and Local Law Enforcement Training Symposium for more than 120 state and local law enforcement officers in Glynco, GA. This training symposium offers multiple training tracks including Leadership through Understanding Human Behavior, Active Shooter Training Program, Advanced Interviewing for Law Enforcement Officers, Crime Scene Investigation, Law Enforcement Driving Skills, and the Commercial Vehicle Counterterrorism Training Program. Closed press.
- On **January 13, 15, and 16**, the US Secret Service will provide Active Shooter/Workplace Violence Briefings at the White House for Uniformed Division Uniformed Members. Closed press.
- On **January 13 and 17**, the US Secret Service will provide the Headquarters Active Shooter/Workplace Violence Briefing to include a walkthrough of proposed procedures in the event of an Active Shooter scenario. Closed press.

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- On **January 15**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will participate in an interview with the "Government Contracting Weekly Show," a television program devoted to government acquisition. The show airs Sundays at 7 a.m. on WUSA9, the CBS affiliate for the Washington metro area. Open press.
- On **January 18 and 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations Los Angeles International Airport Passenger Service Manager Bill Hicks and Supervisory Agriculture Specialist Michael Ferguson will participate along with Transportation Security Administration officials in a panel discussion about travel safety at the 2014 Los Angeles Times Travel Show. Open press.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **January 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will join Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas at the roll-out of the Administration's Strategic Action Plan, a document that was created in response to a speech the President gave last October at the Clinton Global Initiative, committing the federal family to addressing services for victims of human trafficking. The document lists action items by the federal agencies in areas such as aligning federal efforts, improving understanding of human trafficking, expanding access to services and improving outcomes for victims. Closed press.
- On **January 15**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to remove access to the Terrorist Watch list for certain domestic aircraft operators and foreign air carriers. An extension will be granted to remaining identified air carriers allowing access to the watch list for a further 120 days.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria M. Odom will meet with stakeholders in Washington D.C. to discuss lessons learned from implementation of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. Stakeholders will include representatives from the National Legal Implementation Strategy Team, which developed a comprehensive plan for legal representation of individuals seeking Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. Members of NLIST include: Catholic Legal Immigration Network INC., American Immigration Council, Own the Dream, National Lawyers Guild, United We Dream, National Association of Latino Elected Officials, National Immigration Law Center, American Immigration Lawyers Association, and Immigration Advocates Network. Closed Press.
- On **January 13**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will deliver the keynote address at the International Conference on Healthcare System Preparedness and Response to Emergencies and Disasters hosted by Israel Home Front Command, the State of Israel, and the Ministry of Health in Tel Aviv, Israel. The conference will provide an international forum for the latest findings about system readiness for disasters and emergencies of all types. Open press.
- On **January 14**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Scrino will participate in the Safety Datapalooza event at the White House, an event which will highlight innovators from the private, nonprofit, and academic sectors who have used freely available government data to build products, services, and apps that advance public safety in creative and powerful ways. Open press.
- On **January 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Executive Associate Director James A. Dinkins, Indian officials, INTERPOL Washington Director Shawn Bray, and a Manhattan District Attorney's Office representative will participate in a repatriation ceremony at the Consulate of India in New York City to return three stolen works of art valued at more than \$1.5 million. The items were listed as Interpol's number 6 most wanted stolen works of art. The repatriation is the result of an ICE/HSI New York investigation. Open press.

- On **January 15**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Interim President/CEO Lorrain Miller to discuss FEMA's working relationship with the NAACP. Closed press.
- On **January 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will speak about CBP trade facilitation and air cargo security initiatives at an Express Association of America board meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 15**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will chair the U.S.-Canada Emergency Management Consultative Group, to be held at the State Department.
- On **January 15 to 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host two public engagements to announce and kick-off the Executives in Residence initiative, the next phase of our use of the DHS Loaned Executive Program. In its current phase, USCIS will bring private-sector executives from the arts and entertainment and nursing industries together with USCIS immigration experts over a period of six months to enhance operational effectiveness, efficiency and consistency in its adjudication within the arts and entertainment and nursing fields. During the engagements, USCIS plans to solicit stakeholder feedback on priority areas for action during the course of the initiative.
- On **January 16**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Dr. Huban Gowadia will participate in a US Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) Distinguished Visitors Day in Tampa, FL which focuses on the inbound nuclear threat and how the Geographical Combatant Commanders coordinate with the interagency to address it. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will deliver remarks about DHS Blue Campaign efforts to raise awareness about human trafficking to transportation professionals at the Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board, a division of the private, non-profit National Research Council which promotes innovation and progress in transportation through research, in Washington D.C. Closed Press.
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- On **January 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will participate in a Labor-Management Forum with National Treasury Employees Union representatives at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the School Transportation Intermodal Security Training and Exercise Program tabletop exercise in Houston, TX in partnership with the Texas Association for Pupil Transportation. This is a one-day discussion-based event focused on exploring participants' prevention, protection, and response capabilities in the event of a security related incident. Additional aims of the exercise are to enhance and consolidate training resources and job aides, recommend effective practices, and develop an industry centered Risk-Based Security Strategy. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, FEMA Deputy Administrator Rich Scrino will travel to Joplin, MO to participate in a ribbon cutting ceremony for some of the new schools that have been constructed since the 2011 tornados. Open press.
- On **January 17**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will deliver remarks at a U.S.-Canada Beyond the Border outreach event organized by the White House and hosted by the Chicago Council on Global Relations.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **January 14**, FEMA Associate Administrator for the Office of Response and Recovery Joe Nimmich will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications. Open press.



- On **January 14**, Transportation Security Administration Operations Assistant Administrator Kelly Hoggan will testify before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Operations about TSA's Screening Partnership Program. Open press.
- On **January 28**, Chief Human Capital Officer Catherine Emerson and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce about administratively uncontrollable overtime. Open press.
- On February 4, a representative from the U.S. Coast Guard will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about aids to navigation. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **January 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Acting Director, John Sandweg will meet with Representative Lofgren. Closed press
- On **January 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will provide a classified briefing to members of the House Homeland Security Committee on UAE preclearance. TSA, DHS-OGC, and Department of State will also participate. Closed press.
- On **January 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher (Office of Border Patrol) will brief Senator Murray on Border Patrol operations in the state of Washington. Closed press.
- On **January 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner James Tomsheck and Deputy Assistant Commissioner Paul Hamrick (both of the Office of Internal Affairs) will brief staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on polygraph countermeasures. Closed press.
- On **January 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Coordination Center Deputy Assistant Director Joseph Macias will provide a tour of the IPR Coordination Center to Representative Green. This briefing/tour was requested by Representative Green. Closed press
- On **January 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will meet with Representative Langevin about DHS' progress in cybersecurity and the path forward. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher (Office of Border Patrol) will brief members of the House Homeland Security Committee on the state of the border. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, Director of the Federal Protective Service Eric Patterson will meet with Representative Barber about FPS' mission and operations. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will meet with Representative Eshoo about DHS' progress in cybersecurity and the path forward. Closed press.
- On **January 15**, Acting Assistant Secretary of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Kathy Brinsfield will participate in a courtesy call with Representative Brooks.
- On **January 16**, staff from various DHS components, including U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Office of the Health Affairs, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman, U.S. Coast Guard, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcements will participate in the "DHS Day on the Hill" event. The event is being coordinated by the DHS Office of Legislative Affairs and it is open to all members of congress and congressional staff. Closed press.
- On **January 17**, Representative Grayson will meet with Jerry Henderson the Transportation Security Administration CAT X Federal Security Director of the Year. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **January 13**, Secretary Johnson will participate in the NSS Principal Level Exercise. The Secretary and Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Cecilia Muñoz to discuss comprehensive immigration reform.
- On **January 14**, Secretary Johnson will participate in the Cabinet meeting with President Obama and Vice President Biden.
- On **January 15**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee Ranking Member David Price and separately with Senator Chris Coons to discuss cybersecurity and comprehensive immigration reform. The Secretary will also join Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole to participate in a media availability to announce TSA Pre-Check at Washington-Dulles International Airport. Open press.
- On **January 16**, Secretary Johnson will have an introductory meeting with Mexican Ambassador Medina Mora.
- On **January 21 and January 22**, Secretary Johnson will travel with Acting Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Winkowski and Acting Director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Sandweg to McAllen TX, Nogales, AZ and Tucson, AZ to tour border operations.
- On **January 24**, Secretary Johnson will meet with National Security Advisor Ambassador Susan Rice.

### IV. Items of Note

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- As part of the Efficiency initiative to leverage the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of furniture in the National Capital Region, DHS issued several strategically sourced contracts in the Fall of 2011. To date, DHS has avoided costs of \$18 million through this initiative.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **January 7**, President Obama has signed 344 major disaster declarations and 64 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### V. Legal

#### *Oversight and Investigations*

- During the week of **January 6**, DHS provided documents to Chairman Carper and Ranking Member Coburn pertaining to Unmanned Aircraft Systems.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: TSA's Screening Partnership Program, Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the performance of the BioWatch program, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 18**, **Rebecca Sharpless**, an associate professor with the **University of Miami School of Law** in Coral Gables, Florida, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to guidance given to CBP officers regarding: (1) prosecutorial discretion; (2) enforcement priorities and how to implement them; and (3) handling calls from local or state police asking for a CBP officer to go to a scene.
- On **December 13**, **Joe Tanfani**, a reporter with the *Los Angeles Times* and *Chicago Tribune* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between USCIS and all members of Congress pertaining to the EB-5 program from January 1, 2010, through the present.
- On **December 20**, **Niels Frenzen**, a professor with the **University of Southern California Gould School of Law** in Los Angeles, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a

list of ICE detainees with acute, chronic, or emergency healthcare treatment needs at the Otay Mesa Detention Facility in San Diego, California from April 1, 2013, through the present.

- On **December 20, Niels Frenzen**, a professor with the **University of Southern California Gould School of Law** in Los Angeles, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a list of ICE detainees who were confined to the medical unit at the Otay Mesa Detention Facility in San Diego, California for more than 24 hours from April 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **December 20, Niels Frenzen**, a professor with the **University of Southern California Gould School of Law** in Los Angeles, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to ICE detainee deaths that occurred within six months after release from the Otay Mesa Detention Facility in San Diego, California.
- On **December 20, Steven Holtzman**, an attorney with the **Claremont Canyon Conservancy** in Berkeley California, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) the following records: (1) records pertaining to scientific evidence regarding the thinning of eucalyptus for the purpose of preventing or mitigating wildfire; and (2) records of communications between FEMA and other organizations or individuals from June 1, 2013, through the present, concerning methods of managing eucalyptus in the East Bay hills of California.
- On **December 23, Darin Gibbons**, a representative with **Massachusetts Citizens for Jobs** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records of correspondence between FEMA and Massachusetts State Representative Jim Cantwell (D-MA) pertaining to his efforts to restore low flood insurance rates from August 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **December 23, Robert Delaware**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the late Lana Peters, the daughter of Josef Stalin.
- On **December 23, Christopher Sherman**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in McAllen, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the annual parole rates among arriving aliens found to have credible fear, by facility and area of responsibility from 2008 through the present.
- On **December 27, Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) data pertaining to the number of pregnant women detained in the ICE El Paso Processing Center in 2013.
- On **December 27, Maggie Lee**, an individual, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and any of the following members of Congress from January 1, 2013, through the present: (1) Senator Saxby Chambliss (R-GA); (2) Senator Johnny Isakson (R-GA); (3) Congressman Sanford Bishop (D-GA); and (4) Congressman Austin Scott (R-GA).
- On **December 30, Kate Bailey**, FOIA Program Manager with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the position of Deputy Assistant Director of Custody Programs and Community Outreach.
- On **December 30, Jehan Patterson**, a representative with **Public Citizen** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to communications between DHS and Bob Woodward, a journalist with *The Washington Post*, from January 20, 2009, through the present.
- On **December 31, Allan Blutstein**, a Senior Counsel with **Cause of Action** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records from January 21, 2009, through the present: (1) records pertaining to Executive Order 13457, "Protecting American Taxpayers from Government Spending on Wasteful Earmarks;" (2) records of communications between any political appointee, White House liaison, congressional liaison, and/or any employee of the White House, pertaining to any request to commit, obligate, or expend funds; and (3) records pertaining to the agency's decision to commit, obligate, or expend funds based upon a request from Congress or the White House.
- On **December 31, Jesse Taylor**, an independent journalist with **KOWA 106.5 FM** in Olympia, Washington, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the "Main Core" database.

- On **December 31**, **Jesse Taylor**, an independent journalist with **KOWA 106.5 FM** in Olympia, Washington, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the following: (1) anarchists/anti-capitalists; (2) animal rights activists; and (3) environmental activists.”

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to **Spencer Hsu**, a staff writer with **The Washington Post** in Washington, DC, 638 pages of records consisting of e-mail correspondence and memoranda between S&T personnel, Eastern Kentucky University, the National Institute for Hometown Security, Robert Greenberg, and G&H International. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **December 23 and December 27**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Kim Zetter**, a reporter with **Wired** in San Francisco, California, 112 pages of records and 152 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the Stuxnet worm. Portions of the releases were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **December 27**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Nandi Robinson**, a representative with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC)** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking the following records from 2006 through the present: (1) a log of correspondence between DHS and the following: (a) David W. Jolly; (b) Florida Association of Broadcasters; and (c) SRI International; and (2) records pertaining to any complaints of, investigations into, or requests made by the aforementioned individual and entities.
- On **December 31**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Julia Angwin**, an editor with **The Wall Street Journal** in New York, New York, 312 pages of records pertaining to proposed changes to the unclassified “Memorandum of Agreement between the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence on Guidelines for Access, Retention, Use and Dissemination by the National Counterterrorism Center of Terrorism Information Contained with Datasets Identified as Including Non-Terrorism Information and Information Pertaining Exclusively to Domestic Terrorism,” which took effect November 4, 2008. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **December 31**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Carol Wolf**, a reporter with **Bloomberg News** in Washington, DC, 150 pages of records consisting of narratives of complaints that were investigated by DHS-OIG. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), 7(D), and 7(E).
- On **December 31**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Melydia Clewell**, a news assignment manager with **WRCB-TV** in Chattanooga, Tennessee, 161 pages of records consisting of information pertaining to federal disaster assistance through the Individuals and Households Program for FEMA-DR 1974 (Tennessee) for Bledsoe, Bradley, Hamilton, McMinn, and Rhea Counties, and FEMA-DR 1973 (Georgia) for Catoosa, Dade, and Walker Counties. These records were released in full.
- On **January 9**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will release to **Scott Amey**, general counsel with **Project on Government Oversight (POGO)** in Washington, D.C., 120 pages of responsive documents consisting of information regarding communications, including, but not limited to reports, letters, memoranda, and e-mails written from and to Daniel A. Craig, former Director of the Recovery Division, and any employee or agent of the Shaw, Fluor, Bechtel and CH2M Hill pertaining to the contracts mentioned above; communications, including, but not limited to reports, letters, memoranda, and e-mails written from and to Daniel A. Craig, former Director of the Recovery Division, and any employee or agent of the Shaw, Fluor, Bechtel and CH2M Hill pertaining to post-government employment; records pertaining to Mr. Craig’s resignation from FEMA; and records pertaining to all conflicts of interest and ethics statutes and regulations (including all recusal and disqualification statements, exit plans, advisory opinions, and like ethics information) for Mr. Craig. These records are disclosed in part and withheld in part.
- On **January 10**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will release to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA TODAY** in McLean, Virginia, three interim responses totaling 1,904 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order

Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.

## **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- In **January**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection is tentatively scheduled to issue a press release regarding the status of the U.S./Canadian truck cargo pre-inspection pilot program. Under the pilot, CBP Officers operate in Canada and pre-inspect cargo bound for the United States, thus expediting the flow of legitimate trade from Canada into the United States. The press release will reference the end of Phase I of the pilot program at the Pacific Highway in Blaine, Washington and the beginning of Phase II of the pilot program at the Peace Bridge in Buffalo, New York (dates to be determined).
- In **January**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection is planning to issue a press release on its fiscal year 2013 operational statistics. Date to be determined.
- In **January**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **January**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **January**, following the overhaul of the Change of Address (COA) tool, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will roll out a two-phase overhaul of e-Request. The look and feel of the tool will significantly improve so that it is easier to use and more customer friendly. In February 2014, USCIS will improve the functionality of the online tool by adding new types of nondelivery requests.
- In late **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to release the revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. The redesigned form includes new data collection technologies and additional questions.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register extending Temporary Protected Status for Haiti for 18 months, through January 22, 2016.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement new guidance that will consolidate and clarify policy on customer service (Volume 1 of the USCIS Policy Manual). This guidance will set formal expectations for customer service.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement new guidance that will consolidate and clarify policy on adjustment of status (Volume 7 of the USCIS Policy Manual). Adjustment of status describes the process of a foreign national obtaining lawful permanent resident status while physically present in the United States.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement new guidance that will consolidate and clarify policy on grounds of inadmissibility and civil surgeon designations (Volume 8 of the USCIS Policy Manual). Civil surgeon designation allows eligible physicians, as civil surgeons, to perform medical examinations for immigration benefits applicants in the United States. USCIS determines an individual's inadmissibility based on the results of the civil surgeon's assessment. This update incorporates the recently released policy into the USCIS policy manual.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement new guidance that will consolidate and clarify policy on employment, travel, and identity documents (Volume 11 of the USCIS Policy Manual).
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish guidance that summarizes the legislative changes to requests for U nonimmigrant status and related applications for adjustment of status. The Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2013 (TVPRA 2013) adds two new crimes to the original statutory list for U nonimmigrant eligibility: stalking and fraud in foreign labor contracting. Additionally, the guidance explains the TVPRA 2013 amendment to the Immigration and Nationality Act that adds specific age-out protection to derivative petitions where the qualifying family member turned 21 years old while his or her petition was pending.

- In **February**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish in the Federal Register redesign plans for the CBP Form 5106. The proposed form changes will allow CBP to screen for shell companies and conduct better risk assessment for targeting of shipments.
- In **February**, DHS expects to launch the Voluntary Program as directed by EO 13636 in which critical infrastructure owners and operators will have a centralized advocate and resource to access guidance on Cyber Framework adoption, identify DHS and government-wide assistance around other cybersecurity risk management activities, and share best practices with sector and cross-sector partners.
- In **February**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman's Office will recommend improvements to change of status and employment authorization for spouses of foreign medical doctors accepted into the Conrad State 30 waiver program. Under this program, each state may receive up to 30 physicians each year to provide medical services to rural, inner city, and other medically underserved communities.



## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **January 15 to 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host two public engagements to announce and kick-off the Executives in Residence initiative, the next phase of our use of the DHS Loaned Executive Program. USCIS will bring private-sector executives from the arts and entertainment and nursing industries together with USCIS immigration experts over a period of six months to enhance operational effectiveness, efficiency and consistency in its adjudication within the arts and entertainment and nursing fields. During the engagements, USCIS plans to solicit stakeholder feedback on priority areas for action during the course of the initiative.
- On **January 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Deputy Director Rendell Jones will administer the Oath of Allegiance at a naturalization ceremony at the Philadelphia Field Office to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 11**, 502,752 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 6.9 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **January 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Rosemary Wenchel will deliver remarks on the real world impacts of not adequately addressing critical infrastructure protection issues at the Innovation Solutions Consortium Critical Infrastructure Protection Solutions event in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) European Union Attaché Erik Barnett will speak at the International Forum on Cybersecurity (FIC) in Lille, France on the criminal exploitation of virtual currencies such as Bitcoin. ICE is the only U.S. law enforcement agency invited to attend this multilateral annual event. Closed press.
- From **January 21 to 29**, representatives from the Science & Technology Directorate will meet with Israel's National Cyber Bureau as a follow up to the June 2013 bilateral meeting in Tel Aviv, Israel. They will discuss cybersecurity testbed infrastructure, which mimics the Internet and large networks for safe testing of technologies without endangering operational infrastructure, as well as development of a workshop for researchers on tools, resources, and infrastructure available to conduct experiments and test technology effectiveness. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on cybersecurity in the context of corporate risk management at the New York University Law School Cyber Security Roundtable in New York, NY. Closed press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **January 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will discuss best practices and challenges in federal cybersecurity on Federal News Radio's Federal Executive Forum on Cybersecurity.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **January 17**, DHS expects to release the report Immigration Enforcement Actions: 2012, which presents information on the apprehension, detention, return and removal of foreign nationals during fiscal year 2012.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will implement Automated Passport Control (APC) kiosks at Orlando International Airport. CBP is in the process of expanding the APC program to include

all Visa Waiver travelers who have previously traveled to the United States. Orlando will be the first location at which the expansion is effective; implementation at existing locations will be dependent upon reconfiguration and reprogramming of existing kiosks.

- On **January 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) Office of Field Operations, El Paso Field Office, will hold a local press event to highlight the Section 560 Agreement signing between the City of El Paso, Texas, and CBP. Section 560 of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2013 allows the Commissioner of CBP to enter into certain public-private partnerships to provide new or enhanced services on a reimbursable basis in any of CBP's non-foreign operational environments. Representative Beto O'Rourke, El Paso Mayor Oscar Leeser, and El Paso Director of Field Operations David Higginson will participate. Open press.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 19**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will highlight initiatives that support the national strategy on maritime security at the Passenger Vessel Association annual meeting in Houston, TX. Closed press.
- On **January 19**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will participate in a panel discussion at the Montgomery County Frederick Douglas Family Initiative event in Silver Spring, Maryland to share information about the DHS efforts to raise awareness on human trafficking issues through the Blue Campaign. Closed press.
- From **January 19 to 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles (Office of Air and Marine) will travel to Mexico City, Mexico, to meet with officials from the government of Mexico and U.S. Embassy representatives, as well as the CBP Mexico Team. He will tour the Information Analysis Center and receive a briefing on the utilization of the Air and Marine Operations Surveillance Systems. Acting Assistant Commissioner Troy Miller (Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison) will also attend from **January 21 to 24**.
- From **January 20 to 23**, a representative from the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will discuss trends in violent extremism at a regional counterterrorism workshop hosted by the Department of Justice and the Southeast Asia Regional Center for Counter-Terrorism in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Closed press.
- On **January 21**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will deliver remarks at the Major County Sheriffs' Association Annual Winter Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is tentatively scheduled to welcome a delegation from the Turkish Ministry of Customs at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The delegation will be meeting with CBP representatives to discuss the development of Turkey's Authorized Economic Operator program and to share Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT) best-practices. Closed press.
- On **January 21**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Michael Stroud will meet with NORAD/USNORTHCOM Interagency Directorate Director Randel Zeller to discuss ongoing collaborative outreach efforts to private sector stakeholders.
- From **January 21 to 23**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will meet with the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company to review the status of security plans and to attend a briefing on the Yukon River Bridge Assessment with government and industry partners in Anchorage, AK. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria M. Odom will meet with leadership representatives from the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) in Washington D.C. to discuss the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration benefits and services. LULAC is the largest and oldest Hispanic Organization in the United States and works to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, health and civil rights of Hispanic Americans through community-based program. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will tour the Office of Naval Intelligence in Suitland, Maryland. Closed press.

- On **January 22**, the Transportation Security Administration will conduct a full-scale Intermodal Security Training and Exercise Program exercise with the motor-coach industry in Florida. Additional participants include local, state, federal law enforcement agencies, intelligence, and other Government officials as well as Greyhound and other motor-coach operators. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, representatives from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will join the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at a national webinar to discuss scams against the immigrant community. Topics will include notario fraud (fraudulent immigration consultants), spoofing scams, and Affordable Care Act and health care scams. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will address the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA)/Major County Sheriffs' Association (MCSA) Conference in Washington, D.C. Deputy Director Ragsdale's remarks will focus on the ICE mission and partnering with federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies/departments for the purpose of increasing public safety. Closed press
- From **January 22 to 24**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will chair the INTERPOL Group of Experts on Police Training Preparatory Meeting at the Australian Institute of Police Management in Manly, Australia. The group advises the INTERPOL on the execution of its training mandate and promotes INTERPOL's training activities to stakeholders across the world. It is composed of members from Argentina, Australia, Botswana, Canada, Egypt, France, Germany, Hong Kong (China), India, Singapore, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United States. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, the Science and Technology Directorate will host a webinar titled "Tips for Submitting SAFETY Act Developmental Testing and Evaluation Designation Applications." The webinar will address SAFETY Act liability protections available to firms that develop promising anti-terrorism technologies and will emphasize the application requirements for Developmental Testing and Evaluation designation. Participants will include security and business continuity, emergency management, and information technology professionals, as well as federal, state and local emergency response personnel. Open press.
- On **January 23**, the Transportation Security Administration will host representatives from the Government of the Netherlands' Ministry of Security and Justice in Washington, DC to discuss a technology enabling the automation of passenger interviews carried out by U.S. carriers. Closed press.
- On **January 29**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with head of Peruvian Customs Tania Quispe to discuss U.S.-Peru engagement. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **January 28**, Chief Human Capital Officer Catherine Emerson and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce about administratively uncontrollable overtime. Open press.
- On **January 28**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Rod Allison will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Office of Inspection employee classification. Open press.
- On **February 4**, a representative from the U.S. Coast Guard will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about aids to navigation. Open press.
- On **February 11**, a representative from the U.S. Coast Guard will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security about Coast Guard Homeland Security Missions. Open press.
- On **February 12**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about oversight of DHS. Open press.

### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **January 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Phoenix Special Agent in Charge (SAC) Matt Allen will provide staff of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (HSGAC) with a briefing on border security. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a program of analysis briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **January 16**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, in conjunction with the FBI, NCTC, and State Department, will deliver a threat briefing to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will host Senator Heidi Heitkamp for a tour of Border Patrol operations in the Grand Forks, North Dakota, Sector. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, staff from the Senate Finance Committee will tour Customs and Border Protection operations at the Area Port of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will accompany the House Committee on Homeland Security staff on a delegation visit to the Washington Regional Threat and Analysis Center. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a briefing on Suspicious Activity Reporting to the House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), in coordination with DHS Office of Legislative Affairs, will participate in a Blue Campaign briefing for congressional staff. ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Human Trafficking Section Chief Dennis Davidson and Scott Santoro of the Blue Campaign will provide a presentation on human trafficking, victim identification, and DHS's response. Blue Campaign members from all DHS Agencies will participate in the event. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, the Blue Campaign will host an open house on the hill to share information with Congressional staffers about protections for human trafficking victims and promote human trafficking awareness through DHS efforts. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **January 16**, Secretary Johnson will participate in an introductory meeting with Mexican Ambassador Medina Mora.
- On **January 21 and January 22**, Secretary Johnson will travel to McAllen TX, Douglas, AZ and Tucson, AZ to tour border operations.
- On **January 23**, Secretary Johnson will attend the U.S. Conference of Mayors Reception hosted by President Obama. On **January 24**, the Secretary will deliver remarks at the conference. Open press.
- On **January 24**, Secretary Johnson will meet with National Security Advisor Ambassador Susan Rice. The Secretary will also meet with Office of Management and Budget Director Sylvia Burwell.
- On **January 27**, Secretary Johnson will place phone calls to Puerto Rico Governor Garcia-Padilla, Colorado Governor Hickenlooper, and Philadelphia Mayor Nutter. The Secretary will also be meeting with Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz.
- On **January 28**, Secretary Johnson will attend the State of the Union. Open press.
- On **January 29**, Secretary Johnson will travel to East Rutherford, NJ and New York City to tour security operations for Super Bowl XLVIII and participate in a security press conference with the NFL. Open press.
- On **January 30**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Alameda, CA with ADM Papp to attend the Coast Guard Memorial Service for BM3 Travis Obendorf.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Through leveraging the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of intelligence analyst services, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$7 million to date.

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- As of **January 14**, President Obama has signed 344 major disaster declarations and 65 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.1 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## **V. Legal**

### *Oversight and Investigations*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: TSA's Screening Partnership Program (SPP), Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the performance of the BioWatch program, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **December 4**, **Matt Jenkins**, an editor with the *High Country News* in Paonia, Colorado, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to FOIA Case Number USCG 2011-3247.
- On **December 4**, **Matt Jenkins**, an editor with the *High Country News* in Paonia, Colorado, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the activity histories for the following vessels: (1) ALASKA PATRIOT; (2) ALASKA VOYAGER; (3) ALASKA I; (4) ALASKA RANGER; (5) ALASKA SPIRIT; (6) ALASKA PIONEER; (7) PROSPERITY; (8) ALASKA JURIS; (9) ALASKA VICTORY; (10) ALASKA WARRIOR; and (11) ALASKA PREDATOR.
- On **December 4**, **Matt Jenkins**, an editor with the *High Country News* in Paonia, Colorado, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to FOIA requests made by the *Seattle Times*, from March 23, 2008, through January 1, 2009.
- On **December 23**, **Ron Zeitlinger**, an editor with *The Jersey Journal* in Jersey City, New Jersey, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the New York Waterway/Goldman Sachs ferry YORK that crashed into the Owen Grundy Pier in Jersey City on November 29, 2013.
- On **December 23**, **John Ferro**, a reporter with the *Poughkeepsie Journal* in Poughkeepsie, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the STENA PRIMORSK running aground on December 20, 2012.
- On **December 23**, **Veronica Macias**, a reporter, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to a recent court hearing regarding Petty Officer Omar Gomez in Charleston, South Carolina.
- On **December 24**, **Danielle Ivory**, a reporter with *The New York Times* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the USCG Cutter STORIS.
- On **December 27**, **Natalie Hauff**, a reporter with *The Post and Courier* in Charleston, South Carolina, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the report of a sinking shrimp boat in Shem Creek in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina on December 18, 2013.
- On **January 2**, **Scott MacFarlane**, an investigative reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to food expenses or travel/expense reimbursements processed by DHS including the keyword "Starbucks" in 2013.
- On **January 2**, **Matt Jenkins**, an editor with the *High Country News* in Paonia, Colorado, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to FOIA Case Number USCG 2012-2908.
- On **January 2**, **Shane Harris**, a senior writer with *Foreign Policy* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records pertaining to Edward Joseph Snowden: (1) records pertaining to entry and exit, including inspection or examination at United States ports of entry; (2) apprehensions and detentions by the Border Patrol; (3) Trusted Traveler Program records; and (4) passenger name record (PNR)/Travel Industry Reservation Data.
- On **January 3**, **Andrea Grimes**, a reporter with *RH Reality Check* in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to cases wherein CBP charged anyone in the State of Texas with illegally possessing, attempting to sell, or otherwise dealing in either the illegal

distribution, purchase or ingestion of abortion-inducing drugs, including but not limited to Cytotec, Mifepristone, Misoprostol or associated brand names from January 1, 1990, through the present.

- On **January 6, Robert Doggett**, a representative with **Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid** in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records for the last six months pertaining to the following three segments of the border fence in the Rio Grande Valley Sector in Texas: (1) O-1 near Roma; (2) O-2 near Rio Grande City; and (3) O-3 near Los Ebanos.
- On **January 6, Lynda Clancy**, an editorial director with the *Penobscot Bay Pilot* in Camden, Maine, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the report pertaining to the ARCHANGEL in an incident that occurred in August 2013.
- On **January 6, Runa Sandvika**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of all network security agreements between TeliaSonera International and DHS, the Department of Justice (DOD), and the Department of Defense (DOD), the U.S. Government parties otherwise known as "Team Telecom," from January 1, 2011, through the present.
- On **January 6, Shawn Musgrave** of **MuckRock News** in Boston, MA, requested from DHS OIG a copy of the guide, manual, key or training documents that detail the entry of investigations into the OIG database, and any guides to the interpretation of those entries.
- On **January 7, Lynn Walsh**, a digital producer with *Scrrips National Digital Desk*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a list of employees who used Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime (AUO) hours including how many hours they used, their department, and location from January 1, 2008, through the present.
- On **January 7, Shane Bauer**, an individual in Oakland, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the late Malcolm Lateef Shabazz, the grandson of Malcolm X.
- On **January 8, Congresswoman Diane Black**, a member of the United States House of Representatives in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the defunded Public Advocate position.
- On **January 8, Amit Jani**, a staffer for **Congresswoman Judy Chu** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a redacted copy of the Report of Investigation (ROI) pertaining to racial profiling at Boston Logan Airport.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 31**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Lauren Rosenthal**, a representative with **KUCB** in Unalaska, Alaska, 45 pages of records consisting of case reports, photographs, checklists, vessel critical profiles, and charts and one audio file pertaining to the vessel NOBLE DISCOVERER's anchor dragging incident on July 14, 2012, in Unalaska, Alaska. These records were released in full.
- On **January 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Abraham Payton**, a representative with **American Bridge 21st Century** in Washington, DC, 23 pages of records consisting of correspondence pertaining to Congressman William Cassidy (R-LA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **January 10**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA TODAY** in McLean, Virginia, two interim responses totaling 1,218 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **January 10**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA TODAY** in McLean, Virginia, an interim response totaling 642 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance



program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.

- On **January 13**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA TODAY* in McLean, Virginia, interim responses totaling 1,323 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **January 14**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Matt Jenkins**, an editor with the *High Country News* in El Paso, Texas, 93 pages of records consisting of logs, weather reports, case reports, checklists, and charts pertaining to a man-overboard incident involving the vessel ALASKA WARRIOR on July 6, 2009.
- On **January 17**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will release to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA TODAY* in McLean, Virginia, interim responses totaling 1,738 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements and Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **January 17**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) will release to **Matt Jenkins**, a reporter with the *High Country News* in El Paso, Texas, spreadsheets consisting activity histories for the following vessels: ALASKA PATRIOT, ALASKA VOYAGER, ALASKA I, ALASKA RANGER, ALASKA SPIRIT, ALASKA PIONEER, PROSPERITY, ALASKA JURIS, ALASKA VICTORY, ALASKA WARRIOR, and ALASKA. These documents will be released in full.
- On **January 17**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) will release to **Matt Jenkins**, a journalist with the *High Country News* in El Paso, Texas, 43 pages of documents consisting of letters, memos, enforcement records, and a case report. These documents will be released in full.

## **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- In **January**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate expects to release its Annual Report on Integrated Entry and Exit Data System that contains statistics on DHS biographic and biometric data systems.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce that E-Verify reached 500,000 employer registrations on Tuesday, December 31, 2013.
- In **January**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection is planning to issue a press release on its fiscal year 2013 operational statistics. Date to be determined.
- In **January**, DHS expects to publish the Prison Rape Elimination Act Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.
- In **January**, DIIS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- In **January**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publish a news release announcing existing humanitarian relief measures available to victims of Hurricane Haiyan in the Philippines.
- In **January**, the Department of Homeland Security expects to release a report titled Estimates of the Unauthorized Immigrant Population Residing in the United States: January 2012, providing estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2012 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- By **January**, DIIS expects to release an Annual Strategic Assessment regarding the coordination efforts of the Federal departments and agencies to advance continuity of operations in interoperable emergency communications.

- In **January**, DHS expects to launch the Beyond the Border: Phase 2 of the Truck Cargo Pre-Inspection Pilot in which officers will pre-inspect truck cargo destined for the U.S. in Fort Erie, Ontario, opposite the Peace Bridge and Buffalo, NY that is destined for the U.S. This pilot, which will run 12 months, is intended to test whether or not pre-inspection facilitates lawful trade across the shared border.
- On **February 12**, DHS expects to launch the Voluntary Program as directed by EO 13636 in which critical infrastructure owners and operators will have a centralized advocate and resource to access guidance on Cybersecurity Framework adoption, identify DHS and government-wide assistance around other cybersecurity risk management activities, and share best practices with sector and cross-sector partners.
- In **February**, the Office of the Ombudsman's Office expects to study implementation of "Revised Guidance for the Referral of Cases and Issuance of Notices to Appear (NTAs) in Cases involving Inadmissible and Removable Aliens," which focuses NTA issuance on cases with public safety threats, criminals and aliens engaged in fraud. In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will announce the centralization of civil surgeon applications. Under the new process, civil surgeons will be required to file Form I-910, Application for Civil Surgeon Designation, and pay a filing fee of \$615 to receive civil surgeon designation. This new process will promote consistency and uniformity in USCIS decisions and improve program's overall efficiency and integrity.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register extending Temporary Protected Status for Haiti for 18 months, through January 22, 2016.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to release the revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. The redesigned form includes new data collection technologies and additional questions.
- By **February**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency expects to release the 2012 Tribal Policy Implementation Plan to comply with President Obama's Memorandum on Tribal Consultation that directs each federal department and agency to develop a detailed plan of action for complete and consistent implementation of Executive Order 13175.
- In **February**, following the overhaul of the Change of Address (COA) tool, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will roll out a two-phase overhaul of e-Request. The look and feel of the tool will significantly improve so that it is easier to use and more customer friendly. In February 2014, USCIS will improve the functionality of the online tool by adding new types of nondelivery requests.
- By **February**, DHS expects to consolidate FEMA's Section 504 implementing regulations into one unified regulation for the Department, and to promulgate regulations implementing Section 504 for the Department's federally assisted programs.
- In **February**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman's Office will recommend improvements to change of status and employment authorization for spouses of foreign medical doctors accepted into the Conrad State 30 waiver program. Under this program, each state may receive up to 30 physicians each year to provide medical services to rural, inner city, and other medically underserved communities.
- In **February**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to publish in the Federal Register redesign plans for the CBP Form 5106. The proposed form changes will allow CBP to screen for shell companies and conduct better risk assessment for targeting of shipments.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish guidance that summarizes the legislative changes to requests for U nonimmigrant status and related applications for adjustment of status. The Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2013 (TVPRA 2013) adds two new crimes to the original statutory list for U nonimmigrant eligibility: stalking and fraud in foreign labor contracting. Additionally, the guidance explains the TVPRA 2013 amendment to the Immigration and Nationality Act that adds specific age-out protection to derivative petitions where the qualifying family member turned 21 years old while his or her petition was pending.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to publish in the Federal Register a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) on Security Training Programs for Surface Mode Employees as required by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007. This rule would apply to freight railroad carriers, public transportation agencies (including rail mass transit and bus

systems), passenger railroad carriers, and over-the-road bus owner/operators. TSA also proposes to clarify and amend sensitive security information (SSI) protections to cover certain information associated with surface transportation.

- In **March**, TSA expects to provide National Cargo Security Program (NCSP) recognition to Israel. The program involves a thorough examination of supply chain security components and related requirements that constitute a country's NCSP. These actions are taken to determine whether the subject NCSP provides a level of security commensurate with current U.S. air cargo security requirements.
- By the end of **March**, TSA expects to release a Request for Proposal and award a contract for the Credential Authentication Technology for approximately 12 units intended for developmental and operational testing against TSA's system requirements to assess suitability and effectiveness in checkpoint operations.

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **January 28**, the DHS Council on Combating Violence Against Women (CCVAW) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will be co-hosting a public webinar on ICE's efforts to combat violence against women during immigration enforcement and in immigration detention. Open Press.
- On **January 29**, FEMA will release the Biggert Waters 2012 Report to Congress, meeting the requirements of the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **January 23**, representatives from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) will discuss human trafficking and U visas and will share information about the FLETC's human trafficking roll call videos and web-based course designed for state and local law enforcement at the National Sheriffs' Association's Winter Conference in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a teleconference discussion on access to immigration services for disabled individuals including U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Form I-648 Disability Waiver for naturalization applicants, and reasonable accommodations for the disabled. The Ombudsman hosts a monthly public teleconference series to share information about relevant topics and provide an opportunity to hear feedback from the community about issues related to the delivery of immigration benefits and services. Open Press.
- On **January 24**, Secretary Johnson and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Director Lori Scialabba will participate in a naturalization ceremony at Northern Virginia Community College in Alexandria Virginia. She will call the countries and present candidates for citizenship to Secretary Johnson, who will administer the Oath of Allegiance to more than 450 candidates for naturalization. Open press.
- On **January 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Cartagena Assistant Attaché Fernando Plascencia will attend a meeting with Management of the Port of Cartagena, along with Colombian National Police (CNP), Deputy Director of Anti-Narcotics (DIRAN), National Coordinator of Ports (DIRAN), and the Colombian National Police Director of Intelligence. The meeting will be an open forum for each agency to give an overview of its resources and capabilities in an effort to identify methods to jointly combat narcotics smuggling through the maritime ports in and around Cartagena. Closed press.
- From **January 26 to 29**, tentatively, the Transportation Security Administration will install screening equipment and conduct Explosives Trace Detection training at Sana'a International Airport in Yemen. Closed press.
- On **January 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Atlanta Field Office Director Felicia Skinner and Deputy Field Office Director David Rivera will meet with the Consul General of Nigeria at the Consulate of Nigeria to discuss streamlining the process for the issuance of Nigerian travel documents to Nigerian citizens in ICE custody. Closed press.
- On **January 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) El Paso Field Office Director Adrian Macias will host a four member delegation from Algeria who will visit and tour the El Paso Service Processing Center. The purpose of this tour is to visit the local ICE detention facility to familiarize participants on removal proceedings and detention issues during the United States administrative immigration process. Closed press.
- On **January 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Charles Stallworth (Office of International Affairs) will co-chair a meeting of the Interagency Committee (IAC) on Customs Co-operation Council Matters (the Customs Co-operation Council is now known as the World Customs

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Organization) alongside Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury (Tax, Trade and Tariff Policy) Timothy Skud. The IAC is comprised of representatives from agencies that are stakeholders in matters before the World Customs Organization, to include DHS, the Department of the Treasury, the Department of State, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Agriculture, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, the Office of Management and Budget, and the U.S. International Trade Commission. Closed press.

- From **January 27 to 28**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the Bay Area Rapid Transit Intermodal Security Training and Exercise Program Table Top and Operation Field Exercise in San Francisco, CA. Closed press.
- On **January 27 to 30**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Sanders will meet with the Canadian Air Transport Security Authority and Original Equipment Manufacturers in Boston, MA. Closed press.
- On **January 27 to 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Chief Michael Fisher (Office of Border Patrol) will travel to Tucson, Arizona, to attend a forum on border security and the environment, meet with local leadership, and conduct operational site visits. The forum will take place on January 29; participants will include local/regional officials from the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Park Service, the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Bureau of Reclamation, and the Department of Defense's Barry M. Goldwater Range. Closed press.
- From **January 27 to 31**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Instructor Training Program to state and local law enforcement officers in Glynco, GA and Artesia, NM, which is designed to qualify the student to be a field training agent or officer in this specialized field. Closed press.
- From **January 27 to February 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Merida, Mexico has tentatively scheduled tactical training for State Officials from the Mexican State of Yucatan. The State of Yucatan requested assistance for this specialized training from HSI Merida and will cover associated expenses. HSI Merida will conduct the training jointly with HSI Puerto Rico's Special Response Team. The training material is being vetted and provided by HSI's Special Operations Unit. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Director Lori Scialabba will participate in a grand opening ceremony of the new USCIS District Office in Philadelphia, PA. She will also preside over a naturalization ceremony in the new office. Open press.
- On **January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with Ted Sherman (Director of Global Trade Services, Target Corporation) and Kathleen Neal (Director of Global Trade Compliance, Regal Beloit), co-chairs for the 13th Term of the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations (COAC) for Customs and Border Protection to discuss the upcoming COAC meeting. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will have a meet-and-greet with Federal Bureau of Investigation Deputy Director Mark Giuliano. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will meet with representatives from the Defense Threat Reduction Agency, the Combating Terrorism Interagency Technical Support Office Technical Support Working Group, and the United Kingdom's Defence Science and Technology Laboratory to discuss collaboration and coordination of biological aerosol persistence studies, which are producing data for improving biological aerosol hazard assessment modeling, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan will discuss cybersecurity research and development at the CyberTech 2014 Conference in Tel Aviv, Israel. CyberTech convenes multi-national companies, private and corporate investors, venture capital firms, and subject matter experts to focus on cyber defense solutions for various government sectors. Open press.

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- On **January 28**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate via video teleconference in the Emergency Control Ministry of the Russian Federation meeting on near earth objects. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate Gusty will co-host a live Twitter Chat on Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) with experts from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the National Weather Service. WEA is a major component of FEMA's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System and provides commercial mobile service providers with an interface to deliver critical alerts to cell phones in danger zones. Open press.
- On **January 28 and 29**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will meet with the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark, NJ to discuss integration of Software Assurance Marketplace (SWAMP) in a classroom environment to reinforce sound software development principles. S&T's SWAMP program works with open source software developers to improve the security and reliability of their software at no cost through rigorous testing and review. Open press.
- From **January 28 to 30**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program to state and local law enforcement officers in Pittsburgh, PA, which is designed to instill the knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. Closed press.
- From **January 28 to 30**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will participate in the Association of European Airlines Conference as well as Quadrilateral Group (QUAD) U.S.-European Union Transportation Security Cooperation Group in Brussels, Belgium. Topics of discussion include TSA roles and responsibilities, risk-based security initiatives, liquids, aerosols, and gels, One-Stop Security, and inspections. Open press for AEA, closed press for QUAD.
- From **January 28 to 30**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will participate in the INTERPOL Global Security and Counter-Terrorism Convention in Sydney, Australia with high level law enforcement officers from member countries. Participants will engage in in-depth analysis of the evolving trends in transnational terrorism, discuss regional impacts, and collectively identify strategies and opportunities for cooperation in the framework of future INTERPOL counter-terrorism initiatives. Closed press.
- On **January 29**, FEMA Associate Administrator David Kaufman will discuss FEMA's Strategic Foresight Initiative and how foresight can help build resilient communities at the Conference Board of Canada's Council on Emergency Management meeting in Ottawa, Ontario. Closed press.
- On **January 29**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will present an overview of interoperability projects to the International Municipal Signal Association Public Safety Communications Stakeholders Forum in Orland, FL. Discussions will focus on developing mission statements and direction for three specific public safety broadband requirement efforts. Closed press.
- On **January 29**, Chief Privacy Officer Karen Neuman will discuss the DHS privacy framework and highlight how privacy policy is established in the United States in light of the changing technological landscape at the Canada School of Public Service Seminar for Senior Executives on How Washington Works. Closed press.
- On **January 29 and 30**, U.S. Fire Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell Jr. will participate in a stakeholder group meeting for the National Fire Operations Reporting System Project in Lake Buena Vista, FL. The primary goal of this project is to create a National Fire Operations Reporting System empowering local Fire Departments to measure and optimize their response availability, capability, and effectiveness of on-scene performance. Open press.
- From **January 29 to 31**, representatives from DHS will participate in the National Governor's Association Governors' Homeland Security Advisors Council Winter Meeting in Washington, DC. Deputy Secretary Ali Mayorkas will also deliver keynote remarks. Closed press.
- On **January 30**, representatives from the US Secret Service will conduct a presentation for approximately members of the Government Finance Officers Association Policy and Best Practices Committee on policy and procedures relative to electronic crimes investigations. This group is comprised of Chief Financial Officers and Treasurers of cities and counties across the U.S. and Canada. Closed press.



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- On **January 30**, the Privacy Office will hold a public meeting of the Data Privacy and Integrity Advisory Committee both online and in its District of Columbia office. Chief Privacy Officer Karen Neuman will brief Committee members on Privacy Office activities since the last meeting and provide her vision for the office going forward. Open press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **January 27**, Citizenship and Immigration Service Ombudsman Maria Odom will testify before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations on the DHS Blue Campaign, CBP's Blue Lightning initiative, and the airline's response to human trafficking. Open Press.
- On **January 28**, Chief Human Capital Officer Catherine Emerson and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce about administratively uncontrollable overtime. Open press.
- On **January 28**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Rod Allison will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Transportation, on Office of Inspection employee classification. Open \press.
- On **February 4**, a representative from the U.S. Coast Guard will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about aids to navigation. Open press.
- On **February 11**, a representative from the U.S. Coast Guard will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security about Coast Guard Homeland Security Missions. Open press.
- On **February 12**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about oversight of DHS. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **January 23**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a briefing on Suspicious Activity Reporting to the House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.
- On **January 24**, the Blue Campaign will host an open house and briefing on the hill to share information with Congressional staffers about protections for human trafficking victims and promote human trafficking awareness through DHS efforts. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), in coordination with DHS Office of Legislative Affairs, will participate in the Blue Campaign briefing for congressional staff. ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Human Trafficking Section Chief Dennis Davidson and Scott Santoro of the Blue Campaign will provide a presentation on human trafficking, victim identification, and DHS's response. Closed press.
- On **January 27**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John Cohen will deliver an overview briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security Counterterrorism and Intelligence Subcommittee staff. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, FEMA Acting Director of the Private Sector Division Jeanie Moore will meet with staff for the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications regarding FEMA's work with the private sector during disasters. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss the National Institute of Hometown Security Project with Congressman Hal Rogers. Closed press.
- On **January 30**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John Cohen, in conjunction with interagency partners, will deliver an Interagency Syrian Foreign Fighter Briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security, House Committee on Foreign Affairs, House Armed Services Committee, and House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence staff. Closed press.

- On **January 30**, Representative Joe Garcia will tour Customs and Border Protection operations, specifically Automated Passport Control (APC) kiosks, at Miami International Airport. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$12 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to utilize federal facilities for conferences, meetings and trainings instead of renting private space.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of January 21, President Obama has signed 345 major disaster declarations and 65 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.1 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

- As of **January 11**, 502,752 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 6.9 million queries have been run through the system.

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February 6, 2014

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **February 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Deputy Director Rendell Jones will participate in the opening ceremony of the new USCIS San Juan Field Office in Puerto Rico. Open press.
- On **February 10**, the DHS Blue Campaign will host their quarterly stakeholder engagement in Arlington, VA. The event will feature keynote remarks from Deputy Secretary Mayorkas, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom and ICE leadership, highlighting the Federal Strategic Action Plan (SAP) on Services for Victims of Human Trafficking in the United States. There will be an update on Blue Campaign initiatives and accomplishments. Participants will include representatives from non-profit organizations, attorneys, federal employees from across the government to include DHS HQ, USCIS, CBP, ICE, TSA, FEMA, and others. Closed Press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 1**, 507,970 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.4 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 8.3 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **February 10**, the US Secret Service will hold a presentation on cyber related incidents to the executive management of CIGNA in Hartford, CT. Closed press.
- From **February 10 to 12**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will present "Understanding IPv6 Internet Background Radiation" at the North American Network Operators Group (NANOG) meeting in Atlanta, GA. NANOG is a forum for discussing critical cybersecurity issues, including traffic engineering, new protocols applications, and inter-provider security. Open press.
- On **February 11**, of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will participate in a panel discussion on cyber threats to Large Value Payment Institutions and the financial market utilities for directors and managing directors from financial institutions at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Payments Risk Committee Cyber Threats Seminar in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team Director Ann Barron-DiCamillo will deliver remarks to public and private sector representatives on strategies for improving the efficiency and performance of data centers as part of the Government Voice Webcast entitled Data Center Efficiency: From Consolidation to Optimization. Open press.
- On **February 11**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will discuss electricity substation security and resilience with representatives from industry and law enforcement at the Security of Electrical Substations Awareness Campaign event sponsored by Pacific Gas and Electric Company in San Jose, CA. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, the Science and Technology Directorate will present the Transition to Practice program at the Trusted Computing Group's member meeting in Salt Lake City, UT. The Transition to Practice program identifies emerging cybersecurity technologies developed at Department of Energy National Labs and facilitates their development into successful, widely available products. Closed press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will issue a news release announcing the sentencing of a former member of the Guatemalan military linked to human rights violations who was convicted of naturalization fraud in October of 2013.
- On **February 12**, DHS expects to launch the Voluntary Program as directed by EO 13636 in which critical infrastructure owners and operators will have a centralized advocate and resource to access guidance on Cybersecurity Framework adoption, identify DHS and government-wide assistance around

other cybersecurity risk management activities, and share best practices with sector and cross-sector partners.

- Leading up to **February 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Field Offices will issue news releases and/or hold media events about agriculture inspection efforts, such as those pertaining to cut-flower imports, in locations throughout the country to include Miami, Florida; El Paso and Laredo, Texas; and San Diego, California. Open press.
- On **February 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Houston Field Office and the Houston Airport System will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Automated Passport Control (APC) kiosks at Bush Intercontinental Airport in conjunction with a local press event to highlight the Section 560 Agreement signing between the Houston Airport System and CBP. Section 560 of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2013 allows the Commissioner of CBP to enter into certain public-private partnerships to provide new or enhanced services on a reimbursable basis in any of CBP's non-foreign operational environments. Houston Airport System Director Mario Diaz and Houston Director of Field Operations Judson Murdock will participate. Open press.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **February 10**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate is expected to announce the realignment of consequence analysis capabilities into the Office of Cyber and Infrastructure Analysis.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **February 4 to 10**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will oversee the acceptance, testing, and custody transfer of the Secure Hybrid Composite Container to the Government of Singapore. S&T has worked with Singapore to develop a maritime shipping container that ensures cargo security and integrity. Closed press.
- From **February 7 to February 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski will travel to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to tour CBP operations in the region and meet with U.S. and UAE officials. He is scheduled to tour Container Security Initiative operations at the Port of Dubai, as well as operations at Port Khalifa and Port Zayed. He will participate in a tour and briefing of CBP preclearance operations at Abu Dhabi International Airport and meet with officials from the Abu Dhabi Airport Company, Abu Dhabi Police, Directors-General of Dubai and Abu Dhabi Customs as well as with U.S. Ambassador Michael Corbin. Closed press.
- From **February 8 to 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Office of International Affairs Deputy Director David Thompson will accompany Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) staff to Abu Dhabi & Dubai in furtherance of HSI/ODNI investigative capacity building initiatives with United Arab Emirates authorities. Closed press.
- From **February 10 to 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Wildland Fire Origin and Cause Determination Training Program in Ontario, CA, which is based on the recently developed certification standards and training programs for wildland fire investigators put in place by the National Wildfire Coordinating Group. Teams will determine the fire origin, collect evidence, conduct interviews, and document the case. Closed press.
- From **February 10 to 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Casablanca will host a team from the Transportation Security Administration in Casablanca. This meeting is part of a continuation of Aviation Security Training for Yemeni and Moroccan Aviation Officials. The training will be the third part in an eight-part series of training courses for the Yemeni officers being hosted by the Moroccans at the Mohammed V International Airport's Aviation Security Training Facility. The course will focus on preventative security measures relating to aircraft security. Closed press.
- From **February 10 to 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Brazil Attaché Cheryl Bassett and Assistant Attaché Paul R. Labadie will travel to La Paz, Bolivia to introduce Attaché Bassett to the U.S. Embassy staff in La Paz and discuss anticipated

training for trafficking in persons (TIP) and establishing an increased HSI presence in Bolivia. Additional meetings will be held regarding investigations of repatriation of stolen artifacts, child pornography investigations, and financial investigations. Closed press.

- On **February 10**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks at the DHS Blue Campaign Bi-annual Stakeholder Engagement event at the National Intellectual Property Rights Center in Arlington, VA. The DHS Blue Campaign hosts the bi-annual stakeholder meetings to share updates with the public and provide an opportunity to receive feedback about the work to combat human trafficking.
- On **February 10**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will meet with the Department of Justice to discuss the El Paso Intelligence Center (EPIC) Enterprise.
- On **February 11**, U. S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner Susan Mitchell (Office of Field Operations) will participate in a panel discussion on CBP initiatives at the National Association of Foreign Trade Zones (NAFTZ) 2014 Regulatory and Legislative Seminar in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) will host the First Responder Technology Demonstration in Washington, DC, which will feature technologies developed by S&T's university-based Centers of Excellence that improve the operational readiness of state and local first responders and the DHS Components. Participants will include representatives from across the Homeland Security Enterprise, first responder community, and emergency management practitioners. Open press.
- From **February 11 to 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will visit Nassau, The Bahamas to express the need for stronger commitment from The Bahamas to upgrade the security level of the Family Island airports, to continue to maintain a positive relationship between the United States and the Bahamas on Aviation Security issues, to offer encouragement for the idea of The Bahamas loaning/donating Explosives Trace Detection equipment to the Government of Cuba, and to meet with officials of the Nassau Airport Development to discuss and observe Preclearance operations at Lynden Pindling International Airport in Nassau. Closed press.
- From **February 11 to 13**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center will deliver the Law Enforcement First Responder Training Program in Las Cruces, NM, which covers the topics most applicable to law enforcement officers as first responders. Closed press.
- From **February 11 to 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to San Diego, CA to deliver remarks at the WEST 2014 Conference and Exposition with General Amos of the Marine Corps and VADM Ferguson of the Navy. The Commandant will also conduct a unit visit to Coast Guard Sector San Diego.
- On **February 12**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will deliver remarks on the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program at the International Society of Explosives Engineers Conference in Denver, CA. Open press.
- From **February 12 to 14**, a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Tijuana representative will provide anti-gang training to Mexican police officers and prosecutors from various jurisdictions of Mexico at the Puebla State Police Academy. Closed press.
- On **February 14**, Acting Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield, will speak at the graduation for the Austere Paramedic Course in Takoma, WA. The course is coordinated and overseen by the Office of Health Affairs, and provides specialized training to select paramedics within U.S. Customs and Border Protection who work in austere and OCONUS environments.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **February 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) Chief Information Officer Thomas Michelli will testify to the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management and Efficiency, during a hearing entitled "Examining Challenges and Wasted Taxpayer Dollars in Modernizing Border Security IT Systems." Officials from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Government Accountability Office (GAO) have also been invited to testify. Open press.

- On **February 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will testify on cybersecurity for the power grid before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Open press.
- On **February 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will testify on ensuring the resilience of our nation's critical infrastructure in the face of threats from extreme weather events before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Deputy Assistant Director Financial, Narcotics and Special Operations Division, Mark Witzal and Office of the Principal Legal Advisor (OPLA) Associate Legal Advisor Reid Swayze will provide staff of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (HSGAC) with a briefing on virtual currencies. Closed press.
- On **February 10**, Administrator Pistole will have a meet and greet with Chairman of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Rep. Richard Hudson.
- On **February 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will meet with Chairmen McCaul and Meehan on the reauthorization of the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, Federal Protective Service Director Eric Patterson will meet with Senator Carper discuss protection issues. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, representatives from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of International Trade and the Office of Information and Technology will brief staff from the Senate Finance Committee on the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE) program. Staff from the House Ways and Means Committee will also be briefed on the ACE program on the same day. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is tentatively scheduled to provide a classified briefing to members of the House Ways and Means Committee on CBP preclearance operations at Abu Dhabi International Airport. Closed press.
- On **February 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will brief House Judiciary Committee Chairman Robert W. Goodlatte on the EB-5 program.
- On **February 14**, staff from the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security will tour the National Targeting Center – Cargo in Herndon, Virginia. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **February 9**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Newark, NJ to deliver the keynote address at Senator Menendez's Annual Black History Month Program "Standing on the Shoulders of Giants." Press TBD.
- On **February 10**, Secretary Johnson will meet with House Homeland Security Chairman Mike McCaul and Ranking Member Bennie Thompson.
- On **February 11**, Secretary Johnson will meet with International Association of Fire Firefighters President Harold Schaitberger. The Secretary will attend the luncheon in honor of French President François Hollande hosted by Vice President and Dr. Biden and Secretary of State and Mrs. Heinz Kerry. The Secretary will also attend the state dinner in honor of French President François Hollande hosted by President and Mrs. Obama.
- On **February 12**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee (open press). The Secretary will participate in an off the record meeting with the Washington Post.
- On **February 13**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee Chairman Tom Carper. The Secretary will also place a phone call to Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin.



- On **February 14**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Atlanta, GA where he will host a roundtable with students at Georgia Tech's Information Security Center and speak at the Inauguration of Morehouse President John Wilson. Open press.
- On **February 18**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Federal Bureau of Investigations Director James Comey.
- On **February 20 and 21**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Los Angeles, CA where he will tour Transportation Security Administration and U.S. Customs and Border Protection security operations at Los Angeles International Airport, tour security operations at the Port of Los Angeles/Long Beach, meet with LA Mayor Garcetti, host an immigration roundtable, visit the Joint Regional Intelligence Center and attend a reception hosted by Jane Harman, President of the Wilson Center. Press TBD.
- On **February 24**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick. The Secretary will also host the Council of Governors Meeting also attended by Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Office of Personnel Management Director Katherine Archuleta. The Secretary will also meet with World Customs Organization Secretary General Kunio Mikuriya.
- On **February 26**, Secretary Johnson is tentatively scheduled to testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

#### **IV. Items of Note**

##### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of \$7 million to date by utilizing a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for multi-functional devices and reducing expenditures on printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

##### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **February 4**, President Obama has signed 348 major disaster declarations and 65 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$29.3 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### **V. Legal**

##### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **January 31**, DHS responded to Senator Coburn's January 30 letter regarding a recent production of documents pertaining to the Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) program.
- During the week of **February 3**, DHS made a production of documents to Chairman Carper and Ranking Member Coburn on the UAS program and in response to their November 12, 2013 letter and conversations with staff.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, preclearance operations in Abu Dhabi, TSA's Screening Partnership Program (SPP), Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices, the performance of the BioWatch program, and the closed ICE investigation of contaminated Heparin.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **January 17**, **Patrick Terpstra**, a producer with **Cox Media Group** in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of all Assistance to Firefighters Grants requests from June 1, 2012, through January 17, 2014, from the following cities: (1) Atlanta, Georgia; (2) Orlando, Florida; (3) Jacksonville, Florida; (4) Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; (5) Dayton, Ohio; (6) Tulsa, Oklahoma; (7) Charlotte, North Carolina; (8) Seattle, Washington; and (9) San Francisco, California.

- On **January 17**, **Ellie Hall**, a representative with **BuzzFeed** in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the video of USCG Commandant Admiral Robert J. Papp addressing the USCG Academy in New London, Connecticut on January 8, 2014.
- On **January 20**, **Jennifer Loren**, an anchor and reporter with **NewsOn6** in Tulsa, Oklahoma, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to incidents reported to the USCG National Response Center from January 1, 2013, through January 20, 2014, in the State of Oklahoma.
- On **January 22**, **John Bohrer**, a representative with **NBC Universal** in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), records pertaining to Hurricane Sandy submitted by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey from November 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **January 22**, **Jason Smather**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the Premium Class Travel reports created by DIIS for submission to GSA for fiscal years 2009 through 2013.
- On **January 23**, **Jesús Escudero**, a journalist with **El Comercio de Gijon** in Asturias, Spain, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to H1-B Visas for Spanish nonimmigrant temporary workers for fiscal years 2008 through 2013.
- On **January 24**, **Ryan Randazzo**, a reporter with **The Arizona Republic** in Phoenix, Arizona, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of the form I-9 notices served to Abengoa and/or the following subsidiaries in Phoenix, Arizona, Denver, Colorado, and any other offices in the United States the week of January 6, 2014: (1) Abengoa Solar; (2) Arizona Solar One; (3) Abiensa; (4) Abener; and/or (5) Teyma Construction.
- On **January 24**, the General Services Administration (GSA) referred to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) requests from **Scott Higham**, a staff writer with **The Washington Post** in Washington, DC, and **Shane Allen**, a representative with **NBC 5/KXAS-TV**, seeking records pertaining to Premium Class Travel for federal employees from 2009 through the present.
- On **January 24**, **Lynn Jorden**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and Monica Wehby, Monica Wehby-Grant, and/or Monica Wehby-Vogt from January 1990 through the present.
- On **January 24**, **Pete Yost**, a reporter with the **Associated Press** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS, or its components, and Senator Robert Menendez (D-NJ) from 2012.
- On **January 24**, **Jason Smathers**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records of congressional correspondence from September 1, 2013, through October 31, 2013, pertaining to the possibility of a government shutdown or the actual shutdown.
- On **January 26**, **Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of the service level agreement between the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and CBP pertaining to license plate reader data sharing.
- On **January 27**, **Justin McCarthy**, a research associate with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or any other services to President Obama and any companions on their December 2013 through January 2014 trip to Honolulu, Hawaii.
- On **January 28**, **Todd Toral**, an attorney with **DLA Piper LLP** in San Francisco, California, on behalf of **Human Rights Watch**, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DIIS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to complaints of military sexual assaults and/or military whistleblower reprisals against the United States Coast Guard (USCG), from 2004 through 2013.
- On **January 28**, **Malia Litman**, a blogger in Dallas, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the resignations of former Secretary Janet Napolitano and Mark Sullivan, former Director, United States Secret Service (USSS); (2) records pertaining to the Colombia scandal; and (3) records pertaining to allegations of alcohol abuse, domestic

violence, sexual harassment, pornography, rape, sexual relations with prostitutes, and/or use or possession of illegal drugs by any member of DHS, including the USSS.

- On **January 29**, **Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) statistical data pertaining to the number of pregnant women detained in the Eloy Detention Center in Arizona in 2013.
- On **January 29**, **Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) statistical data pertaining to the number of pregnant women detained by ICE in 2013 in all ICE facilities.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Paul Birmingham**, an investigative producer with *KVOA News 4* in Tucson, Arizona, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to a shooting involving a U.S. Border Patrol agent on January 16, 2014, on Highway 80 near Apache, Arizona. These records were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 7(A).
- On **January 24**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Antonio Revilla**, Co-director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)** in Miami, Florida, three pages of records consisting of statistics pertaining to S immigrant and nonimmigrant applications since 2007. These records were released in full.
- On **January 24**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Jordana Gustafson**, a reporter with *Oregon Public Broadcasting* in Portland, Oregon, 137 pages of records consisting of Alien File records pertaining to a named individual. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **January 24**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Jason Buch**, a reporter with the *San Antonio Express-News* in San Antonio, Texas, 44 pages of records consisting of complaint narratives pertaining to use of force incidents involving Border Patrol agents and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers from 2005 through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **January 24**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **William Buckley**, an attorney with **Willis & Buckley, APC** in New Orleans, Louisiana, 31 pages of records consisting of task lists, maps, observation reports, and articles pertaining to Shoreline Cleanup and Assessment Technique (SCAT) reports in Treasure Isle and Geoghegan Canal in Southeastern Louisiana from April 20, 2010, through September 30, 2010. These records were released in full.
- On **January 29**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, 7,053 pages of records consisting of contracts, invoices, FEMA Task Monitor Certification Statements, Task Order Assignment Hours and Cost Summaries, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA's administration of the Public Assistance program subsequent to Hurricanes Katrina or Rita. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **January 29**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **John Ferro**, a reporter with the *Poughkeepsie Journal* in Poughkeepsie, New York, 173 pages of records consisting of case reports, charts, photographs, witness statements, and checklists pertaining to the STENA PRIMORSK running aground on December 20, 2012. These records were released in full.
- On **January 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Tamara Miller**, an attorney with **The Federal Practice Group** in Washington, DC, 239 pages of records consisting of the following reports: (1) United States Secret Service (USSS) Cartagena Review (I12-USSS-OSI-00800); (2) Adequacy of USSS' Internal Investigation of Alleged Misconduct in Cartagena, Colombia (OIG-13-24); and (3) Adequacy of USSS Efforts to Identify, Mitigate, and Address Instances of Misconduct and Inappropriate Behavior (OIG 14-20). These records were released in full.
- On **February 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jason Smathers**, a representative with **MuckRock News**, in Boston, Massachusetts, 340 pages of records pertaining to the Faithful Readiness Emergency Conference held in January 2011 and other meetings related to local faith-based organizations. These records are being released in full.

- On **February 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Audrey Singer**, a senior fellow with the **Brookings Institution** in Washington, DC, an excel spreadsheet containing statistical information pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **February 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Michael Ravnitzky**, an individual in Silver Spring, Maryland, 78 pages of records consisting of letters of correspondence from DHS to the following members of Congress: (1) Representative Michael McCaul (R-TX); (2) Representative Candice Miller (R-MI); (3) Peter King (R-NY); (4) Patrick Meehan (R-PA); (5) Susan Brooks (R-IN); (6) Jeffrey Duncan (R-SC), and (7) Richard Hudson (R-NC) Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **February 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) posted to the DHS FOIA Library, 17 pages of congressional correspondence logs for November 2013 and December 2013. Portions of the posting are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **February 5**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jesse Franzblau**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, 24 pages of records consisting of talking points, a biography, and other records pertaining to the letter of intent signed between former Secretary Janet Napolitano and Mexico's former Secretary of Interior Gomez-Mont in February 2010, regarding better coordination on a number of mutual aviation security initiatives. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 5.
- On **February 5**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Lucy Kinder**, an individual, 214 pages of records consisting of photographs, e-mails, and letters pertaining to By and Large of Google concerning the barges BAL0010, BAL0011, BAL0001 and BAL0100. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **February 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Jason Leopold**, a reporter with **Truthout** in Beverly Hills, California, six pages of records consisting of a letter from a member of the public regarding the Long Island ICE Tea Party and ICE's response to that letter. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will release to **Sirine Shebaya**, a representative with the **America Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Maryland** in Baltimore, Maryland, one Excel spreadsheet containing data pertaining to each detainer, Form I-247, issued by ICE to another law enforcement agency in the State of Maryland, from January 1, 2010, through the present. These records are released in full.

## **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- On **February 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register extending Temporary Protected Status for Haiti for 18 months, through January 22, 2016.
- In **February**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection is scheduled to begin testing Phase II of the U.S./Canadian truck cargo pre-inspection pilot program at the Peace Bridge in Buffalo, New York. A formal launch event is currently being planned for mid-February. Under the pilot, CBP Officers operate in Canada and pre-inspect cargo bound for the United States, thus expediting the flow of legitimate trade. Phase II will test the ability of the pre-inspection process to reduce wait times and border congestion. Dates to be announced.
- In **February**, the National Protection and Programs Directorate expects to release its Annual Report on Integrated Entry and Exit Data System that contains statistics on DHS biographic and biometric data systems.
- In **February**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- By **February**, DHS expects to release an Annual Strategic Assessment regarding the coordination efforts of the Federal departments and agencies to advance continuity of operations in interoperable emergency communications.

- In **February**, the Office of the Ombudsman's Office expects to study implementation of "Revised Guidance for the Referral of Cases and Issuance of Notices to Appear (NTAs) in Cases Involving Inadmissible and Removable Aliens," which focuses NTA issuance on cases with public safety threats, criminals and aliens engaged in fraud.
- In **February**, DHS expects to publish the Prison Rape Elimination Act Final Rule. This rule is prepared to fulfill requirements of the May 17, 2012 Presidential Memorandum directing all agencies with Federal confinement facilities to propose rules and procedures under the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.
- By **February**, FEMA expects to release the 2012 Tribal Policy Implementation Plan to comply with President Obama's Memorandum on Tribal Consultation that directs each federal department and agency to develop a detailed plan of action for complete and consistent implementation of Executive Order 13175.
- In **February**, following the overhaul of the Change of Address (COA) tool, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will roll out a two-phase overhaul of e-Request. The look and feel of the tool will significantly improve so that it is easier to use and more customer friendly. Later in February after the rollout, USCIS will improve the functionality of the online tool by adding new types of nondelivery requests.
- By **February**, DHS expects to consolidate FEMA's Section 504 implementing regulations into one unified regulation for the Department, and to promulgate regulations implementing Section 504 for the Department's federally assisted programs.
- In **February**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates publishing the Professional Conduct Rule, outlining standards and grounds for disciplinary actions that apply to private practitioners such as attorneys and non-attorney representatives who are authorized to represent an applicant or petitioner for immigration purposes.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to publish in the Federal Register a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) on Security Training Programs for Surface Mode Employees as required by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007. This rule would apply to freight railroad carriers, public transportation agencies (including rail mass transit and bus systems), passenger railroad carriers, and over-the-road bus owner/operators. TSA also proposes to clarify and amend sensitive security information (SSI) protections to cover certain information associated with surface transportation.
- In **March**, the Transportation Security Administration expects to provide National Cargo Security Program (NCSP) recognition to Israel. The program involves a thorough examination of supply chain security components and related requirements that constitute a country's NCSP. These actions are taken to determine whether the subject NCSP provides a level of security commensurate with current U.S. air cargo security requirements.
- By the end of **March**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) expects to release a Request for Proposal and award a contract for the Credential Authentication Technology for approximately 12 units intended for developmental and operational testing against TSA's system requirements to assess suitability and effectiveness in checkpoint operations.

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **February 24**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas and other senior U.S. and Canadian officials including Senator Schumer, Congressman Higgins, Public Safety Canada Minister Blaney and Deputy Minister Guimont, and senior New York State officials will attend the launch of the Beyond the Border truck cargo pre-inspection at the Peace Bridge (Buffalo, NY / Fort Erie, Ontario). Open press.
- On **February 28**, Secretary Johnson plans to announce the designation of Chile as a Visa Waiver Program country at a joint press conference with Chilean Foreign Minister Alfredo Moreno and Chilean Ambassador Felipe Bulnes.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **February 20**, Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks at the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund's (MALDEF) 2014 Latino State of the Union event.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national teleconference on publication of revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization. Closed press.
- From **February 21 to March 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner James Tomsheck (Office of Internal Affairs) will travel to Belgrade, Serbia, to participate in the Serbian Border Police and Customs Directorate's Joint Anti-Corruption Initiative. This request was received from the U.S. Department of Justice which is leading the Initiative.
- From **February 23 to March 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Jerusalem will host two iterations of Department of State-funded Cross Border Financial Investigations Training (CBFIT) for the Palestinian Customs Police, Civil Police, and the Preventive Security Organization. The Palestinian Ministry of Interior had requested that HSI Jerusalem provide training on anti-money laundering investigations. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register extending Temporary Protected Status for Haiti for 18 months, through January 22, 2016.
- On **February 24**, FEMA's U.S. Fire Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell Jr. will deliver keynote remarks at the Black Chief Officers Committee and the International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters –Annual Educational Symposium in Long Beach, CA. Chief Mitchell will discuss leading change for future priorities. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, Transportation Security Administration Chief Counsel Francine Kerner will discuss cargo security at the International Air Transit Association's Legal Symposium in San Francisco, CA. Open press.
- On **February 24**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will meet with Nigel Bickle of the Canada Border Services Agency to discuss Five Country Conference and QHSR issues.
- From **February 24 to 28**, representatives from the Department of Homeland Security will discuss DHS' work with the private sector and SLTT governments in cybersecurity at the RSA Conference in San Francisco, CA, which is expected to attract cybersecurity professionals from around the country. Open press.
- From **February 24 to 28**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will host the Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Training Program in Glynco, GA. As part of the program, Director Connie Patrick will participate in an executive panel discussion. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski is scheduled to meet with representatives of the Detroit International Bridge Company and the Canadian Transit Company regarding the Ambassador Bridge crossing. Closed press.



- On **February 25**, Director of the U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team Ann Barron-DiCamillo will participate in a panel discussion entitled “2014 Cybersecurity Outlook – The Evolving Toolset” as part of the Cyber Playbook Webinar, which is expected to attract representatives from the federal IT community, both government and private sector. Open press.
- On **February 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks to representatives from companies, government agencies, and nongovernmental organizations dedicated to addressing climate change on infrastructure preparedness and resilience for climate change and related extreme events at the Climate Leadership Conference in San Diego, CA. Open press.
- On **February 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski is scheduled to welcome a delegation of Afghan officials, including Director-General of Customs and Revenue Nazibullah Wardak, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski is scheduled to deliver brief remarks at a Trade Transformation Roundtable hosted by the CBP Office of Trade Relations at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. World Customs Organization Secretary-General Kunio Mikuriya is also scheduled to participate in the Roundtable event. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to host a national teleconference to provide program and policy-related updates to the EB-5 community and introduce the new Investor Program Office Chief. Closed press.
- From **February 25 to 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver Basic Incident Response to Digital Evidence Training Program in Canastota, NY, which provides training necessary for any first responder who is charged with the identification, preservation, collection and transportation of digital evidence. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will deliver the annual State of the Coast Guard address at U.S. Coast Guard headquarters in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **February 26**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will meet with Airlines for America at their Security Council meeting in Orlando, FL to discuss various airline security issues including the Known Crewmember program, catering, the repair station rule, compliance, and corporate inspections. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in the National Guard Bureau Senior Leadership Conference in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Manila will attend the 5 Country Conference (5CC) meeting held at the British Embassy in Manila, Philippines. Members of the 5CC include the United States, United Kingdom, New Zealand, Australia and Canada. The 5CC participants will discuss current issues regarding human smuggling trends and tactics in the region. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate in the Intermodal Security Training and Exercise Program tabletop exercise in Pittsburgh, PA, with the Port Authority of Allegheny County. Closed press.
- From **February 26 to 28**, the US Secret Service will conduct counterfeit detection training for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Ottawa, Canada. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Singapore will participate in the Business Against Trafficking Conference held at the Institut Européen d'Administration des Affaires" or European Institute of Business Administration (INSEAD) Business School in Singapore. This conference will include business leaders and stakeholders from a variety of industries to address the issue of Trafficking in Persons (TIP) within supply chains and labor practices. HSI Singapore will meet with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) and Singapore Government officials in attendance to discuss the TIP problems in the region. Closed press.

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- On **February 27** and **March 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, in partnership with the Department of Justice, Office of Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices will co-host Spanish language Employee Rights Webinar to educate Spanish-speaking stakeholders about worker rights and anti-discrimination provisions in the Form I-9 and during the E-Verify employment eligibility verification process.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **February 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) National Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak will testify before the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce regarding counterfeit pharmaceuticals. Open press.
- On **March 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about maritime transportation regulations. Open press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify before the House Appropriations Committee's Homeland Security Subcommittee on the Coast Guard's FY 15 budget request. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 19 to 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of Congressional Relations (OCR) Assistant Director Kate Mills will travel to Guatemala and El Salvador along with U.S. Senator Thomas Carper and his staff. In Guatemala, the Congressional delegation will meet with U.S. Ambassador Arnold Chacon, tour several NGOs, witness an ICE repatriation flight, and tour the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Transnational Criminal Investigative Unit. In El Salvador, the delegation will meet with Ambassador Mari Carmen Aponte, Embassy El Salvador Country Team, tour the El Salvador Immigration Detention Center and visit the ICE Fusion Center. The delegation will be escorted by Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Central America Attaché Edward Dolan. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) National Firearms and Tactical Programs Program Manager Rich Milla will provide staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security with a briefing and tour of the Federal Protective Services indoor firearms range. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), Technical Operations Center (Tech Ops) Unit Chief, Aldelmo Lopez will provide staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security with a briefing and tour of Tech Ops. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner Edward Young (Office of Air and Marine) will brief staff from the office of Senator Pat Roberts on general aviation searches. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, Carter Hewgley of FEMA's Office of Policy will brief Senate Homeland Security Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee Staff on FEMAStat in anticipation and preparation for a yet-to-be scheduled hearing. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations, specifically Automated Passport Control (APC) kiosks, at Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, Texas. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, staff from Senator Pat Toomey's office will present a Proclamation congratulating two Transportation Security Officers at Lehigh Valley Airport congratulating them on their timely response to a medical emergency that saved the life of a traveler. Closed press.

- On **February 25**, Kim Kadesch, Acting Director Office of National Capital Region Coordination (ONCRC), will provide an update on the ONCRC to the staff of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$20 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Energy Efficiencies and Energy Management Efficiency Review initiatives as well Component-led efforts to reduce energy consumption, through such means as installing energy efficient lighting and implementing power-management settings on desktops and laptops.

### *E-Verify Update*

- As of **February 15**, 510,781 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 9.2 million queries have been run through the system.

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- **March 2 to 8** is National Severe Weather Preparedness week. Teaming up for a third year in a row, FEMA and the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) are leading a public education effort aimed at improving the way people prepare for, and respond to severe weather. The theme is, “Be a Force: Take the Next Step.” This nationwide effort is designed to increase awareness of severe weather and to encourage individuals, families, businesses and communities to know their risk, take action and be an example.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **March 2**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will speak at the National Association of Counties Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. about the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment, the National Preparedness Grant Program proposal, and Stafford Act changes under the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act. Closed press.
- On **March 2**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will deliver remarks about the Department’s strategic priorities to include Comprehensive Immigration Reform, cybersecurity and other topics during the Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee meeting at the National Association of Counties 2014 Legislative Conference. Closed press.
- On **March 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks to leaders in public and private organizations who determine the risk, resilience and security operations strategies of their organization on the interoperable nature of protecting our nation’s critical infrastructure, at The Great Conversation in Seattle, WA. Open press.
- On **March 3 and 4**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will conduct a Risk Management Workshop in Berlin, Germany. From **March 4 to 7**, they will participate in the Germany-U.S. Aviation Security Cooperation Group to discuss establishing priorities and mutual lines of effort. Closed press.
- From **March 3 to 7**, a delegation of Russian senior aviation security officials will visit Dulles International Airport, the Transportation Security Operations Center, and the Transportation Security Integration Facility in the National Capital Region. The Russian government is specifically interested in discussing and observing the Behavior Detection Program, the Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response team Program, Federal Air Marshal Service, Cargo Quality Control, and Risk Management Programs. Closed press.
- From **March 4 to 5**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will host counterparts from Singapore’s Ministry of Home Affairs Office for a bilateral meeting in Washington, D.C. to discuss current and proposed areas of collaboration in cybersecurity, borders and maritime security, first responder capabilities, and resilience. Closed press.
- From **March 4 to 7**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss recent DHS investments in vaccines, laboratory diagnostics, and other tools at the Ad Hoc Technical Workshop Rift Valley Fever Vaccine and Companion Diagnostics meeting hosted by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in Rome, Italy. Closed press.
- From **March 4 to 7**, a delegation from the Japan Civil Aviation Bureau, the Narita International Airport Corporation, and Aichi Technology and Education Center will visit Dulles International Airport, the Transportation Security Operations Center, and the Transportation Security Integration Facility to conduct research on emerging aviation security policies and technologies. Closed press.

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- On **March 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski is scheduled to attend a Laredo Day reception in Washington, D.C. Representative Henry Cuellar and Laredo Mayor Raul Salinas are also scheduled to participate. Closed press.
- On **March 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with Nelson Balido, Chair of the Border Commerce and Security Council. Closed press.
- From **March 5 to 7**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Papp will travel to New London, CT and Boston, MA. In New London, Admiral Papp will address Coast Guard cutter commanding officers. In Boston, he will address National Security Fellows at the JFK School of Government, Harvard University, and conduct an All-Hands session for multiple Coast Guard units.
- On **March 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on priorities, opportunities, and challenges with particular emphasis on government-industry relationships at the Homeland Security & Defense Business Council Executive Roundtable Luncheon in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, the Science and Technology Directorate will co-host a live Twitter Chat with Wireless Emergency Alerts experts from the Federal Emergency Management Agency Integrated Public Alert and Warning System, National Weather Service, Ready.gov campaign, and Competitive Carriers Association to increase awareness and highlight key findings from newly released research. Open press.
- From **March 8 to 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Executive Associate Director James A. Dinkins will attend the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) National Counter-Terrorism Seminar (NCTS) in Israel. The NCTS, funded by the ADL, brings American law enforcement executives and commanders to Israel to learn cutting edge strategies, tactics, and information to combat terrorism from some of the world's foremost experts with extensive first-hand experience combating terrorism. Briefings and site visits are conducted by senior commanders in the Israel National Police, experts from Israel's intelligence and security services, and the Israel Defense Forces. Closed press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski (Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition) will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, about border technology, specifically integrated fixed towers and the recent GAO report on the Arizona Technology Plan. Open press.
- On **March 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy Rear Admiral Joseph Servidio will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about maritime transportation regulations. Open press.
- On **March 5**, the nominee for the Under Secretary of the Science & Technology Directorate will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Open press.
- On **March 5**, a TBD witness from the U.S. Secret Service will testify before the House Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit about data breaches. Open press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify before the House Appropriations Committee's Homeland Security Subcommittee on the Coast Guard's FY 15 budget request. Open press.
- On **March 25**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about TSA's FY 15 budget request. Open press.



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- On **March 26**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about FEMA's FY 15 budget request. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **February 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Assistant Field Office Directors (AFOD) New Orleans Brian Acuna and Catherine Chargualaf will brief Senator Bob Corker's staff on ERO New Orleans operations and activities in Tennessee. Closed press.
- On **March 4**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John Cohen will deliver a Countering Violent Extremism update briefing for the Senate Committee on Homeland Security Counterterrorism and Government Affairs staff. Closed press.
- On **March 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will brief Representative Beto O'Rourke on CBP search and seizure policies. Closed press.
- On **March 5**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security members. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Assistant Field Office Directors New Orleans Brian Acuna and Catherine Chargualaf will brief the staffs of Senator Lamar Alexander and Representative John Duncan on ERO New Orleans operations and activities in Tennessee. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, a group of George Washington University Law School students sponsored by the office of Senator Charles Schumer will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Joint Field Command (JFC) operations in Tucson, AZ. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia will conduct a deep dive into program activities with congressional staff members from the House Committee on Homeland Security and the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John Cohen will deliver a Countering Violent Extremism update briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security minority staff. Closed press.

**II. Items of Note**

*Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$22 million in cost avoidances through Component-led efforts to streamline and eliminate duplication in their mission-support processes.

*FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **February 25**, President Obama has signed 348 major disaster declarations and 68 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.5 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

*E-Verify Update*

- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 22**, 512,192 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 9.7 million queries have been run through the system.



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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- By **March 3**, DHS will submit to CEQ the DHS Climate Action Plan, which will help implement the vision laid out in The Administration's Climate Action Plan in the area of climate preparedness.
- During the **week of March 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to publish a Notice in the Federal Register extending Temporary Protected Status for Haiti for 18 months, through January 22, 2016.
- On **March 7**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency will release the Funding Opportunity Announcement for the FY14 Emergency Management Performance Grant program.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **March 8 to 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director James A. Dinkins will attend the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) National Counter-Terrorism Seminar (NCTS) in Israel. The NCTS, funded by the ADL, brings American law enforcement executives and commanders to Israel to learn cutting edge strategies, tactics, and information to combat terrorism from some of the world's foremost experts with extensive first-hand experience combating terrorism. Closed press.
- On **March 9**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will deliver remarks about the Department's strategic priorities to include Comprehensive Immigration Reform, cybersecurity and other topics during the Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Advocacy Committee meeting at the National League of Cities 2014 Legislative Conference. Closed press.
- From **March 9 to 16**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and other FEMA senior leaders will attend and present at the National Emergency Management Association's (NEMA) 2014 Mid-Year Emergency Management Policy and Leadership Forum in Alexandria, VA. On **March 9**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will provide remarks at a closed session to the State Emergency Management Directors on current FEMA initiatives (closed press). On **March 12**, Administrator Fugate will provide a plenary address to the full conference. The Forum is commemorating NEMA's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with the theme of "Servant Leadership." Open press.
- From **March 9 to 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Abu Dhabi will sponsor and coordinate Advanced Law Enforcement Firearms and Event Security/Dignitary Protection training in support of the United Arab Emirates' (UAE) initial preparation for the Dubai Expo 2020. The Event Security & Dignitary Protection Training sessions will be conducted by the ICE Office of Firearms and Tactical Programs personnel and will support UAE law enforcement personnel assigned to event security and dignitary protection. Closed press.
- On **March 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is among the officials scheduled to speak to the Marine Corps War College Class of 2014 during their visit to DHS Headquarters. He will discuss CBP's role in Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **March 10**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Bishops from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to discuss comprehensive immigration reform. The Deputy Secretary will also will host a stakeholder meeting to discuss Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals implementation. Stakeholders will include representatives from the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Hispanic Federation, League of United Latin American Citizens, Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund, Bridge Project, CASA of Maryland, AYUDA Inc., and the Immigrant Legal Resource Center. Closed press.
- On **March 10**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will host a visit by a delegation from the Indian Ministry of Home Affairs in furtherance of the DHS-India Homeland Security Dialogue in

Glynco, GA, which including discussions on training development processes, academy management principles, and training infrastructure. Closed press.

- On **March 10**, FEMA U.S. Fire Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell Jr. will deliver the keynote address at the Center for Public Safety Excellence 2014 Excellence Conference in Henderson, NC. Chief Mitchell will discuss “Our Future: By Choice, Not Chance for the Fire Service.” Open press.
- On **March 10**, the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will publish a recommendation identifying improvements for spouses of foreign medical doctors accepted into the Conrad State 30 waiver program. Under this program, each state may receive up to 30 physicians each year to provide medical services to rural, inner city, and other medically underserved communities. Open press.
- On **March 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski and Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to meet with the Pacific Coast Council of Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders Associations in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **March 10 to 11**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a delegation from the United Arab Emirates in Washington, DC to discuss risk-based security and promote Advanced Imaging Technology use as part of a visit to review latest screening techniques and initiatives. Closed press.
- On **March 10 to 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Borkowski and Assistant Commissioner Charles Armstrong (Office of Information and Technology) will attend and take part in panel discussions at the 2014 Homeland Security Conference hosted by the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA) in Washington, D.C. Assistant Commissioner Borkowski will discuss mobility and interoperability; Assistant Commissioner Armstrong will participate in a CIO Roundtable on IT priorities in Homeland Security. Open press.
- From **March 10 to 14**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will conduct an Internet Protocol Camera Program in Glynco, GA, which provides students with the skills needed for planning, programming, and installing an Internet Protocol camera and then using the Internet to transmit video to remote locations. Closed press.
- From **March 10 to 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will conduct a Digital Evidence Acquisition Specialist Training Program in Glynco, GA, which equips students with the knowledge and skills to properly identify, seize and prepare forensic copies of hard disks and other digital evidence in various forms. Closed press.
- From **March 10 to 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) International Operations Associate Deputy Assistant Director (DAD) Eddie Agrait will deliver opening remarks at an HSI-led anti-gang training seminar in Mexico City. Approximately 300 participants from Mexico and Central American countries are anticipated to attend. Open press.
- On **March 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Chicago Field Office Director Ricardo Wong will meet with BI Incorporated’s Regional Manager and local Program Manager to discuss BI’s Intensive Supervision Appearance Program (ISAP) performance and how the company can best serve ERO in regards to Alternatives to Detention. BI Incorporated is a private company that contracts with ICE to develop forms of alternative detention for detainees. Open press.
- On **March 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on current cybersecurity challenges and government responses to them at the Symantec Government Symposium in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **March 11**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Daniel Gerstein will present keynote remarks on the role of the national laboratories and the Centers of Excellence at the Armed Forces Communications and Electronic Association Homeland Security Conference in Arlington, VA. Other topics include Executive Order 13636 for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity and DHS’ role in the development of a national R&D plan for critical infrastructure security. S&T will also lead an in-depth discussion on its Transition to Practice program and technologies, which identifies

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emerging cybersecurity technologies developed at Department of Energy National Labs and facilitates their development into successful, widely available products. Closed press.

- On **March 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity and critical information technology infrastructure at the Amazon ZONCON conference in Seattle, WA. Closed press.
- On **March 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will meet with representatives from Airlines for America in Washington, D.C., regarding travel facilitation efforts including CBP's business transformation initiatives, Advance Passenger Information System (APIS) compliance, and Automated Passport Control kiosks. Closed press.
- On **March 11 and 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Commissioner Thomas Winkowski is scheduled to speak at the Business Alliance for Secure Commerce (BASC) Conference in Mexico City, Mexico, and meet with the organization's board of directors. In addition, he will meet with DHS and Department of State officials at the U.S. Embassy. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 12**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a delegation from the Italian Civil Aviation Authority at the Transportation Security Integration Facility and Reagan International Airport for the Italian Advanced Imaging Technology (AIT) assistance project. They will observe AIT operations at a U.S. airport first hand in advance of onsite training in Italy. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 13**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Leadership Through Understanding Human Behavior in Utica, NY, which provides law enforcement leaders with a training vehicle that can help them develop more effective workgroups and teams. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of State, Local, and Tribal Coordination (OSLTC) Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will attend the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Executive Council Winter Session in Washington, DC. Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will provide a presentation on the mission of OSLTC and ICE interaction with tribes. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 13**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Digital Photography for Law Enforcement Training Program in Plummer, ID. This is an introductory digital photography course developed for law enforcement first responders and criminal investigators who are responsible for photographically documenting crime scenes, traffic accident scenes, injuries, or any other type of evidence associated with a criminal investigation. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 13**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Basic Incident Response to Digital Evidence program in Burlington, MA to provide training necessary to any criminal investigator who may be a first responder in a situation in which computer based evidence is or may be recovered. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 15**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Pistole will meet with counterparts in Berlin, Germany and Dublin, Ireland. In Berlin, the Administrator plans to have meetings with the Deputy Chief of Mission, the President of the German Federal Police, State Secretary, and Director of the Ministry of Transport. In Dublin, Administrator Pistole plans to tour Dublin Airport's Preclearance location and participate in bilateral meetings with the Irish Civil Aviation Authorities. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host its second national Vietnamese engagement via teleconference and live streaming to discuss the immigration and naturalization process. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will speak to the Kansas City Chapter of the Business Executives for National Security about the value of partnerships with industry and academia and the importance of the national laboratories and provide an update on National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility (NBAF) in Kansas City, MO. Open press. He will later visit Kansas State University in Manhattan, KS to meet with university representatives, visit NBAF construction site, and tour Kansas State University's adjacent Biosecurity Research Institute. NBAF will

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be a state-of-the-art biocontainment facility for the study of foreign animal, emerging and zoonotic diseases that threaten the U.S. animal agriculture and public health. Closed press.

- On **March 12**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will attend the Volpentest Hazardous Materials Management and Emergency Response (HAMMER) Federal Training Center's Steering Committee Meeting in Washington, DC. HAMMER is a national and regional training asset located at the U.S. Department of Energy's Hanford Site in southeastern Washington state that serves state, regional, and national needs in such areas as disaster recovery, emergency response, transportation, fire protection, law enforcement, and military readiness. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will participate on a panel titled "Doing Business in Homeland Security—Procurement Executives Roundtable" at the AFCEA International Homeland Security Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **March 12**, FEMA U. S. Fire Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell, Jr. will deliver remarks at the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives: "Building for the Future" in Tampa, FL. Chief Mitchell will discuss the 2010-2014 federal level challenges to reducing line of duty injuries and deaths. Open press.
- On **March 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Chief Economist Tony Cheesebrough will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Cybersecurity Incentives Study: Analysis, Recommendations, and Areas for Further Research" at the Conference of the Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **March 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Protective Security Advisor Chuck Clanahann will deliver remarks on active shooter preparedness and response at the Rush County Active Shooter Training in La Crosse, KS. Open press.
- On **March 13**, the Science and Technology Directorate will co-host a Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) webinar with the National Public Radio Laboratories' Accessible Common Alerting Protocol Demonstration Project for U.S. Gulf Coast States in Washington, DC. Developed and tested by DHS, WEA is a major component of FEMA's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System and provides commercial mobile service providers with an interface to deliver critical alerts to cell phones in danger zones. Open press.
- From **March 14 to 16**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will provide training during the Law Enforcement Leadership Development Program at the ILEA in Gaborone, Botswana. Law enforcement agencies from Botswana, Seychelles, South Africa, Tanzania, and Uganda will attend the program. Closed press.
- From **March 14 to 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to New Orleans, LA for the Coast Guard Foundation's 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Tribute to the Eighth Coast Guard District, to Rogers, Arkansas to present a Meritorious Public Service Award, and to Maxwell AFB to provide remarks to students at Air War College.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 12**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify before the House Appropriations Committee's Homeland Security Subcommittee on the Coast Guard's FY 15 budget request. Open press.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will testify before the U.S. House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President's Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 budget for ICE. Open press.
- On **March 13**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations and the District of Columbia Subcommittee on the FY 2015 Budget Request. Open press.



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- On **March 25**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will testify before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about TSA's FY 15 budget request. Open press.
- On **March 26**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify before the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee about the Coast Guard's FY 15 budget request. Open press.
- On **March 26**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about FEMA's FY 15 budget request. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 10**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a budget briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.
- On **March 10**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will provide the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation staff with a briefing on employment qualifications. Close press.
- On **March 10**, staff from the office of Senator Kirsten Gillibrand will tour CBP operations at the Peace Bridge in Buffalo, New York. Closed press.  
On **March 10**, representatives from the Offices of Administration, Field Operations, Border Patrol, Air and Marine, International Trade, Information and Technology, and Technology Innovation and Acquisition will brief staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and House Homeland Security Committee on CBP's FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **March 10**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson will brief the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and the House Committee on Homeland Security on the FEMA grants portion and operations portion of the budget request. Closed press.
- On **March 11**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Brian Kamoie and Deputy Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Chris Logan will brief the House and Senate Appropriations Committees and House and Senate Homeland Committee on Fiscal Year 14 Preparedness Grant Programs. Closed press.
- On **March 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will brief Senator Tom Carper on the Department's Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community (C<sup>3</sup>) Voluntary Program. Closed press.
- On **March 11**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will brief the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on its FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **March 11**, representatives from the Office of Air and Marine will brief staff from the House Homeland Security Committee on CBP's FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **March 11**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a budget briefing for the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John Cohen will deliver a budget briefing for members of the House Committee on Homeland Security Counterterrorism and Intelligence Subcommittee. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security on its FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, ONDCP Director/CBP Commissioner nominee R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee Chairman Landrieu. Closed press.
- On **March 13**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will conduct a briefing on the FY2015 budget and discuss impacts to the Federal Air Marshals Service with the Senate Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.

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- On **March 13**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will meet with Representative Tom Graves. Closed press.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will meet with Representative LoBiondo.
- On **March 13**, representatives from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will brief Senate Appropriations Committee on its FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **March 14**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson will brief the House Appropriations Committee, Homeland Security Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Committee, Homeland Security Subcommittee about the FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **March 14**, representatives from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Offices of Administration, Field Operations, Border Patrol, Air and Marine, International Trade, and Technology Innovation and Acquisition will brief staff from the Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee and House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee on CBP's FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Office Supplies Blanket Purchase Agreement initiative through use of the department-wide and the Federal government-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for office supplies, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$30 million to date.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **March 4**, President Obama has signed 348 major disaster declarations and 68 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.5 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

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**Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report**

March 20, 2014

**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **March 26**, FEMA Intergovernmental Affairs will host a webinar regarding the changes to the Simplified Procedures thresholds for eligibility under the Public Assistance grant program pursuant to the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act and FEMA's approach to the program. Closed press.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **March 20**, the Ombudsman will host a teleconference discussion with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Customer Service & Public Engagement Directorate to learn about USCIS customer assistance options and to share your feedback. The Ombudsman hosts a monthly public teleconference series to share information about relevant topics and provide an opportunity to hear feedback from the community about issues related to the delivery of immigration benefits and services. Open Press.
- On **March 24**, David Wulf, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP) Director for Infrastructure Security Compliance Division (ISCD), will deliver remarks on Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) program and Executive Order 13650-Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security at the 2014 International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration (IAR) Industrial Refrigeration Conference and Exhibition in Nashville. The audience will consist of Members of the IAR and other industrial stakeholders. Open Press.
- On **March 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to announce the availability of approximately \$7.5 million in federal funding for the FY 14 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. The program funding will support community-based organizations that prepare permanent residents for citizenship. Grant recipients will be announced in September 2014. The Citizenship and Integration Grant Program has provided federal funding through a competitive funding opportunity announcement since FY 09.
- On **March 24**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Cybersecurity Strategist and Counsel Tom Finan will participate in a panel discussion at the American Conference Institute's National Forum on Cyber & Data Risk Insurance in Chicago, IL. Open Press.
- On **March 24**, the Transportation Security Administration will conduct a Federal Flight Deck Officer Stakeholder Meeting in Memphis, TN with the Air Line Pilots Association, Coalition of Airline Pilots Association, and management from several aircraft operators' corporate security offices. Closed press.
- On **March 24 and 25**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Papp will travel to Coast Guard Station Point Judith, Narragansett, RI to attend a memorial service for PO3 Ronald Gill, followed by travel to Carlisle, PA to deliver remarks to students at Army War College. Closed press.
- On **March 24 and 25**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will lead a Science and Technology Directorate delegation to Berlin, Germany for a meeting supporting the U.S.-Germany Bilateral Agreement. The delegation will meet with German counterparts at the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and Research, and Ministry of Food and Agriculture to visit and assess German research institutions and to share information on current and proposed collaboration in cybersecurity, first responder technologies, resilient systems, and biodefense. Closed press.
- From **March 24 to 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Charles Armstrong (Office of Information and Technology) will travel to El Paso, Texas, to participate in meetings of the Bi-National Working Group of the Cross-Border Secure Communications Network as well as the Cross-Border Coordination Initiative. Closed press.

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- From **March 24 to 28**, the Science and Technology Directorate will demonstrate its Virtual Shooter technology prototype in Altoona, PA, which allows law enforcement to realistically reproduce firearm discharge while protecting firearms testers and analysts from strain resulting from regular, repetitive testing of firearms. Closed press.
- From **March 24 to 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Casablanca will host the Transportation Security Agency (TSA) Aviation Security Training for a group of Yemeni and Moroccan Aviation Officials. The training will be the fourth in an eight-part series of training courses presented in Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 to Yemeni Aviation officials with the support of the Government of Morocco at Mohammed V International Airport's Aviation Security Regional Training Facility. Closed press.
- From **March 24 to April 4**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will conduct a Macintosh Forensics Training Program in Glynco, GA, which provides training to identify and analyze electronic data stored on Apple computer systems that may be of evidentiary value. Closed press.
- On **March 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks on CBP's trade facilitation mission at a meeting of the Business Council for International Understanding in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **March 25 to 27**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver a Basic Incident Response to Digital Evidence training program to Stillwater, OK. The program provides students with the training necessary to any first responder who is charged with the identification, preservation, collection and transportation of digital evidence. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, Acting Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John Cohen will discuss DHS' role in Countering Violent Extremism at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will host a visit from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Glynco, GA to discuss best practices/lessons learned and tour the driving facility and corresponding simulation driving technology. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director for Federal Network Resilience John Streufert will deliver remarks on continuous diagnostics and mitigation at the GovMark Council Spring Executive Program in Vienna, VA. Closed Press.
- On **March 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on improving cybersecurity around the nation's cyber assets and overcoming key challenges in collaboration between government and industry at the Women in Homeland Security Cyber Roundtable in Fairfax, VA. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on DHS cybersecurity programs and initiatives at the CyberCorps Program at the George Washington University in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Denver Field Office Director John Longshore will meet with Executive Office of Immigration Review (EOIR) Deputy Director Ana Kocur and Brea Burgie, Associate General Counsel, to assist with rollout of EOIR's national policy regarding mental competency at the Aurora Contract Detention Facility. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will discuss SAFETY Act Program benefits and eligibility requirements at the South Central Task Force 2014 Homeland Security Conference in Summerdale, PA. Open press.
- On **March 26**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will meet with representatives from the German Federal Academy for Security Policy.
- From **March 26 to 27**, representatives from the Science and Technology Directorate will participate in the International Wireless Communication Expo in Las Vegas, NV addressing modeling and simulation efforts for the nationwide public safety broadband network. Open press.

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- From **March 26 to 29**, the Science & Technology Directorate will sponsor the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory in Laurel, MD. Open press.
- On **March 27**, Assistant Secretary Bersin will meet with the Coordinator of Mexico's National Civil Protection Administration to discuss emergency management cooperation. Closed press.
- On **March 27**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will attend the 2014 National Social Services and Disaster Management Conference in Orlando, FL, and deliver remarks on the importance of the whole community to effective emergency management. Open press.
- On **March 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity and law enforcement at the Financial Services Roundtable 2014 Spring Conference in Washington. DC. Closed press.
- On **March 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Director for the Office of Emergency Communications Chris Essid will deliver remarks on National Emergency Communications Plan updates and support for state and local emergency responders at the International Wireless Communications Expo in Las Vegas, NV. Open press.
- On **March 27**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will meet with Amtrak to discuss the fiscal year 2014 Intercity Passenger Rail Security Grant Program, Amtrak's progress on prior-year grant-funded projects, and an update on Amtrak's security "quilt" of their top-priority critical infrastructure locations in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **March 27 to 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security (HSI) Jerusalem will host Department of State-funded Cross Border Financial Investigations Training (CBFIT) training for Palestinian prosecutors. The Palestinian Ministry of Justice requested that HSI Jerusalem provide training on anti-money laundering investigations. The CBFIT cadre will train a total of thirty-three Palestinian prosecutors during this three day training session. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Senior Cybersecurity Strategist and Counsel Tom Finan will participate in a panel discussion entitled "NIST Cyber Framework is final– now what?" at the Insuring Cyber Liability Risk Panel in Orlando, FL. Open press.
- From **March 29 to April 2**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Honolulu, HI to conduct unit visits and deliver remarks at the Coast Guard Foundation 14th District Tribute Dinner. Closed press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **March 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Houston Special Agent in Charge (SAC) Brian Moskowitz, Texas Department of Public Safety Director Steven McCraw, Harris County Texas Sheriff Adrian Garcia, and Harris County Assistant District Attorney Ann Johnson will testify at a field hearing titled "Modern Day Slavery: Combating Human Trafficking in our Major Cities" before the House Homeland Security Committee in Houston, TX. Open press.
- On **March 24**, Acting Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis John Cohen will deliver opening remarks at the I&A Budget Hearing held by the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Note that the prepared statement was submitted by FBI for all witnesses. Closed press.
- On **March 24**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will brief Senate Appropriations on The Office of Policy's FY15 budget. Open press.
- On **March 25**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify before the House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee in a hearing on the FY 2015 budget request. Open press.
- On **March 25**, FEMA Center for Domestic Preparedness Superintendent Mike King will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia on First Responder Trainings. Open press.

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- On **March 25**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications on the FY 2015 budget. Open press.
- On **March 26**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Appropriations Committee, Homeland Security Subcommittee on the FY 2015 budget. Open press.
- On **March 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck will testify on Executive Order 13636 and the Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community (C<sup>3</sup>) Voluntary Program before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Open press.
- On **March 26**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will testify before the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, Subcommittee on the Coast Guard's FY 15 Budget Request. Open press.
- On **March 28**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole will testify at a field hearing in Los Angeles, CA before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security about the LAX shooting. Open press.
- On **April 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Gil Kerlikowski will testify before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about CBP's FY 2015 budget request. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 24**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator John Sammon will brief the House General Aviation Caucus and current general aviation policy. Closed press.
- On **March 24**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Brian Kamoie and Deputy Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Chris Logan will brief the House Homeland Security Committee on the National Preparedness Grant Program proposal. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Brian Kamoie and Deputy Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Chris Logan will brief the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on the National Preparedness Grant Program proposal. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, representatives from National Protection and Programs Directorate will deliver a briefing on electric substation security before House Energy and Commerce Chair Fred Upton. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security Chairman Candice Miller. Closed press.
- On **March 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security Ranking Member David Price. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, staff from the House Homeland Security Committee will tour the National Targeting Center – Cargo in Herndon, Virginia. (Rescheduled from February 14.) Closed press.
- On **March 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigation (HSI) Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak will brief members of the Intellectual Property Caucus on “Education, Enforcement, and the Economics of Piracy and Counterfeiting”. Members of Carnegie-Mellon, the National Crime Prevention Center and Bureau of Justice Assistance will also participate. Open press.
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## II. Items of Note

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified over \$551 million in cost avoidances by leveraging the purchasing power of the entire Department to acquire commonly used software licenses (such as Microsoft, Adobe, and Oracle, among others) for DHS-wide usage.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **March 18**, President Obama has signed 350 major disaster declarations and 68 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.7 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

- As of **March 15**, 517,413 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 11.2 million queries have been run through the system.



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March 27, 2014

**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **March 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service plans to announce the availability of up to \$10 million in federal funding for the FY 14 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program. The program funding will support community-based organizations that prepare permanent residents for citizenship, grant recipients will be announced in September 2014.
- By **March 30**, FEMA will provide Congress with the annual National Preparedness Report, which describes the nation's progress toward achieving National Preparedness.
- By the end of **March**, TSA expects to release a Request for Proposal and award a contract for the Credential Authentication Technology for approximately 12 units intended for developmental and operational testing against TSA's system requirements to assess suitability and effectiveness in checkpoint operations.
- On **April 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will begin accepting H-1B cap-subject petitions for foreign workers in specialty occupations. There is a statutory annual limit of 65,000 petitions with an additional 20,000 available to petitioners with a master's degree or higher from a U.S. institution. USCIS anticipates meeting the annual cap within the first week of processing.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **March 29 to April 2**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Honolulu, HI to conduct unit visits and deliver remarks at the Coast Guard Foundation 14th District Tribute Dinner. Closed press.
- On **March 31**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will meet with representatives from the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command, Naval Criminal Investigative Service, and Defense Criminal Investigative Service in Glynco, GA to discuss procurement fraud investigation training programs. Closed press.
- On **March 31**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on the importance of collaboration in cybersecurity at the launch of the CERT-UK in London, United Kingdom. Open press.
- On **March 31, April 1, and April 4**, the U.S. Secret Service will conduct Workplace Violence/Active Shooter briefings for its Presidential and Vice Presidential Protective Divisions. Closed press.
- From **March 31 to April 3**, the Transportation Security Administration will host a Man-Portable Air Defense System meeting with the Government of Israel Civil Aviation Security officials in Tel Aviv, Israel. Closed press.
- From **March 31 to April 4**, the Transportation Security Administration will deploy 6 K9 teams to Arlington, TX to assist with the NCAA Final Four Men's Basketball Tournament. Closed press.
- From **March 31 to April 4**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Women in Law Enforcement Leadership Training Program at the International Law Enforcement Academy in San Salvador, El Salvador. Participants include female law enforcement professionals from Chile, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru, and Uruguay. Closed press.
- From **March 31 to April 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Casablanca will host the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Aviation Security Training for Yemeni and Moroccan Aviation Officials. The training part of a training presented in fiscal year 2014 to Yemeni Aviation officials with the support of the Government of Morocco at Mohammed V International Airport's Aviation Security Regional Training Facility. The agenda for this course will focus on cargo security operations and procedures relating to aircraft security. Closed press.



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- From **March 31 to April 11**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will conduct a Covert Electronic Surveillance Program in Glynco, GA, which covers the most effective methods of using audio and video digital recording devices for the purposes of consensual monitoring. Closed press.
- On **April 1**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Tester to discuss Department priorities. The Deputy will also attend a Deputies Committee meeting for Eagle Horizon 2014 at the White House.
- From **April 1 to 3**, the Science and Technology Directorate will conduct a joint test with the FBI using U.S. Capitol Police and other local District of Columbia explosive detection canine teams in Quantico, VA to determine the ability of canine teams trained to detect conventional explosives to detect homemade explosives with a similar chemical make-up. Closed press.
- From **April 1 to 3**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program in Glynco, GA designed to instill in students the knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. Closed press.
- From **April 1 to 3**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration will attend the United States-Israel Aviation Security Working Group in Tel Aviv, Israel. Topics of discussion will include risk methodology, canine programs, cargo security screening program updates, Man-Portable Air Defense Systems threat mitigation updates, and technology. Closed press.
- From **April 1 to 3**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will attend the Big City Emergency Managers Conference in Denver, CO. Closed press.
- On **April 2**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will present an overview of the Science and Technology Directorate at the TechAmerica Homeland Security Committee Meeting in Arlington, VA. TechAmerica represents small, medium, and large businesses comprising the information and communication technology industry. Closed press.
- On **April 2**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Assistant Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on DHS cybersecurity initiatives and programs at the FedScoop Security Through Innovation Summit in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **April 2**, Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson will administer the Oath of Allegiance and deliver keynote remarks at a special naturalization ceremony at the Jacob K. Javits Federal Office Building in New York City where approximately 100 candidates will become U.S. citizens. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Director Lori Scialabba will participate. Open press.
- On **April 2**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the Puerto Rico Action Network, an organization of Puerto Rican executives, to discuss their work strengthening homeland security, justice, defense and intelligence communities in Puerto Rico. Closed press.
- From **April 2 to 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher (Office of Border Patrol) and Acting Assistant Commissioner Troy Miller (Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison) will participate in a “state of the border” meeting at the U.S. Northern Command in Colorado Springs, CO. Closed press.
- On **April 3**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske are scheduled to meet with Delta Air Lines CEO Richard Anderson. Closed press.
- On **April 3**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan will present “Open Source and the USA’s Cyber Security” at the Great Wide Open conference in Atlanta, GA, which brings together developers, programmers, scientists, system administrators, CIOs, CTOs, and information technology managers from throughout government, industry, and academia to discuss challenges and opportunities related open source technology. Open press.
- On **April 3**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Joshua Hoyt, Executive Director National Partnership for New Americans to discuss naturalization, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals implementation, and immigrant integration more broadly.

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- On **April 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with FBI Executive Assistant Director of the Criminal, Cyber, Response and Services Branch Robert Anderson, Jr. Closed press.
- On **April 4**, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will participate in a panel discussion on threats in cyberspace with oil and natural gas asset owners/operators at the U.S. Department of Energy North American Energy Threats Workshop in Washington, DC. Closed press.
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- On **April 9**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the quarterly meeting of the President's Task Force on Puerto Rico. Participants will include members of the Governor and Resident Commissioner's offices as well as the interagency. Closed press.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 2**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Paul Zukunft, Coast Guard Pacific Area Commander/Prospective 25th Coast Guard Commandant, will testify at his confirmation hearing before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Open press.
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- On **April 3**, Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Associate Administrator David Miller for the Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management about FEMA's mitigation programs and educating, incentivizing and funding state, local and tribal efforts to build stronger communities. Open press.
- On **April 4**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Craig Fugate will testify at a field hearing in Anchorage AK before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs, Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia about catastrophic planning. Open press.
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*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **March 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Unit Chief from the Forensic Document Lab, Steven Daugherty will brief staff of the House Homeland Security Committee on altered and counterfeit passports. Closed press.

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- On **April 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner Deborah Schilling (Office of Administration) and Acting Assistant Commissioner Richard DiNucci (Office of International Trade) will provide Senate Finance Committee staff with a trade-focused briefing on CBP’s FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **April 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Director National Intellectual Property Rights and Coordination Center (IPR) Lev Kubiak will provide staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee with a briefing regarding Operation Chain Reaction and ICE’s efforts to protect the military supply chain from counterfeit items. Closed press
- On **April 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Representative Brian Higgins regarding CBP resources in Buffalo, NY as well as attend a meet-and-greet with Representative Michael McCaul, Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee. Closed press.

## II. Items of Note

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of \$7.8 million to date by utilizing a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for multi-functional devices and reducing expenditures on printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

April 3, 2014

### **I. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **April 9**, the Office of Health Affairs will host the opening ceremony for the National Biosurveillance Integration Center (NBIC). Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield and General Jose Riojas, Chief of Staff for Department of Veterans Affairs, will provide remarks, followed by a short reception and briefings on NBIC's interagency priorities, current biosurveillance activities and demonstrations of key innovation projects.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **April 3**, the DHS Council on Combating Violence Against Women and U.S. Coast Guard will be co-hosting a teleconference in recognition of April as Sexual Assault Prevention Month on the Special Victims Counsel program which was created to better protect the rights of victims in sexual assault cases. Improving the availability and quality of response support for sexual assault victims is one of four strategic goals outlined in the Coast Guard's plan to eliminate sexual assault. Open press.
- From **April 3 to 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), Acting Assistant Director (AD) Marlen Pineiro will deliver remarks at the Intergovernmental Consultation Group's (IGC) Admission, Control and Enforcement Working Group meeting in Geneva, Switzerland. The IGC is an informal, non-decision making forum for intergovernmental information exchange and policy debate about the management of international migratory flows, including the alternatives to detention program. Closed press.
- On **April 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver opening remarks at a meeting between CBP and representatives from several non-governmental organizations including the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, Muslim Advocates, the Arab American Institute, the Council on American-Islamic Relations, and the Sikh American Legal Defense & Education Fund. Closed press.
- On **April 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Durbin to discuss Departmental priorities. Closed press.
- On **April 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Tokyo will brief U.S. Ambassador Caroline Kennedy on Japanese child pornography laws. HSI Tokyo is initiating dialogue with the U.S. Ambassador in attempt to reinvigorate the effort to promote the strengthening of Japanese child exploitation legislation. Closed press.
- From **April 7 to 11**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Programs at the FLETC-Glynco, GA, and FLETC-Artesia, NM. This program is designed to instill the knowledge and skills to handle successfully an active threat event. The two programs will train law enforcement officers from 20 municipalities in 13 different states. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Begich to discuss Departmental priorities. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Customs and Border protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with representatives from several non-governmental organizations including the office of the U.N. High Commission for Refugees, the Women's Refugee Commission, Kids in Need of Defense, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, and the Latin American Working Group. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the Senior Leader Seminar (SLS) in Doral, FL. The SLS will assess the effectiveness of the interoperability of Federal, State, and Local government response plans, and validate the roles, responsibilities, and capabilities of stakeholders in preparing for and responding to a CONUS land operation for a Caribbean maritime mass migration. Closed press.

- On **April 8**, Secretary Johnson will give remarks at the roll-out of the 2014 Presidential Interagency Task Force (PITF) Accomplishments which highlights the work of participating federal agencies to combat human trafficking. The PITF is a cabinet level-entity created by the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA) to coordinate federal efforts to combat trafficking in persons. The PITF is chaired by the Secretary of State and releases annual accomplishments on combating trafficking in persons each April. Open press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host its quarterly Terrorism-related Inadmissibility Grounds Exemptions (TRIG) engagement where the USCIS TRIG Working Group will provide statistical updates on adjudications where exemptions have been granted or denied in adjustment, refugee and asylum cases, as well as those placed on hold to representatives from organizations such as Human Rights First, Immigration Equality, Refugee Council USA, along with a number of private practitioners.
- On **April 8 to 9**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will travel to Omaha and Lincoln, NE to meet with stakeholders, including state and local government officials, businesses, local congressional representatives, legal services providers, immigrant advocacy organizations, humanitarian groups, and victims services providers, to discuss issues impacting the delivery of immigration benefits and services as well as share information about the DHS Blue Campaign to raise awareness about combating human trafficking. Closed press.
- From **April 8 to 10**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Program Manager Michael Pozmantier will present the Transition to Practice (TTP) program at the Department of Energy (DOE) Oak Ridge National Laboratory's (ORNL) 9th Annual Cyber and Information Security Research (CISR) Conference in Oak Ridge, TN. TTP identifies emerging cybersecurity technologies developed at DOE Labs and facilitates their development into successful, widely-available products. Closed press.
- From **April 8 to 10**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program in Kennewick, WA. This program is designed to instill in students the knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. FLETC Director Connie Patrick will observe the training, which FLETC and its partners modified over the past year to incorporate blocks of training on tactical medicine. The audience will consist of state and local law enforcement officers from six different municipalities. Closed press.
- From **April 8 to 11**, Assistant Secretary for Policy David Heyman will attend the 8th Asia-Pacific Programme for Senior National Security Officers in Singapore and deliver a lunch keynote on "Systemic Resilience and National Security."
- From **April 8 to 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) El Paso Field Office Director (FOD) Adrian P. Macias will host a meeting and tour of the Otero County Processing Center for the Mexican and American Thinking Together (MATT) Foundation's Executive Director Aracely Garcia-Granados and ERO Field Operations Assistant Director (AD) Philip Miller. MATT will provide ICE ERO with their background and the services they intend to offer Mexican nationals who are participants in the Interior Repatriation Initiative (IRI) program, which repatriates Mexican deportees to the interior of Mexico. Closed press.
- On **April 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host its quarterly Spanish language engagement, Enlace, using Google Hangouts for the first time. The Enlace engagement will focus on general agency updates. Open press.
- On **April 9**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to San Francisco, CA to deliver the keynote address at the 8<sup>th</sup> annual IT Security Entrepreneurs Forum at the Computer History Museum. Open Press.
- On **April 9**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the quarterly meeting of the President's Task Force on Puerto Rico. Participants will include members of the Governor and Resident Commissioner's offices as well as the interagency. Discussion will focus on the economy and efforts by the federal government to assist Puerto Rico. Closed press.
- On **April 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski, Executive Associate Director James A. Dinkins, and Deputy Associate Director Peter T.

Edge anticipate attending the 30 year anniversary celebration of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) in Washington, D.C. Open press.

- On **April 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with representatives from the Department of State, to include Deputy Assistant Secretary for Transportation Affairs Krishna Urs and Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Arabian Peninsula Barbara Leaf, regarding CBP operations in the United Arab Emirates at State Department Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **April 9 to 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel H. Ragsdale will present on ICE's role in countering human trafficking at the Catholic Bishop's Conference of England and Wales being held at The Vatican in Rome for the Second International Conference on Combating Human Trafficking. Closed press.
- On **April 10 and 11**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Berlin, Germany for the Security Cooperation Group meeting. Closed press.
- From **April 10 to 11**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division (CSD) Program Manager Greg Wigton will host the Usability Principal Investigators (PI) Meeting in Menlo Park, CA. The Principal Investigators will brief CSD on the status of their research, provide updates on remaining work, and discuss transition opportunities. The PI meeting is a forum for collaboration with researchers and cyber security leadership from the government, international community, private sector and academia. Closed press.
- From **April 10 to 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Mexico City, Mexico, to meet with Mexican government officials, to include Attorney General Jesús Murillo Karam, National Security Commissioner Monte Alejandro Rubido, Federal Police Commissioner Enrique Galindo Ceballos, Customs Service Administrator Alejandro Chacón, and other Mexican government officials. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver remarks at the annual American Immigration Lawyers Association Spring CLE Conference in Washington D.C. to share information about the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the delivery of immigration benefits and services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with Office of National Drug Control Policy Deputy Director of Supply Reduction Marilyn Quagliotti regarding Southwest Border enforcement efforts. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel H. Ragsdale and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will testify at a hearing titled "Authorizing Customs and Border Protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement" before the House Homeland Security Committee. Open press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Dan Ragsdale will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing on CBP's and ICE's reauthorization. Open press.
- On **April 8**, Under Secretary for National Protection and Programs Directorate Suzanne Spaulding, Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck, and National Cybersecurity Communication Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin are scheduled to testify before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about the FY 2015 budget request for cybersecurity. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, United States Coast Guard Pacific Area Commander Vice Admiral Paul Zukunft will have his confirmation hearing before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Open press.



### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement , Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) New Orleans Assistant Field Office Directors (AFODs) Brian S. Acuna and Gerald Smith will brief the staff of Senator Richard Shelby on ERO New Orleans operations in Alabama. Closed press.
- On **April 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement , Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Deputy Associate Director Peter Edge will meet with Representative Donald Payne, Jr. to discuss the HSI mission and airport investigations. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Brian Kamoie together with the Office of Infrastructure Protection and Office of Intelligence and Analysis will provide a classified briefing to U.S. Representative Brian Higgins on the Urban Area Security Initiative scoring for the surrounding Buffalo metropolitan area. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) New York Group Supervisor, Keith Kolovich, officials from the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), local law enforcement agencies, and representatives of local non-governmental organizations (NGO), will participate in a forum hosted by Representative Sean Patrick Maloney on Human Trafficking. Closed press.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to provide a classified briefing on preclearance operations in the United Arab Emirates for staff from the House Ways and Means Committee. Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$13 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to utilize federal facilities for conferences, meetings and trainings instead of renting private space.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 1**, President Obama has signed 351 major disaster declarations and 69 emergency declarations. This Administration has also obligated over \$29.8 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

- As of **March 29**, 520,344 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 12.3 million queries have been run through the system.

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**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **April 14 to 17**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks at the 2014 National Hurricane Conference in Orlando, FL. The Administrator will discuss emerging trends in emergency management and lessons learned from recent events (open press). On **April 16**, Acting Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will keynote remarks at conference panel, “Science and Technology in Preparedness, Response, and Recovery.” The conference is a platform for education and professional training focused on improving hurricane preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation. Open press.
- On **April 16**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator John Halinski will deliver keynote remarks at the Airports Council International – North America Public Safety and Security Conference about aviation security. Open press.
- From **April 16 to 18**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Currier will travel to Los Angeles/Long Beach and San Francisco, CA for the Coast Guard Foundation Pacific Area Awards Dinner and Board Meeting.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin will speak at the National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU) Annual Conference in Las Vegas, NV. The NTEU is a federal employee labor union that represents non-supervisory employees from 31 federal agencies and departments. This is a three day seminar and is devoted primarily to training union stewards and leaders.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 29**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert J. Papp, will testify before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation Subcommittee along with General John F. Kelly, U.S. Marine Corps, SOUTHCOM Commander, at a hearing on drug interdiction operations in the western hemisphere. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 13**, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives John Boehner, and Representatives John Kline, Doc Hastings, Dave Camp, Tom Latham, Devin Nunes, Greg Walden, and Steve Womack will tour Customs and Border Protection preclearance operations at Abu Dhabi International Airport. Possible open press.
- On **April 14**, FEMA Region III Regional Administrator Mary Ann Tierney will meet with staff members of the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee, who are visiting Region III Headquarters to meet with Region III leadership, the Philadelphia Office of Emergency Management, and the Maryland Emergency Management Agency on regional operations and integration with the Office of the National Capitol Region Coordination. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) New Orleans New Orleans Assistant Field Office Directors Brian S. Acuna and John Milian will brief the staff of Congressman Bennie Thompson on ERO New Orleans operations in Mississippi. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, Science and Technology Directorate Office of National Laboratories Director James Johnson, National Biodefense Analysis & Countermeasures Center (NBACC) Director Patrick Fitch, NBACC Associate Laboratory Director for Threat Characterization Michael Hevey, and other senior NBACC staff will host House Armed Services Committee staff and military liaisons. An overview and tour of NBACC will be part of a larger U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command and Biodefense campus visit. Closed press.

- On **April 15**, Kenneth Gantt, National Protection and Programs Directorate Acting Deputy Director of the Office of Biometric Identity Management (OBIM), will brief House Appropriations Committee staff on OBIM technologies. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Field Office Director San Diego Gregory Archambeault will meet with Representative Juan Vargas to discuss the ERO mission and operations in the San Diego Area of Responsibility (AOR). Closed press.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS Components have avoided costs of \$42 million by disconnecting wireless devices that were no longer being used and improving management of wireless communication services.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 8**, President Obama has signed 353 major disaster declarations and 69 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.8 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 5**, 521,675 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 12.9 million queries have been run through the system.

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### I. Presidential Priorities

#### *Immigration*

- On **April 22**, Secretary Johnson will host a roundtable with immigration stakeholders from the business, agriculture, law enforcement, and faith communities to discuss comprehensive immigration reform. The Secretary will also meet with the Migration Policy Institute to discuss comprehensive immigration reform.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host its regularly scheduled quarterly asylum engagement to provide asylum updates and statistics to organizations such as Human Rights First, Immigration Equality, and Refugee Council USA. USCIS officials will be available to answer questions. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks at a special naturalization ceremony at the Tenement Museum in New York, NY. Chief Judge Robert A. Katzmann, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit will preside and administer the Oath of Allegiance. Open press.
- On **April 30**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a teleconference as part of its monthly public teleconference series, on the H-2 nonimmigrant program for temporary and seasonal workers. Stakeholders are increasingly requesting assistance from the Ombudsman to address adjudication issues, including Requests for Evidence that cause delays in processing petitions. Open press.
- On **May 1**, Secretary Johnson will meet with American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations President Rich Trumka to discuss comprehensive immigration reform.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 12**, 523,026 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 13.4 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- From **April 15 to 17**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program (ASTTP) in Franklin, WI. The ASTTP is designed to qualify the student by instilling the knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. This class will consist of state and law enforcement officers from agencies in Illinois, Wisconsin, New York, Ohio, Michigan, and Indiana. Closed press.
- From **April 21 to 25**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Instructor Training Program (ASTITP) at the FLETC-Artesia. The ASTITP is designed to qualify students to serve as field training officers to train other law enforcement officers to effectively respond to active threat/shooter events. The class will consist of state and local law enforcement officers. Closed press.

### II. Department/Agency Priorities

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **April 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Seattle Special Agent in Charge Brad Bench and Seattle Human Exploitation Rescue Operative (HERO) Intern Oskar Zepeda will be interviewed by the Seattle PBS affiliate regarding the HERO Child-Rescue Corps, a program developed by HSI and U.S. Special Operations Command in conjunction with the National Association to Protect Children. The program is designed for wounded, injured and ill Special Operations Forces to receive training in high-tech computer forensics and law enforcement skills to assist federal agents in the fight against online child sexual exploitation.
- A producer with BBC's *Stacey Dooley Investigates* is working on a story about methamphetamines, including U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) border security efforts that result in

methamphetamine seizures. For the CBP portion of this story, BBC will visit San Ysidro, CA, and other border areas where CBP is interdicting methamphetamines; filming is scheduled for **April 21 to May 5**. Airdate to be announced.

- On **April 22**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Air and Marine, El Paso Air Branch, will host an open house and press conference at its hangar facility where media from the U.S. and Mexico and residents from local communities will have the opportunity to receive an orientation and demonstration of CBP's air operations. Open press.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **April 21**, the Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Operations will send two Logan International Airport (BOS) K9 teams to support the Boston Marathon. Teams will sweep route and staging areas prior to beginning of event. Teams will be on standby for random sweeps during the event. Closed press.
- From **April 21 to 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Alameda, CA to attend the Coast Guard Pacific Area and Defense Force West Change of Command ceremony.
- On **April 22**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Ottawa, Canada, to discuss Beyond the Border Implementation and other issues of bilateral concern with his Canadian counterparts.
- From **April 22 to 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Lima, Peru, to represent the United States at the Regional Conference of Customs Directors-General. Peruvian President Ollanta Humala Tasso is scheduled to address the conference. While in Lima, the Commissioner is scheduled to meet with several of his international counterparts, including the Directors-General of Customs of Peru, Brazil and Uruguay, as well as members of the World Customs Organization Secretariat. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend and deliver remarks at the Defense Business Board Dinner at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure and Protection Caitlin Durkovich will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Government Service Panel Discussion" sponsored by University of Northern Colorado and Metropolitan State University of Denver. The audience will consist of alumni, largely young professionals, and may also include a webcast to Colorado university campuses. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, Acting Under Secretary for Management Chris Cummiskey will discuss the government's relationship with the contracting community on an executive panel at the Bloomberg Government conference in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **April 25**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the 2014 Kahlil Gibran Spirit of Humanity Awards Gala in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will present opening remarks at the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the National Center for Risk and Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events (CREATE), which is one of the Science and Technology Directorate's nine university-based Centers of Excellence. During the event, CREATE's contributions to homeland security will be celebrated. Invited speakers include Rep. Bennie Thompson, Former DHS Secretary Michael Chertoff, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, and TSA Administrator John Pistole. Open press.
- On **April 25**, Chief Privacy Officer Karen Neuman will discuss the Office of Privacy's 2014 priorities and answer questions from privacy advocates at the Privacy Coalition Meeting. Closed press.
- From **April 26 to 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Panama City, Panama, to tour CBP operations in the region and meet with U.S. officials and local dignitaries. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will attend the White House Council on Native American Affairs meeting hosted by Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell. Closed press.

### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 29**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert J. Papp, will testify before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation Subcommittee along with General John F. Kelly, U.S. Marine Corps, SOUTHCOM Commander, at a hearing on drug interdiction operations in the western hemisphere. Open press.
- On **May 6**, a TBD witness from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will testify before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence about the FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, National Protections and Programs Directorate Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Dr. Phyllis Schneck and US Secret Service Cyber Operations Branch Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge William Noonan will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about Cybersecurity. Open press.
- On **May 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about the GAO High Risk list. Open press.

### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR) Director Lev Kubiak and Deputy Assistant Director Jack Staton will brief staff of the House Committee Homeland Security on IPR investigations, and provide a tour of the IPR Center. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, David Wulf, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Infrastructure Compliance Security Division Director, will brief House and Senate Appropriations Committee staff on the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Executive Director Brenda Brockman-Smith (Office of International Trade) will brief staff from the Senate Finance Committee on the Automated Commercial Environment. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with Senator Thomas Carper, Chairman of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman and Chair of the Blue Campaign Maria Odom will meet with Representative Alcee Hastings to share information about the Department's work to combat human trafficking through the Blue Campaign. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Field Office Director San Diego Gregory Archambeault will meet with Representative Juan Vargas to discuss the ERO mission and operations in the San Diego Area of Responsibility. Closed press.
- From **April 21 to 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Attaché Mexico City Tim Tubbs and HSI Assistant Attaché Guatemala City Angel Ortiz will provide Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Chairman Tom Carper and majority staff with briefings and tours on ICE HSI Operations in Mexico City and Guatemala City. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver an insider threat implementation briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia will brief staff from the House Committee on Homeland Security about DNDO's mission areas, programs, and projects. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Hong Kong Attaché Frederick Chow will brief Senator Roger Wicker of the Senate Armed Services Committee, and his staff, during their visit to Hong Kong. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Human Smuggling and Trafficking Unit Chief Steve Adaway and officials from the DHS Blue Campaign will brief staff of Representative Ted Poe on the DHS efforts to combat human trafficking, with a particular emphasis on investigations taking place around Ports of Entry. Closed press.



- On **April 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Fugitive Operations Chief Frank Madrigal, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Worksite Enforcement Section Chief Rachel Ross, HSI Immigration Benefit Fraud National Program Manager Dawn Nelson, and HSI Border Enforcement Security Task Force (BEST) Unit Chief Erik Cortes will brief staff of the Congressional Research Service on Fugitive Operations, Immigration Benefit Fraud, Worksite Enforcement, and BEST. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Human Smuggling and Trafficking Unit Chief Steve Adaway and officials from DHS Blue Campaign will brief staff from the House Committee on the Judiciary on human trafficking investigations and the Blue Campaign. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, representatives from Transportation Security Administration's Office of Security Operations will provide House Central Florida delegation staff with a tour of operations at Orlando International Airport.
- On **April 24**, Steve Kaufman will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security on Federal Protective Service Protective Security Officer authorities. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Removal Operations Seattle Field Office Director Nathalie Asher and Deputy Field Office Director Brian Wilcox will host a tour of the Northwest Detention Center for the Pacific Northwest Interagency Taskforce and the Department of Homeland Security Immigration Congressional Roundtable members in Tacoma, WA. The tour will provide Congressional staffers an opportunity to meet with various DHS agencies to discuss immigration related issues. Closed press.
- On **April 25**, Senator Jim Inhofe will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in the Rio Grande Valley region of Texas, specifically, the Weslaco Border Patrol Station and the Progreso Port of Entry. Closed press.
- On **April 25**, Representative Raúl Labrador will tour Border Patrol operations in and around Bonners Ferry, ID. Closed press.
- On **April 25**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, in conjunction with U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Chief Information Officer, will deliver a Cerberus Demonstration for congressional staff. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman and Chair of the Blue Campaign Maria Odom will meet with Representative Sheila Jackson to share information about the Department's work to combat human trafficking through the Blue Campaign. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman and Chair of the Blue Campaign Maria Odom will meet with Representative Michael McCaul to share information about the Department's work to combat human trafficking through the Blue Campaign. Closed press.

### III. Principal Schedule

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **April 21**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Boston, MA where he will receive a Boston Marathon security brief at the multi-agency coordination center and hold a press availability with Governor Patrick and then visit the Boston Marathon finish line with Governor Patrick and Mayor Walsh. Open press.
- On **April 22**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Ambassador Yousef Al Otaiba of the United Arab Emirates.
- On **April 23**, Secretary Johnson will deliver remarks at the Street Law Inc. 2014 Lifetime Achievement Award Event (press TBD). The Secretary will also meet with JetBlue President Robin Hayes to discuss aviation security.
- On **April 28**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Airlines for America President and CEO Nicholas Calio to discuss aviation security.
- On **April 29**, Secretary Johnson will have a breakfast meeting with Chairman John Carter & Ranking Member David Price. The Secretary will also meet with Senator John Cornyn to southwest border security.

- On **April 30**, Secretary Johnson will host a conference call with Adelphi University students to discuss his upcoming commencement address. The Secretary will also have a working lunch with Treasury Secretary Jack Lew. The Secretary will also meet with the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus to discuss comprehensive immigration reform.
- On **May 1**, Secretary Johnson will have a breakfast meeting with Chair Mary Landrieu and Ranking Member Dan Coats. The Secretary will also meet with Japanese Ambassador Kenichiro Sasae to discuss Preclearance and will deliver the keynote address at the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual National Fire and Emergency Services dinner. Open press.
- On **May 2**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Detroit, MI where he will host a roundtable with state and local officials focused on the northern border and hold a press availability with Congressman Peters. He will then travel to Port Huron, MI to tour the Blue Water Bridge with Congresswoman Miller and tour USCG about USCG operations on the Great Lakes.
- On **May 3**, Secretary Johnson will attend the White House Correspondents' Association Dinner as a guest of ABC News.

#### IV. Items of Note

##### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the IT Inventory Management initiative and Component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of \$34 million to date.

##### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 15**, President Obama has signed 355 major disaster declarations, and 69 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$29.8 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### V. Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 1**, and **April 2**, **Cody Lillich**, an investigative producer and reporter with *KLTV 7 News* in Tyler, Texas, and **Lise Olsen**, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) various records pertaining to the collision on March 22, 2014, between the vessels MISS SUSAN and SUMMER WIND.
- On **April 2**, **Douglas Gillison**, a staff writer with *100Reporters* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to incidents involving vessels in the Distant Water Tuna Fleet.
- On **April 2**, **Iris Kuo**, a reporter with *Argus Media* in Houston, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to hazardous material derailment or train accidents since 2008.
- On **April 2**, **Navideh Forghani**, a reporter with *KNXV ABC15* in Phoenix, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) a copy of the U.S. Border Patrol Foreign Military Incursions Report; (2) summaries of any Mexican military incursions; and (3) a copy of a letter sent from Commissioner Gil Kerlikowske to Senator Tom Coburn (R-OK) pertaining to a recent incursion.
- On **April 3**, **Anna Louie Sussman**, a journalist with *Thomson Reuters* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) traffic and safety records for the past 10 years for the following ports or zones/areas: (1) along the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway; (2) around the mouth of the Mississippi River; (3) Port Arthur, Texas; and (4) Port of Corpus Christi, Texas.
- On **April 3**, **Michael Evans**, a researcher with *The National Security Archive* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) statistical data, by month, on the number of U.S. repatriations of Mexican Nationals from 2010 through 2013.
- On **April 4**, **Chris Ingalls**, a reporter with *KING 5* in Seattle, Washington, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the Seattle Field Office's Northwest

Detention Center in Tacoma, Washington, regarding the food and housing conditions in the facility in the wake of an ongoing hunger strike by ICE detainees. (Case Number ICE 2014FOIA14045.)

- On **April 7**, **John Greenwald, Jr.**, a freelance reporter in Northridge, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) immigration and visa records pertaining to Mohamed Atta.
- On **April 7**, **Siem Eikelenboom**, a reporter with the *Dutch Financial Daily* in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the report pertaining to the grounding of the Kulluk drilling rig.
- On **April 7**, **TJ Aulds**, an editor with the *Galveston County Daily News* in Galveston, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) VTS traffic records pertaining to the collision on March 22, 2014, between the vessels MISS SUSAN and SUMMER WIND.
- On **April 8**, **Grace Jun** and **Joseph McMullen**, representatives on behalf of the American Friends Service Committee San Diego in San Diego, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) an unredacted copy of the September 12, 2013 OIG report titled "CBP Use of Force Training and Actions to Address Use of Force Incidents;" and (2) records pertaining to the internal review of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) by the CBP Use of Force Incident Review Team/Committee, as mentioned on page 16 of the report.

#### FOIA Releases

- On **April 2**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Lucy Kinder**, an individual; **Allen Martin**, a news anchor and reporter with *KPIX-TV/KBCW-TV* in San Francisco, California; **Ayan Kayal**, legal counsel with *CBS Interactive, Inc.* in San Francisco, California; **Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia; and **Jeff Elder**, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal*, 334 pages of records consisting of photographs, e-mails, Certificates of Inspections, letters, and memoranda pertaining to barges BAL 0010, BAL 0011, BAL 0001, and BAL 0100. Portions of the releases were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **April 3**, 2014, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Andrew Becker**, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 29 pages of records pertaining to investigations 11-CBP-DRT-00016 and 10-CBP-LAR-00742. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **April 3**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Brian Reed**, a producer and journalist with *This American Life* in New York, New York, a full denial in response to his request seeking a copy of the Alien file for Ibragim Todashev. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **April 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Mark Flatten**, a reporter with *The Washington Examiner* in Washington, DC, 527 pages of records consisting of e-mails and planning records pertaining to the DHS Efficiency Review. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **April 7**, and April 8, 2014, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Cody Lillich**, an investigative producer and reporter with *KLTV 7 News* in Tyler, Texas, and **TJ Aulds**, an editor with the *Galveston County Daily News* in Galveston, Texas, three VHF recordings pertaining to a collision on March 22, 2014, involving the vessels MISS SUSAN and SUMMER WIND. These records were released in full.
- On **April 7**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **David Perera**, an editor with *Fierce Homeland Security* in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to BioWatch Generation 3 analysis of alternatives. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, 6, and 7(F).
- On **April 9**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Jehan Patterson**, a representative with **Public Citizen** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to communications between DHS and Bob Woodward, a journalist with *The Washington Post*, from January 20, 2009, through the present.

- On **April 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Travis Loller**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Nashville, Tennessee, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to a plane crash on October 29, 2013, near the Nashville International Airport. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **April 9**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Michael Morisy**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 35 pages of records consisting of congressional correspondence logs. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 16**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Alissa Bohling**, an assistant editor and writer with **Truthout** in Portland, Oregon, 552 pages of records consisting of complaints, responses, agency guidance, and equipment manuals. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 3, 5, and 6.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing case-by-case information on each removal and return as derived from ICE Secure Communities for January 2014. These records are released in full.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Brandon Baseman**, a negotiations legal specialist with the **National Treasury Employees Union** in Washington, DC, an excel spreadsheet consisting of 9,766 lines of data pertaining to performance rated on a four level system. These records are released in full.
- On **April 16**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Brian Sasser**, a reporter with **KPRC-TV** in Houston, Texas, five recordings from channel 16 pertaining to a boating incident on March 22, 2014. These records are released in full.

## VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **April**, DHS expects to release an Annual Strategic Assessment regarding the coordination efforts of the Federal departments and agencies to advance continuity of operations in interoperable emergency communications.
- In **April**, TSA expects to renew the recognition of Israel's National Cargo Security Program (NCSP). The program involves a thorough examination of supply chain security components and related requirements that constitute a country's NCSP. These actions are taken to determine whether the subject NCSP provides a level of security commensurate with current U.S. air cargo security requirements.
- In **April**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **April**, DHS expects to release the second Quadrennial Homeland Security Review report.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to propose to amend its regulations to extend eligibility for employment authorization to H-4 dependent spouses of principal H-1B nonimmigrants who have begun the process of seeking lawful permanent resident status through employment and have extended their authorized period of admission or "stay" in the United States under section 104(c) or 106(a) of Public Law 106-313, also known as the American Competitiveness in the Twenty-First Century Act of 2000 (AC21). Allowing the eligible class of H-4 dependent spouses to work encourages professionals with high-demand skills to remain in the country and help spur innovation and growth of U.S. economy.
- In **April**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS EEO Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of "gender identity" for the first time.
- On **May 7**, a VIP media event and Open House is tentatively planned for the Tethered Aerostat Radar System (TARS) site at Lajas, Puerto Rico, which is in the process of re-opening mission operations. The Governor and Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico are expected to attend.

- In **May**, DHS expects to release a report titled U.S. Naturalizations: 2013. The report presents information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during FY 2012.
- In **May**, DHS expects to release a report titled U.S. Legal Permanent Residents: 2013. The report presents information obtained from applications for LPR status on the number and characteristics of persons who became LPRs in the United States during 2012.
- In **May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates proposing to amend its regulations affecting high-skilled workers within the nonimmigrant classifications for specialty occupation professionals from Chile and Singapore (H-1B1) and from Australia (E-3), to include these classifications in the list of classes of aliens authorized for employment incident to status with a specific employer, to extend automatic employment authorization extensions with pending extension of stay requests, and to update filing procedures. USCIS will also propose to amend regulations regarding continued employment authorization for nonimmigrant workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)-only Transitional Worker (CW-1) classification. Finally, USCIS will propose amendments related to the immigration classification for employment-based first preference (EB-1) outstanding professors or researchers to allow the submission of comparable evidence. These changes will encourage and facilitate the employment and retention of these high-skilled workers.
- By **June 30**, DHS expects to release to the White House a DHS Policy on Climate Change Adaptation as part of the deliverables under the Executive Order on Climate Preparedness.
- In the **spring**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete FINDER demonstrations, which use low-power microwave radar to detect the small movements from breathing and the heartbeat of a buried victim, even when the signal must pass through several meters of building debris and rubble.
- In the **spring or summer**, DHS expects to announce with Canada an agreement to cover preclearance operations in the land, marine, and rail modes, as well as updates to the existing U.S.-Canada Air Preclearance Agreement, per the Beyond the Border Action Plan.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

April 24, 2013

### **I. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- On **April 30**, America's PrepareAthon! will be hosting the National Day of Action. America's PrepareAthon! is a nationwide, community-based campaign for action to increase emergency preparedness and resilience through hazard-specific drills, group discussions and exercises conducted at the national level every fall and spring.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **April 27 to 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will represent the United States at the World Customs Organization's (WCO) Second Global Authorized Economic Operator Conference in Madrid, Spain. The Commissioner will participate in a roundtable discussion on the World Trade Organization's Agreement on trade facilitation alongside WCO Secretary-General Kunio Mikuriya and the European Commission's Taxation and Customs Union Director-General Heinz Zourek. While in Madrid, the Commissioner is scheduled to meet with several of his international counterparts, including the Directors-General of Customs of Spain, the United Kingdom, and Turkey, as well as the Deputy Commissioner of South Korean Customs. During his return trip, he will stop briefly in Frankfurt, Germany, and meet CBP personnel stationed there. A press event is scheduled following the WCO roundtable, all other events are closed press.
- From **April 27 to 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of State, Local and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will attend the International Conference for Police and Law Enforcement Executives in Phoenix, AZ. Open press.
- On **April 28**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Pryor and separately with Senator Flake to discuss Department priorities. Closed press.
- On **April 28**, Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Daniel Gerstein will present the keynote address at the Advanced Energy 2014 Conference. The topic for the keynote will be the Science and Technology Directorate's contributions to resilience, infrastructure, and cybersecurity in day-to-day operations and during major catastrophes. The conference attracts broad representation from professionals across all segments of energy research, policy, and business. New York Governor Andrew Cuomo and Department of Energy Deputy Secretary Daniel Poneman are also confirmed speakers. Open press.
- From **April 28 to 30**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Mexico City and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, for meetings with Government of Mexico officials, the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Border Executive Steering Committee meeting, and the first meeting of the Repatriation Policy Group. Closed press.
- From **April 28 to May 2**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and FEMA Region IX senior leadership will attend the annual Pacific Partnership Meeting in Honolulu, HI. The Pacific Partnership is the largest humanitarian and disaster response-preparation mission in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region. Closed press.
- From **April 28 to May 2**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Global Strategies (OGS) Integrated Plans and Support (IPS) Division will be facilitating a Quality Control in Civil Aviation Security (QCCAS) workshop in Casablanca, Morocco. QCCAS provides in-depth exposure to International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) standards and recommended practices for effective quality control processes of civil aviation security programs. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), Deputy Executive Associate Director Timothy Robbins will host a meeting with the Government of El Salvador's (GoES), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Vice Minister Juan Jose Garcia. This meeting will be a follow up to the Binational Working Group for Repatriation Affairs that was held in San Salvador on



December 3, 2013, where the GoES has expressed interest in opening a consulate in the Rio Grande Valley, TX. Closed press.

- On **April 29**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver keynote remarks at a special naturalization ceremony at the Tenement Museum in New York, NY. Chief Judge Robert A. Katzmann, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit will preside and administer the Oath of Allegiance. Open press.
- On **April 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on innovations in cybersecurity since 9/11 and anticipated challenges, at the 2014 Wharton DC Innovation Summit in Washington. The audience will consist of business executives, government contracting firms and government sector executives. Open press.
- On **April 29**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will announce that the 90-day transition period for the revised Form N-400, Application for Naturalization, will end on May 5 and remind customers that USCIS will stop accepting all previous versions of the Form N-400 editions dated before September 13, 2013. Open press.
- On **April 29**, a local San Diego NBC television reporter, Candice Nguyen, will interview U.S. Custom and Border Protection (CBP) San Ysidro Assistant Port Director Robert Hood about a joint high school outreach program between CBP's San Diego Field Office and the local ICE-HSI office focused on the dangers of cross-border smuggling.
- On **April 29**, Acting Chief Financial Officer Chris Fulghum will deliver remarks regarding managing the DHS budget, the process for allocating resources, and shared services at the Institute for Defense & Government Advancement's 2014 Homeland Security Summit in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **April 29 to 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend the 21st Century Executive Steering Committee meeting in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. Closed press.
- On **April 29 and 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to Portsmouth, VA to attend the Coast Guard District 5 Change of Command ceremony.
- On **April 29 and May 1**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) will deliver the Active Shooter Threat Training Program (ASTTP) at FLETC in Artesia, NM. The ASTTP is designed to qualify the student by instilling the knowledge and skills to successfully handle an active threat event. This class will consist of state and local law enforcement officers. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Mark Baker, President of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, to discuss general aviation issues. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Custom and Border Protection's (CBP) Tucson Border Patrol Sector will host a press event in both English and Spanish to highlight CBP's Border Safety Initiative efforts along the Arizona/Mexico border and introduce the latest version of rescue towers that are deployed throughout the Tucson Sector. Open press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) San Diego Field Office Director Gregory Archambeault and Deputy Field Office Director Jack Bennett will host the annual consulate luncheon at the Otay Detention Facility. All consulates from the San Diego and Los Angeles area are invited to attend. Closed press
- On **April 30**, Science and Technology Directorate Office of SAFETY Act Implementation Director Bruce Davidson will present a briefing on the SAFETY Act program at the Institute for Defense & Government Advancement Homeland Security Congress 2014. The SAFETY Act program was enacted by Congress in 2002 to use risk and litigation management systems to incentivize investments by the private sector in homeland security. The event will showcase immediate and long-term needs and future trends and technologies for use in homeland security, including cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection, border and maritime security, and disaster preparedness and response. Open press.
- From **April 30 to May 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Acting Director Lori Scialabba will travel to Vermont to participate in the USCIS Vermont Service Center's grand opening

ceremony. Scialabba will also visit and meet USCIS employees at the Northeast Regional Office. Closed press.

- On **May 1**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Enzi to discuss Department priorities. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will attend the White House Council on Native American Affairs meeting hosted by Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Air and Marine, Houston Air and Marine Branch, will host an open house for law enforcement and media. Attendees will have the opportunity to receive an orientation and demonstration of CBP's air operations. Open press.
- On **May 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on emerging cybersecurity risks and challenges, at the 2014 Joint Meeting of the Audit Committee Chairs and General Auditors – Federal Reserve, in Washington. The audience consist of Audit Committee Chairs from the 12 Federal Reserve Banks, and their respective general auditors. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity Strategy and Emergency Communications Bobbie Stempfley will deliver remarks on the legal, regulatory, policy and standards environment supporting the US national cyber security strategy, at the USCENTCOM Central Region Communications Conference in Arlington, VA. The audience will consist of top military, ministry and regulatory officials in communications and information technology from 10 Middle Eastern countries. Closed press.
- From **May 1 to 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to New London, CT for the Ancient Mariner Change of Watch.
- On **May 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to visit the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization at the Pentagon in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **April 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will testify at a classified budget hearing before the House Appropriations Committee. Larry Zelvin, NPPD Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center will also deliver a threat briefing to the committee. Closed press and classified.
- On **April 29**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp and General Kelley will testify before the House Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation and Foreign Affairs Subcommittees about Drug Interdiction Operations. Open press.
- On **April 30**, Transportation Security Administrator (TSA) John Pistole will testify before the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee and TSA general oversight issues. Open press.
- On **May 6**, a TBD witness from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will testify before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence about the FY 2015 budget request. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about the GAO High Risk List. Open press.
- On **May 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity Phyllis Schneck and US Secret Service Cyber Operations Branch Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge William Noonan will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about cybersecurity. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **April 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees on CBP operations. Closed press.

- On **April 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR) Director Lev Kubiak, along with officials from Carnegie-Mellon, the National Crime Prevention Council, and Bureau of Justice Assistance will brief members of the Intellectual Property Caucus on “Education, Enforcement, and the Economics of Piracy and Counterfeiting.” Open press.
- On **April 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) New Orleans Assistant Field Office Directors Brian S. Acuna and Gerald Smith will provide a tour of the Etowah County Detention Center, Gadsden, AL to the staff of Senator Richard Shelby. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director (DNDO), Dr. Huban Gowadia, and DNDO staff will brief Congressman Michael McCaul, Chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security on the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture (a worldwide network that serves to detect, analyze, and report on radiological and nuclear materials that are out of regulatory control) and associated risk analysis. Closed Press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with Representative Dave Camp, Chairman of the House Ways & Means Committee, and Representative Devin Nunes, Chairman of the House Ways & Means Subcommittee on Trade. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Privacy and Diversity Office will brief staff from the House Homeland Security Subcommittees on Oversight & Management Efficiency and Border & Maritime Security on the Office’s functions which include compliance with the Privacy Act, processing Freedom of Information (FOIA) requests, and managing diversity and inclusion, to include Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and civil rights and civil liberties requirements. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with Representative Jeff Duncan, Chairman of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Oversight & Management Efficiency and have a meet-and-greet with Representative Beto O’Rourke. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will host the House Committee on Homeland Security staff for a tour of the Washington Regional Threat and Analysis Center. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will meet with the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence following his confirmation. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is expected to publish a Federal Register Notice outlining its intent to begin collecting a fee with the I-131A for non-citizens who lose their travel documents abroad.
- On **May 8**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Representatives Bob Goodlatte and Trey Gowdy to discuss comprehensive immigration reform.

## **II. Items of Note**

### *Secretary’s Efficiency Review Initiative*

- Components have achieved printing-related cost avoidances since Q4 FY09 by posting documents online rather than printing and improving their print management processes. To date, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$6 million through implementation of this initiative.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 22**, President Obama has signed 356 major disaster declarations, and 69 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$29.9 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

*E-Verify Update*

- As of **April 19**, 524,232 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.5 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 13.9 million queries have been run through the system.

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May 1, 2014

**I. Department/Agency Priorities**

*Upcoming Policy Initiatives or Announcements*

- In **early May**, the Office of Policy is expected to release the second Quadrennial Homeland Security Review report.
- On **May 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will release its quarterly “SEVIS by the Numbers” report. The quarterly report provides a snapshot of international students studying in the United States. Open press.

*Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **May 5**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Hirono to discuss his departmental priorities.
- On **May 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski and senior leaders of ICE Homeland Security Investigations will meet with the U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines, Philippines Commissioner of the Bureau of Customs, the Director of the National Bureau of Investigation and other stakeholders to discuss areas of mutual collaboration. Closed press.
- On **May 5 to 7**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia, will visit the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory to meet with lab staff and discuss DNDO priorities. Dr. Gowadia will engage in a town hall and a women’s roundtable session, and observe a maritime drill. Closed press.
- From **May 6 to 9**, Transportation Security Administrator (TSA) John Pistole and Office of Global Strategies Assistant Administrator Paul Fujimura will be in Brasilia, Brazil to meet with U.S. Embassy personnel, TSA Representative Jason Martin, Brazilian Federal Police, Ministry of External Relations, and Secretariat of Civil Aviation officials to discuss upcoming high visibility events (FIFA World Cup in June and Olympics in 2016). They are tentatively scheduled to sign a technical assistance Memorandum of Cooperation, the Aviation Security Cooperation Group Terms of Reference, and a Federal Air Marshal Service Memorandum of Understanding. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Senator Coats to discuss departmental priorities. He will separately meet with Senator Schumer to discuss similar issues.
- On **May 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will participate in a meet and greet with representatives of Union Pacific Railroad. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet separately with Senators Coats and Chambliss to discuss departmental priorities.
- From **May 7 to 9**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will travel to Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands and meet with Puerto Rico Governor Alejandro García Padilla and the Puerto Rico Emergency Management Director Miguel A. Ríos Torres. The Administrator will tour the logistics distribution center in the region, and discuss emerging trends in disaster management for the region. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to deliver opening remarks at a meeting between leadership from CBP’s Office of Field Operations and the National Treasury Employees Union regarding how to address results from the last Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Chief Counsel will host the Federal Bar Association’s Transportation Security Law Forum. The Forum will bring together experts from government and industry to speak about legal issues associated with collective bargaining and intellectual property as each pertains to transportation security. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick will host former members of the Young Presidents’ Organization (YPO) from Georgia at the FLETC Glynco for

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an overview and tour of the headquarters site as part of their annual retreat in the Golden Isles area. YPO is a global network of young chief executives which aims to provide members with increased opportunities for success in the global marketplace by assisting them in forming partnerships with other members worldwide. Closed press.

- On **May 7**, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will deliver remarks at the Department of Defense/ Department of Veterans Affairs Electronic Health Record and Health Information Technology Summit in Alexandria, VA on DHS initiatives towards creating a more effective health IT system. Closed press.
- On **May 8 and 9**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Brussels, Belgium to attend the Syrian Foreign Fighters Ministerial.
- From **May 8 to 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski and National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center Director Lev Kubiak will deliver remarks at the International Anti-Counterfeiting Coalition conference in Hong Kong. Open press.
- On **May 9 and 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Currier will travel to Key West, FL to preside over the commissioning ceremony for USCGC KATHLEEN MOORE.

*Congressional Testimony*

- On **May 6**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will testify before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence regarding the FY 2015 budget. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck and US Secret Service Cyber Operations Branch Criminal Investigative Division Deputy Special Agent in Charge William Noonan will testify before the Senate Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about the protection of Federal civilian networks from cyber intrusions and attacks. Open press.
- On **May 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about the GAO High Risk List. Open press.
- On **May 8**, National Cybersecurity Communication Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin and a TBD witness from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies about evolving threats to the homeland. Open press.
- On **May 14**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Associate Administrator for the Federal Insurance Mitigation Administration David Miller will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia about mitigation. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **May 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Phoenix Special Agent in Charge Matt Allen and Tucson Deputy Special Agent in Charge Rich Fahy will meet with Representative Ron Barber to discuss the HSI mission and operations in the Phoenix Area of Responsibility. Closed press
- On **May 6**, district staff from the offices of several members of the Florida Congressional delegation will tour Customs and Border Protection operations at Miami International Airport. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) New Orleans Assistant Field Office Directors Brian S. Acuna and John Milian will provide a joint briefing/familiarization regarding ERO New Orleans operations in Mississippi to the staff of Congressman Bennie Thompson. Closed press.



- On **May 8**, the Office of Health Affairs will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security about the BioWatch Gen-3 acquisition cancellation. Closed press.
- On **May 9**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a monthly threat briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul and Ranking Member Bennie Thompson. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will meet with Senator Harry Reid, Senator Richard Durbin, Senator Charles Schumer, Senator Robert Menendez, and Senator Michael Bennet. This is an introductory meeting. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will meet with Representative John Conyers. This is an introductory meeting. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will meet with Representative Bennie Thompson. This is an introductory meeting. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will meet with Representative Zoe Lofgren. This is an introductory meeting. Closed press.

## II. Items of Note

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the travel initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reduced travel expenditures by eliminating non-mission critical travel and leveraging web-based communications. This initiative has resulted in a cost avoidance of more than \$17 million, to date.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **April 29**, President Obama has signed 358 major disaster declarations, and 70 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$30 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### *E-Verify Update*

- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 26**, 525,496 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 14.5 million queries have been run through the system.

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May 15, 2014

### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **May 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Acting Director Lori Scialabba will administer the Oath of Allegiance and deliver keynote remarks at a special naturalization ceremony at the Capitol Visitors Center, held at the conclusion of USCIS's annual National Conference on Immigration and Consular Affairs. Closed press.
- From **May 19 to 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Director Lori Scialabba will travel to Copenhagen, Denmark to participate in the Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum, and Refugee (IGC) Full Round of Consultations. The IGC is a forum of 17 participating states to exchange intergovernmental information and to debate policy on immigration. Denmark is serving as the current chair of the IGC and the theme is "Increasing Economic and Trade Relations with Emerging Economies: Consequences for Immigration Systems." Closed press.
- On **May 22**, Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson will administer the Oath of Allegiance and deliver keynote remarks at a naturalization ceremony at Federal Hall in New York City. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Acting Deputy Director Rendell Jones will also participate. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 26**, 525,496 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 14.5 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **May 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend a public meeting of the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations in Miami, Florida. He will be joined by other key CBP leaders, to include Office of Trade Relations Executive Director Maria Luisa Boyce. Closed press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **May 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure and Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on the successes and challenges of intergovernmental partnership and collaboration in infrastructure security at the National Homeland Security Conference, in Philadelphia, PA. The audience will consist of Homeland Security professionals, emergency managers and planners, public safety representatives from every response discipline, local, state, and federal government leaders. Open press.
- On **May 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on cybersecurity policies in 2014, at the Cybersecurity Law Institute in Washington, D.C. The audience will consist of lawyers and cybersecurity professionals from across the country. Open press.
- On **May 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary Bobbie Stempfley Office of Cybersecurity and Communications, will deliver remarks on women in security at the Canadian Security Partners' Forum Women in Security Lecture Series, in Ottawa, Ontario. The audience will consist of professional and experts from Canadian and American security-related fields. Open press.

### **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

#### *Expected Stories*

- On **May 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations St. Paul Field Office Director Scott Baniecek will be quoted in a news release announcing the High Profile Removal to India of a former Catholic priest convicted of sexually assaulting a child under the age of 13. Open Press.

- On or about **May 17**, the Imperial Valley Press (El Centro, California) will publish a story on methamphetamine smuggling in the area. The piece will focus on interdiction rates and related trends as well as how Customs and Border Protection officers interdict these attempts.
- On **May 19**, Fox 10 (Phoenix) will run a story highlighting the Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) and its border security mission. In April, Customs and Border Protection provided a briefing and tour of the UAS operations center in Sierra Vista, Arizona.
- On **May 19**, the Science and Technology Directorate's Plum Island Animal Disease Center will be visited by TV-10 (ABC-Albany) for a tour of the facility and island, as well as an interview with Director Larry Barrett about the operation and history of the laboratory. Open to invited media only.
- In **late May**, New York Times reporter Stephanie Clifford will tour passenger and baggage operations at John F. Kennedy (JFK) International Airport, to include primary and secondary screening. The piece will discuss recent narcotics seizures at JFK and related trends, and will focus on the various concealment methods Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has seen in order to provide a better understanding of CBP's layered enforcement strategy. Publication date TBA.

#### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **May 18 to 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will travel to the Netherlands to meet airline representatives to discuss potential expansion of CBP's preclearance operations. Acting Deputy Commissioner McAleenan will continue on to The Hague where he will tour Europol headquarters and meet with Europol Director Rob Wainwright to discuss the foreign fighters counterterrorism initiative and to sign an agreement to station a CBP liaison officer at Europol to further enhance cooperation between the two agencies. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield will attend an "EMS Issues" breakfast as part of the American College of Emergency Physicians 2014 Leadership and Advocacy Conference. Remarks will focus on OHA's efforts to provide guidance to first responders on how to improve survivability in IED or active shooter incident. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Department of State Deputy Secretary Williams Burns, this is an introductory meeting. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield will participate in a meeting of the Institute of Medicine's Standing Committee on Health Threats and Workforce Resilience. The session will focus on how the CBRN threat perception of the public and policy makers may have evolved over the past decade. Closed press.
- From **May 20 to 22**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the National Homeland Security Conference in Philadelphia, PA. The National Homeland Security Conference is the former Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Conference, and stakeholders include homeland security officials from all UASIs. Open and closed press.
- From **May 20 to 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will travel to Stockholm, Sweden and then continue on to London, United Kingdom to meet with airport administration representatives and Government officials at Stockholm-Arlanda Airport, Heathrow International Airport, and Gatwick Airport to discuss potential expansion of CBP's preclearance operations. Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will also meet with Government officials in each respective country to discuss the foreign fighters counterterrorism initiative. Closed press.
- From **May 20 to 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Robert Papp will travel to New London, CT and Cape May, NJ to attend the Coast Guard Academy graduation and Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard's Change of Watch ceremonies. Open press.
- On **May 21**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will be the keynote speaker for the American Association of Airport Executives Annual Conference Luncheon in San Antonio, TX. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of State, Local and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt will hold a teleconference with President Steven Lamken of

the Police Chiefs Association of Nebraska to discuss U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) mission and the needs of the chiefs of police in state of Nebraska. Closed press.

- On **May 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) will hold a Peace Officers Memorial Day Ceremony for fallen officers at the FLETC in Glynco, GA. Attendees will include family members of fallen law enforcement officers and agents, community members, and FLETC and Partner Organization staff. Open press.
- On **May 21 to 23**, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs Alan Bersin will travel to Azerbaijan to deliver remarks at the inaugural conference of the International Network of Customs Universities and to advance DHS engagement with the Government of Azerbaijan. Open press.
- On **May 22**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver the keynote address at the National Response to Catastrophic and Disruptive Threats 2014 at the United States Marine Corps Command and Staff College in Quantico, VA. The Administrator will discuss government collaboration during a crisis, including conditions for its success. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and other FEMA senior leaders will attend the 2014 United States Army Corps of Engineers Senior Leaders' Seminar in Washington, DC. The Administrator will provide opening remarks and discuss emerging trends in emergency management and lessons learned from recent events. Closed press.
- On **May 22 and 23**, Chief Privacy Officer Karen Neuman will travel to Brussels as part of the DHS delegation negotiating the U.S.-Europe Data Protection and Privacy Agreement. Other participants include Stevan Bunnell, DHS General Counsel; Regina Hart, Office of the General Counsel; and Michael Scardaville, Director, European and Multilateral Affairs, Office of International Affairs. Closed press.
- On **May 23**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to meet with Office of National Drug Control Policy Acting Director Michael Botticelli at DHS Headquarters. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield will give remarks at the National EMS Memorial Foundation Event of Remembrance in New York City. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **May 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Larry Zelvin will testify on emergency cyber threats, before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies. Open press.
- On **May 21**, Director of the Federal Protective Service Eric Patterson will testify about federal facility security, at a hearing before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **May 15**, staff members from Representative Beto O'Rourke's office will tour the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) site in Artesia, NM, to meet with FLETC staff to discuss training issues. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will meet with Representative John Conyers. This is an introductory meeting. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, Office of Health Affairs staff will provide briefings on the BioWatch Gen-3 acquisition cancellation to the Congressional Research Service and the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, a representative from U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the office of Senator Mark Warner on staffing and wait times at Dulles International Airport. Closed press.
- From **May 19 to 23**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers, along with representatives from the Federal Bureau of Investigations and Federal Protective Service, will provide a briefing to House of

Representatives, Committee on Homeland Security, Counterterrorism & Intelligence Subcommittee Members on federal active shooter programs and training. Closed press.

- On **May 20**, Congresswoman Susan Brooks, Chair of the Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications, and Ranking Member Donald Payne will visit the Office of Health Affairs' National Biosurveillance Integration Center for a briefing on its activities and a demonstration of capabilities. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner Richard DiNucci (Office of International Trade) will brief staff from the Senate Finance Committee on antidumping duty evasion countermeasures. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, Transportation Security Administrator John Pistole and TSA Chief Risk Officer Ken Fletcher will participate on a Roundtable regarding Risk-Based Security sponsored by House Committee on Homeland Security Members. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will have three separate introductory meetings with Representative Bennie Thompson, Representative Zoe Lofgren and Senator Tom Carper. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reggie Brothers will meet separately with Representative Bennie Thompson and Representative Michael McCaul of the House Committee on Homeland Security and with members of the Senate Appropriations Committee to introduce himself, discuss his vision for the Science and Technology Directorate, and share his priorities moving forward. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, representatives from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee on entry/exit mission progress. DHS S&T will also participate. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **May 16**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Louisiana with Senator Landrieu where they will tour Century Link in Monroe, LA, receive a brief on the cyber engineering curriculum at Louisiana Tech in Rustin, LA and tour the Cyber Innovation Center and participate in a press availability in Bossier City, LA. Press TBD.
- On **May 19**, Secretary Johnson is tentatively scheduled to meet with German Minister of Interior Thomas de Maiziere to discuss bilateral cooperation and discuss current threats. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, Secretary Johnson will meet with CIA Director John Brennan to discuss a classified information sharing program. The Secretary will also participate in the U.S. Coast Guard Change of Watch Ceremony for the Vice Commandant. The Secretary will also meet with International Air Transport Association Director General and CEO Tony Tyler. The Secretary will also meet with Chairmen Bob Goodlatte and Trey Gowdy to discuss issues prior to the Secretary testifying before the House Judiciary Committee on May 29.
- On **May 21**, Secretary Johnson will deliver remarks at the National Homeland Security Conference in Philadelphia, PA. Open press.
- On **May 27**, Secretary Johnson will meet with INTERPOL President and Central Director of the French Judicial Police Mireille Ballestrazzi to discuss bilateral cooperation and border management. Closed press.
- On **May 28**, Secretary Johnson will participate in an introductory meeting with Morpho Detection CEO Karen Bomba. The Secretary will also have a conference call with Governor Kean and Congressman Hamilton to discuss a number of issues as they prepare a July 2014 report to mark 10 years since the 9/11 Commission Report was released.
- On **May 29**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the House Judiciary Committee. The Secretary will also participate in the yearly video teleconference with coastal Governors to discuss the upcoming hurricane season. Open press.

- On **May 30**, Secretary Johnson will participate in the U.S. Coast Guard Change of Command Ceremony for the U.S. Coast Guard Commandant. Open press.

#### IV. Items of Note

##### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of \$8 million to date by utilizing a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for multi-functional devices, printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

##### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **May 13**, President Obama has signed 361 major disaster declarations, 70 emergency declarations and one presidential disaster declaration (for the Republic of the Marshall Islands), this administration has obligated over \$30.1 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### V. Legal

##### *Oversight and Investigations*

- On **May 9**, DHS provided a briefing to the staff of Senator Leahy on an internal review of security issues related to the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program that was conducted by DHS I&A in 2012.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: ICE's release of detainees, inadmissibility based on false claims of citizenship, EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, preclearance operations in Abu Dhabi, and USBP Operational Requirements.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 30**, **Matt Brown**, a correspondent with the *Associated Press* in Billings, Montana, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to an incident on April 30, 2014, involving a train derailment and subsequent fire in Lynchburg, Virginia.
- On **May 1**, **Maria Zamudio**, a reporter with *The Chicago Reporter* in Chicago, Illinois, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following information for individuals accused of smuggling illegal aliens in the country and accused of raping women during the trip, from January 1, 2009, through the present: (1) name; (2) age; (3) country of origin; (4) indication of involvement with a criminal organization; (5) location, date, and outcome of arrest; and (6) indication of whether the individual was repatriated to Mexico for prosecution.
- On **May 1**, **Laurel Andrews**, a reporter with the *Alaska Dispatch* in Anchorage, Alaska, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the April 8, 2014 denial letter for a named individual.
- On **May 2**, **David Iaconangelo**, a reporter with the *Latin Times* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the transfer of detainees between ICE detention centers from January 1, 2012, through March 31, 2014.
- On **May 2**, **Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a listing of requests received by ICE to parole aliens in the U.S. during the past five years.
- On **May 6**, **David Iaconangelo**, a reporter with the *Latin Times* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the transfer of detainees between ICE detention centers from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2011.
- On **May 6**, **Jack Gillum**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of the contracts, task orders, statements of work, and contract modifications for the following ICE contracts: (1) HSCETC13F00030; (2) HSCETE11F00125; (3) HSCETC13F00010; and (4) HSCEMD11P00040.
- On **May 6**, **Nandi Robinson**, a representative with the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records or



complaints involving the following businesses: (1) Lally & Misir LLP; (2) Lally & Lally LLP; (3) Museum Source LTD; (4) Irish Lobby for Immigration Reform Inc.; (5) Antietam Inc.; (6) Waterloo Real Estate LLC; (7) Arnhem LLC; and (8) Lally Mahon Rooney PC.

- On **May 6**, **David Iaconangelo**, a reporter with the *Latin Times* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the detention and trial of individuals picked up in New York City, New York.
- On **May 6**, **David Hendricks**, a reporter with *The Monitor* in McAllen, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records from the “operational utility evaluation” of aerostats deployed to the U.S. Border Patrol Rio Grande Valley Sector from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **May 6**, **David Hendricks**, a reporter with *The Monitor* in McAllen, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of reports pertaining to former U.S. Border Patrol agent Esteban Manzanares.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Jim McElhatton**, a staff writer with *The Washington Times* in Alexandria, Virginia, five pages of records consisting of complaint narratives of closed investigations pertaining to misuse of a government computer. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **May 6**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with *NBC4* in Washington, DC, 961 pages of records previously released via the Freedom of Information Act. These records were released in full.
- On **May 6**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Janet McConnaughey**, a journalist with the *Associated Press* in New Orleans, Louisiana, two videos and 266 pages of records consisting of investigation reports, witness statements, medical reviews, e-mails, photographs, enforcements, and charts pertaining to incidents involving vessels owned by Settoon Towing, LLC. These records were released in full.
- On **May 7**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to **Mark Flatten**, a reporter with the *Washington Examiner* in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to investigations on conference overspending.
- On **May 7**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Richard Pollock**, a journalist with the *Washington Examiner* in Washington, DC, 220 pages of records consisting of e-mails between FEMA and Simplifi Business, TL Industries, Recreation by Design, and SRS, Inc. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the shooting of Guillermo Arevalo Pedroza. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).

#### **VI. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- In **May**, DHS expects to release an Annual Strategic Assessment regarding the coordination efforts of the Federal departments and agencies to advance continuity of operations in interoperable emergency communications.
- In **May**, DHS expects to release the second Quadrennial Homeland Security Review report.
- In **May**, DHS expects to issue a signed policy statement declaring the agency's position against discrimination on any protected basis. The FY13 DHS EEO Policy Statement includes the prohibited basis of “gender identity” for the first time.
- In **May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates announcing the renewal process for recipients of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. USCIS will publish the updated Form I-821D as well as an updated Frequently Asked Questions and other communication materials.

- In **May**, DHS expects to release a report titled U.S. Naturalizations: 2013. The report presents information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during FY 2012.
- In **May**, DHS expects to release a report titled U.S. Legal Permanent Residents: 2013. The report presents information obtained from applications for LPR status on the number and characteristics of persons who became LPRs in the United States during 2012.
- In **May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates proposing to amend its regulations affecting high-skilled workers within the nonimmigrant classifications for specialty occupation professionals from Chile and Singapore (H-1B1) and from Australia (E-3), to include these classifications in the list of classes of aliens authorized for employment incident to status with a specific employer, to extend automatic employment authorization extensions with pending extension of stay requests, and to update filing procedures. USCIS will also propose to amend regulations regarding continued employment authorization for nonimmigrant workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)-only Transitional Worker (CW-1) classification. Finally, USCIS will propose amendments related to the immigration classification for employment-based first preference (EB-1) outstanding professors or researchers to allow the submission of comparable evidence. These changes will encourage and facilitate the employment and retention of these high-skilled workers.
- In **late May**, TSA will issue a rule, implementing the passenger civil aviation security service fee increase mandated by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013.
- In **June**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- By **June 30**, DHS expects to release to the White House a DHS Policy on Climate Change Adaptation as part of the deliverables under the Executive Order on Climate Preparedness.
- In the **spring**, the Science & Technology Directorate expects to complete FINDER demonstrations, which use low-power microwave radar to detect the small movements from breathing and the heartbeat of a buried victim, even when the signal must pass through several meters of building debris and rubble.
- In the **spring or summer**, DHS expects to announce with Canada an agreement to cover preclearance operations in the land, marine, and rail modes, as well as updates to the existing U.S.-Canada Air Preclearance Agreement, per the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- In the **summer**, USCIS will issue an interim rule, amending its regulations governing the requirements and procedures for alien victims of human trafficking seeking T nonimmigrant status. The Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) may grant T nonimmigrant status (commonly known as a “T visa”) to aliens who are or were victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons, who have complied (unless under 18 years of age or unable to cooperate due to trauma) with reasonable requests by a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency (LEA) for assistance in an investigation or prosecution of acts of trafficking in persons or the investigation of other crimes involving trafficking, and who would suffer extreme hardship involving unusual and severe harm if removed from the United States. In this interim rule, DHS is amending its regulations to conform with legislation enacted after the initial rule was published in 2002: the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2003, the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005, the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008, and the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2013. DHS is also streamlining procedures, responding to public comments, and providing guidance for the statutory requirements for T nonimmigrants. The intent is to make sure the T nonimmigrant status regulations are up to date and reflect USCIS adjudicative experience, as well as the input provided by stakeholders.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **June 5**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will give remarks at the Council on Global Immigration's Annual Symposium in Washington D.C. focusing on employment-related immigration issues including delays with high-skilled visas, like the EB-5 Program. Closed Press.
- On **June 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Acting Director Lori Scialabba will participate in a Letter of Agreement signing ceremony and stakeholder roundtable with the Metropolitan Government of Nashville. USCIS is partnering with cities across the United States through Letters of Agreement to provide citizenship resources and training for library staff, which will strengthen and enhance local immigrant integration efforts. Open press.
- On **June 18**, the office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with stakeholders in Boston, MA to discuss the delivery of immigration benefits and services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Stakeholders will include representatives from the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Program and the Greater Boston Citizenship Initiative. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 31**, 532,121 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 17.4 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **June 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will host a Trade Day meeting with the Retail Industry Leaders Association at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver opening remarks at a meeting of the Interagency Committee (IAC) on Customs Co-operation Council Matters at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The IAC is comprised of representatives from agencies in matters before the World Customs Organization, to include DHS, the Department of the Treasury, the Department of State, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Agriculture, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, the Office of Management and Budget, and the U.S. International Trade Commission. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will host Trade Day meetings with the American Association of Exporters and Importers and the U.S. Council for International Business at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks on border security and trade facilitation at the "Envisioning a Competitive U.S.-Mexico Border" conference hosted by the Mexico Institute of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and the Border Trade Alliance in Washington, D.C. Deputy Assistant Commissioner Ana Hinojosa (Office of International Affairs) will also speak for CBP. Other featured speakers will include Representatives Filemon Vela, Beto O'Rourke, and Henry Cuellar; Mexico's Ambassador to the United States Eduardo Medina Mora; and North American Development Bank Managing Director Geronimo Gutierrez. Open to the public.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **June 10**, National Preparedness and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity Coordination Rosemary Wenchel will deliver remarks on the importance of public-private partnership in meeting the challenges of strengthening the security and resilience of the nation's critical infrastructure, at the Cyber 5.0 Today's Trends and Realities, in Laurel, MD. The audience will consist of small, medium-sized, middle market and larger cyber businesses. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, National Preparedness and Programs Directorate National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Director Larry Zelvin will deliver remarks on U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness

Team (US-CERT), at the Incident Trends and Emerging Threats event, in Suitland, MD. The audience will consist of federal employees and contractors. Closed press.

- On **June 13**, National Preparedness and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding, will deliver remarks on contemporary issues in Homeland Security at the 22nd National Security Law Institute in Charlottesville, VA. The audience will consist of professors of law and political science who teach or are preparing to teach graduate-level courses in national security law or related subjects requiring a detailed understanding of national security law. Closed press.

## II. Department/Agency Priorities

### *Expected Stories*

- On or about **June 6**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Public Affairs plans to submit an editorial by CBP Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske focusing on the role of Automated Passport Control kiosks in processing passengers at international airports to *International Airport Review* for an upcoming issue of their publication.
- On **June 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) special agents from the Long Beach Child Exploitation Investigations Group and local detectives will be accompanied by a British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) crew during an execution of a state search warrant targeting a Southern California man suspected of downloading and distributing internet child pornography. Later on June 6, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement HSI special agents will be interviewed by BBC on child pornography investigations. BBC will also tour HSI's C3's victim ID unit, forensic lab and financial crimes. Open press.
- On **June 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Center will host approximately 15-20 journalists from the Foreign Press Center in Washington, D.C. for an introductory presentation on IPR operations. Open press.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 9**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will provide special remarks at the Virginia Higher Education Research Summit. The address will include an overview of Science and Technology Directorate activities, public-private partnerships, and how the Department of Homeland Security interacts with the private sector. The Summit, which is being hosted by the State Council of Higher Education of Virginia, will bring together Virginia stakeholders committed to supporting academic research and showcase exemplary private/public partnerships between universities and the private sector. Open press.
- On **June 9**, President Barack Obama, Department of Interior Secretary Sally Jewel, Department of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate, and other senior officials will participate in a Wildfire Video Teleconference (VTC) briefing with the Western Governors' Association in Washington, DC. The goal of the meeting is to discuss preparations for the wildfire season. Closed press.
- From **June 9 to 11**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara, Deputy Assistant Secretary Clark, Senior Advisor Abigail Page, and IGA Coordinators Kim Johnson and Brianna McCullough will attend the National Governors Association Governors' Homeland Security Advisors Council summer meeting in San Diego, CA. This meeting will bring all Homeland Security Advisors together to discuss relevant homeland security issues, share lessons learned, and identify future areas of growth for the GHSAC. Closed press.
- From **June 9 to 12**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will be on official travel in California, where he will tour airport and seaport operations, meet with stakeholders on issues relating to immigration and law enforcement, and meet with local officials. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will attend the Warning Coordination Meteorologists and Service Coordination Hydrologists meeting in College Park, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to deliver remarks at a briefing on CBP's use of force policy for non-governmental organizations representing faith, civil, and human rights groups, to include the Southern Border

Communities Coalition, the Northern Border Coalition, the American Civil Liberties Union, the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the American Bar Association, the Border Action Network, the Jesuit Conference, and the Woman's Refugee Commission. Closed press.

- On **June 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale, U.S. Department of Labor Associate Deputy Undersecretary Eric Biel, ICE Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director Peter Edge, and U.S. Department of Labor Child Labor Program Director Marcia Eugenio will provide remarks in recognition of World Day Against Child Labor at ICE Headquarters. Two rescued victims will also participate in a panel. Closed press.
- From **June 12 to 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Brasilia will coordinate with and support the U.S. Embassy Brasilia Joint Operation Center and Threat Integration Center during the 2014 World Cup. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver remarks on immigration reform, border security, and the future of CBP at a public forum hosted by the Center for Strategic & International Studies in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **June 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to accompany FBI Executive Assistant Director of the Criminal, Cyber, Response and Services Branch Robert Anderson, Jr., on a tour of the National Targeting Center. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to meet with General Services Administrator Dan Tangherlini at the General Services Administration Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 13 to 14**, Transportation Security Administrator Pistole will provide opening remarks at a Mass Transit and Passenger Rail Security and Emergency Management Roundtable in Montreal, Canada. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement Surface Division Director and Mass Transit and Passenger Rail Industry Engagement Manager will participate. Agenda topics include presentations from TSA and industry. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **June 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello (Office of Border Patrol) will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs at a hearing entitled "Examining the Implications of the Border Patrol Agent Pay Reform Act." Other witnesses are TBD. Open press.
- On **June 10**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers and Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Dr. Kathy Brinsfield will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security's Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, during a hearing titled "BioWatch: Lessons Learned and the Path Forward." Open press.
- On **June 10**, Chief Information Officer Luke McCormack will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce about federal Information Technology initiatives. Open press.
- On **June 11**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary about DHS oversight. Open press.
- On **June 12**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia, will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at a hearing titled "Securing Radiological Materials: Examining the Threat Next Door." Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) London will meet with a congressional delegation consisting of U.S. House of Representatives members Jeff Duncan, Homeland Security Committee, Juan Vargas, Appropriations Committee, Michele Bachmann, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and Steve King, Judiciary Committee. HSI London will provide general background on HSI priorities in the UK and HSI London's interface with UK and European Union Law Enforcement. Open press.

- On **June 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Assistant Director for Financial, Narcotics and Special Operations Mark Witzal will brief staff of Representative Filemon Vela on subterranean border tunnels in Texas. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Executive Director of Procurement Richard Gunderson (Office of Administration) will brief staff from the House Homeland Security Committee on the CBP uniform contract. The DHS Office of the Chief Procurement Officer will also participate. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Executive Associate Director Pete Edge will have an introductory meeting with Chairman Michael McCaul of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **June 11 and 12**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Director Connie Patrick will meet with several members of Congress, including Representative Steny Hoyer and Senators Martin Heinrich, Tom Udall and Dan Coats, to brief on Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers activities. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver a Deep Dive for Authorization Staff from the House Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee, the House Committee on Homeland Security, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Closed press.
- On **June 13**, Representative Raul Ruiz will tour Customs and Border Patrol operations in Indio, California. Closed press.
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### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **June 6**, Secretary Johnson will deliver the commencement address at The Field School in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Marriott President and CEO Arne Sorenson and Chief Communications and Public Affairs Officer Kathleen Matthews to discuss travel and tourism. The Secretary will also meet with AFL-CIO President Rich Trumka to discuss comprehensive immigration reform. The Secretary will also host a monthly VTC with USNORTHCOM / NORAD General Charles Jacoby to discuss issues of mutual concern.
- On **June 10**, Secretary Johnson will meet with the Minority Members of the House Homeland Security Committee as part of his monthly outreach to discuss issues of mutual concern. The Secretary will also meet with National Security Agency ADM Rogers to discuss cybersecurity. The Secretary will also deliver remarks at the Coast Guard Foundation Gala. Press TBD.
- On **June 11**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee (open press). The Secretary will also meet with the American Israel Public Affairs Committee CEO Howard Kohr. The Secretary will also host Senator Ron Johnson for a classified threat briefing.
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#### **IV. Items of Note**

##### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$20 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Energy Efficiencies and Energy Management Efficiency Review initiatives as well Component-led efforts to reduce energy consumption, through such means as installing energy efficient lighting and implementing power-management settings on desktops and laptops.

##### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **June 3**, President Obama has signed 361 major disaster declarations and 70 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$30.3 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 12**, **Justin McCarthy**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between USCIS and the following: (1) the State of California; (2) United States Congress; (3) The National Council of La Raza; (4) The National Immigration Law Center; and (5) The Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles, pertaining to California drivers' licenses for undocumented immigrants from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **May 19**, **Julia Angwin**, a reporter with **ProPublica** in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the mental disorder provisions of the Immigration and Naturalization Act, section 212(a).
- On **May 22**, **Timothy Warren**, a representative with **International Trade Today** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records of communications to and/or between officials at CBP pertaining to the closure of investigations completed by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) from January 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **May 22**, **Dan Krauth**, a reporter with **WTVJ NBC-6** in Miramar, Florida, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to lost, stolen, and missing items for Fort Lauderdale International Airport and Miami International Airport from January 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **May 22**, **Rick Hind**, a legislative director with **Greenpeace** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to DHS meetings and communications with petro-chemical industry representatives regarding the following: (1) chemical facility safety; (2) security and disaster prevention; (3) inherently safer technologies; and (4) Executive Order 13650, Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security, from April 17, 2013, through the present.
- On **May 23**, **Steven Emerson**, President with **SAE Productions** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to meetings between personnel from DHS and officials, employees, representatives, or identified operatives of the Muslim American Society from January 1, 2009, through April 25, 2014.
- On **May 27**, **Chris Glorioso**, a reporter with **WNBC-TV** in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of all National Flood Insurance Program

Repetitive Loss Update Worksheets for Severe Repetitive Loss Properties in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.

- On **May 27**, **Jacqueline Stevens**, a professor with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, Illinois, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records conveyed, described, or shown on or off the record to Ian Urbina or other employees of *The New York Times* pertaining to official or informal policies, data, systems records, and practices for the ICE Detainee Work Program.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 22**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Daniel Carrillo**, a representative with the **Service Employees International Union Local 1** in Chicago, Illinois, 52 pages of records consisting of investigative reports detailing violations, notices of violation, penalties, and corrective orders at O' Hare International Airport and Midway International Airport. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C). On May 23, 2014, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Joe Tanfani**, a reporter with the *Los Angeles Times* and the *Chicago Tribune* in Washington, DC, 545 pages of records consisting of e-mails and letters of correspondence between USCIS and members of Congress pertaining to the EB-5 program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On **May 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing 104 data fields of anonymous person-by-person data on all ICE detainers issued in December 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **May 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing 104 data fields of anonymous person-by-person data on all ICE detainers issued in January 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **May 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, two Excel spreadsheets containing 104 data fields of anonymous person-by-person data on all ICE detainers issued in February 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **May 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Benjamin Dooley**, a reporter with *Kyodo News* in Washington, DC, 44 pages of records and two Excel spreadsheets pertaining to the application by Olivet University. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **May 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Amy Isackson**, a reporter with *National Public Radio* in Cardiff, California, one Excel workbook containing data pertaining to the number of convicted criminals and immigration fugitives repatriated to Mexico from fiscal year 2003 through the present. These records were released in full.
- On **May 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Steven Emerson**, President with **SAE Productions** in Washington, DC, 71 pages of records consisting of e-mails and other records pertaining to communications, meetings, and training sessions conducted or coordinated with the Islamic Society of Boston, the Muslim American Society in Boston, or the Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **May 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Mark Brunswick**, a reporter with the *Star Tribune* in Minneapolis, Minnesota, one Excel spreadsheet containing a list of all aliens from 2008 through the present who, after being convicted of a crime and serving their sentences were designated for removal but were released from Department of Homeland Security (DHS) custody pursuant to *Zadvydas v. Davis*. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).

- On **May 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Didi Tang**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Beijing, China, two pages of records containing the number of Chinese nationals attending U.S. high schools from 2005 through 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **May 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Martin Finn**, a reporter with *Fox News Channel* in New York, New York, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the investigation of instructors who are suspected of teaching methods for beating polygraph exams. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **May 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Brian Bennett**, a reporter with the *Los Angeles Times* in Washington, DC, one page of records containing statistical data pertaining to officers and agents disciplined for violating CBP's use of force policy from January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **May 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **David Gotfredson**, a reporter with *KFMB-TV* in San Diego, California, one page of records and one video of James Lee DiMaggio crossing the Pine Valley, California U.S. Border Patrol checkpoint on August 4, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **May 27**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Kevin Owen**, an attorney with the **Law Offices of Gary M. Gilbert & Associates** in Silver Spring, Maryland, eight pages of records consisting of a policy directive and e-mails pertaining to his client, Richard Spires. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **May 27**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jesse Franzblau**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, four pages of records consisting of guidelines entitled "Procedures and Guidelines for Operations and other Functions for the United States of America-United Mexican States Cross Border Public Security Communications Network along the Common Border." These records were released in full.

## V. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **mid-June**, the last segment of the original PF225 fencing project is scheduled to be completed. The installation of approximately one mile of primary fence along the landside edge of the American Canal Extension will close a gap in the primary fence in the El Paso Border Patrol Sector's area of responsibility and will provide agents with added persistent impedance of illicit cross-border activity in the area. The project included construction of the fence segment in addition to associated grade control structures, two vehicle gates, and two pedestrian gates.
- During the week of **June 2**, DHS expects to release the second Quadrennial Homeland Security Review report.
- During the week of **June 2**, DHS expects to release a report titled U.S. Naturalizations: 2013. The report presents information on the number and characteristics of foreign nationals aged 18 years and over who were naturalized during FY 2012.
- In **June**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host its quarterly national Spanish engagement, Enlace, with a focus on DACA renewals.
- In **June**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates announcing the renewal process for recipients of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. USCIS will publish the updated Form I-821D as well as an updated Frequently Asked Questions and other communication materials.
- In **June**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates announcing the extension of transition period for CW-1 Transitional Worker status in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands for an additional 5 years following Department of Labor's announcement.
- In **June**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates updating the E-Verify Spanish website to mirror the recent update to the English website. Updates will include new graphics and new and revised content.

- In **June**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates issuing a new policy expanding the definition of “mother” and “parent” under the Immigration and Nationality Act to include gestational mothers using assisted reproductive technology. After a joint review of the law, USCIS and the Department of State concluded that the term “mother” and “parent” under the INA includes any mother who: 1) carried and gave birth to the child; and, 2) was the child’s legal mother at the time of birth under the law of the relevant jurisdiction.
- In **June**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- By **June 30**, DHS expects to release to the White House a DHS Policy on Climate Change Adaptation as part of the deliverables under the Executive Order on Climate Preparedness.
- In the **summer**, DHS expects to announce with Canada an agreement to cover preclearance operations in the land, marine, and rail modes, as well as updates to the existing U.S.-Canada Air Preclearance Agreement, per the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- In the **summer**, USCIS will issue an interim rule, amending its regulations governing the requirements and procedures for alien victims of human trafficking seeking T nonimmigrant status. The Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) may grant T nonimmigrant status (commonly known as a “T visa”) to aliens who are or were victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons, who have complied (unless under 18 years of age or unable to cooperate due to trauma) with reasonable requests by a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency (LEA) for assistance in an investigation or prosecution of acts of trafficking in persons or the investigation of other crimes involving trafficking, and who would suffer extreme hardship involving unusual and severe harm if removed from the United States. In this interim rule, DHS is amending its regulations to conform with legislation enacted after the initial rule was published in 2002: the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2003, the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005, the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008, and the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2013. DHS is also streamlining procedures, responding to public comments, and providing guidance for the statutory requirements for T nonimmigrants. The intent is to make sure the T nonimmigrant status regulations are up to date and reflect USCIS adjudicative experience, as well as the input provided by stakeholders.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **June 17**, in celebration of The Star-Spangled Banner's bicentennial, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the Smithsonian Institution National Museum of American History will hold a special naturalization ceremony. Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson and USCIS Acting Director Lori Scialabba will participate in the ceremony, along with former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Senator Lisa Murkowski, who will deliver the Pledge of Allegiance, and fashion designer Ralph Lauren, who is the youngest son of immigrants. Open press.
- On **June 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host its quarterly national Spanish engagement, Enlace, with a focus on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals renewals. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, representatives from the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with stakeholders in Boston, MA to discuss the delivery of immigration benefits and services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Stakeholders will include representatives from the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Program and the Greater Boston Citizenship Initiative. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Boston, MA to deliver keynote remarks at the 2014 Annual Conference of the American Immigration Lawyers Association. On June 20, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will deliver keynote remarks at the conference and will focus on systemic trends identified and recommendations made by the Ombudsman to improve the delivery of immigration benefits and services. Open press.
- On **June 20**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) leadership to discuss recent trends identified by AILA members impacting family, employment, and humanitarian immigration. Closed press.
- On **June 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national forum to discuss Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, and the E-Verify program. The forum will be presented virtually via video teleconference and web-streaming.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 31**, 532,121 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 17.4 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will speak at the 93rd American Association of Exporters and Importers Conference & Expo in Minneapolis, MN. While in Minneapolis, he will also conduct CBP site visits. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to attend a meeting of the President's Export Council in Washington, D.C., organized by the Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration. Live webcast.
- On **June 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner Richard DiNucci (Office of International Trade) will participate in a panel discussion on trade and intellectual property enforcement at the border as part of the Federal Circuit Bar Association's 16th Annual Bench & Bar Conference in Asheville, North Carolina. Closed press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **June 18**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Doug Maughan will participate in a joint National Security Agency (NSA) and DHS briefing at the Colloquium for Information Systems Security Education 2014 conference. NSA and DHS jointly sponsor the National Centers of Academic Excellence in information assurance education and research programs to help reduce vulnerability in our national information infrastructure and produce professionals with information assurance expertise. Closed press.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- On **June 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to welcome a delegation of officials from the Republic of Singapore's Ministry of Home Affairs. Assistant Commissioner Charles Stallworth (Office of International Affairs) and Acting Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) are also scheduled to attend. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a reoccurring Principal Management Committee Meeting at Camp David. He will also meet with Deputy Attorney General Jim Cole and Director of the Executive Office for Immigration Juan Osuna regarding the Texas Border. Closed press.
- On **June 16 to 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will provide the keynote address at Europol in The Hague to discuss ICE engagements with Europol, specifically training initiatives focusing on investigating criminal exploitation of virtual currencies. In addition, Deputy Director Ragsdale will chair a meeting on ICE case coordination of virtual currency investigations worked collaboratively with our European law enforcement partners. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the Joint Intelligence Community Council Meeting hosted by the Director of National Intelligence (closed press). He will also participate in an introductory meeting with Senator Kelly Ayotte. Closed press.
- From **June 17 to 18**, the U.S.-France Transportation Security Working Group (TSWG) will be meeting in Washington, D.C. at Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Headquarters, with visits to the Baltimore Washington International Airport and Secure Flight. The TSWG is a bilateral working group focused on the exchange of information and engagement in cooperative activities on existing and possible future security measures for aviation. TSA Office of Global Strategies will be represented by either Assistant Administrator Paul Fujimura or Deputy Assistant Administrator Vicki Reeder. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor, together with National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Assistant Secretary Caitlin Durkovich, will deliver a speech via teleconference to the Philadelphia Corporate Security Symposium on how the Office of Intelligence & Analysis and NPPD partner to support the private sector. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to tour the Office of Naval Intelligence in Suitland, Maryland. Closed press. (Previously reported; tour was rescheduled.)
- On **June 20**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Deputy Attorney General James Cole to review budget and operational priorities, adjudicate significant issues and plan interagency coordination in advance of INTERPOL meetings.
- From **June 20 to 23**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara, Senior Advisor Page, Director Brad Johnson and Local Coordinator Danielle Decker will participate in the U.S. Conference of Mayors Annual Conference in Dallas, TX. Portions open and closed press.
- On **June 21 and 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks at the National Sheriffs' Association Annual Conference in Fort Worth, Texas. Closed press.

### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **June 18**, U.S. Coast Guard Deputy Commandant for Operations Vice Admiral Charles Michel will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about maintaining Coast Guard readiness. Open press.
- On **June 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, Special Agent in Charge Newark, Andy McLees, officials from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the National Football League, and the New Jersey State Police, will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications, during a field hearing on Security for mass gatherings. Open press.
- On **June 24**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Operations Threat Assessment Division Director Melanie Harvey, and Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Security Services and Assessments Division Director Annmarie Lontz will testify before the House Committee on Homeland



Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security about the use of explosives detection canine teams. Open press.

### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Border Patrol will provide an update on Unaccompanied Children for staff from various Members' offices via conference call. ICE, FEMA, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of State will also participate. Closed press.
- On **June 14**, Representative Henry Cuellar will tour Border Patrol operations in Brownsville, Texas. Unaccompanied children holding areas are of particular interest. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Executive Director of Trade Policy & Programs Cynthia Whittenburg from the Office of International Trade will provide an overview of CBP's role in international trade to staff from the House Ways and Means Committee and several Members' Legislative Assistants. This briefing will provide background ahead of the upcoming staff delegation to the Newark/New York area in late June. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, a Congressional delegation led by Representative Raúl Grijalva is scheduled to tour the Nogales Processing Center in Nogales, Arizona. Attendees TBD. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge Newark Andrew McLees and officials from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) will brief Representative Timothy Murphy on ICE and CBP efforts to combat the illegal importation and sale of counterfeit, unapproved, and/or adulterated pharmaceuticals. The visit will also include tours of the Port of New York/Newark facilities, CBP Laboratory, JFK international mail facility, and the CBP-led Pharmaceutical Center of Excellence and Expertise. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, Transportation Security Administration Bishop International Airport Operations Federal Security Director Steve Lorincz will provide the Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security staff with a tour and briefing of Bishop International Airport operations. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Information Technology Assistant Administrator Steve Rice will provide a TSA Technology Overview for the Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security Staff. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will meet with Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Chairman Diane Feinstein to provide his 60-day review of Intelligence and Analysis. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will have an introductory meeting with Ranking Member Bennie Thompson of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security Ranking Member Bennie Thompson to provide his 60-day review of Intelligence and Analysis. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Office (PSO) Michael Stroud will brief House Homeland Committee staff on the activities and plans for PSO. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with Senator Ed Markey regarding the 100% scanning legislative requirement and the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture. Domestic Nuclear Detection Office will also participate. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will have an introductory meeting with Chairman Robert Goodlatte of the House Committee on the Judiciary. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will attend a "Meet and Greet" with Representative Richard Hudson, Chair of House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Closed press.

- On **June 20**, Transportation Security Administrator John Pistole will brief House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul on TSA's Daily Intel Briefing.
- On **June 20**, Senator Pat Toomey's staff will present Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Supervisory Transportation Security Officers John Prestera and Colette Armstrong with Congressional Certificates at Lehigh Valley International Airport for their quick response in assisting a passenger having an asthma attack.

## II. Principal Schedule

### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **June 12**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Saratoga Springs, NY to deliver the keynote address at the Second Circuit Judicial Conference. Press TBD.
- On **June 12**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Chicago, IL to visit the Broadview Detention Center with Senator Durbin and Congressman Gutierrez. He will also participate in a Syrian-American and Muslim Community Roundtable (closed press) as well as an Immigration Advocates meeting with Executive Directors from cross-cultural non-profit organizations in the greater Chicago area. He will participate in a joint press availability with Senator Durbin and Congressman Gutierrez.
- On **June 16**, Secretary Johnson will meet with the Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Interior, Robert Kaliňák from Slovakia to further develop Slovakia security relationship with the United States (closed press). He will also conduct a courtesy call with Marillyn Hewson, CEO, Lockheed Martin.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Mark Baker, President of Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association to discuss opportunities to work together to ensure that U.S. general aviation remains the safest and most secure in the world. He will also participate in the keynote session of the 2014 annual meeting of the Wall Street Journal CFO network, focusing on national and cybersecurity policy (open press.) The Secretary will additionally meet with member CEO's during a Business Roundtable hosted event to discuss mutual areas of interest and hear about DHS priorities to include immigration and cybersecurity.
- On **June 18**, the Secretary will participate in a classified threat briefing with Senator Ron Johnson. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Majority Members of the House Homeland Security Committee. This is a monthly meeting with the Members and Secretary Johnson. The Secretary will also deliver remarks at the National Student Leadership Conference (NSLC) to a group of outstanding high school students which the NSLC offers an opportunity to exchange ideas, explore careers and learn from various leaders. Secretary Johnson will also participate in a classified briefing with Senator Markey concerning 100% scanning.
- On **June 20**, Secretary Johnson will travel to McAllen, TX and Lackland AFB to tour facilities and receive briefings on actions related to Unaccompanied Alien Children. He will be accompanied by HHS Secretary Burwell, DAG Cole, and other interagency partners. Open and closed press.
- From **June 23 to 26**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Athens, Greece for the US-EU Justice and Home Affairs Ministerial. He will then travel to Barcelona, Spain to participate in the G6 conference and meet with his European counterparts. Press TBD.

## III. Items of Note

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- As part of the Efficiency initiative to leverage the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of furniture in the National Capital Region, DHS issued several new strategically sourced contracts in the Fall of 2011. To date, DHS has avoided costs of \$17.7 million through this initiative.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **June 10**, President Obama has signed 361 major disaster declarations and 70 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$30.3 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

## *Oversight*

- On **June 2**, OGC-Oversight attended a meeting with Senator Grassley's staff to discuss the status of responses to various letters sent to DHS by Senator Grassley.
- On **June 4**, DHS responded to a letter from Senator Grassley regarding information sharing between U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the FBI in the context of the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program.
- On **June 5**, OGC-Oversight attended a briefing for majority and minority Senate Judiciary Committee staff regarding the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program.
- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: Immigration and Customs Enforcement's release of detainees, EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, Secure Communities, allegations regarding purchases of guns by federal air marshals, and Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices.

## *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 28**, **John Harper**, a staff writer with the *Houma Courier* in Houma, Louisiana, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a list of oil, petroleum, and chemical spill reports in Louisiana state or coastal waters from January 1, 2010, through the present.
- On **May 29**, **Blake Sobczak**, a reporter with *EnergyWire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to railroad carrier evaluations of the adequacy of their vulnerability assessments and security plans, filed pursuant with Sec. 1511 (6 USC 1161) of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007.
- On **May 30**, **Julian March**, a reporter with the *StarNews* in Wilmington, North Carolina, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to an incident on August 5, 1989, involving two missing fishermen from Carolina Beach, North Carolina.
- On **May 30**, **Daryl Huff**, a producer with *Hawaii News Now* in Honolulu, Hawaii, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to examination reports of safety inspections of cruise ships in the Hawaii District since the inception of those inspections in 2014 under Marine Safety Information Bulletin 05-14.
- On **June 1**, **Samira Kanacevic**, a news desk associate with *WBBM-TV Chicago* in Chicago, Illinois, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to 9-1-1 calls from the water rescue at the Street Marina in Chicago on June 1, 2014.
- On **June 1**, **Samira Kanacevic**, a news desk associate with *WBBM-TV Chicago* in Chicago, Illinois, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to 9-1-1 calls from the water rescue off the shore of the Michigan City Lighthouse on May 31, 2014.
- On **June 2**, **Brody Mullins**, a journalist with *The Wall Street Journal*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas's daily schedule or calendar from 2009 through the present.
- On **June 3**, **Michael Kunzelman**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New Orleans, Louisiana, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of the exhibits attached to DHS-OIG investigation I13-FPS-SID-00215.
- On **June 4**, **Mc Nelly Torres**, an investigative producer with *WTVJ-NBC6* in Miramar, Florida, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the following records: (1) a listing of incidents at major airports where weapons were confiscated by TSA, including the following information: (a) date; (b) airport name; (c) city and state; (d) type of weapon confiscated; and (e) for firearms, whether or not they were loaded; and (2) the total number of travelers that were documented for 2011 through 2013.
- On **June 4**, **Alexa O'Brien**, a representative with *MuckRock News* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the DHS congressional correspondence logs for 2006 through 2008.
- On **June 4**, **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) records of correspondence between these agencies and Congressman Bruce Braley (D-IA) and Congressman Travis Childers (D-MS) pertaining to: (1) policy, legislation, or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive

branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **May 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Rachael Bale**, a researcher with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 11 pages of records consisting of spreadsheets containing complaint narratives of calls to the DHS-OIG hotline, and investigations of sexual assault at U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention facilities, from 2009 through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(A), 7(C), 7(D), and 7(F).
- On **May 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Melissa del Bosque**, a reporter with *Texas Observer* in Austin, Texas, 10 pages of records consisting of spreadsheets containing complaint narratives on sexual assault and sexual harassment investigations within U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), from 2011 through 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **May 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Michael Kunzelman**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New Orleans, Louisiana, 10 pages of records consisting of the report of investigation summary for DHS-OIG investigation I13-FPS-SID-00215. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **May 29**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Matt Jenkins**, a reporter with *High Country News* in El Paso, Texas, 30 pages of records consisting of a case report, enforcement activities, and letters pertaining to an incident involving the vessel ALASKA RANGER on January 7, 2002. These records were released in full
- On **May 29**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Matt Jenkins**, a reporter with *High Country News* in El Paso, Texas, six pages of records consisting of an investigation report and an enforcement activity pertaining to the vessel ALASKA WARRIOR. These records were released in full.
- On **May 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Robert Ortega**, a reporter with *The Arizona Republic* in Phoenix, Arizona, a full denial in response to his request seeking investigative reports and other records pertaining to the deaths of the following individuals: (1) Ernest Gutierrez Cortez; (2) Steven Keith; (3) Cruz Marcelino Velasquez; (4) Gabriel Sanchez Velasquez; and (5) Jesus Flores-Cruz. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **June 2**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) released to **Ryan Luther**, an individual in Washington, DC, 240 pages of records consisting of correspondence between FLETC and Congressman Jack Kingston (R-GA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **June 4**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Laura Wides-Munoz**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Miami, Florida, one Excel spreadsheet containing data pertaining to Fraud Detection and National Security investigations of H-1B non-immigrant approved petitions from fiscal years 2011 through 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **June 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Lynn Jorden**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records of correspondence between DHS and Monica Wehby, Monica Wehby-Grant, and/or Monica Wehby-Vogt from January 1, 1990, through the present.

#### **IV. 30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

- During the week of **June 16**, DHS expects to release the second Quadrennial Homeland Security Review report.

- In **June**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates updating the E-Verify Spanish website to mirror the recent update to the English website. Updates will include new graphics and new and revised content.
- In **June**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates issuing a new policy expanding the definition of “mother” and “parent” under the Immigration and Nationality Act to include gestational mothers using assisted reproductive technology. After a joint review of the law, USCIS and the Department of State concluded that the term “mother” and “parent” under the INA includes any mother who: 1) carried and gave birth to the child; and, 2) was the child’s legal mother at the time of birth under the law of the relevant jurisdiction.
- In **June**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host its second quarterly webinar on online customer services resources that are available for stakeholders.
- In **June**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- By **June 30**, DHS expects to release to the White House a DHS Policy on Climate Change Adaptation as part of the deliverables under the Executive Order on Climate Preparedness.
- In the **summer**, DHS expects to announce with Canada an agreement to cover preclearance operations in the land, marine, and rail modes, as well as updates to the existing U.S.-Canada Air Preclearance Agreement, per the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- In the **summer**, USCIS will issue an interim rule, amending its regulations governing the requirements and procedures for alien victims of human trafficking seeking T nonimmigrant status. The Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) may grant T nonimmigrant status (commonly known as a “T visa”) to aliens who are or were victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons, who have complied (unless under 18 years of age or unable to cooperate due to trauma) with reasonable requests by a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency (LEA) for assistance in an investigation or prosecution of acts of trafficking in persons or the investigation of other crimes involving trafficking, and who would suffer extreme hardship involving unusual and severe harm if removed from the United States. In this interim rule, DHS is amending its regulations to conform with legislation enacted after the initial rule was published in 2002: the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2003, the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005, the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008, and the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2013. DHS is also streamlining procedures, responding to public comments, and providing guidance for the statutory requirements for T nonimmigrants. The intent is to make sure the T nonimmigrant status regulations are up to date and reflect USCIS adjudicative experience, as well as the input provided by stakeholders.

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### **I. Presidential Priorities**

#### *Immigration*

- On **June 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national forum to discuss Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification, and the E-Verify program. The forum will be presented virtually via video teleconference and web-streaming. Local businesses will be able to attend and participate via video teleconference at the following locations: Tomich Center at USCIS Headquarters in DC; Atlanta, GA; Charlotte, NC; and Fairfax, VA. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee about the influx of unaccompanied children on the Southwest Border. U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate are also scheduled to testify. Open press.
- On **June 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Border Patrol Deputy Chief Ron Vitello and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Tom Homan will testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary about the influx of unaccompanied children on the Southwest Border. Open press.
- On **June 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Institute of Museum and Library Services will provide the third webinar in a series of webinars for librarians. This session will focus on deferred action for childhood arrivals and the reapplication process. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host its second quarterly webinar on customer services resources for stakeholders. During this engagement, USCIS will share an overview of the updates to its self-help tools, including Case Status Online, e-Request, Change of Address, and Processing Times, which USCIS recently enhanced these services to provide a better online customer service experience. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **June 14**, 534,984 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 18.8 million queries have been run through the system.

#### *Travel & Trade*

- On **June 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner McAleenan will speak at the DHL Public Policy Forum in Washington D.C. His remarks will focus on cargo security initiatives. Closed press.

#### *Cybersecurity*

- On **June 24**, National Preparedness and Programs Directorate National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC) Director Larry Zelvin, will participate in a panel discussion on preventing third-party cyber attacks, at the POLITICO Pro: Financial Services and Cyber Security event, in Washington. The audience will consist of senior-level government and private sector officials. Open press.
- On **June 24**, National Preparedness and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Next generation cyber threat architecture," at the Financial Services Symposium, in New York. The audience will consist of financial services industry, regulatory, and law enforcement leaders. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, National Preparedness and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding, will deliver remarks on ensuring the security and resilience of the nation's critical infrastructure, at the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Cyber Symposium, in Baltimore, MD. The audience will consist of government (federal, state, local), military, industry and academia professionals from the defense and homeland security communities. Open press.
- On **June 25**, National Preparedness and Programs Directorate NPPD Assistant Secretary for CS&C Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on DHS' role in cybersecurity, at the 26th Annual Forum of Incident Response



- and Security Teams Conference, in Boston, MA. The audience will consist of representatives from government, private, academic and law enforcement cyber incident response professionals. Open press.
- On **June 25**, National Preparedness and Programs Directorate CS&C Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity Strategy and Emergency Communications Bobbie Stempfley, will deliver remarks on the importance of leadership and teamwork in the intelligence community, at the National Student Leadership Conference, in Washington, DC. The audience will consist of high school students from around the country. Closed press.
  - On **June 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition and the Department of Defense Joint Program Executive Office for Chemical and Biological Defense (JPEO-CBD) will co-sponsor a Cybersecurity Summit in Arlington, VA. The Summit will address the existing cyber threat landscape, current and emerging practices, technologies and standards. Speakers will include CBP Assistant Commissioner Borkowski and JPEO-CBD Deputy Joint Project Manager-Guardian Don Buley. The Summit is closed to private industry and the general public. Closed press.

#### *Gun Violence Prevention*

- From **June 20 to 25**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) will participate in the National Sheriffs' Association's 2014 Annual Conference and Exhibition in Fort Worth, TX and will present four training workshops, including Considerations in Active Shooter/Active Events Training, Police-on-Police Shootings, Tools to Address PTSD in the Work Place and OTC-Countermeasures Technology Available to Detect Electronic Surveillance. Open press.

## **II. Department/Agency Priorities**

### *Expected Stories/Announcements*

- CBS News plans to run an interview with U.S. Coast Guard District 7 Chief of Response CAPT Mark Fedor about human-smuggling and organized criminal networks of smugglers seeking to profit off desperate Haitians, in addition to the increase in the Haitian migrant activity, specifically in the Mona Pass. Air date TBD.
- International Airport Review will publish an article by U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske on the role of APC kiosks in processing passengers at international airports. Publication date TBD.
- On **June 23**, the Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Operations, in coordination with the Office of Public Affairs, will conduct a media event at Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI) on the TSA BWI Lost and Found operation. Open press.
- On or about **June 25**, the last segment of the original PF225 fencing project is scheduled to be completed. The installation of approximately one mile of primary fence along the landside edge of the American Canal Extension will close a gap in the primary fence in the El Paso Border Patrol Sector's area of responsibility and will provide agents with added persistent impedance of illicit cross-border activity in the area.

### *Outreach/Stakeholder Meetings*

- From **June 20 to 23**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) Phil McNamara will participate in the U.S. Conference of Mayors Annual Conference in Dallas, TX and will hold introductory meetings with several Mayors to discuss the role of IGA and coordinate on DHS items of interest. Portions open and closed press.
- On **June 21 and June 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks at the National Sheriffs' Association Annual Conference in Fort Worth, TX. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will participate in a panel discussion regarding immigration and border security at the Conference and ICE Office of State, Local and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt is also scheduled to attend. Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia, will also present at the National Sheriffs' Association Homeland Security Committee meeting during the conference. Open press during opening session only.

- On **June 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks to the U.S. Conference of Mayors Annual Conference in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- From **June 22 to 25**, Transportation Security Administrator John Pistole will be attending the QUAD High-Level Group in Lisbon, Portugal. Office of Global Strategies Deputy Assistant Administrator Vicki Reeder will accompany him. The QUAD provides a forum for Australia, Canada, the European Commission and United States to collaborate on transportation security priorities and to advance aviation security internally as well as influence other multilateral bodies externally. Closed press.
- From **June 23 to 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will attend World Customs Organization (WCO) Policy Commission meetings and Council Sessions in Brussels, Belgium. While in Brussels, the Commissioner and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary will also meet with several heads of foreign Customs administrations and leaders in the WCO and European Commission. Closed press.
- From **June 23 to 26**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Athens, Greece for the US-EU Justice and Home Affairs Ministerial. He will then travel to Barcelona, Spain to participate in the G6 conference and meet with his European counterparts. Press TBD.
- On **June 24**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Security Capabilities, Assistant Administrator John Sanders will deliver keynote remarks at the Airport Consultants Council/TSA Security Capabilities Day at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, Assistant Secretary for Policy Alan Bersin will travel to Nicaragua, Guatemala, and Honduras to lead the U.S. delegation for the Regional Conference on Migration and to discuss unaccompanied children issues with relevant foreign governments.
- From **June 24 to 25**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will host a delegation from Israel's Ministry of Public Security and other key Israeli partner ministries for the annual Science and Technology Bilateral Meeting. Brothers and his counterpart, Deputy Director-General Mr. Eliezer Rozenbaum, will review ongoing and proposed work on first responders' technologies, chemical and biological detection, explosives detection, resilient systems, and borders and maritime issues, and agree on plans for the coming year. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Neffenger will present the William M. Benkert Marine Environmental Protection Award for Excellence at the American Petroleum Institute (API) Tanker Conference in Austin, TX. The William M. Benkert Award is the premiere marine environmental protection award presented by the Coast Guard to members of the Marine Industry. This biennial award recognizes organizations for outstanding achievements in all aspects of marine environmental protection. In addition, he will visit Coast Guard units, Project Resident Office (PRO) Lockport and PRO Gulf Coast.
- On **June 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Enforcement and Removal Operations, El Paso Assistant Field Office Director Reginal Buck will host a tour of the El Paso Processing Center for a delegation of U.S. State Department Fraud Prevention Unit Officers to provide an overview of issues immigrant/non-immigrants face during removal proceedings. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will delivery remarks at a meeting with State, local and non-governmental subject matter experts to discuss next steps in improving survivability in improvised explosive device and active shooter incidents and identify issues and future actions in Tactical Emergency Medical Services education standards.
- On **June 26 and June 27**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will host an open house for Department of Homeland Security leadership and Congress to demonstrate the test and evaluation capabilities established for the Apex Air Entry/Exit Re-engineering (AEER) Project. The Apex AEER Project is a joint initiative between DHS Science and Technology and U.S. Customs and Border Protection to identify opportunities to introduce process and technology changes to expedite traveler screening at the nations' international airports, as well as identify candidate approaches to implement a biometric air exit capability to confirm the departure of foreign visitors. U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski (Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition) is also scheduled to attend. Open Press.

- On **July 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski and ICE Office of State, Local and Tribal Coordination Assistant Director Harold Hurtt are scheduled to have a meet and greet with Executive Director Joseph Akers of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **June 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations, Special Agent in Charge Newark, Andy McLees, officials from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the National Football League, and the New Jersey State Police, will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications, during a field hearing on Security for mass gatherings. Open press.
- On **June 24**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Operations Threat Assessment Division Director Melanie Harvey, and Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Security Services and Assessments Division Director Annmarie Lontz will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security about the use of explosives detection canine teams. Open press.
- On **June 25**, FEMA Chief Financial Officer Ed Johnson will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia on FEMA Efficiencies. Open press.
- On **June 26**, Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector Office Michael Stroud will testify before the Senate Commerce's Subcommittee on Tourism. He will discuss DHS's role in facilitating travel, pursuant to the Presidential Memorandum. Open press.
- On **June 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will testify before the Senate Commerce, Science and Technology Committee, Subcommittee on Tourism, Competitiveness, and Innovation on travel facilitation and tourism. DHS's Private Sector Office, the Department of State, and the Department of Commerce will also testify. Open to the public
- On **June 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Intellectual Property Rights Center Director Lev Kubiak will brief staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security on Intellectual Property Rights investigations. Staff will also tour the National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **June 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), New Orleans Acting Deputy Field Office Director Brian S. Acuna will provide a courtesy visit and briefing on ERO New Orleans enforcement operations in Louisiana to the staff Congressman Bill Cassidy. Closed press.
- On **June 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations, Deputy Executive Associate Director, Timothy Robbins, along with officials from other Department of Homeland Security components, will participate in a reoccurring congressional staff update on DHS management of the Unaccompanied Children issue along the southwest border. Closed press.
- On **June 20**, Senator McCain will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protections Nogales Processing Center in Nogales, AZ currently housing unaccompanied children. Closed press.
- From **June 22 to 27**, House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee staff will tour Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Coast Guard operations in South Florida, San Diego, CA and Riverside, CA.
- On **June 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Executive Director Cynthia Whittenburg (Office of International Trade) will brief House Ways and Means Committee staff and trade legislative assistants on CBP's role in international trade. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, Executive Associate Director (EAD) Peter Edge will have a meet and greet with Lucille Roybal-Allard. Closed press.

- On **June 25**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis will deliver a Southwest Border Threat Briefing for Senator Ted Cruz. Closed press.
- On **June 25**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Francis X. Taylor will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul to provide his 60-day review of I&A. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will meet with Senator Jon Tester, Chairman of the House Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Under Secretary's goals for the Directorate and any concerns the senator may have. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO), New Orleans Acting Deputy Field Office Director Brian S. Acuna will provide a courtesy visit and briefing on ERO New Orleans enforcement operations in Louisiana to the staff of Congressman John Fleming, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, in conjunction with U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Coast Guard, will deliver a Border Security Briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security and House Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee staffs. Closed press.

### **III. Principal Schedule**

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **June 20**, Secretary Johnson will travel to McAllen, TX and Lackland Air Force Base to tour facilities and receive briefings on actions related to Unaccompanied Alien Children. He will be accompanied by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski and other interagency partners. Open and closed press.
- On **June 23**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Secretary Lew, ADM Rogers and Director Comey to discuss cybersecurity efforts. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee about the influx of unaccompanied children on the Southwest Border. Open press.
- On **June 25**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Nogales, AZ to view U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Nogales Processing Center and receive operational updates on the current situation related to unaccompanied children. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, Secretary Johnson will meet with White House Presidential Leadership Workshop Appointees. He will also meet with Mark Baker, President, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association to discuss opportunities to work together to ensure the U.S. general aviation safety. Closed press.
- On **June 27**, Secretary Johnson will meet with French Secretary General of National Defense and Security Francis Delon to expand bilateral cooperation and promote DHS's priorities and approaches with France (closed press). The Secretary will also meet Mike Karn, President, Coalition of Airline Pilots Associations to discuss aviation security. He will also meet with General Schwartz, President and CEO, Business Executives for National Security (BENS) regarding how BENS can be helpful to DHS and ongoing BENS initiatives. Closed press.

### **IV. Items of Note**

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Tactical Communications initiative through use of the department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicles for tactical communications services and equipment (such as radios), DHS achieved a cost avoidance of more than \$29 million to date.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **June 17**, President Obama has signed 363 major disaster declarations and 70 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$30.4 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### *Oversight*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: unaccompanied alien children, ICE's release of detainees, EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, Secure Communities, allegations regarding purchases of guns by federal air marshals, and Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 23**, **Matthew Mosk**, a producer with *ABC News* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between members of Congress and USCIS pertaining to the following applicants for designation as a USCIS Regional Center: (1) the EI Monte Regional Center; (2) USA Now; (3) the Alabama Center for Foreign Investment; (4) Gulf Coast Funds Management; (5) the Las Vegas Regional Center; (6) the Orleans Parish Louisiana Targeted Enforcement Area; and (7) the South Dakota Regional Center.
- On **May 30**, **Brody Mullins**, a journalist with *The Wall Street Journal* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between members of Congress and USCIS pertaining to the EB-5 program from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2012.
- On **May 30**, **Brody Mullins**, a journalist with *The Wall Street Journal* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between USCIS and the office of Bill or Hillary Clinton pertaining to the EB-5 program from January 1, 2009, through the present.
- On **June 2**, **Angelo Young**, a reporter with the *International Business Times* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) statistical data pertaining to the following: (1) B-1 domestic worker visas; (2) A-3 domestic worker visas; and (3) G-5 domestic worker visas.
- On **June 3**, **Brody Mullins**, a journalist with *The Wall Street Journal* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) the names and addresses for the following: (1) projects that were deemed eligible for participation in the EB-5 program; (2) projects that received funding from investments through the EB-5 program; and (3) individuals who received visas through the EB-5 program from January 1, 2009, through the present.
- On **June 4**, **Jennifer Dale**, a news director with *News Channel 11* in Johnson City, Tennessee, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the 2013 National Response Center reports.
- On **June 5**, **Zach Linsey**, a research analyst with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of National Flood Insurance Program claims that were denied by the following third party administrators: (1) York Claims Service; (2) York Claims Service, Inc.; (3) York Insurance Company; (4) York Insurance Services Group, Inc.; (5) York Insurance Holdings, Inc.; and (6) York Risk Services from January 1, 1999, through the present.
- On **June 5**, **Jasper Craven**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to drug seizures at Canadian border crossings in Vermont (North Derby, Newport, and North Troy) from January 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **June 5**, **Scott Nicol**, a representative with the **Sierra Club** in McAllen, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the construction of vehicle barriers adjacent to the Tohono O'odham Nation from January 1, 2000, through the present.
- On **June 5**, **Penn Bullock**, a reporter with *Rolling Stone* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to Operation Mayan Jaguar.

- On **June 6, 2014**, **Zoe Carpenter**, a reporter with *The Nation* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the Criminal Alien Removal Initiative.
- On **June 6**, **Bob Cusack**, a managing editor with *The Hill* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of the DHS-OIG Weekly Activity Reports for 2014.
- On **June 6**, **John Ferro**, a reporter with the *Poughkeepsie Journal* in Poughkeepsie, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the summary of the “Hot Wash” following the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation crude oil spill drill held on November 13, 2013, in New Windsor, New York.
- On **June 6**, **April Havens**, a reporter with *GulfLive* in Pascagoula, Mississippi, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to release reports for Mississippi Phosphates Corporation from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **June 8**, **Vance Green**, a researcher with *Seven O’Clock Update* in North Arlington, New Jersey, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the use of the Warning Area Airspace known as Whiskey 105 on the morning of September 11, 2001.
- On **June 8, 2014**, **Mike Faulk**, a reporter with *The Yakima Herald-Republic* in Yakima, Washington, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of case files with U.S. Border Patrol for investigations involving six Asian massage parlors in Yakima, Washington and other spas in the State of Washington associated with the owners.
- On **June 9, 2014**, **Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records pertaining to the television series Border Wars: (1) a copy of any contracts, agreements, or memoranda of understanding by CBP regarding its production; and (2) a copy of e-mails sent or received by CBP leadership and various offices from January 1, 2009, through the present.
- On **June 9**, **Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records created by CBP, Office of Chief Counsel or Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of the General Counsel (OGC) that outline the legal authority for CBP to conduct unmanned aircraft systems missions and provide support to other agencies, from January 1, 2005, through January 10, 2014.
- On **June 9**, **Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to illegal air interdictions in border states from fiscal year 2000 through January 31, 2014.
- On **June 9**, **Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of the report required under Section 501 of the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 pertaining to airspace restrictions for use of unmanned aerial vehicles along the border between the U.S. and Mexico.
- On **June 9**, **Barry Davis**, a reporter with *KENS-5 TV* in San Antonio, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the number of illegal/undocumented immigrants caught or turned over to ICE in the South Texas region for fiscal years 2011 through 2014.
- On **June 9**, **Rebecca Engel**, a representative with the **New York Civil Liberties Union** in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the number of ICE detainees in segregation units in the State of New York from April 16, 2013, through June 1, 2014.
- On **June 9**, **William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to ICE’s policies regarding releasing previously detained aliens at bus stations in the Southwest.
- On **June 9**, **Marci Manley**, a reporter with *KARK-TV* in Little Rock, Arkansas, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of individual assistance claims from the National Emergency Management Information System for Severe Storms, Hurricane and Tornadoes (DR-4147) in Arkansas from April 27, 2014, through the present.
- On **June 10**, **Jeff Ruch**, an executive director with **Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector



General (OIG) the following records: (1) records pertaining to DHS's implementation of section 828 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2013 (codified at 41 U.S.C. section §4712); and (2) records pertaining to whistleblower reprisal complaints made by federal contractor employees.

- On **June 10**, **Lise Olsen**, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a list of the allisions and collisions in the Houston Ship Channel from January 1, 2009, through the present.
- On **June 11**, **Christine Haas**, a reporter with *Fox 7* in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to travel and expense reports for ICE agents accompanying minors into the U.S. from January 1, 2014, through the present.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Douglas Lucas**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, five pages of records pertaining to Mexican military or police helicopters entering U.S. airspace from January 1, 2010, through April 30, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **June 5**, the United States Secret Service (USSS) released to **Kevin Poulsen**, a news editor with *Wired* in San Francisco, California, 562 pages of records pertaining to Aaron Swartz. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption j2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **June 5**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Ryan Kath**, a reporter with *41 Action News* in Kansas City, Missouri, 12 pages of investigative records pertaining to DHS-OIG investigation I11-FPS-CHI-00785. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(D).
- On **June 5**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Bart Jansen**, a reporter with *USA Today* in Washington, DC, 384 pages of records consisting of the General Aviation Risk Assessment report and the General Aviation Aircraft Impact Damage Analysis report. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3 and 6.
- On **June 6**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Daniel Blom**, an investigative producer with *WBBM-TV* in Chicago, Illinois, six pages of records consisting of lost or stolen property claims for O'Hare International Airport and Midway International Airport in 2012 and 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **June 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Kelsi Loos**, a reporter with the *Frederick News-Post* in Frederick, Maryland, one Excel spreadsheet containing data for detainees held at the Frederick County Detention Center for the past three years. These records were released in full.
- On **June 6**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to **Meredith Stewart**, a staff attorney with the **Southern Poverty Law Center** in New Orleans, Louisiana, a no records determination in response to her request seeking all records and complaints related to immigration detainers, from January 1, 2011, through the present.
- On **June 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Lynda Clancy**, an editorial director with the *Penobscot Bay Pilot* in Rockport, Maine, 102 pages of records consisting of case reports, witness statements, photographs, enforcements, and letters pertaining to the incident involving the vessel ARCHANGEL on August 7, 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **June 11**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Gretchen Paine**, an attorney with **Perkins Coie, LLP**, on behalf of **BAE Systems, Inc.** and **The O'Gara Group**, in Seattle, Washington, 124 pages of records pertaining to the incident on February 15, 2011, in which Special Agent Jaime Zapata was murdered and Special Agent Victor Avila, Jr. was shot multiple times. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(A), 7(C), 7(E), and 7(F).
- On **June 11**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Leila Fujimori**, a reporter with the *Honolulu Star-Advertiser* in Honolulu, Hawaii, 25 audio files and 132 pages of records consisting of case reports, photographs, witness statements, letters, logs, and inspections pertaining to the death of Kenan Knieriem. These records were released in full.

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- By **June 30**, DHS expects to release to the White House a DHS Policy on Climate Change Adaptation as part of the deliverables under the Executive Order on Climate Preparedness.
- On **July 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates hosting its fourth Chinese language engagement, Jiao Liu, with a focus on DACA and naturalization.
- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates updating the E-Verify Spanish website to mirror the recent update to the English website. Updates will include new graphics and new and revised content.
- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates holding special naturalization ceremonies across the country in commemoration of Independence Day, welcoming nearly 7,800 new citizens in 95 ceremonies between June 30 and July 5. A signature (anchor) naturalization ceremony is TBD.
- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates publishing Federal Register Notice on Temporary Protected Status for Sudan and South Sudan.
- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates hosting its first Korean language engagement.
- In the **summer**, DHS expects to announce with Canada an agreement to cover preclearance operations in the land, marine, and rail modes, as well as updates to the existing U.S.-Canada Air Preclearance Agreement, per the Beyond the Border Action Plan.
- In the **summer**, USCIS will issue an interim rule, amending its regulations governing the requirements and procedures for alien victims of human trafficking seeking T nonimmigrant status. The Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) may grant T nonimmigrant status (commonly known as a “T visa”) to aliens who are or were victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons, who have complied (unless under 18 years of age or unable to cooperate due to trauma) with reasonable requests by a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency (LEA) for assistance in an investigation or prosecution of acts of trafficking in persons or the investigation of other crimes involving trafficking, and who would suffer extreme hardship involving unusual and severe harm if removed from the United States. In this interim rule, DHS is amending its regulations to conform with legislation enacted after the initial rule was published in 2002: the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2003, the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005, the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008, and the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2013. DHS is also streamlining procedures, responding to public comments, and providing guidance for the statutory requirements for T nonimmigrants. The intent is to make sure the T nonimmigrant status regulations are up to date and reflect USCIS adjudicative experience, as well as the input provided by stakeholders.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

July 2, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **July 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will provide the keynote remarks during a naturalization ceremony hosted by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services in Phoenix, AZ in celebration of the 200 newest citizens of the United States on the nation's 238<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration. Open press.
- On **July 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing a Federal Register Notice on Temporary Protected Status for Sudan and South Sudan.
- On **July 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Benjamin Johnson, Executive Director of the American Immigration Council, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Queens Field Office will host a recorded teleconference with in-person participation on *The Naturalization Process: How to Become a U.S. Citizen*. Closed Press.
- On **July 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the Federal Emergency Management Agency are scheduled to testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at a hearing on unaccompanied children. The Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of State will also testify. Open press.
- On **July 10**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a 30-minute webinar introducing the USCIS Genealogy Program and familiarize attendees with the services, fees, website, request processes, and how/where to get help/more information. The webinar is geared to general public genealogists (beginner to advanced). In addition to the content described above, this session will include answers to some frequently asked questions and expand on common errors made by Genealogy Program requesters. Closed Press.
- On **July 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello (Office of Border Patrol) will brief Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard on issues related to unaccompanied children. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will also participate. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **June 28**, 537,180 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 20 million queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity:**

- On **July 8**, the US Secret Service will participate in a one hour DHS Cyber Law Enforcement Panel teleconference with approximately 30 students enrolled in the Cyber Student Volunteer Initiative Program. The call will inform students of the USSS role in cyber and law enforcement. The Cyber Student Volunteer Initiative is part of the DHS CyberSkills Management Support Initiative. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **May 30**, Secretary Johnson announced the immediate deployment of approximately 150 U.S. Border Patrol agents to the Rio Grande Valley (RGV) Sector to augment illegal entry detection efforts while enhancing processing, detention capability as part of ongoing efforts to target and disrupt transnational criminal organizations in RGV. In support of agents currently operating in RGV, the U.S. Border Patrol is deploying agents from around the country, including Blaine, Spokane, Havre, Grand Forks, Detroit, Buffalo, Houlton, Swanton, Miami, Ramey, San Diego, El Centro, Yuma, Tucson, El Paso and Big Bend. This deployment enhances efforts to execute joint, targeted enforcement operations in order to disrupt and degrade criminal organizations that are responsible for smuggling illegal immigrants and drugs throughout the South Texas Corridor.
- On **July 7**, FEMA is tentatively scheduled to announce the members selected for the Technical Mapping Advisory Council. The Council, mandated by the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 and further expanded by the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014, will develop recommendations to ensure FEMA's Flood Insurance Rate Maps continue to incorporate the best available science to assess flood risks and ensure the best available methodology to consider the impact of future development on flood risk.
- On **July 8**, the U.S. Coast Guard will testify before the House Subcommittee on Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation about Arctic Operations. Open press.
- DHS will soon publish the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Final Rule titled "Closing of the Jamieson Line, New York Border Crossing" in the Federal Register. This rule amends DHS regulations pertaining to the field organization of CBP by closing the Jamieson Line, New York border crossing.
- DHS will soon submit the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Final Rule titled Vessel Requirements for Notices of Arrival and Departure (NOAD), and Automatic Identification System (AIS) to OMB for review under EO 12866. This rule expands the applicability of NOAD and AIS requirements to include more commercial vessels.
- DHS will soon submit the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking titled "Deepwater Ports" to OMB for review under EO 12866. The rule proposes to revise USCG regulations for the licensing, construction, design, equipment, and operation of deepwater ports, which are offshore fixed or floating structures, other than vessels, used as ports or terminals for the import of export of oil and natural gas.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **July 7 and 8**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Miami, FL where he will visit the National Hurricane Center to discuss the hurricane season, engage with U.S. Coast Guard District Seven, and visit USSOUTHCOM. All events are closed press.
- On **July 8 and 9**, Secretary Johnson and USSOUTHCOM Commander General Kelly will travel to Guatemala where they will jointly participate in Government of Guatemala bilateral meetings where they will discuss issues of mutual concern, including the influx of unaccompanied children in the Rio Grande Valley. Following their meeting, Secretary Johnson will conduct a joint press availability with the President of Guatemala.
- On **July 10**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Chairman Goodlatte and Representative Gowdy as a follow up to the Secretary's May 29 hearing. Closed press.

### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **July 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in an introductory meeting with Deb Senator Fischer. Closed press.
- On **July 8**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in an introductory meeting with Senator Tim Johnson. Closed press.
- On **July 9**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in an introductory meeting with Senator Jack Reed. Closed press. The Deputy Secretary is also tentatively scheduled to deliver remarks at the 2014 League of United Latin American Citizens National Convention in New York, NY. Open press.

### *Other Principals*

- From **July 8 to 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Zukunft will travel to Ottawa, Canada to attend the U.S. – Canada Coast Guard Summit. This summit is an annual engagement between both countries Coast Guards, and provides engagements that have historically resulted in bilateral agreements across the spectrum of Coast Guard mission areas. Press TBD.
- On **July 10**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will attend the Council of Governors' Meeting at the Annual National Governors Association Summer Meeting in Nashville, TN. Closed press.
- On **July 12**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia, will conduct a seminar with Ph.D students at the Public Policy and Nuclear Threats Workshop. The workshop is hosted by the University of California Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation and the Nuclear Science and Security Consortium with topics including detection and interdiction. Closed press.

### Items of Note

#### *Expected Press*

- On **July 1**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations' Bulk Cash Smuggling Center Unit Chief Joe Burke will interview with the Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists for a feature story about the center. Open press.
- On **July 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Detroit Field Office will host a media event at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport to announce the launch of Automated Passport Control kiosks at the airport. Detroit Director of Field Operations Christopher Perry and representatives from the Wayne County Airport Authority and Delta Airlines will address the media. Open press.
- On **July 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to be interviewed about border security issues for C-SPAN's "Newsmakers" program. Airdate TBA.
- CBS Reporter Miles Doran was in Puerto Rico working on a story about human-smuggling and organized criminal networks of smugglers. Mr. Doran is focused on activity through the Mona Passage. U.S. Coast Guard District Seven Public Affairs promoted the "do not take to the sea" messaging and dangers of working with migrant smugglers into the story. The reporter has indicated that the story may run sometime after July 4.

### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$13 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Efficiency Review initiative to utilize federal facilities for conferences, meetings and trainings instead of renting private space.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations and Public Assistance*

- As of **July 1**, President Obama has signed 363 major disaster declarations and 70 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$30.6 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### Legal

#### *Oversight*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards, unaccompanied alien children, ICE's release of detainees, EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, Secure Communities, allegations regarding purchases of guns by federal air marshals, and Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **June 18**, **Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the apprehension, processing, and detention of unaccompanied minor Mexican and Central American migrants by U.S. immigration officials in June 2014.
- On **June 19**, **Chuck Ross**, a reporter with *The Daily Caller* in Wichita, Kansas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) statistics pertaining to criminal incidents at facilities being used to house unaccompanied children.
- On **June 19**, **Gabriel Schivone**, a blogger with the *Huffington Post* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to contracts for equipment services with Motorola.
- On **June 19**, **William Sommer IV**, a representative with the *Washington City Paper* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to a nuclear, biological, or chemical attack on Washington, DC and the DC area.
- On **June 20**, **Becky Hayat**, an attorney with the **Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc.** in Santa Monica, California, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program's Community Assistance Program-State Support Service Element Agreements between FEMA and the following states: (1) New Jersey; (2) Missouri; (3) New York; (4) Texas; (5) Florida; (6) California; (7) North Carolina; and (8) Pennsylvania from 2009 through 2013.
- On **June 20**, **Timothy Warren**, a representative with *International Trade Today* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to e-Allegations from June 1, 2008, through the present.
- On **June 20**, **Taryn Luna**, a reporter with the *Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to three incidents at Logan International Airport in which TSA employees detected guns on travelers



or in their carry-on luggage at the security screening line on March 5, 2014, May 13, 2014, and May 20, 2014.

- On **June 20, Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) records pertaining to Project VP-030-05 titled “ABC’s of Surveillance.”
- On **June 23, Theodore Hesson**, a reporter with *Fusion* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to unaccompanied children apprehended by the U.S. Border Patrol from October 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **June 23, Jens Krogstad**, a writer and editor with the **Pew Research Center** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records pertaining to unaccompanied alien children: (1) the number projected to be apprehended in fiscal year 2014; (2) the number apprehended at the U.S.-Mexico border in fiscal year 2014; and (3) a copy of an internal draft Department of Homeland Security (DHS) record containing an estimate of 90,000 apprehensions in fiscal year 2014.
- On **June 23, Jens Krogstad**, a writer and editor with the **Pew Research Center** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the place of origin of every unaccompanied alien child apprehended by the U.S. Border Patrol in fiscal year 2014.
- On **June 23, Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the congressional questions for the record from January 1, 2014, through June 19, 2014.
- On **June 23, Rebecca Sawyer**, a representative with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a list of the political appointees who were involved in funding the Kinder Morgan Liquids Terminals LLC grants from 2005 through 2009.
- On **June 23, 2014, John Christoffersen**, a journalist with the *Associated Press* in New Haven, Connecticut, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the number of safety zones established per year in each of the last five years in the USCG New York Sector.
- On **June 24, Miraisy Rodriguez**, a reporter with *Univision Communications Inc.* in Miami, Florida, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to contracts between ICE and GEO Group, Inc. for services provided to the detainees at the Broward Transitional Center.
- On **June 24, Douglas Lucas**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the Mexican police or the Mexican military conducting operations in Texas, Nevada, or New Mexico from January 1, 2010, through the present.
- On **June 25, Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the February 18, 2014 shooting of Jesus Flores Cruz.
- On **June 25, Andy Medici**, a journalist with the *Federal Times*, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a log of the congressional questions for the record from October 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **June 25, Alicia Caldwell**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to how to

respond to media questions regarding the number of notices to appear issued to immigrants from countries other than Mexico caught crossing the Mexican border illegally.

- On **June 25**, **Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the meeting between President Barack Obama, Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto, and Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper in Mexico on February 19, 2014.
- On **June 25**, **Josh Margolin**, a reporter with **ABC News** in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the review of events and responses associated with the April 2013 Boston Marathon Bombing and subsequent manhunt.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Josh Margolin**, a reporter with **ABC News** in New York, New York, 220 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the October 2010 attempt to transport explosive devices via the United Parcel Service and Federal Express. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 5, 6, 7(A), 7(C), 7(E), and 7(F).
- On **June 23**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Jim Hoffer**, a journalist with **WABC-TV** in New York, New York, 196 pages of records consisting of case reports and inspections pertaining to Staten Island ferry vessels. These records were released in full.
- On **June 23**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) released to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, 14 pages of records consisting of correspondence between FLETC and Congressman Bruce Braley (D-IA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **June 23**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) issued to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence between FLETC and Congressman Travis Childers (D-MS).
- On **June 25**, 2014, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Rachel Weaver**, Republican Staff Director with the **U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight** in Washington, DC; **Jana Winter**, a reporter with **Fox News** in New York, New York; and **Jake Tapper**, an anchor with **Cable News Network**, 10 pages of records consisting of the main Report of Investigation I12-USSS-OSI-00876. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **June 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the February 18, 2014 shooting of Jesus Flores Cruz. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).

#### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

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- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates hosting an engagement to provide information on the resources available to employees, including E-Verify related workers’ rights, DACA and multilingual resources.
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July 10, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **July 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Section Chief Dennis Davidson, Human Smuggling and Trafficking Unit, will provide a briefing on the Blue Campaign and human trafficking awareness to staff of Representative Dutch Ruppersberger. Closed press.
- On **July 11**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Artesia, NM where he will tour the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) currently being used as an ICE detention facility for adults with children. He will meet with ICE ERO and FLETC leadership and participate in a press availability. The Secretary will also travel to Weslaco, TX where he will meet with state officials to discuss the ongoing humanitarian situation on the southwest border. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, DHS Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will participate in a meeting with stakeholders in San Diego, CA to share information about the work of the Department to raise awareness on human trafficking issues. Participants will include local representatives from the California State Bar's immigration section, San Diego North County Anti-Trafficking Task Force, Bilateral Safety Corridor Coalition, as well as local non-profit legal service providers, non-profit victim service providers, human trafficking advocacy organizations, and University of San Diego and San Diego State University scholars. Closed Press.
- On **July 21**, DHS Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will meet with anti-trafficking representatives from the Chilean government in Washington D.C. to discuss the Department's efforts to combat human trafficking, including protections for victims and best practices in government-NGO cooperation to respond to trafficking issues. Closed Press.
- On **July 21**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will participate in a panel discussion on high-skilled employment issues, including the EB-5 Program for foreign entrepreneurs, at the Southern California EB-5 Conference hosted by EB-5investors.com in Newport Beach, CA. Open Press.
- On **July 22**, a special U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services naturalization ceremony will be held at the Great Hall of the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. Attorney General Eric Holder will deliver keynote remarks to 70 candidates. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 5**, 538,114 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 20.5 million queries have been run through the system.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **July 14**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor, in conjunction with TSA, will deliver a briefing on recently announced aviation security measures and the related threat to the Senate and staff. Closed press.
- On **July 15**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency 2014-2018 Strategic Plan will be released. Developed with internal and external partners, the 2014-2018 Strategic Plan addresses the emergency management needs of FEMA and the whole community. The 2014-

2018 Strategic Plan outlines the steps FEMA must take to adapt and strengthen its capabilities for the future.

- On **July 15**, The Office of Intelligence and Analysis expects to release the 2013 National Network of Fusion Centers Final Report. The 2013 National Network of Fusion Centers Final Report summarizes and characterizes the overall capability and performance of the National Network of Fusion Centers based on the results of the 2013 Fusion Center Assessment.
- On **July 16**, Federal Emergency Management Agency is tentatively scheduled to release the National Preparedness Report: 2014. This annual report is prepared pursuant to Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8) and satisfies numerous congressionally-mandated preparedness reporting requirements. FEMA will release the report and a fact sheet related to the report online.
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- DHS will soon publish the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Final Rule titled “Closing of the Jamieson Line, New York Border Crossing” in the Federal Register. This rule amends DHS regulations pertaining to the field organization of CBP by closing the Jamieson Line, New York border crossing.
- DHS will soon submit the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Final Rule titled Vessel Requirements for Notices of Arrival and Departure (NOAD), and Automatic Identification System (AIS) to OMB for review under EO 12866. This rule expands the applicability of NOAD and AIS requirements to include more commercial vessels.
- DHS will soon submit the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking titled “Deepwater Ports” to OMB for review under EO 12866. The rule proposes to revise USCG regulations for the licensing, construction, design, equipment, and operation of deepwater ports, which are offshore fixed or floating structures, other than vessels, used as ports or terminals for the import of export of oil and natural gas.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **July 11**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Artesia, NM where he will tour the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) currently being used as an ICE detention facility for adults with children. He will meet with ICE ERO and FLETC leadership and participate in a press availability. The Secretary will also travel to Weslaco, TX where he will meet with state officials to discuss the ongoing humanitarian situation on the southwest border. Closed press.
- On **July 14**, Secretary Johnson will participate in a VTC meeting with General Jacoby, NORTHCOM, to discuss issues of mutual concern. The Secretary will also meet with members of the Blue Dog Coalition to discuss current policies and challenges. Closed press.

- On **July 15**, Secretary Johnson will meet and Greet with General Frank Grass, National Guard Bureau, and to express continued appreciation for National Guard Support during domestic incidents as well as along the southwest border. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Secretary Johnson will meet with the Congressional Black Caucus for a wide ranging conversation on current issues of mutual concern (closed press). The Secretary will also meet with a group of CEO's supporting and working with DHS, hosted by the National Defense Industrial Association, regarding DHS priorities and working together to support a strong and effective homeland security. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Chairman Goodlatte and Representative Gowdy (rescheduled from July 10th) as a follow-up to his May 29 hearing (closed press). The Secretary will also deliver remarks at the 2014 Congressional Summer Intern Lecture Series discussing current issues and insights on leadership. Closed press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **July 15**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a meet and greet with Senator Heitkamp. The Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will also with Mr. David Cox, AFGE National President, along with the Secretary. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a meet and greet with Senator Ayotte. Closed press.

*Other Principals*

- On **July 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas S. Winkowski will serve as a guest on the dais at the Opening Plenary Session of the 38th Annual National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Training Conference in Grand Rapids, MI. Open press for Opening Plenary session.
- On **July 14**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will attend the National Law Enforcement Exploring Conference in Bloomington, IN. The Exploring program provides educational training programs for young adults on the purposes, mission, and objectives of law enforcement and offers career orientation experiences, leadership opportunities, and community service activities. Open press.
- On **July 14**, Transportation Security Administrator Pistole will be the keynote speaker at an opening session of annual training seminar for the International Conference of Police Chaplains, 300-400 law enforcement officers are expected to attend. Open press.
- On **July 14**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will speak to members of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce National Security Task Force. His presentation will include an overview of his priorities for the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) followed by a brief question and answer session. Closed press.
- On **July 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with H el ene Crocquevieille, Director-General of French Customs, to discuss border security issues and areas of future cooperation at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will attend the Florida Association of Community Health Centers Annual Meeting in Hollywood, FL (open press). Administrator Craig Fugate will also meet with Seminole Tribe Chairman James E. Billie. Closed press.
- On **July 17 and 18**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Zukunft will travel to the Hampton Roads region of VA to engage with local Coast Guard commands. He will carry



out engagements at multiple Coast Guard units in the region, focusing on the importance of his recently promulgated Commandant's Direction 2014.

- On **July 18**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver the keynote address at the National Association for Amateur Radio Centennial National Convention banquet in Hartford, CT about the importance of radio communication during disasters and as a method of communicating disaster preparedness information to the public. Open press.

#### Items of Note

- On **July 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Field Operations Acting Assistant Commissioner John Wagner, CBP Office of International Trade acting Assistant Commissioner Richard DiNucci, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations, National Intellectual Property Rights Center Director Lev Kubiak will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about trade facilitation. Open press.
- On **July 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border & Maritime Security on land port of entry infrastructure. Open press.
- On **July 17**, a representative from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the Travel & Tourism Caucus on the Global Entry program; TSA will also participate to brief on PreCheck. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, Senator Mazie Hirono will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in the Rio Grande Valley region of Texas. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, Representative Henry Cuellar will address port management and staff regarding U.S. Customs and Border Protection's professionalism initiative in Laredo, Texas. Closed press.
- On **July 23**, TBD members of the U.S. Coast Guard will testify before the House Subcommittee on Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation about Arctic operations. Open press.

#### *Expected Press*

- On **July 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to be interviewed by Andrew Becker of the Center for Investigative Reporting on CBP's Use of Force Policy. Publication date TBA.
- On **July 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Executive Associate Director Peter Edge will conduct a follow-up phone interview with a Newark Star-Ledger reporter for a feature story about his career. Open press.
- On **July 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to be interviewed by Steve Inskeep of National Public Radio regarding CBP's Use of Force Policy. Air date TBA.
- On **July 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations El Paso Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) Oscar Hagelsieb and other special agents will participate in an anti-gang community outreach/presentation to at-risk youth. A Gannett Border Bureau reporter will cover the presentation as well as interview ASAC Hagelsieb. Open press.
- Al-Jazeera America is writing a story for their website about the Sisters of Mercy. The reporter will shadow the Sisters as they provide pastoral care to U.S. Immigration and

Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainees at McHenry County Jail in Illinois. A reporter will also shadow the Sisters as they provide pastoral care to ICE detainees at the Enforcement and Removal detention facility located in Broadview, IL on Friday, July 11. Open press.

- CBP will issue a press release announcing the selection of up-to-16 new reimbursable services agreements through Section 559 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014. These public-private partnerships are designed to support growth in cross-border trade and travel. Section 559 expands CBP's authority to enter into additional agreements to increase CBP's ability to provide new or enhanced services on a reimbursable basis by creating partnerships with private sector and government entities. Publication date TBA.
- CBP and GSA are scheduled to issue a joint press release on the Donations Acceptance program. Under Section 559 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014, CBP and GSA are authorized to accept donations of real property, personal property (including monetary donations) and non-personal services from private sector and government entities. Publication date TBA.

#### *Efficiency Review (ER) Initiative*

- Components have achieved printing-related cost avoidances since Q4 FY09 by posting documents online rather than printing and improving their print management processes. To date, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$7 million through implementation of this initiative.

#### Legal

##### *Oversight*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards, unaccompanied alien children, ICE's release of detainees, EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, Secure Communities, allegations regarding purchases of guns by federal air marshals, and Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 17**, **Jeremy Schwartz**, a reporter with the *Austin American-Statesman* in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the number of I-44 forms filed by year from 2005 through 2013 at the following stations: (1) Abilene Station; (2) Amarillo Sub-Station; (3) Dallas Station; (4) Fort Stockton Station; (5) Lubbock Station; (6) Midland Station; (7) Pecos Station; (8) San Angelo Station; and (9) San Antonio Station.
- On **April 28**, **Maria Sacchetti**, a reporter with *The Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of the Alien File for the late Zeituni Onyango.
- On **June 25**, **Jason Leopold**, a reporter with **Truthout** in Beverly Hills, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the Guantanamo Transfer Working Group; and (2) records pertaining to the health, conditions of detainment, activities, release, transfer, repatriation, resettlement, or relocation of any prisoner or detainee or other person subject to detainment in the U.S. military detention facility at Guantanamo from Guantanamo to any other location, from January 22, 2009, through the present.

- On **June 25**, **Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the Biometric Identification Transnational Migration Alert Program in Mexico from 2010 through the present.
- On **June 25**, **Steven Hsieh**, a journalist with *The Nation* in Brooklyn, Missouri, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to a complaint filed by five immigrant rights groups accusing CBP officials of widespread child abuse.
- On **June 25**, **Robert O’Harrow Jr.**, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to funding by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and communication between government officials and Desert Snow regarding Black Asphalt.
- On **June 25**, **Mark Schleifstein**, a reporter with *The Times-Picayune* in New Orleans, Louisiana, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to reports of incidents within a 20 mile radius of an area four miles east and 10 miles offshore of Timbalier Island.
- On **June 26**, **Michael Scott**, a reporter with *KRGV* in Weslaco, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the number and type of assaults on Border Patrol agents in the Rio Grande Sector from March 1, 2014, through June 26, 2014.
- On **June 27**, **Kevin Diaz**, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to initial CBP detainee interviews with unaccompanied children and others who have crossed the Southwest border illegally since October 1, 2013, including data regarding the number of individuals making “fear” claims and/or seeking asylum.
- On **June 27**, **Taylor Hill**, a reporter with the *Orange County Register* in Santa Ana, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of an audio file or video of the USCG Southern California Listening Session on the Future of Navigation on June 17, 2014, in Long Beach, California.
- On **July 1**, **Molly Glasgow**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the arrest, extradition, and charges against Daniel “El Loco” Barrera Barerra, including any involvement with Colombian paramilitary organizations.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Dustin Slaughter**, a representative with **Muckrock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 60 pages of records consisting of contracts between ICE and Vigilant Solutions regarding the National Vehicle Location Service and Vigilant’s LEARN License Plate Recognition Enterprise Intelligence Platform. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(C).
- On **June 27**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Luke Rosiak**, a reporter with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to complaints lodged from January 1, 2007, through June 1, 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **June 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Andy Medici**, a journalist with the *Federal Times*, 27 pages of records consisting of a log of the congressional questions for the record from October 1, 2013, through June 26,

2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

- On **June 30**, 2014, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Jennifer Janisch**, a producer with **CBS News** in New York, New York, one compact disc containing aggregate data pertaining to individual assistance claims data for Hurricane Sandy for the Individual and Household programs for the States of New York and New Jersey. These records were released in full.
- On **July 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Steven Hsieh**, a journalist with **The Nation** in Brooklyn, Missouri, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to a complaint filed by five immigrant rights groups accusing CBP officials of widespread child abuse. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **July 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, 13 pages of records consisting of a log of the congressional questions for the record from January 1, 2014, through June 19, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

#### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- By **July 11**, DHS expects to release to the White House a DHS Policy on Climate Change Adaptation as part of the deliverables under the Executive Order on Climate Preparedness.
- In **July**, DHS expects to release the DHS Resilience Implementation Strategy to Congress. The Strategy was called for in a 2012 GAO Report to implement the draft DHS Resilience Policy.
- In **July**, USCIS anticipates publishing Federal Register Notice on Temporary Protected Status – extension for Sudan and re-designation for South Sudan.
- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates updating the E-Verify Spanish website to mirror the recent update to the English website. Updates will include new graphics and new and revised content.
- On **August**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder engagement to provide employees information on E-Verify related workers' rights, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and multilingual resources.
- On **August**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host first Korean-language public engagement from our field office in Queens, NY.
- In the **summer**, DHS expects to announce with Canada an agreement to cover preclearance operations in the land, marine, and rail modes, as well as updates to the existing U.S.-Canada Air Preclearance Agreement, per the Beyond the Border Action Plan.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

July 17, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Jobs/Economy:**

- During the week of July 21, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates announcing that the H-2B cap for FY14 (66,000) has been met. Upon announcement, no further petitions for this fiscal year will be accepted.

#### **Immigration:**

- On **July 22**, a special naturalization ceremony will be held at the Metropolitan Museum in New York City. Met CEO Thomas Campbell will be naturalized. Open press.
- On **July 22**, a special naturalization ceremony will be held at the Great Hall of the U.S. Department of Justice. Attorney General Eric Holder will deliver keynote remarks to 70 candidates. Open press.
- On **July 23**, Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello (Office of Border Patrol) will brief Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard on issues related to unaccompanied alien children. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Enforcement Removal Operations will also participate. Closed press.
- On **July 25**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a meeting with American Immigration Lawyers Association President Leslie Holman to discuss the influx of unaccompanied children on the southwest border (closed press). The Deputy Secretary will also separately participate in a meeting with the Center for Community Change to discuss the same issue. Closed press.
- On **July 30**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will host a teleconference discussion on the 2014 Annual Report to Congress, which summarizes the most pervasive and serious problems encountered by individuals and employers applying for immigration benefits with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). The Annual Report also reviews past recommendations to improve USCIS programs and services, and provides an overview of the Ombudsman's mission and services. Open press.

#### *E-Verify Update:*

- As of **July 12**, 539,265 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 21.1 million queries have been run through the system.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **July 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas S. Winkowski and the Administrator of the Cultural Heritage Administration of the Republic of Korea will sign a Memorandum of Understanding at ICE Headquarters in Washington, D.C., formalizing cooperation in the exchange of forfeited cultural property, art and antiquities obtained in the course of investigations conducted by ICE. Open press.
- On **July 25**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Grants Program Directorate will announce award allocations for the FY 2014 Homeland Security Grant Programs including

the Transit Security Grant Program, Port Security Grant Program, Tribal Homeland Security, Nonprofit Security Grant Program, and Operation Stonegarden. FEMA plans to issue a press release.

#### *Upcoming Reports*

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#### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

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#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Jeh Johnson*

- From **July 22 to 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Aspen, CO to participate in the Aspen Institute Homeland Security Group Meeting and address the Aspen Security Forum. His remarks are still being drafted and will be open press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas*



- On **July 22**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, will conduct participate in introductory meetings with Senator Barbara Boxer and separately with Senator Kelly Ayotte. Closed press.
- On **July 23**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, will participate in a meeting with the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at the Dirksen Building per the request of Senator Carper (closed press). The Deputy Secretary will also participate in a meeting with Australian Minister for Immigration and Border Protection Scott Morrison to discuss border security and immigration issues. Closed press.

*Other Principals*

- On **July 20** and **July 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Kalispell, MT, to deliver remarks at the 36th Annual Convention of the National Association of Police Organizations. The Commissioner will also meet with local law enforcement officials while in the area. Closed press.
- From **July 21 to 24**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Reginald Brothers will lead an S&T delegation to Australia for the annual Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology Directorate Bilateral Meeting with the Defence Science & Technology Organisation (DSTO) and key Australian partner ministries, including the Attorney General's Department and Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation. USST Brothers and his counterpart, Chief Defence Scientist Dr. Alexander Zelinsky, will review ongoing and proposed work in first responder technologies, chemical and biological detection, explosives detection, resilient systems, cybersecurity, and agree on a collaborative work plan for the coming year. Closed press.
- On **July 22** and **July 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the 24th Annual Summit of the Pacific NorthWest Economic Region in Whistler, British Columbia. The Commissioner will participate in a forum on border issues, speaking about next steps for the Beyond the Border initiative alongside Assistant Secretary Kevin O'Shea of the Canadian Privy Council Office. In addition, the Commissioner will meet with regional Canadian law enforcement partners in Vancouver, British Columbia. Closed press.
- On **July 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on chemical security a the Chemical Security Summit in Baltimore, MD. The conference is co-sponsored by NPPD's Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP) and the Society of Chemical Manufacturers and Affiliates (SOCMA) and attracts government and industry personnel. Open press.
- On **July 23**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will participate in the bi-annual meeting National Homeland Security Consortium (NHSC) in Chicago, IL. The NHSC is a forum for public and private sector disciplines to coalesce efforts and perspectives about how best to protect the Nation. The consortium consists of 21 national organizations that represent local, state, and private professionals. Closed press.
- On **July 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with the Honorable Scott Morrison, Australia's Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, to discuss border security issues and areas of future cooperation (closed press). The Commissioner is also scheduled to meet with Representative Gregory Meeks to discuss wait times at John F. Kennedy International Airport (closed press). The Commissioner will additionally participate in introductory meetings with House Minority

Leader Nancy Pelosi, Representative Daniel Lipinski and Senator Patty Murray (closed press).

- On **July 26**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia, will participate as a panelist at the Aspen Security Forum on a panel, titled “WMD: The Nightmare Scenario.” Open press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **July 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Vice Admiral Peter Neffenger will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation about U.S. policy in the arctic. Open press.
- On **July 23**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security about the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act. Open press.
- On **July 24**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis Branch Chief Kevin Peters and Acting Assistant Secretary for Policy Alan Bersin will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee about Oversight and Management Efficiency on Transnational Criminal Organizations and Terrorist Organizations in Latin America. Open press.
- On **July 24**, Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Office of Response and Recovery Assistant Administrator Joe Nimmich will testify before Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs, Subcommittee on Emergency Management, Intergovernmental Relations, and the District of Columbia about FEMA efficiency initiatives and streamlining disaster operations. Open press.

##### *Congressional Briefings*

- On **July 24**, FEMA Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Brian Kamoie and Deputy Assistant Administrator for Grant Programs Chris Logan will brief House and Senate Authorizers to the Committee of Homeland Security / Homeland Security Governmental Affairs Committee on FY14 Preparedness Grants final awards allocations. Closed press.

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **July 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is tentatively scheduled to be interviewed by CNN regarding synthetic drugs. Air date TBA.
- On **July 30**, Marc Santia, a reporter from NBC-NY, is scheduled to tour the Red Hook Terminal in Brooklyn, NY for a story about U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s (CBP) seaport operations. The tour will include a ship search and container inspections to demonstrate CBP’s layered enforcement strategy. Air date to be determined.

##### *Efficiency Review Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the IT Inventory Management initiative and Component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reutilized excess IT equipment, avoiding costs of \$36 million to date.

#### Legal

##### *Oversight*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards, unaccompanied alien children, ICE’s release of detainees, EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, Secure Communities, allegations regarding purchases of guns by federal air marshals, and Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices.

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 4**, **Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to use of force incidents reviewed by the “Incident Review Committee” of the CBP Use of Force Policy Division from 2006 through the present.
- On **May 21**, **Yezmin Thomas**, a journalist with **Telemundo Dallas** in Fort Worth, Texas, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of statistics pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals applications denied in the State of Texas from January 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **July 2**, **Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the congressional questions for the record associated with the following workflow numbers: (1) 1004798; (2) 1008985; (3) 1009479; (4) 1014044; (5) 1021287; and (6) 1022143.
- On **July 3**, **Kathy Curran**, a reporter with **WCVB-TV Boston** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the number of complaints filed against the Boston Homeland Security Investigations/U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) office and/or a named third party, in the last two years.
- On **July 3**, **Kenton Powell**, a reporter with **The Guardian** in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a georeferenced map of Border Patrol sectors in the U.S. and active Border Patrol checkpoints including port of entry inland locations with location latitudes and longitudes.
- On **July 3**, **Patricia Alulema**, a representative with **CBS News** in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to complaints against CBP regarding the following: (1) deaths of undocumented immigrants; and (2) undocumented immigrants alleging sexual abuse and mistreatment in 2012 through the present.
- On **July 3**, **Mitra Ebadolahi**, an attorney with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in San Diego, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to “roving patrol” operations in the San Diego Sector and El Centro Sector, including field operations involving roving vehicle or pedestrian stops by Border Patrol agents.
- On **July 3**, **Steven Hsieh**, a blogger with **The Nation** in Town and Country, Missouri, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to training distributed or presented to U.S. Border Patrol staff to prepare for the surge of unaccompanied child migrants crossing the Southwest border from Central America in the late spring and summer of 2014.
- On **July 7**, **Adrienne LaFrance**, an editor with **The Atlantic** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a list of research projects and/or experiments these agencies conducted, funded, or are

affiliated with involving Facebook, Twitter, and any other social networking services from January 1, 2008, through the present.

- On **July 7, Penny Starr**, a staff writer with *CNS News* in Reston, Virginia, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to apprehensions inside the U.S. of Other Than Mexicans for fiscal year 2013, including: (1) Book In Date; (2) Book Out Date; (3) Case Status; (4) Case Category; (5) Gender; and (6) Citizenship Country.
- On **July 7, Kate Bailey**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the expenditure of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to Valerie Jarrett, Senior Advisor to the President, on any international trips from January 1, 2009, through the present.
- On **July 7, Justin McCarthy**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or any other services to First Lady Michelle Obama, Malia Obama, Sasha Obama, and any companions on their March 2014 trip to China.
- On **July 7, Jilda Unruh**, an investigative producer with *WFOR-TV* in Doral, Florida, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the USCG's response to the multi-boat accident on July 4, 2014, in Miami, Florida near Dinner Key Marina.
- On **July 7, Kathryn Watson**, a reporter with **Watchdog** in Alexandria, Virginia, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the automatic license plate reader equipment.
- On **July 8, Vivian Highbanks**, a representative with *The Hill* in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the congressional questions for the record from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 8, John Templon**, a journalist with **BuzzFeed** in New York, New York, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the usage of body scanners and the number of pat downs in TSA airport security checkpoints.
- On **July 8, Clayton Hanson**, a writer and editor with *Congressional Quarterly* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records of correspondence between CBP Commissioner Gil Kerlikowske or Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and the Office of State, Local and Tribal Liaison pertaining to the unaccompanied migrant children along the southern border of the United States from January 1, 2012, through July 1, 2014.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 9**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) issued to **Blake Sobczak**, a reporter with *EnergyWire* in Union City, New Jersey, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to railroad carrier evaluations of the adequacy of their vulnerability assessments and security plans, filed pursuant with Sec. 1511 (6 USC 1161) of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007.
- On **July 15**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Taylor Hill, a reporter with the Orange County Register in Santa Ana, California, 105 pages of records consisting of the minute transcripts from the Coast Guard's June 17 Southern California Listening Session. These records are released in full. Corresponding documents are attached.

- On **July 16**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Robert Deasy**, Director with the *American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA)* in Washington, DC, 17 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) advanced parole policies. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Matt Dixon**, a reporter with the *Florida Times-Union* in Jacksonville, Florida, 1,223 pages related to the City of Jacksonville's 287g program. Portions of the release will be withheld pursuant to FOIA exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with the *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, 19 pages related to ICE's efforts to obtain non-citizen license information from state DMV databases during the past five years. Portions of the release will be withheld pursuant to FOIA exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Benjamin Alexander-Bloch**, a reporter with *NOLA.com and Times-Picayune* in New Orleans, Louisiana, one Excel spreadsheet containing information related to arrests and deportation/removal of illegal immigrants in the metropolitan New Orleans area and the entire state of Louisiana for the past 10 years. The records will be released in full.
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Amelia Fischer**, with the *Texas Civil Rights Project* in Austin, Texas, 66 pages and six Excel spreadsheets containing information related to the use of segregation for both disciplinary and non-disciplinary purposes at Rolling Plains Detention Center from June 15, 2012 to present. Portions of the records will be withheld pursuant to FOIA exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 18**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Matthew Mosk**, a producer with *ABC News* in Washington, DC, 11 pages of records consisting of correspondence between members of Congress and USCIS pertaining to the following applicants for designation as USCIS Regional Center: (1) USA Now; (2) the Alabama Center for Foreign Investment; (3) Gulf Coast Funds Management; (4) the Orleans Parish Louisiana Targeted Enforcement Area; and (5) the South Dakota Regional Center. These records were released in full.

### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- Within the next 30-60 days, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to implement new guidance that will consolidate and clarify policy with respect to the L-1B nonimmigrant classification.
- Within the next 30-60 days, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to implement guidance on the evaluation of claims of "extraordinary circumstances" for late filings pursuant to the Child Status Protection Act (CSPA). A 2012 Board of Immigration Appeals precedent decision provided limited guidance regarding what may constitute extraordinary circumstances. This policy will provide additional interpretive guidance for determining whether extraordinary circumstances allow USCIS to excuse the one year filing requirement on a case-by-case basis.
- Within the next 30-60 days, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to implement guidance regarding direct sibling-to-sibling DNA tests for purposes of establishing a sibling relationship. Direct sibling-to-sibling DNA testing is given no evidentiary weight. DNA test

results comparing each purported sibling to the claimed common parent, however, will be evaluated according to current policy relating to DNA test results for parent-child relationships.



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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **July 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas S. Winkowski, Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Special Agent in Charge James Spero, and Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Field Office Director Michael Phillips will tour the Buffalo Federal Detention Facility and meet with representatives from the New York agriculture community in Batavia, NY to discuss concerns regarding ICE immigration enforcement activities within the state. Closed press.
- On **July 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) personnel will present “Combating Criminal Activities Associated with Migration Flows” joint investigations on human smuggling networks at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Mexican Secretariat of Governance (SEGOB) Executive Group Meeting in Mexico City to address DHS and SEBOG department and agencies’ commitments. Closed press.
- On **July 30**, Chief Michael Fisher (Office of Border Patrol) and representatives from the Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison will participate in a classified briefing for Members of the House Homeland Security Committee on the state of the southwest border. Closed press.
- *E-Verify Update:* As of **July 19**, 540,573 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 21.7 million queries have been run through the system.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **July 25**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) Grants Program Directorate will announce FY 2014 preparedness grant allocations, including the State Homeland Security, Tribal Homeland Security, Transit Security, Port Security, Rail Security, Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), and Nonprofit Security Grant Programs. FEMA will issue a press release and a fact sheet.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives*

- U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) plans to close the Jamieson Line, New York, land port of entry in August 2014. Traffic will be routed to the Trout River land port of entry, located less than seven miles to the west. CBP decided to close the port because of a lack of funds required to bring the facility up to adequate operational standards, the cost of annual rent, limited traffic volume at the port, and the cost of adequate manpower required to staff the facility. A notice of the proposed closure was posted to the *Federal Register* in September 2012; the final rule to close the facility has been approved and signed by Secretary Johnson and will be published on **July 22**. The Office of Congressional Affairs is preparing a plan to notify Congress, and the Office of Administration is currently working with the Office of Field Operations and the General Services Administration (GSA) on a closure strategy.

### *Upcoming Reports*

- On **July 31**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency will release the National Protection Framework and the Federal Interagency Operational Plans for Response, Recovery, and Mitigation. The documents support the deliverables outlined in Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8).
- On **August 4**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency will release the National Preparedness Report: 2014. This annual report is prepared pursuant to PPD-8 and satisfies numerous congressionally-mandated preparedness reporting requirements.

### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- On **August 5**, USCIS anticipates Federal Register Notice publication on extension of Temporary Protected Status for both Honduras and Nicaragua.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **July 29**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, Ranking Member Bennie Thompson and Congressman Jerrold Nadler regarding the scanning of inbound cargo. This meeting is closed to the press.
- On **July 30**, Secretary Johnson will participate in the Let's Read! Let's Move! Event with Secretary Duncan at the Library of Congress, where he will read to a roughly 50-100 pre-kindergarten through third grade students from the DC Metro area. This event is open to the press.
- On **July 30 and 31**, Secretary Johnson will travel to the UPS Worldport Facility in Louisville, KY to discuss DHS's private sector partnership with UPS and observe overnight cargo screening and flight clearing operations. He will also meet with U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel who are assigned to the Worldport Facility. This event will be closed press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- From **July 30 – August 8**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will be out of the office on leave.

#### *Other Principals*

- On **July 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to speak to a delegation from India's Police Service hosted by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) in Washington, D.C. The delegation will tour the Washington and Baltimore areas as part of IACP's International Police Education and Training Program. Closed press.
- From **July 29 to August 1**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy Alan Bersin will travel Mexico as a member of the U.S. Delegation led by Deputy Homeland Security Advisor Rand Beers. The delegation will engage Mexican officials in a strategic security dialogue. Closed press.
- On **July 30**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will speak to members of the Homeland Security Defense Business Council about his priorities for the Science and Technology Directorate (S&T). The Council is a not-for-profit, nonpartisan organization comprised of senior executive business leaders who represent small, mid-tier,

and large companies that provide homeland security technology, product, and service solutions. Closed press.

- On **July 30 and 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Mexico City where he is scheduled to attend an Executive Leadership Group meeting comprised of senior officials from DHS and the Mexican Secretariat of the Interior in Mexico City, Mexico. While in Mexico City, the Commissioner will also meet with additional U.S. and Mexican officials. Closed press.
- From **July 20 to August 3**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Zukunft will travel to Grand Haven, MI to participate in the annual Grand Haven Coast Guard Festival. He will preside over the Festival, which recognizes Grand Haven's designation as Coast Guard City USA, and engage with the Governor of Michigan, members of the Michigan delegation, and local Coast Guard personnel.

### Items of Note

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- **July 29**, Bill Brenner, Director of the Screening Partnership Program, will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security about the Screening Partnership Program. Open press.
- On **July 29**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodriguez will testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary about USCIS oversight. Open press.
- On **July 29**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Huban Gowadia will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure, Protection, and Security Technologies about nuclear and radiological threats. Open press.
- On **July 30**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Subcommittee on Economic Policy on The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) claims and appeals. Open press.
- On **July 30**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Deputy Associate Administrator for the Office of Response and Recovery Elizabeth Zimmerman will testify before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs to examine responses to natural disasters in Indian country. Open press.
- On **July 30**, Chief Readiness Support Officer Jefferey Orner will testify before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management about the number of leases expiring in the next five years. Open press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **July 30**, Marc Santia, a reporter from NBC-NY, is scheduled to tour the Red Hook Terminal in Brooklyn, New York, for a story about U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) seaport operations. The tour will include a ship search and container inspections to demonstrate CBP's layered enforcement strategy. Air date to be determined.
- On **July 31**, Port of New York/Newark Branch Chief for Cargo Processing Paula Heacock (Office of Field Operations) is scheduled to be interviewed by Ben Dalton of TV Tokyo for a story about Intellectual Property Rights enforcement. Dalton is interested in filming an on-

camera walk-and-talk showing CBP Officers performing inspections for possible IPR violations as well as collect b-roll of the operation. Air date to be determined.

#### *Efficiency Review Initiative*

- Through leveraging the purchasing power of the Department for the acquisition of intelligence analyst services, DHS has achieved cost avoidances of \$6.8 million to date.

#### Legal

##### *Oversight*

- DHS continues to work on responses to requests on the following topics: USCIS contracting, the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards, unaccompanied children, ICE's release of detainees, EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, Secure Communities, allegations regarding purchases of guns by federal air marshals, and Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime policies and practices.

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **July 5**, **Paul Sutliff**, a reporter with *Brenner Brief News* in Rochester, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) statistical data pertaining to detentions of those who were not Canadian who crossed the northern border from 2004 through 2013.
- On **July 10**, **Chris Halsne**, a reporter with *KDVR-TV* in Denver, Colorado, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to an arrest of a named individual by the Federal Protective Service, on March 6, 2014, at a federal building in Denver.
- On **July 10**, **Timothy Warren**, a reporter with *International Trade Today* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to conflict of interest waivers prepared by the Designated Federal Officer from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **July 11**, **Justin McCarthy**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and any other services to President Obama and any companions on their July 2014 trip to Denver, Colorado.
- On **July 11**, **Cynthia Wise**, a senior assignments editor with *KING5 News* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the late Steven Allen Dailey.
- On **July 13**, **Ulysses Arn**, a reporter with **USofArn.com** in Ottawa, Illinois requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) statistical data pertaining to the number of unaccompanied minors and adult illegal immigrants apprehended by the U.S. Border Patrol near the southern border who were sent to the State of Illinois.
- On **July 14**, **William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) a copy of a DHS-OIG report pertaining to a "hands off list" purportedly maintained by DHS, U.S Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and/or U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) used to allow individuals into the U.S. who had previously been denied entry; and (2) records of communication to and from former DHS

Deputy Inspector General Charles Edwards regarding the above report, from May 31, 2013, through May 31, 2014.

- On **July 14**, **Cyrus Farivar**, an editor with *ARS Technica* in Oakland, California, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the facial recognition program from January 1, 2004, through the present.
- On **July 14**, **Michael Morisey**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the Correspondence Control Management System database or complaints filed from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 15**, **Patrick Terpstra**, a news producer with *Cox Media Group* in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to complaints sent to TSA by passengers at Orlando International Airport from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 15**, **Timothy Warren**, a reporter with *International Trade Today* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to talking points on the computers assigned to Maria Luisa O'Connell or Maria Luisa Boyce or any other person directly or indirectly working for her from November 1, 2010, through the present.
- On **July 16**, **Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the first meeting of the Executive Repatriation Policy Steering Group.
- On **July 16**, **Bill Bowen**, a reporter with **ICIS Americas** in Houston, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) data pertaining to hydrochloric acid spills and accidents from 2008 through 2013.
- On **July 25**, **Laura Kayer**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the launch of the Predator drone program within the Office of Air and Marine.
- On **September 23**, 2013, **Buti Kale**, Deputy Regional Representative with the **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) statistical data pertaining to the total annual number of unaccompanied children, and the number of adults from El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Mexico apprehended by the U.S. Border Patrol for the past 10 years along with any processing changes regarding unaccompanied children.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in New York, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on the number of pregnant women detained in the Eloy Detention Center in Arizona in 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in New York, New York, five Excel spreadsheets and two pages of records containing statistical data on the number of pregnant women detained by ICE in 2013 in all 250 plus facilities. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).

- On **July 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in New York, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on the number of pregnant women detained in the San Diego Contract Detention Facility from 2012 through 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Cristina Costantini**, a reporter with *Fusion* in New York, New York, three Excel spreadsheets and two pages of records containing statistical data on the number of pregnant women detained by ICE at the following detention facilities from 2012 through 2014: (1) Eloy Detention Center; (2) Houston Processing Center; (3) Jena/LaSalle Detention Facility; (4) Northwest Detention Center; and (5) El Paso Detention Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Veronica Macias**, a reporter with *WCBD-TV* in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, 899 pages of records consisting of hearing transcripts pertaining to the trial of United States v. Petty Officer 2nd Class Omar Gomez. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 7(E).
- On **July 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Samira Kanacevic**, a news desk associate with *WBBM-TV Chicago* in Chicago, Illinois, 15 audio files pertaining to the water rescue on June 1, 2014, from 31st Street Marina in Chicago. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **July 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Samira Kanacevic**, a news desk associate with *WBBM-TV Chicago* in Chicago, Illinois, 53 audio files pertaining to the water rescue on May 31, 2014, off the shore of the Michigan City Lighthouse. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **July 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Kenton Powell**, a reporter with *The Guardian* in New York, New York, two pages of records consisting of georeferenced maps of the Border Patrol sectors and locations for the permanent Border Patrol checkpoints. These records were released in full.
- On **July 14**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Lena Groeger**, a journalist with *ProPublica* in New York, New York, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to inspected passenger cruise ships with deficiencies, along with resolutions. These records were released in full.
- On **July 14**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Geoff Embler**, an individual in Arlington, Virginia, 14 pages of records consisting of a log of correspondence between personnel in the Office of the Secretary and former New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson (D-NM). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **July 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Audrey Singer**, a senior fellow with the **Brookings Institution** in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to her request seeking statistical data pertaining to the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **July 15**, United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Maria Sacchetti**, a reporter with *The Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, 1,123 pages of



records consisting of the Alien File for the late Zeituni Onyango. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **July 16**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Robert Deasy**, a director with the **American Immigration Lawyers Association** in Washington, DC, 17 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) advanced parole policies. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **July 16**, Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Catherine Rentz**, a reporter with *The Baltimore Sun* in Baltimore, Maryland, a full denial in response to her request seeking the total number of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals applicants by county and by country of origin in the State of Maryland who have been accepted and approved to date. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- October is National Cyber Security Awareness Month, a DHS-led initiative to increase the public's awareness of the importance of individual cybersecurity.
- In **August**, USCIS anticipates announcing a final policy memorandum to widen eligibility pool for a 17-month extension of Post-Completion Optional Practical Training for F-1 students enrolled in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics degree programs.
- In **September**, USCIS plans to launch myE-Verify, a one-stop service for employees to access various features focused on protecting their identity and creating transparency into the E-Verify process.
- In **September**, USCIS plans to announce FY14 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program recipients. Communications may leverage Constitution Week.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **August 5**, a representative from the Office of Border Patrol will brief minority staff from the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee on unaccompanied children. Closed press.
- On **August 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national stakeholder engagement to provide employees information on E-Verify-related workers' rights, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and multilingual resources. Closed press.
- *E-Verify Update:* As of **July 26**, 541,925 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 22.3 million queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity:**

- On **August 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on key topics faced by cybersecurity professionals, at the Black Hat USA 2014 Executive Summit. The event brings together cybersecurity professionals from Global 200 corporations and government. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- From **August 4 to August 7**, the Africa Leaders Summit, a National Special Security Event, will take place in Washington, D.C. The United States Secret Service is actively involved in the planning and coordination for visiting heads of state.
- On **August 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is tentatively scheduled to participate in a signing event for a Customs Mutual Assistance Agreement with Kenya's Customs Services Department at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates announcing this week or next that the H-2B cap for FY 2014 (66,000) has been met. Upon announcement, no further petitions for this FY will be accepted.

### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives*

- On **August 5**, FEMA, the Council of Environmental Quality, and its interagency Steering Group partners will announce the Unified Federal Environmental and Historic Preservation Review (UFR). The UFR, a requirement of the Sandy Improvement Reform Act, will expedite environmental and historic preservation reviews for applicants following a disaster.

### *Upcoming Reports*

- On **August 4**, FEMA will release the National Preparedness Report: 2014. This annual report is prepared pursuant to Presidential Policy Directive (PPD) 8 and satisfies numerous congressionally-mandated preparedness reporting requirements.

#### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- On **August 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publication of Federal Register Notice on Temporary Protected Status – extension for Sudan and re-designation for South Sudan.

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **August 4**, Secretary Johnson will attend a dinner hosted by Bloomberg Philanthropies as part of the US-Africa Business Forum, in partnership with the Department of Commerce. Closed press.
- On **August 5**, Secretary Johnson will attend the U.S.-Africa Leaders Summit Dinner hosted by the President.
- On **August 9**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Boston, MA where he will deliver keynote remarks to the American Bar Association's Annual Meeting. The event will be open press.

##### *Other Principles*

- On **August 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to New York, NY to conduct site visits and meet with local stakeholders. In addition, the Commissioner will ring the closing bell at the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) in honor of the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the U.S. Customs Service. Closed press.
- On **August 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to speak at a meeting of staff from CBP's regional counsel offices in Detroit, MI. Closed press.
- On **August 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks at the Gateway and Border Corruption Conference hosted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in San Diego, CA. While in San Diego, the Commissioner will also meet with local stakeholders regarding unaccompanied alien children; invited officials include San Diego City Council President Todd Gloria, members of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, and representatives from North County communities. Closed press.
- On **August 8**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver the keynote address at the Doctoral degree commencement ceremony at the University of Florida. Open press.
- From **August 11 to 14**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara and Director of Tribal Affairs David Munro will attend the National Tribal Emergency Management Tribal Council Conference in Spokane, WA. A/S McNamara will provide remarks regarding current Department efforts related to Indian Country. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- **August 12**, CBP's Office of Air and Marine is scheduled to provide an unmanned aircraft system (UAS) program overview presentation to a visiting group of international media in Washington, D.C., as part of a tour managed by the U.S. Mission to NATO. Open press.

### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 1**, Senators Susan Collins, John Barrasso, Heidi Heitkamp, John Boozman, Angus King, Deb Fisher, John Cornyn and Dan Coats, in addition to Representatives Steny Hoyer, Mario Diaz-Balart, Luis Gutierrez and Rubén Hinojosa are scheduled to tour CBP operations in the Rio Grande Valley region of Texas. Closed press.
- On **August 1**, Representative Ron Barber is scheduled to tour CBP operations in and around Tucson, AZ. Closed press.
- On **August 4**, Representatives James McGovern, Mac Thornberry, and Joe Barton are scheduled to tour Border Patrol operations in McAllen, Texas. Closed press.
- On **August 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of the Chief Information Officer Chief Information Officer Kevin Kern and Program Manager Christopher Moman will provide majority staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, a briefing on the status of ICE's TECS Modernization efforts. Closed press.
- On **August 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will participate in a classified briefing for staff from the House Homeland Security Committee and the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on Global Entry for Saudi Arabia. Closed press.
- On **August 7**, Representatives Steve Pearce, Jeff Miller, and Beto O'Rourke are scheduled to tour Border Patrol operations in and around El Paso, TX. Closed press.
- On **Thursday, August 7**, Representative Tim Griffin is scheduled to tour Border Patrol operations in McAllen, TX. Closed press.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations*

- As of **July 29**, President Obama has signed 369 major disaster declarations and 71 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$31 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### Legal

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **July 17**, **Steven Miller**, a journalist with *The Washington Times* in Centreville, Maryland, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to contracts for services and facilities for the sheltering and care of minors in the Unaccompanied Alien Children program that were executed or cancelled from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 17**, **Jennifer Dorning**, a research director with the **Department for Professional Employees, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) the following data pertaining to O-visa and P-visa applications: (1) legal name of employer; (2) name of petitioning organization; (3) mailing address of petitioning organization; (4) classification requested; (5) approval or denial determination; and (6) all other releasable data from fiscal year 2009 through the present.
- On **July 17**, **Ben Krause**, a reporter with **Armo Press, LLC** in Saint Paul, Minnesota, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to training activities held by DHS and/or

the Federal Protective Service at the Veterans Administration Mission Valley Health Care Clinic near San Diego, California, on June 11, 2014, and July 1, 2013, through the present.

- On **July 17, Conny Cooper**, a representative with *WTOC-TV* in Savannah, Georgia, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the manifest for the vessel ESCAPADE, which ran aground on July 16, 2014, off the coast of Tybee Island.
- On **July 18, Dave Hendricks**, a reporter with *The Corpus Christi Caller-Times* in Corpus Christi, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to complaints filed by U.S. Border Patrol agents regarding overcrowding and/or working conditions at the McAllen Border Patrol Station from April 18, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 18, Dave Hendricks**, a reporter with *The Corpus Christi Caller-Times* in Corpus Christi, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to complaints submitted to Border Patrol or CBP regarding conditions at the McAllen Border Patrol Station from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 19, Jason Leopold**, a contributor with *Al Jazeera America* and an editor with *The Public Record* in Beverly Hills, California, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to terrorism training manuals prepared, maintained, drafted, or written by FEMA for law enforcement.
- On **July 21, Michael Kunzelman**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to “notice of debt” letters (also known as recoupment letters) sent to individuals who received disaster assistance following Hurricane Sandy in 2012.
- On **July 21, Shane Simmons**, a reporter with *WQAD TV* in Moline, Illinois, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to items that have been confiscated by TSA at the Quad City International Airport from July 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **July 21, Cyrus Farivar**, an editor with *ARS Technica* in Oakland, California, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to GSA Contract 35F-0351X and or FaceFirst.
- On **July 21, Simone Aponte**, a producer with *KTVU Channel 2 News* in Oakland, California, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to complaints made by members of the public against TSA agents who work full-time at San Francisco International Airport and/or Oakland International Airport from July 1, 2013, through July 20, 2014.
- On **July 21, Lee Hinnant**, a staff writer with *The State Port Pilot* in Southport, North Carolina, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the investigation and report pertaining to the accident involving the ferry ADVENTURE on December 17, 2013.
- On **July 22, David Minium**, a news production coordinator with *WKRC* in Cincinnati, Ohio, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of recorded communications between vessels making distress calls or persons/vessels relaying to USCG that a vessel was in distress on the Ohio River on July 21, 2014.
- On **July 22, Michael Evans**, a representative with **The National Security Archive** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to evaluations, after action reports, and intelligence reports regarding the Honduran Special Tactical Operations Group.

- On **July 22**, **Stuart Anderson**, an executive director with **The National Foundation for American Policy** in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to cost and planning estimates for the following: (1) the processing and staffing for the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program; and (2) implementing S. 744, which passed the U.S. Senate in 2013.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Jens Krogstad**, a writer with the **Pew Research Center** in Washington, DC, 65 pages of records consisting of one Excel spreadsheet containing data regarding unaccompanied juveniles apprehended by CBP in fiscal years 2013 through 2014 (June 27, 2014.) These records were released in full.
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Alicia Caldwell**, a reporter with the **Associated Press** in Washington, DC, 468 pages of records consisting of the Closing Reports for complaints pertaining to treatment in the workplace filed within the Los Angeles area offices of ICE since January 1, 2008. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with **USA Today** in McLean, Virginia, 19 pages of records pertaining to ICE's efforts to obtain non-citizen license information from state Department of Motor Vehicle databases during the past five years. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Amelia Fischer**, a representative with the **Texas Civil Rights Project** in Austin, Texas, 66 pages of records and six Excel spreadsheets pertaining to the use of segregation for both disciplinary and non-disciplinary purposes at Rolling Plains Detention Center from June 15, 2012, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Matt Dixon**, a reporter with the **Florida Times-Union** in Jacksonville, Florida, 1,223 pages of records pertaining to the City of Jacksonville's 287g program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **July 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Benjamin Alexander-Bloch**, a reporter with **The Times-Picayune** in New Orleans, Louisiana, one Excel spreadsheet containing information pertaining to arrests and deportation/removal of illegal immigrants in the metropolitan New Orleans area and the State of Louisiana for the past 10 years. These records were released in full.
- On **July 18**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Lisette Garcia**, an investigator with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, 39 pages of records pertaining to atrocity prevention strategies. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 5.
- On **July 18**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Matthew Mosk**, a producer with **ABC News** in Washington, DC, 11 pages of records consisting of correspondence between members of Congress and USCIS pertaining to the following applicants for designation as a USCIS Regional Center: (1) USA Now; (2) the Alabama Center for Foreign Investment; (3) Gulf Coast Funds Management; (4) the Orleans



Parish Louisiana Targeted Enforcement Area; and (5) the South Dakota Regional Center. These records were released in full.

- On **July 21**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, 81 pages of records consisting of e-mails from DHS leadership pertaining to the release of detainees. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **July 21**, 2014, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Jennifer Helmstetter**, a legal assistant with **Bruno & Bruno, LLP** in New Orleans, Louisiana, 51 pages of records consisting of a Segment Inspection Report from Deepwater Horizon. These records were released in full.
- On **July 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Martha Mendoza**, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Santa Cruz, California, 53 pages of records consisting of contracts between NPPD and The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory LLC pertaining to the Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation Program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(C).
- On **July 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to **Ryan Kath**, a reporter with *41 Action News* in Kansas City, Missouri, two pages of investigative records pertaining to DHS-OIG investigation I11-FPS-CHI-00785. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 30**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to, **Chris Glorioso**, a journalist with **WNBC-TV** in New York, New York, 212 pages consisting of applications for funding, emails, meeting minutes, and memorandum. Portions of the release is being withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 5 and 6. This release is uploaded into SharePoint.

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- In **August (~15<sup>th</sup>)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing the T Nonimmigrant Status Interim Rule. This regulation, which responds to comments on a related 2002 interim rule, will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes. Publication date is tentative pending clearance of the regulation.
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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

August 6, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- Next week, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates announcing that the H-2B cap for fiscal year 2014 (66,000) has been met. Upon announcement, no further petitions will be accepted for this fiscal year.
- On **August 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a quarterly stakeholder engagement to discuss Asylum developments. Closed press.
- On **August 12**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will conduct a meeting with United We Dream Organization. Closed press.
- On **August 13**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will conduct a meeting with David Cox, President of the American Federation of Government Employees. Closed press.
- On **August 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a T/U/VAWA national stakeholder engagement in Washington, DC, focusing on the various forms of immigration relief available to victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, and other serious crimes. Closed press.
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### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **August 12**, FEMA is tentatively scheduled to announce the Emergency Food & Shelter Program Grants allocations for fiscal year 2014. These grants support nonprofit and faith-based organizations at the local level by supplementing their emergency food, shelter, and critical resource programs.

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- In **August**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Enforcement Actions Report, which presents information on the apprehension, detention, return and removal of foreign nationals during fiscal year 2013.
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#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **August 9**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Boston, MA where he will deliver keynote remarks to the American Bar Association's Annual Meeting. The event will be open press.
- From **August 11 to 17**, Secretary Johnson will be on personal leave.

##### *Other Principles*

- During the week of **August 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez anticipates holding his first national stakeholder teleconference. (Exact date TBD.)
- From **August 11 to 14**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara and Director of Tribal Affairs David Munro will attend the National Tribal Emergency Management Tribal Council Conference in Spokane, WA. A/S McNamara will provide remarks regarding current Department efforts related to Indian Country. Closed press.
- From **August 11 to 14**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia, will visit Lawrence Livermore, Sandia, and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratories in California. Dr. Gowadia is scheduled to conduct town hall and women roundtable sessions at each lab. Closed press.
- On **August 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations officials will provide Senator Martin Heinrich, with a briefing and tour of the Artesia Family Residential Center located in Artesia, New Mexico. Closed press.
- On **August 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Newark Special Agent in Charge Andrew McLees will have a meet and greet with Representative Donald Payne, Jr. Closed press.

- On **August 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Vincent Talucci, Executive Director of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Closed press.
- On **August 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR), Assistant Director Timothy Moynihan will provide a briefing to the staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, detailing the status of OPR operations. Closed press.
- From **August 12 to 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Zukunft will travel to Alaska for site visits at various units in Alaska and interactions with Congressional delegations. Closed press.
- On **August 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Commander David Sharpe of the Australian Federal Police to discuss global narcotics trends and Australia's coordination with CBP. Closed press.
- On **August 14**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver a lecture on the Federal response to a catastrophic disaster to The CAPSTONE General and Flag Officer Course in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **August 15 to 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Neffenger will travel to Pascagoula, MS to serve as the keynote speaker for the commissioning of USCGC JOSHUA JAMES (NSC-5).

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **August 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations San Diego Tunnel Task Force supervisor and agents will talk via telephone to a New York Times Magazine reporter about tunneling activity along the San Diego/Tijuana border. The reporter is interested in writing a feature story about the task force and tunneling activity in local area. Open press.
- On **August 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Office of Air and Marine is scheduled to provide an unmanned aircraft system program overview presentation to a visiting group of international media in Washington, D.C., as part of a tour managed by the U.S. Mission to NATO. Open press.
- On **August 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to New York, NY, to conduct site visits and meet with local stakeholders. In addition, during a New York Mets baseball game, the Commissioner will participate in a recognition event honoring the 225th Anniversary of the U.S. Customs Service. Open press.
- CBP and GSA are scheduled to issue press releases on the Donations Acceptance Program. Under Section 559 of the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014*, CBP and GSA are authorized to accept donations of real property, personal property (including monetary donations) and non-personal services from private sector and government entities. Publication date TBA.

##### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 11**, Representative Jackie Speier is scheduled to tour Border Patrol operations in McAllen, TX. Closed press.

- On **August 11**, staff from the office of Representative Raúl Labrador will tour Border Patrol operations in and around Bonners Ferry, Idaho. Closed press.
- On **August 13**, DHS Office of Health Affairs staff will brief staff for the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications OHA contributions to the National BioSurveillance Plan.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **July 10**, **Niels Frenzen**, a professor of law with the **University of Southern California Gould School of Law** in Los Angeles, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) data pertaining to migrants processed at the Migrant Operations Center at Guantanamo Bay Naval Base from October 1, 2009, through the present.
- On **July 14**, **Jason Buch**, a reporter with the *San Antonio Express-News* in San Antonio, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the number of alien juveniles removed from the U.S. by ICE in fiscal years 2011 through 2013.
- On **July 16**, **William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of communication between USCIS and various entities in Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and Mexico pertaining to the influx of undocumented unaccompanied minors and others into the U.S. from July 15, 2013, through the present.
- On **July 18**, **Lukas Autenried**, an intern with the **Center for Effective Government** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of contract HSSCCG11J00163 awarded to Computer Sciences Corporation in fiscal year 2013.
- On **July 18**, 2014, **Kathryn Zecca**, a representative with **Robbins, Russell, Englert, Orseck, Untereiner & Sauber LLP** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) records pertaining to the contract between S&T, BAE Systems, and Northrup Grumman regarding the Counter Man-Portable Air-Defense System.
- On **July 24**, **John Christoffersen**, a journalist with the *Associated Press* in New Haven, Connecticut, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to USCG patrol activity within the established safety zones in New York, New York in the past year.
- On **July 25**, **William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) a copy of policies and records of communication from TSA employees from January 1, 2014, through the present pertaining to forms of identification acceptable for use by illegal immigrants to board American commercial aircraft at U.S airports.
- On **July 25**, **Abigail Ohlheiser**, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to CBP's review of a group inspection along the Alaska border, as a group of boy scouts prepared to enter Alaska from Canada. (Case Number CBP-2014-038422.)
- On **July 28**, **Chuck Ross**, a reporter with *The Daily Caller* in Wichita, Kansas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to draft report letters or final reports issued on "age determination practices" used by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents.

- On **July 28, Stephan Tetreault**, a journalist with *Stephens Media/Las Vegas Review Journal* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to organizations that were awarded grants under the Fiscal Year 2014 Urban Areas Security Initiative Nonprofit Security Grant Program.
- On **July 28, Rachael Tackett**, an editor with *Polity News* in Land O'Lakes, Florida, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the Memorandum of Understanding between DHS Office of Cybersecurity and Communications and the Estonian Ministry of the Interior and Estonian Information System's Authority from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **July 29, Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the listing of purchase card expenses reviewed by DHS, Office of Inspector General (OIG) in a DHS-OIG investigation.
- On **July 29, William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records pertaining to the locations within the U.S. to which illegal/undocumented aliens recently entering the U.S. at the Southwest border would be transported, relocated and/or resettled: (1) records pertaining to the policies or decision-making process; and (2) records of communication between DHS, other U.S. federal agencies, and the Executive Office of the President from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 29, William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records of communication between these agencies, other U.S. federal agencies, and the Executive Office of the President pertaining to disclosure of information about diseases afflicting illegal aliens crossing the U.S. Southwest border from May 1, 2014, through the present. (Case Numbers 2014-HQFO-00667 and FEMA 2014-FEFO-00858.)
- On **July 29, Beth Werlin**, Deputy Director, Legal Action Center with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, DC; **Trina Realmuto**, a representative with the **National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild** in Boston, Massachusetts; and **Omar Jadwat**, a representative with the **American Civil Liberties Union Foundation, Immigrants' Rights Project** in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to expedited removal; and (2) records pertaining to the expedited removal process and the credible fear process at the detention facility in Artesia, New Mexico from June 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 29, William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the following for 2011 through 2013, listed by U.S. commercial airport per year: (1) the number of "Known or Suspected Terrorists" encountered; (2) the number of airline passengers undergoing enhanced screening; and (3) the number of airline passengers denied permission to board aircraft.
- On **July 29, Anita Lee**, a staff writer with the *Sun Herald* in Gulfport, Mississippi, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the report pertaining to the collision between the vessels EURUS LONDON and SANDY POINT in the Gulfport Ship Channel on May 18, 2011.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 14**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Taylor Hill**, a reporter with the **Orange County Register** in Santa Ana, California, 105 pages of records consisting of transcripts from the USCG June 17, 2014 Southern California Listening Session. These records were released in full.
- On **July 24**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, five pages of records consisting of a listing of expenses pertaining to Starbucks for 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **July 24**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **David Minium**, a news production coordinator with **WKRC** in Cincinnati, Ohio, one audio file pertaining to distress calls on the Ohio River on July 21, 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **July 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Erica Proffer**, a reporter with **KRGV-TV** in Weslaco, Texas, one page of records containing statistics pertaining to apprehensions and drug seizures for the Rio Grande Valley Sector for October 5, 2013, through October 7, 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **July 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Abigail Ohlheiser**, a reporter with **The Washington Post** in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to CBP's review of a group inspection along the Alaska border, as a group of boy scouts prepared to enter Alaska from Canada. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **July 29**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **John Christoffersen**, a journalist with the **Associated Press** in New Haven, Connecticut, one Excel spreadsheet containing a listing of safety zones established within the area of responsibility for USCG Sector New York for the past three years. These records were released in full.
- On **July 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Mark Adamczyk**, an individual in Cheektowaga, New York, two pages of records consisting of a contract modification reflecting the change in contract cost due to sequestration for Valley Metro Barbosa Group in the Buffalo Federal Detention Facility in Batavia, New York. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(C).
- On **July 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Rachael Tackett**, a reporter with **Polity News** in Land O' Lakes, Florida, 15 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the Pirate Bay (also known as piratebay.org, thepiratebay.se, Pirate Bay, and TPB). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Sean Dunagan**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, 23 pages of records consisting of a contract and e-mails pertaining to the acquisition of less than lethal launcher kits from Pepperball Technologies, Inc. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

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- In **September**, USCIS plans to announce FRN publication setting the FY 2015 CW-1 Cap at 13,999.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

August 14, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **August 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodriguez will conduct his first national stakeholder teleconference, “Dialogue with the Director,” from USCIS Headquarters. Closed press.
- On **August 15**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will meet with representatives from the Portland Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Portland, OR, as well as representatives from non-governmental organizations to discuss the delivery of immigration benefits and services in their community. Closed press.
- On **August 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates holding a bi-monthly national stakeholder teleconference from Washington, D.C., to discuss the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals renewals process. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will hold its first Korean-language, in-person public engagement for customers at the USCIS Field Office in Queens, NY. USCIS Chief of Staff, Juliet K. Choi will provide introductory remarks. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will participate in a naturalization ceremony for about 30 new citizens at the National Mall in Washington, D.C., in commemoration of the 51st anniversary of Martin Luther King, Jr.’s “I Have a Dream” speech. Open press.
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### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **August 17 (tentative)**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency in support of the Council of Environmental Quality and its interagency Steering Group partners, will announce

the Unified Federal Environmental and Historic Preservation Review (UFR), a requirement of the Sandy Improvement Reform Act (SRIA). The UFR provides opportunity to expedite environmental and historic preservation reviews for applicants following a disaster to release federal assistance or permits.

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## Principal Schedules

### *Secretary Johnson*

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### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **August 18**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with representatives of the U.S. Travel Association to tour CBP and Transportation Security Administration operations at Dulles International Airport and participate in a leadership roundtable discussion. Closed press.
- From **August 18 to 20**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will travel to Washington with Senator Murray to meet with a group of immigration advocates regarding the Northwest Detention Center and immigration enforcement in the state (closed press). The Deputy and the Senator will also receive a briefing on cybersecurity and participate in a tour with of U.S. Coast Guard operations in the state. Press TBD.

### *Other Principles*

- From **August 15 to 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Neffenger will travel to Pascagoula, MS to serve as the keynote speaker for the commissioning of USCGC JOSHUA JAMES (NSC-5).
- On **August 17**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick and other FLETC staff members will participate in a Full Scale Active Shooter Exercise in Greenwood, IN, co-sponsored by the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation. The exercise, which will involve responses from local, county, and federal law enforcement officers as well as public safety agencies, is the capstone event in a series of workshops, table top, and communications exercises benefiting local and campus law enforcement agencies, public safety agencies, and private sector retailers. FLETC will use footage and lessons learned from the exercise to support the development of its Leadership in a Crisis Training Program. Open press.
- From **August 18 to 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will travel to Honduras to participate in the signing of the Criminal History Information Sharing Initiative with the Government of Honduras as part of a six country expansion directed by the Vice President of the United States. Mr. Winkowski will then travel to El Salvador to meet with government officials to discuss repatriation issues and then continue to Mexico City, Mexico for the inauguration ceremony of Gendarmería, a new division of the Mexican Federal Police. Open press (Closed press for meeting in El Salvador).
- On **August 18**, Under Secretary for the National Protection and Programs Directorate Suzanne Spaulding will participate in a panel discussion entitled “Targeting a Secure Future,” at the Technology Policy Institute Aspen Forum 2014. The forum brings together leaders from government, industry and academia. Open press.
- From **August 19 to 22**, Assistant Secretary for Policy Alan Bersin will travel to Panama, El Salvador, and Mexico. In Panama, Assistant Secretary Bersin will meet with President Varela and his new leadership team to discuss the signing of a cargo targeting memorandum of cooperation and the expansion of the regional border training facility. In El Salvador, Assistant Secretary Bersin will meet with the new Salvadoran Ministers to discuss issues

related to unaccompanied children and the repatriation of adults with children, as well as expanded DHS engagement on border security and transnational crime; he will also tour the new proposed reception center in La Chacra. In Mexico, he will also meet with government officials to discuss Central American repatriations from Mexico and the status of operations in Mexico's southern border region.

- On **August 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan; Assistant Secretary for Strategy, Planning, Analysis & Risk Alan Cohn; and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale, among others, are scheduled to speak at the 9th Annual Homeland Security Law Institute hosted by the American Bar Association in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **August 21 and 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Mexico City, Mexico, to attend a bi-national meeting on Use of Force and a graduation ceremony for the Mexican Federal Police's gendarmerie. Assistant Secretary for International Affairs/Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin is also scheduled to participate. Closed press.
- From **August 21 to 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Zukunft will travel to Orlando, FL to attend the National U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Conference. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **August 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Boston will provide a ride-along for CNN reporter Zain Asher on a Fugitive Operation ride along. Open press.
- On **August 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Los Angeles is tentatively scheduled to take a video crew under contract with National Geographic on a ride-along to observe the execution of locally issued search warrants targeting vendors in Orange County suspected of selling counterfeit and/or illegally imported pharmaceuticals. Open press.
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection and GSA are scheduled to issue press releases on the Donations Acceptance Program. Under Section 559 of the *Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014*, CBP and GSA are authorized to accept donations of real property, personal property (including monetary donations) and non-personal services from private sector and government entities. Publication date TBA.

##### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- From **August 17 to August 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations officials will provide briefings to the majority and minority staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, during a visit to the United Arab Emirates (Dubai and Abu Dhabi), Bahrain, Brussels, and London. Briefing topics will include ICE operations and investigative activities, the Visa Security Program, human smuggling and trafficking, weapons smuggling, money laundering, narcotics trafficking and intellectual property rights violations. During the visit, staff will also receive briefings from U.S. Customs and Border Protection regarding Container Security Initiative operations in Dubai and Preclearance operations at Abu Dhabi International Airport. U.S. Department of State and U.S. Coast Guard will also provide briefings. Closed press.

- On **August 18**, Representative Pedro Pierluisi is scheduled to tour Customs and Border Protection Air and Marine operations in Puerto Rico. Closed press.
- On **August 18 and 19**, staff from the office of Senator Jon Tester will tour Customs and Border Protection operations in Montana, to include operations in the cities of Great Falls, Havre, Sweetgrass, Babb, and St. Mary. Closed press.
- **From August 18 to 22**, minority staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security will tour Customs and Border Protection, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Department of Health and Human Services operations related to the processing of unaccompanied alien children in South Texas. Closed press.
- On **August 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Korea & Japan Regional Attaché Taekuk Cho will provide Representative Bill Shuster with a briefing on ICE investigations at the U.S. Embassy in Seoul, South Korea. Closed press.
- On **August 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Philadelphia Field Office Director Thomas Decker will meet with Representative Lou Barletta and local law enforcement officials to discuss the 287(g) program and immigration enforcement in the region. Closed press.

#### *Efficiency Review Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the Multi-Functional Devices initiative, DHS achieved a cost avoidance of \$6 million to date by utilizing a department-wide strategically sourced contract vehicle for multi-functional devices, printers, scanners, fax machines, and other similar office equipment.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 15**, 2014, **Ginger McCall**, an associate director with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the Analytical Framework for Intelligence.
- On **July 8**, 2014, **Sean Dunagan**, an investigator with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the Request for Information/Sources Sought solicitation pertaining to “escort services for unaccompanied alien children” issued on January 29, 2014.
- On **July 9**, **William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the June 26, 2014 incident near Sells, Arizona, on the Tohono O' Odham Indian Reservation, during which one or more Mexican military helicopters reportedly entered U.S. airspace and fired shots in the vicinity of U.S. Border Patrol personnel.
- On, **July 22**, 2014, **Joanna Kao**, a reporter with *Al Jazeera America* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of all I-831 forms that show a military inquiry or records that show the deportees who have served in any branch of the U.S. military.
- On **July 30**, 2014, **Omar Villafranca**, a reporter with *CBS News* in Irving, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the number of CBP agents assigned to the Rio Grande Valley Sector, the number of agents that requested transfers, and the number of requests granted by year from 2010 through 2013.

- On **July 30**, 2014, **Robert Hopwood**, a reporter with *The Desert Sun* in Palm Springs, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to complaints filed against U.S. Border Patrol agents in the El Centro Sector during the past five years.
- On **July 30**, 2014, **Richard Diamond**, a representative with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to grants and contracts with Kinder Morgan Liquids Terminal LLC from January 1, 2007, through December 31, 2013.
- On **July 30**, 2014, **David Caruso**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to a letter of undertaking between FEMA and New York University Hospitals Center regarding a public assistance grant of up to 1.12 billion dollars for assistance to recover from damage sustained during Hurricane Sandy.
- On **July 30**, 2014, **Eileen Sullivan**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) the following records: (1) meeting minutes pertaining to the Telecommunications Service Priority Oversight Committee since March 1, 2003; and (2) reports and audits provided to the committee since August 1, 2000.
- On **July 30**, 2014, **Linzi Sheldon**, a reporter with *KIRO-TV* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to USCG ferry inspections for Washington State Department of Transportation's fleet of ferries, including the ferry TACOMA, for the last two years.
- On **July 30**, 2014, **Linzi Sheldon**, a reporter with *KIRO-TV* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the USCG inspection of the ferry TACOMA after its power failure on July 29, 2014.
- On **July 31**, 2014, **William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to United Nations involvement in the recent influx of illegal aliens crossing the U.S. Southwest border from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **July 31**, 2014, **Mike Ludwig**, a representative with **Truthout** in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the security breach of the IRIS web server on February 21, 2014.
- On **August 1**, 2014, **Sean Horgan**, a reporter with *The Gloucester Daily Times* in Gloucester, Massachusetts, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records: (1) records pertaining to a July 22, 2012 incident report regarding the vessel GRIM REAPER; and (2) records pertaining to any other USCG incident or arrest reports regarding the vessel GRIM REAPER and/or its owner.
- On **August 1**, 2014, **Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with *NBC4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of photographs reviewed or taken by DHS-OIG in the research and investigation for the memorandum titled "Oversight of Unaccompanied Alien Children."
- On **August 1**, 2014, **Justin McCarthy**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or any other services to President Obama and any companions on their trip to New York, New York on July 17, 2014.



- On **August 1**, 2014, **Anemona Hartocollis**, a reporter with *The New York Times* in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records of communication between FEMA and New York University and New York University Langone Medical Center pertaining to a request for a FEMA grant regarding damage from Hurricane Sandy from October 1, 2012, through July 31, 2014.
- On **August 4**, 2014, **Forrest Carr**, a representative with *PowerTalk 1210* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the handling of undocumented unaccompanied minors and undocumented women with children and related costs to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and CBP; and (2) records pertaining to the amount of donated goods and services provided by private citizens and local communities from May 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **August 4**, 2014, **Ellen Sullivan**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to CubaGrams from January 1, 2003, through the present.
- On **August 5**, 2014, **Russell Zimmer**, a staff writer with the *Asbury Park Press* in Asbury Park, New Jersey, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to audits conducted on a Write Your Own/Standard Flood Insurance Policy claim providing coverage in New Jersey since October 29, 2012.
- On **August 5**, 2014, **Lauren Sweeney**, a reporter with *KPRC TV* in Houston, Texas, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to complaints received from passengers at Houston Hobby Airport and George Bush International Airport from January 1, 2013, through January 1, 2014.
- On **August 5**, 2014, **Naimah Jabali-Nash**, a production associate with *HBO Sports* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to reports detailing the USCG search for four passengers from a boating accident on February 28, 2009, in the Gulf of Mexico.
- On **August 5**, 2014, **Garret Ellison**, a reporter with *MLive Media Group* in Grand Rapids, Michigan, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the incident report pertaining to the USCG rescue of a scuba diver on August 2, 2014, in Lake Michigan, offshore from Saugatuck.
- On **August 5**, 2014, **Robert Kall**, a representative with *Opednews* in Newtown, Pennsylvania, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) a list of Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to the Ebola virus and the accompanying replies for the past year; and (2) records pertaining to the discussion of considerations for bringing patients affected with the Ebola virus into the U.S. from January 1, 2003, through the present.
- On **August 6**, 2014, **Alexei Oreskovic**, a representative with *Thomson Reuters* in San Francisco, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to meetings and contacts between DHS and Google Inc, Facebook Inc, and Amazon.com regarding the operation, licensing, and testing of unmanned aircraft including drones, balloons, and satellites.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 31**, 2014, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jacqueline Stevens**, a professor with **Northwestern University** in Evanston, Illinois, one Excel

spreadsheet and 816 pages of records pertaining to ICE Risk Assessment. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and (7)(E).

- On **July 31**, 2014, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Giancarlo Santoro**, a representative with **Pacific Lutheran University** in Tacoma, Washington, one Excel spreadsheet containing the number of individuals from ages 18 through 21 detained at the Tacoma Northwest Detention Center. These records were released in full.
- On **July 31**, 2014, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **David Iaconangelo**, a journalist with the *Latin Times* in Brooklyn, New York, three Excel spreadsheets pertaining to the transfer of detainees between ICE detention centers from January 1, 2012, through March 31, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 31**, 2014, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Christine Haas**, a reporter with *Fox 7 News* in Austin, Texas, one Excel spreadsheet containing information pertaining to the following: (1) travel expenses for ICE agents accompanying minors into the U.S; (2) expenses from January 2014 through the present; and (3) annual travel expense totals for ICE agents for budget years 2010 through 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **July 31**, 2014, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Chris Glorioso**, a reporter with *WNBC-TV* in New York, New York, 212 pages of records consisting of applications for funding, e-mails, meeting minutes, and memoranda pertaining to FEMA decisions regarding Hurricane Sandy recovery funds for New York University Medical Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **July 31**, 2014, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Alison Young**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, 112 pages of records consisting of service records for full-body backscatter x-ray scanners describing the machine problems and corrective actions taken. These records were released in full.
- On July 31, 2014, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Douglas Lucas**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records from several DHS senior officials pertaining to Mexican police or Mexican military at Fort Bliss, Texas, from January 1, 2010, through the present. (Case Number 2014-HQFO-00465.)
- On **July 31**, 2014, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the **Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse** in Syracuse, New York, 3,866 pages of records containing case-by-case data on apprehensions and dispositions from June 1, 2013, through May 31, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **August 1**, 2014, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Rachael Bale**, a researcher with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 15 pages of records consisting of the U.S. Border Patrol Hold Rooms and Short Term Custody policy. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 1**, 2014, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Shane Shifflett**, a reporter with *The Huffington Post* in Brooklyn, New York, 6,322 pages of records consisting of one Excel spreadsheet containing apprehension data for every U.S. Border

Patrol sector from September 1, 2012, through October 17, 2013. These records were released in full.

- On **August 1**, 2014, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Clayton Hanson**, a writer and editor with *Congressional Quarterly* in Washington, DC, five pages of records consisting of e-mails between CBP Commissioner Gil Kerlikowske and the Office of State, Local and Tribal Liaison pertaining to the unaccompanied migrant children along the southern border of the United States from January 1, 2012, through July 1, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **August 4**, 2014, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Trina Realmuto**, a researcher with the **National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild** in Boston, Massachusetts, and **Sarah Mehta**, a researcher with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in New York, New York, 123 pages of records consisting of guidance on reinstatement of orders of removal from 2008 through 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 7(E).
- On **August 4**, 2014, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Michael Keller**, a reporter with *Business Newsweek* and *The Daily Beast* in New York, New York, 28 pages of records consisting of an internet services agreement and a subcontract with Acxiom. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 4**, 2014, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Gabriel Schivone**, a blogger with *The Huffington Post* in Tucson, Arizona, eight pages of records consisting of a contract for equipment services with Motorola Solutions Inc. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(C).
- On **August 5**, 2014, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Mathew Kish**, an associate with the *Portland Business Journal* in Portland, Oregon, 120 pages of records pertaining to an investigation involving the State of Oregon and respective interviews pertaining to the late founder of U.S. Corporation Services. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 5**, 2014, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Chris Glorioso**, a reporter with *WNBC TV* in New York, New York, eight pages of records and two Excel spreadsheets containing National Flood Insurance Repetitive Loss and Severe Repetitive Loss claims data for properties in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **August 5**, 2014, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Luke Rosiak**, a reporter with *The Washington Examiner* in Washington, DC, 35 pages of records from investigations by the Environmental Protection Agency OIG. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 5**, 2014, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Cynthia Wise**, a senior assignments editor with *KING5 News* in Seattle, Washington, 95 pages of records from the late Steven Allen Dailey's merchant mariner service record. These records were released in full.
- On **August 6**, 2014, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Douglas Gillison**, a representative with **100Reporters** in Washington, DC, 700 pages of records consisting of

reports of incident investigations involving vessels in the Distant Water Tuna Fleet. These records were released in full.

- On **August 6**, 2014, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Tim Murphy**, a reporter with *Mother Jones* in Washington, DC, 132 pages of records consisting of letters and news articles pertaining to the late Farley Mowat, a Canadian citizen and author. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 2, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

#### 30 to 60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to announce FY 2014 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program recipients.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to launch myE-Verify, a one-stop service for employees to access various features focused on protecting their identity and creating transparency into the E-Verify process.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to announce Federal Register Notice publication setting the fiscal year 2015 CW-1 Cap at 13,999.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **August 26 to 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations will host representatives from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees office for a visit to the Karnes County Residential Center and Artesia Family Residential Center. The visit will include a tour and coordinated monitoring of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services asylum interviews and Executive Office of Immigration Review court proceedings. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will hold its first Korean-language, in-person public engagement for customers at the USCIS Field Office in Queens, NY. USCIS Chief of Staff, Juliet K. Choi will provide introductory remarks. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will participate in a webinar hosted by the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. in Washington D.C. to share information about case assistance services and recommendations to improve the delivery of immigration benefits and services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Open Press.
- On **August 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will participate in a naturalization ceremony for about 30 new citizens at the National Mall in Washington, D.C., in commemoration of the 51st anniversary of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech. National Park Service Director Jonathan B. Jarvis will also participate. Open press.
- In **August**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates announcing that the H-2B cap for fiscal year 2014 (66,000) has been met. Upon announcement, no further petitions will be accepted for this fiscal year.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **August 16**, 545,700 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 24.1 million queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity**

- On **August 27**, Dr. Phyllis Schneck, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications, will deliver remarks on leadership and cybersecurity, at the 2014 National Science Foundation Cybersecurity Summit in Arlington, VA.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **September 5**, FEMA expects news stories surrounding the launch of National Preparedness Month (NPM) in New York City, and the launch of America's PrepareAthon!. FEMA's NPM 2014 theme, "Be Disaster Aware, Take Action to Prepare," urges Americans

to know the hazards in their community and take concrete steps to ensure their families are prepared for any disaster scenario.

#### *Upcoming Reports*

- In **August**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Enforcement Actions Report, which presents information on the apprehension, detention, return and removal of foreign nationals during fiscal year 2013.
- In **August**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Unauthorized Population Estimate Report, which provides estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2013 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **August**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Nonimmigrant Admissions Flow Report (I-94), which provides information on the number and characteristics of I-94 nonimmigrant admissions to the United States in 2013.
- In **August**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Refugee and Asylee Flow Report, which provides information on the number and characteristics of persons admitted as refugees or granted asylum in the United States in 2013.
- In **August**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Lawful Permanent Residents Population Estimates Report which provides information on the number and characteristics of persons with lawful permanent resident status for leading countries of birth and states of residence.

#### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- In **August**, USCIS anticipates publication of Federal Register Notice (FRN) on TPS – extension for Sudan and re-designation and extension for South Sudan.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing the T Nonimmigrant Status Interim Rule. This regulation, which responds to comments on a related 2002 interim rule, will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes. Rule publication date is tentative.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing Federal Register Notice on extension of Temporary Protected Status for both Honduras and Nicaragua.

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **August 25 and 26**, Secretary Johnson will have internal meetings in Washington, D.C.
- From **August 27 to 29**, Secretary Johnson will be on personal leave.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **August 25 and 26**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will be on personal leave.
- On **August 27**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with United Farm Workers President Arturo Rodriguez in Washington, D.C. to discuss issues related to immigration. Closed press.

##### *Other Principles*

- On **August 25**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia, will travel to New York City to visit with Congresswoman Clarke and brief her on the Securing the Cities program and other DNDO capabilities and activities. Closed press.

- On **August 26**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver the opening remarks at the Commercial Targeting and Analysis Center Operations Conference in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **August 26**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick will serve as a keynote speaker during the opening ceremonies of the National Native American Law Enforcement Association's 22nd Annual National Collaborative Training Event in Las Vegas, NV. She will speak to this year's theme, "Whole Community Policing through Partnerships." Open press.
- On **August 27**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia, will provide opening remarks at the DNDO Executive Steering Committee meeting, a group of key state and local leaders who champion the radiological and nuclear detection mission within their states and regions, and encourage others to develop national detection capabilities. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will attend an El Paso Intelligence Center Board of Directors meeting and 40th Anniversary celebration in El Paso, TX. Closed press.
- On **August 27**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak at the 2014 Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism Supply Chain Security Training Seminar and Conference hosted by CBP in San Antonio, TX. Closed press.
- From **August 27 to 28**, Transportation Security Administrator John Pistole and the TSA Office of Global Strategies (OGS) will participate in the International Civil Aviation Organization-Singapore Aviation Security Leadership and Management Seminar in Singapore. TSA's delegation to this meeting will also include, OGS Assistant Administrator Paul Fujimura, Western Hemisphere Regional Director Mark Hatfield, and TSA Representative to Singapore Rachel McGlynn. Closed Press.

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- On **August 26**, Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Field Operations and the Office of Administration will brief staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the Reimbursable Services and Donations Acceptance Programs, both authorized under Section 559 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014. Closed press.
- On **August 26**, staff from the Congressional Research Service will tour Customs and Border Protection operations in and around McAllen and Brownsville, Texas. Closed press.
- On **August 26**, a representative from Domestic Nuclear Detection Office and Customs and Border Protection, Office of Field Operations will participate in a briefing for staff from the



Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the Non-Intrusive Inspection Recapitalization Plan. Closed press.

- From **August 26 to 28**, majority staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security will tour Customs and Border Protection operations in and around Portal, Northgate, Carbury, Bottineau, Neche, Pembina, and Grand Forks, ND. Closed press.
- On **August 28**, Representative Steve Southerland is scheduled to tour Customs and Border Protection operations at Miami International Airport; he will be accompanied by representatives of the Miami-Dade County Aviation Department. Closed press.
- On **August 29**, Representative Mark Takano is scheduled to tour Border Patrol operations in McAllen, Texas. Closed press.
- On **August 29**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers and Deputy Under Secretary (Acting) Robert Griffin will accompany members of the Kansas Congressional delegation, Senator Pat Roberts, Senator Jerry Moran, and Representative Tim Huelskamp, on a tour of the Science and Technology Directorate's National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility construction site in Manhattan, KS. The tour will provide an opportunity for all members to receive an update on the current status of construction. Open press.

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#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **July 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) referred to DHS a request from **Sam Pearson**, a representative with *Environment & Energy News* in Washington, DC, seeking records of correspondence between Rand Beers and any representatives of the governments of Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom, and/or New Zealand pertaining to the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program and/or chemical security issues from April 9, 2013, through December 23, 2013.
- On **August 6**, **Michael Bender**, a reporter with *Bloomberg News* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) month-by-month data of Southwest border unaccompanied alien children apprehensions from October 1, 2008, through July 31, 2014.
- On **August 7**, **Katie Moore**, a reporter and anchor with *WWL-TV* in New Orleans, Louisiana, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the camera footage from July 26, 2014, of the checked baggage screening area at the New Orleans Armstrong International Airport; (2) a copy of complaint forms pertaining to missing items from checked baggage at the aforementioned airport from January 1, 2014, through June 30, 2014; and (3) a copy of TSA policies and procedures governing searched check baggage that involve and/or require notification of passengers that their bags have been searched. (Case Number TSA 2014-TSFO-00506.)
- On **August 7**, **Evan Lehmann**, a reporter with *ClimateWire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to federal

reimbursements to Write Your Own insurance companies for legal fees associated with the National Flood Insurance Program.

- On **August 8, Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) a copy of e-mails sent or received by the following individuals including the keyword “Hinckley” from January 1, 2012, through the present: (1) Ed Donovan (Case Number USSS 20140903); (2) Director of USSS(Case Number USSS 20140904); (3) Deputy Director of USSS(Case Number USSS 20140905); (4) Chief of Staff of USSS(Case Number USSS 20140906); (5) Head of Protective Operations of USSS (Case Number USSS 20140907); and (6) all USSS officers assigned to the John Hinckley Jr. case as of August 7, 2014.
- On **August 8, 2014, Chuck Ross**, a reporter with *The Daily Caller* in Wichita, Kansas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) statistical data pertaining to the number of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals listing criminal history on their I-821D applications; (2) a copy of internal reports produced by the Background Check Unit Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals team pertaining to statistical data of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals applicants with criminal backgrounds; and (3) records pertaining to the results of quality assurance reviews of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals files, including error reports provided to the Lockbox service provider.
- On **August 11, Barb Ickes**, a reporter with *Quad-City Times* in Davenport, Iowa, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to crash investigations regarding Channel Cat Water Taxis.
- On **August 12, Lisa Bartley**, a reporter with *KABC-TV* in Glendale, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to cell phone tracking technology “Stingray” or IMSI catcher used by the Los Angeles Police Department and other law enforcement agencies.
- On **August 12, Brett Solomon**, a representative with **Access Now, Inc.** in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to an investigation into the suspension of the domain 1dmx.org from December 1, 2013, through April 30, 2014.
- On **August 12, Simone Aponte**, an executive producer with *KTVU-TV* in Oakland, California, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to complaints against TSA agents at San Francisco International Airport and/or Oakland International Airport made by members of the public to the Multicultural Branch from July 1, 2013, through July 20, 2014.
- On **August 12, Simone Aponte**, an executive producer with *KTVU-TV* in Oakland, California, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to recorded security videos of Marilyn Hartman at various checkpoints and gates at Mineta San Jose International Airport on August 4, 2014.
- On **August 13, Josh Margolin**, a reporter with *ABC News* in New York, New York, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the arrest of a man suspected of posing as a security screener at San Francisco International Airport on July 15, 2014.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Penny Star**, a staff writer with *CNS News* in Reston, Virginia, 2,686 pages of records consisting of one Excel

spreadsheet containing apprehensions data inside the United States of Other Than Mexicans for fiscal year 2013. These records were released in full.

- On **August 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Theodore Hesson**, a reporter with *Fusion* in Washington, DC, 587 pages of records consisting of one Excel spreadsheet containing apprehensions of unaccompanied juveniles by U.S. Border Patrol from October 1, 2013, through the present. These records were released in full.
- On **August 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jeremy Redmon**, a reporter with *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* in Woodstock, Georgia, 115 pages and six Excel spreadsheets pertaining to ICE detainees placed in segregation from 2011 through 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Narayan Lakshman**, a journalist with *The Hindu* in Chevy Chase, Maryland, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to more than 100 men from Punjab, India, held in the El Paso Texas Processing Center since November 11, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **August 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Brad Heath**, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, two pages of records and one Excel spreadsheet containing information for the past five years pertaining to criminal aliens who requested parole before they arrived at a port of entry or whose parole request was reviewed before they arrived at a port of entry. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Thomas Jones**, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, 79 pages of records consisting of correspondence between ICE and Congressman Bruce Braley (D-IA) pertaining to: (1) policy, legislation, or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Ian Mandel**, an individual in Hoboken, New Jersey; **Pat Mullins**, Chairman with the **Republican Party of Virginia** in Richmond, Virginia; and **Nathaniel Gilman**, an individual in Washington, DC, 36 pages of records consisting of e-mails between DHS and Terence McAuliffe pertaining to GreenTech Automotive and Gulf Coast Funds Management. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **August 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Andrew Medici**, a journalist with the *Federal Times* in Springfield, Virginia, three pages of records pertaining to the most recent cost estimates regarding any potential delay of the agency consolidation efforts at the former Saint Elizabeths western hospital campus. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 5.
- On **August 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Steven Hsieh**, a blogger with *The Nation* in Town and Country, Missouri, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to training distributed or presented to U.S. Border Patrol staff to prepare for the surge of unaccompanied child migrants crossing the Southwest border from Central America in the late spring and summer of 2014.

- On **August 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Michael Scott**, a reporter with **KRGV** in Weslaco, Texas, one page of records containing a chart of the number and types of assaults on border patrol agents in the Rio Grande Sector from March 1, 2014, through June 26, 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **August 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Kevin Diaz**, a reporter with the **Houston Chronicle** in Washington, DC, one page of records containing statistics pertaining to CBP detainee interviews with unaccompanied children and others who have crossed the Southwest border illegally since October 1, 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **August 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Tamara Miller**, an attorney with **The Federal Practice Group** in Washington, DC, 14 pages of records consisting of internal investigations of leaks to the media made by DHS and/or United States Secret Service (USSS) employees. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **August 13**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Douglas Gillison**, a representative with **100Reporters** in Washington, DC, 280 pages of records consisting of reports of incident investigations involving vessels in the Distant Water Tuna Fleet. These records were released in full.
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Lydia Medland**, a Research and Campaigns Coordinator with **Access Info Europe**, two Excel spreadsheets containing a list of the names and location of all the facilities that currently are in use for the purpose of confining non-citizens in administrative detention for periods exceeding three days for immigration-related reasons. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption (7)(E).
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Satnam Chahal**, a representative with the **Punjab News USA** and the **North American Punjabi Association** in Milpitas, California, two excel spreadsheets containing: (1) the number of Indians who are seeking asylum in the U.S. detained in ICE detention centers; (2) the number of Indians in each ICE detention Center; (3) the number of Asylum seekers are detained with the last or middle name Singh; (4) the number of asylum seekers detained with their last or middle name Kaur; (5) the number of Indian origin asylum seekers detained in each ICE detention center; (6) the number of criminal nature of detainees with last or middle name Singh; (7) the number of criminal nature of detainees with last or middle name Kaur. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to Privacy Act exemption (k)(2) and FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and (7)(E).
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jeremy Redmon**, an reporter with **The Atlanta Journal-Constitution** in Woodstock, Georgia, two Excel spreadsheets consisting of (1) ERO LESA statistical tracking data released under 2014FOIA10174 for 1/11/2012 present or the most recent set of data available; (2) the native countries for each of the former detainees; (3) the immigration centers from which each of these individuals were released; (4) the reasons why each of these detainees were released from immigration detention. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, and 7(C).
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Seth Wessler**, an individual with **Colorlines.com Applied Research Center** in New York, New York, 17 pages of records of records consisting of data from July 1, 2010, through the present on the

number of parents of U.S. Citizens who have been deported. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C), and (7)(E).

- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jason A. Cherkis**, an Reporter with the **Huffington Post** in Washington, DC, 2 excel spreadsheet consisting of (1)the number of beds being occupied in the ICE detention centers for September 2013, (2) the crime levels of those detained and (3) how many were eventually detained. The 2 excel spreadsheets will be released in their entirety.
- On **August 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Todd Feathers**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 19 pages of records consisting of correspondence between DHS and Joseph Aoun, President of Northeastern University. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **August 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Alexa O'Brien**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 1,914 pages of congressional correspondence logs for 2006 through 2008. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **August 21**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jason Leopold**, a reporter with **Truthout** in Beverly Hills, California, nine pages of records consisting of the National Security Higher Education Advisory Board itinerary and attendees list. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **August 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Grace Meng**, a researcher with **Human Rights Watch** in New York, New York, 26 Excel spreadsheets containing data pertaining to all non-citizens referred by ICE for federal criminal prosecution for “immigration offenses” from fiscal year 2004 through the present. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption (7)(E).
- On **August 21**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Emma Jacobs**, with **WHYY** in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 2,020 pages of records pertaining to the following: (1) intergovernmental service agreements; (2) Bureau of Prisons facilities in New York that house immigration detainees; (3) oversight reports; and (4) conditions at immigration detention facilities in New York. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(C).
- On **August 21**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, 29 pages of records consisting of e-mails which contain media clips and law enforcement reports on the Super Dome in New Orleans, Louisiana and the facility's electrical/power system from February 2, 2013, through February 5, 2013, regarding Super Bowl XLVII and/or the facility's electrical/power system. Portions of the release are being withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).

### 30 to 60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to announce FY 2014 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program recipients.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to launch myE-Verify, a one-stop service for employees to access various features focused on protecting their identity and creating transparency into the E-Verify process.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to announce Federal Register Notice publication setting the fiscal year 2015 CW-1 Cap at 13,999.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **August 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will participate in a naturalization ceremony for about 30 new citizens at the National Mall in Washington, D.C., in commemoration of the 51st anniversary of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech. National Park Service Director Jonathan B. Jarvis will also participate. Open press.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates announcing that the H-2B cap for fiscal year 2014 (66,000) has been met. Upon announcement, no further petitions will be accepted for this fiscal year.
- On **September 5**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will participate in a meeting with the Salvador Ambassador Francisco Altschul about migration issues and the situation on the southern border. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **August 23**, 547,056 employers are registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.6 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2014, over 24.8 million queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity**

- On **September 3**, Dr. Phyllis Schneck, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications, will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Implementing an All-Encompassing Approach to National Security, Cyberspace Protection and Law Enforcement," at the Financial Times Cyber Security Summit 2014 in London.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **September 3**, FEMA will announce the 2014 Individual and Community Preparedness Division (ICPD) Award recipients. The ICPD awards recognize the outstanding efforts of individuals, programs and organizations throughout the country to encourage whole community preparedness.
- On **September 5**, FEMA expects news stories surrounding the launch of National Preparedness Month (NPM) in New York City, and the launch of America's PrepareAthon!. FEMA's NPM 2014 theme, "Be Disaster Aware, Take Action to Prepare," urges Americans to know the hazards in their community and take concrete steps to ensure their families are prepared for any disaster scenario.

### *Upcoming Reports*

- In **September**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Enforcement Actions Report, which presents information on the apprehension, detention, return and removal of foreign nationals during fiscal year 2013.

- In **September**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Unauthorized Population Estimate Report, which provides estimates of the unauthorized immigrant population residing in the United States as of January 2013 for periods of entry and leading countries of birth and states of residence.
- In **September**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Nonimmigrant Admissions Flow Report (I-94), which provides information on the number and characteristics of I-94 nonimmigrant admissions to the United States in 2013.
- In **September**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Refugee and Asylee Flow Report, which provides information on the number and characteristics of persons admitted as refugees or granted asylum in the United States in 2013.
- In **September**, DHS anticipates releasing the 2013 Lawful Permanent Residents Population Estimates Report which provides information on the number and characteristics of persons with lawful permanent resident status for leading countries of birth and states of residence.

#### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- On **September 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publication of Federal Register Notice on Temporary Protected Status – extension for Sudan and re-designation and extension for South Sudan.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing the T Nonimmigrant Status Interim Rule. This regulation, which responds to comments on a related 2002 interim rule, will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes. Rule publication date is tentative.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing Federal Register Notice on extension of Temporary Protected Status for both Honduras and Nicaragua.

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- During the **week of September 1**, Secretary Johnson will have internal meetings.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **September 2**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will participate in an interview with Mary Helen Berg from USA Today about the Blue Campaign and human trafficking.

##### *Other Principles*

- From **September 3 to 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski and Assistant Secretary for International Affairs/Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin are scheduled to attend the U.S. – Canada Executive Steering Committee meeting in Ottawa, Canada. Other notable officials scheduled to participate include U.S. Ambassador to Canada Bruce Heyman, Canadian Ambassador to the United States Gary Doer, and Canada Border Services Agency President Luc Porterlance. Closed press.
- From **September 3 to 6**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Zukunft will travel to District 7 and SOUTHCOM to align Coast Guard strategies with DHS priorities to advance national interests.



- On **September 4**, Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer, will present at the U.S. Fire Administration's 26th Annual Executive Fire Officer Program Graduate Symposium. Dr. Brinsfield will present on the Affordable Care Act and its impact on fire and emergency medical services agencies.
- **September 5**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will attend a National Preparedness Month Event in New York City with New York emergency management officials, private sector representatives and local elected officials to deliver remarks about the importance of emergency preparedness and showcase new PSAs developed by the Ready Campaign encouraging families to prepare for disasters. Open press.
- On **September 5**, FEMA U.S. Fire Administrator (USFA) Chief Ernest Mitchell, Jr. will provide an update on USFA's mission and programs at the National Fire Protection Association Urban Fire Forum in Quincy, MA. Open press.

### Items of Note

#### *Expected Press*

- On **August 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Los Angeles Assistant Field Office Director (AFOD) David Marin and AFOD Robert Naranjo will tentatively host a tour with representatives from Estrella TV's network bureau in Los Angeles and La Opinion newspaper, as they tour the GEO contract detention facility in Adelanto, California. An ICE Western Regional Office Public Affairs Officer will also staff the tour. Open press.
- On **September 2**, a representative from Customs and Border Protection (CBP) of the El Centro Border Patrol Sector will be interviewed by Craig Deutsche, a reporter with the Los Angeles-based Desert Report, the newsletter of the Sierra Club's California/Nevada Desert Committee. Topics to be discussed include agent patrol routines, dangers, processing procedures, relationships with other agencies, and environmental concerns in the area. CBP will also provide an operational tour. Publication date is to be determined.
- CBP and GSA are scheduled to issue press releases on the Donations Acceptance Program. Under Section 559 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014, CBP and GSA are authorized to accept donations of real property, personal property (including monetary donations) and non-personal services from private sector and government entities. Publication date TBA.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **August 29**, Representative Mark Takano is scheduled to tour Customs and Border Patrol operations in McAllen, Texas. Closed press.
- On **August 29**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers and Deputy Under Secretary (Acting) Robert Griffin will accompany members of the Kansas Congressional delegation, Senator Pat Roberts, Senator Jerry Moran, and Representative Tim Huelskamp, on a tour of the Science and Technology Directorate's National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility construction site in Manhattan, KS. The tour will provide an opportunity for all members to receive an update on the current status of construction. Open press.

- On **September 2 to 3**, a delegation from the House Homeland Security Committee led by Representative Susan Brooks will tour Customs and Border Protection operations in South Texas. Closed press.
- On **September 3**, the US Secret Service (USSS) Critical Systems & Cyber Intelligence Sections will provide program overviews to the Congressional Staff Delegation from the U.S. House Committee on Homeland Security and the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection & Security Technologies. USSS Special Agent Chris Dolan will host this delegation with the goal of providing a high level understanding of the U.S. Secret Service cyber mission prior to the group commencing foreign travel.
- On **September 4**, Representative C.A. “Dutch” Ruppersberger and staff will tour Customs and Border Protection, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and United States Coast Guard operations at the Port of Baltimore, Maryland. Closed press.
- On **September 4**, Under Secretary of Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will meet with House and Senate Appropriations Committee staff to present the strategic vision for the Science and Technology Directorate. Closed press.
- On **September 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations New York Special Agent Michael Ortiz will participate in a forum on Human Trafficking hosted by Representative Sean Patrick Maloney in Newburg, New York. Closed press.
- On **September 9 or 10**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the Department of State (DOS) will schedule the annual refugee consultations with the House and Senate Judiciary Committee chairs and ranking member, to present the President’s proposed admission numbers for refugees for the next fiscal year. Consultations are led by the Director of USCIS (on behalf of the Secretary of Homeland Security), the Secretary of State, the Assistant Secretary for Populations Refugees and Migration (DOS), and the Department of Health and Human Services, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Refugee Resettlement.

#### *Efficiency Review Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the travel initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reduced travel expenditures by eliminating non-mission critical travel and leveraging web-base communications. This initiative has resulted in a cost avoidance of more than \$17 million, to date.

#### *FEMA Disaster Declarations*

- As of **August 26**, President Obama has signed 373 major disaster declarations and 71 emergency declarations and this Administration has obligated over \$32.6 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 15**, **Beth Werlin**, a deputy director with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following statistical data for the Tucson Sector: (1) the number of individuals detained on a daily basis at each station; (2) the number of individuals detained in each detention cell or hold room;

(3) the number of detention cells or hold rooms at each station; and (4) the length of time individuals are detained at each station from January 1, 2013, through June 30, 2013.

- On **August 4, Vriti Jain**, a representative with the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to worksite enforcement or employer violations for the following companies: (1) Sara Lee from January 1, 1992, through December 31, 1994; (2) Haggar from January 1, 1994, through December 31, 1998; (3) Reebok from January 1, 1998, through December 31, 2002; and (4) Pillowtex from January 1, 2002, through December 31, 2003.
- On **August 13, Scott MacFarlane**, a reporter with **NBC 4** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the daily Outlook calendar for a specific e-mail address associated with Rand Beers from June 1, 2013, through August 11, 2014.
- On **August 15, Jacqueline Odum**, a research assistant with the **Center for American Progress** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) statistical data pertaining to O-1A and O-1B visa applications submitted to the California Service Center and the Vermont Service Center from fiscal years 2009 through 2013.
- On **August 18, Rebekah Young**, reporter with **KRGV-TV** in Weslaco, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of the completed checklists for Rio Grande Valley Sector facilities visited for the report on “Oversight of Unaccompanied Alien Children.”

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 14**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to **Michael Kunzelman**, a reporter with the **Associated Press** in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 385 pages of records pertaining to individuals under review for possible recoupment or already found ineligible for some or all of the Hurricane Sandy-related assistance that FEMA provided through its Individuals and Households Program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **August 14**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to **Alexei Oreskovic**, a representative with **Thomson Reuters** in San Francisco, California, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to meetings and contacts between DHS and Google Inc, Facebook Inc, and Amazon.com regarding the operation, licensing, and testing of unmanned aircraft including drones, balloons, and satellites.
- On **August 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to **Michael Marizco**, a reporter with **KVOA News 4** in Tucson, Arizona, a no records determination in response to his request seeking a database of all CBP officers and agents indicted and prosecuted in federal, state, or local court jurisdictions from October 1, 2006, through April 1, 2013.
- On **August 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Michael Bender**, a reporter with **Bloomberg News** in Washington, DC, three pages of records containing statistics pertaining to CBP month-by-month data of Southwest Border unaccompanied alien children apprehensions from October 1, 2008, through July 31, 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **August 18**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **J.K. Trotter**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, three pages of records

consisting of the Separation Authorization record for Bowe Bergdahl. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.

- On **August 18**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Adrienne LaFrance**, a senior associate editor with *The Atlantic* in Washington, DC, 48 pages of records consisting of a social media discussion paper and a Social Media Field Guide. These records were released in full.
- On **August 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Sean Dunagan**, a researcher with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, 35 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the reported discovery of four suspected Mexican soldiers in a drug tunnel terminating in Otay Mesa on April 1, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Lydia Medland**, a Research and Campaigns Coordinator with **Access Info Europe**, two Excel spreadsheets containing a list of the names and locations of all the facilities that currently are in use for the purpose of confining non-citizens in administrative detention for periods exceeding three days for immigration-related reasons. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Seth Wessler**, a representative with the **Applied Research Center** and *Colorlines* in New York, New York, 17 pages of records consisting of data from July 1, 2010, through April 1, 2013, pertaining to the number of parents of U.S. citizens who have been deported. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jeremy Redmon**, a reporter with *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* in Woodstock, Georgia, two Excel spreadsheets pertaining to detainees released from immigration detention centers from January 1, 2012, through June 22, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Satnam Chahal**, a representative with *Punjab News USA* and the **North American Punjabi Association** in Milpitas, California, two Excel spreadsheets pertaining to currently detained Indian Nationals seeking asylum and those seeking asylum with the last or middle name Kauer or Singh. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Jason Cherkis**, a reporter with the *Huffington Post* in Washington, DC, two Excel spreadsheets containing the number of beds occupied in the ICE detention centers for September 2013, the crime levels of those detained, and how many were eventually detained. These records were released in full.
- On **August 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Beth Werlin**, a deputy director with *American Immigration Council* in Washington, DC, 12 pages of records containing statistics for the number of individuals detained on a daily basis at each Tucson Sector, listing the hold room, detention cells and length of time individuals were detained from January 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **August 27**, CBP issued its fourth partial response to **Damien Cave**, a Correspondent with *The New York Times*, in Mexico City, Mexico, who had appealed U.S. Customs & Border

Protection's (CBP) response to his request for all Interagency Agreements between CBP and its components and their Mexican counterparts or any arm of the Mexican government, all documents and/or database information tracking complaints against all CBP personnel deployed on the Southwest border year by year, and all payments made by CBP in civil lawsuits filed against CBP or its personnel and contractors, year to year. This partial response consists of 328 pages of a chart listing summary data regarding complaints filed against CBP personnel along the Southwest Border. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6 and 7(C).

- On **August 27**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Garrett Ellison**, a Reporter with **MLive Media Group** - Grand Rapids Press in Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49 pages of records consisting of the Case Report involving the rescue of a scuba diver in Lake Michigan, offshore from Saugatuck, by Coast Guard personnel from Station Holland on August 2, 2014. The records will be released in Full.
- On **August 27**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Laura Oberle, a representative with the Island Packet/Beaufort Gazette in Bluffton, South Carolina, 15 pages of records consisting of the Case Report involving the vessel HOB0 that caught fire in the Port Royal Sound off of Hilton Head Island on July 19, 2014. The records will be released in Full.
- On **August 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued its second and final release to **Bob Ortega**, a reporter with the **Arizona Republic** in Phoenix, Arizona, in response to his request for any list or summaries describing dates and locations and other information about use-of-force incidents involving Border Patrol officers from 2009 to date. The response consists of 3,072 pages of reportable use of force incident data forms from the time frame of August 2012 through November 2013. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 6, 7(C) and 7(E).
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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

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- On **September 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will participate in naturalization ceremony for 23 new citizens on Angel Island in San Francisco, CA, to commemorate Constitution Week. Open press.
- On **September 17 to 18**, Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria M. Odom will meet with officials from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, U.S. Department of State, and local U.S. immigration service providers and human trafficking representatives during her visit to the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City, Mexico. Ms. Odom will share information about the work of the Ombudsman's Office to improve the U.S. immigration administration system as well as efforts of the DHS Blue Campaign to raise awareness about combatting human trafficking. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to announce FY 2014 Citizenship and Integration Grant Program recipients. The program will provide nearly \$10 million in funding for citizenship preparation programs across the country.
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- On **September 16**, Dr. Phyllis Schneck, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications, will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Cyber Resilience," at the 5th Annual Billington Cybersecurity Summit. Open press.

- On **September 17**, Dr. Phyllis Schneck, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications, will deliver remarks on critical infrastructure cybersecurity and resilience, at Government Accountability Office IT Week. Closed press.
- On **September 18**, Dr. Phyllis Schneck, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications, will deliver remarks on strengthening the security and resilience of critical infrastructure, at the New York Institute of Technology Fifth Annual Cybersecurity Conference. Open press.

#### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **September 17**, FEMA, in cooperation with the Federal Communications Commission and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, will conduct a state-wide test of the Integrated Public Alert Warning System in conjunction with the West Virginia Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, the West Virginia Broadcasters Association, and wireless providers. Closed press.

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#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **September 15**, Secretary Johnson will meet with Spanish Minister of Interior Jorge Fernandez Diaz to discuss issues of mutual concern. Closed press.



- On **September 16**, Secretary Johnson will meet with United Kingdom Home Secretary Theresa May to discuss issues of mutual concern. Closed press.
- On **September 17**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about worldwide threats to the homeland (open press). He will also deliver remarks at the Air Force Association - 2014 Air & Space Conference and Technology Exposition in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **September 18**, Secretary Johnson will deliver keynote remarks at the Homeland Security & Defense Business Council National Conversation in Washington, D.C. about the future of the Department. Open press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **September 15**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities President Antonio Flores to discuss promoting Hispanics in higher education. Closed press.
- On **September 16**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Representatives Judy Chu, Mike Honda, and other members of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus to discuss immigration enforcement. Closed press.
- From **September 17 to 19**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will travel to Los Angeles, CA for meetings and employee engagements with the U.S. Coast Guard and U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Press TBD.

*Other Principles*

- On **September 13**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Zukunft will travel to the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT to attend the Secretary's Cup (USCGA vs. USMMA) Football Game. Open press.
- On **September 15**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to speak at the National Association of Foreign Trade Zones' 42nd Annual Conference and Expo in Fort Worth, Texas. Open press.
- On **September 15 to 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Thomas Winkowski will attend the U.S.-Canada Executive Steering Committee in Ottawa, Canada. Closed press.
- From **September 15 to 20**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Zukunft will travel to San Francisco, CA to attend the North Pacific Coast Guard Forum.
- On **September 16**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Assistant Secretary for Policy Alan Bersin will travel to Detroit, MI to speak at the US-Canada Border Conference. Open press.
- On **September 16 and 17**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and other senior FEMA leadership will provide program briefings, receive progress and potential recommendations updates, and participate in discussions at the National Advisory Council public meeting in Los Angeles, CA. Open press.
- On **September 18**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver remarks at the National Security Summit in Washington, DC, co-sponsored by the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association and Intelligence and National Security Alliance. Under Secretary Taylor will participate on a panel to discuss Homeland Security Intelligence Enterprise and Strategic and Tactical Warning. Closed press.

- From **September 19 to 25**, Assistant Secretary for Policy Alan Bersin will travel to Qatar and the United Arab Emirates to advance initiatives from the Secretary's June visit. In Qatar, Assistant Secretary Bersin will advance efforts to develop air passenger information sharing cooperation with Qatar, and manage Qatari interest in establishing a Transportation Security Administration Regional Operations Center and expanding Preclearance operations. In the UAE, he will discuss Preclearance expansion to Dubai and deliver a speech at New York University Abu Dhabi. Closed press.

### Items of Note

#### *Expected Press*

- On **September 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Field Office Director Enrique Lucero will be interviewed by Associated Press reporter Will Wissert. Mr. Wissert will also tour the classroom wing of the Karnes County Residential Center. Open press.
- On **September 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent in Charge San Antonio Janice Ayala will be interviewed by Rolling Stone Magazine regarding the Panama Unit investigation that successfully dismantled 11 members of the task force, including the former sheriff of Hidalgo County, who was involved in drug trafficking and money laundering. Open press.
- From **September 15 to 18**, Transportation Security Administrator Pistole will visit with TSA employees and leadership in Indianapolis, Chicago, and Minneapolis. He will conduct a business roundtable in Minneapolis and engage with media such as The Chicago Tribune and Wall Street Journal in Chicago. Open press.
- On **September 17**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Federal Security Director John Daly, MIA Aviation Director Emilio Gonzalez and OPA Spokesperson Sari Koshetz will conduct a press conference on the opening of the TSA application center at Miami International Airport. Open press.

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **September 16**, the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs will consider the nominations of Sarah Saldana to be Assistant Secretary (Director) of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Russell Deyo to be Under Secretary for Management. Open press.
- On **September 17**, Secretary Johnson will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security about worldwide threats to the homeland. Open press.
- On **September 18**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Intelligence and Analysis Assistant Administrator Stephen Sadler will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security about Secure Flight and DHS TRIP. Open press.
- On **September 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Office of Emergency Communications Director Admiral Ron Hewitt will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications about the 9/11 Commission Report's recommendations about emergency communications. Open press.

- On **September 19**, Acting Under Secretary for Management Chris Cummiskey will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency about St. Elizabeths. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **September 15**, Senator Daniel Coats will tour the Customs and Border Protection National Targeting Center – Passenger in Reston, Virginia. Closed press.
- On **September 15**, a Customs and Border Protection representative from the Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the office of Senator Harry Reid on business transformation initiatives. Closed press.
- On **September 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will brief Tom Bishop of the minority staff of the Senate Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee on Fraud Detection and National Security activities. Mr. Bishop requested a briefing to learn more about specific operations at USCIS after recent visits to USCIS field offices.
- On **September 16**, Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner Wagner will brief staff from the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence on Global Entry for Saudi Arabia (via teleconference). Closed press.
- On **September 18 (tentative)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the Department of State (DOS) will have the annual refugee consultations with the House and Senate Judiciary Committee chairs and ranking member, to present the President’s proposed FY 2015 admission numbers for refugees. Consultations are led by the Director of USCIS (on behalf of the Secretary of Homeland Security), the Secretary of State, the Assistant Secretary for Populations Refugees and Migration (DOS), and the Department of Health and Human Services, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Refugee Resettlement. The final date and time are tentative, pending Judiciary Committee confirmation.
- On **September 19**, a Customs and Border Protection representative from the Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the House Travel and Tourism Caucus on travel and tourism strategy. The Department of Commerce and the DHS Private Sector Office will also participate. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello (Office of Border Patrol) and Deputy Assistant Commissioner Sharon Snellings (Office of Human Resources Management) will brief staff from the House Homeland Security Committee on the status of Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime. Closed press.
- On **September 19**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office and Customs and Border Protection will participate in a briefing for staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the Non-Intrusive Inspection and Radiation Detection Equipment Recapitalization Plan. [Rescheduled from August 26.] Closed press.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Group Supervisor Christopher Oelkers will participate in a forum on Child Sex Trafficking hosted by Representative Michelle Bachmann, in St. Cloud, MN. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Group Supervisor Christopher Oelkers will participate in a forum on Child Sex Trafficking hosted by Representative Michelle Bachmann, in Blaine, MN. Closed press.

### *Efficiency Review Initiative*

- By continuing the implementation of the travel initiative and component-specific efforts, DHS Components have reduced travel expenditures by eliminating non-mission critical travel and leveraging web-base communications. This initiative has resulted in a cost avoidance of more than \$17 million, to date.

### *FEMA Disaster Declarations*

- As of **September 2**, President Obama has signed 373 major disaster declarations and 71 emergency declarations and this administration has obligated over \$32.6 billion in assistance for individuals, state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations.

### Legal

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 17**, Paul Birmingham, an investigator with **KVOA News** in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) statistical data pertaining to the number of apprehensions of undocumented aliens on Fort Huachuca for the past five fiscal years.
- On **June 30**, **Craig Robinson**, a representative with **The Patriots Foundation** in West Des Moines, Iowa, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and USCIS employees, Senator Harry Reid (D-NV) and his representatives, and Lionel, Sawyer & Collins, P.C. employees pertaining to the following: (1) visas; (2) EB-5 visa approval petitions; (3) Alejandro Mayorkas; (4) Miguel Rodriguez; (5) SLS Hotel; and (6) the American Dream Fund Regional Center from January 1, 2011, through June 20, 2014.
- On **July 30**, **Genevieve Curtis**, a reporter with **KFOX-TV** in El Paso, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) statistical data pertaining to the number of pregnant immigrants detained in ICE detention centers and the number of children born at the centers for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 (year to date).
- On **August 18**, **Brandon Scott**, a reporter with the **Conroe Courier** in Conroe, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to formal complaints, investigations, citations, fines, reprimands, and lawsuits against the Joe Corley Detention Facility since 2008.
- On **August 22**, **Alicia Caldwell**, a reporter with the **Associated Press** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the names and criminal charges of the 363 smugglers and their associates arrested as part of Operation Coyote as described by Department of Homeland Secretary (DHS) Secretary Jeh Johnson regarding the efforts to curb human smuggling in the Rio Grande Valley.
- On **August 22**, **Beryl Lipton**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to lists of detention and deportation facilities (temporary or permanent) proposed, scheduled, or anticipated to open/opened in 2014 and 2015.
- On **August 28**, **Cyrus Farivar**, an editor with **ARS Technica** in Oakland, California, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the March 2013 Watchlisting Guidance.
- On **August 28**, **Cristy Fajardo**, a reporter with **KCBS/KCAL-TV** in Los Angeles, California, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the following

records: (1) records pertaining to the audit conducted in the first few months of 2013 regarding police response times at Los Angeles International Airport; and (2) a copy of security videos of alleged gunman Paul Ciancia at Los Angeles International Airport on November 1, 2013.

- On **August 28**, Jonathan Carlson, a reporter with **WXYZ-TV** in Detroit, Michigan, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to disciplinary action and termination as a result of, and criminal action against TSA agents at Detroit Metro Airport for the past two years.
- On **August 28**, Jonathan Carlson, a reporter with **WXYZ-TV** in Detroit, Michigan, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the number of claims of missing or stolen items from baggage and the dollar amount paid out in settlements and claims at Detroit Metro Airport for the past two years.
- On **August 29**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with **VICE News** in Beverly Hills, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) the following records pertaining to intelligence bulletins, reports, and advisories regarding: (1) the Islamic State; (2) the Islamic State of Iraq; (3) the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant; (4) the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria; and (5) U.S. citizens who are being recruited/radicalized by the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria and Muslim extremists and becoming jihadists.
- On **September 3**, **Tom Winter**, a reporter with **NBC News** in New York, New York, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to contracts and request for proposals regarding the use of Soundex and similar matching algorithm systems for TSA screening of commercial aircraft passenger manifests to the Terrorist Screening Database, Terrorist Identities Datamart Environment, and No-Fly databases.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **August 28**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Melanie Mason**, a staff writer with the **Los Angeles Times** in Sacramento, California, 63 pages of records consisting of correspondence between USCIS and Congressman Edward Royce (R-CA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **August 28**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) released to **Shawn Musgrave**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 56 pages of records consisting of the Shot List and Film Treatment for Project VP-030-05 titled “ABC’s of Surveillance.” FLETC issued a full denial in response to the request seeking a copy of the final video for the project. Portions of the release and the entire video were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **August 29**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to **Carroll Cox**, a radio host with **KWAI** in Mililani, Hawaii, 35 pages of records consisting of case reports, letters, and photographs pertaining to the spill of molasses into Honolulu Harbor from January 1, 2011, through December 4, 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **September 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Melissa Correa**, a reporter with **KRGV-TV** in Weslaco, Texas, one page of records consisting of a response memorandum containing the following data: (1) the daily cost to house an illegal alien detained at the Port Isabel Service Detention Center; (2) fees associated with detaining

an illegal alien; (3) orders of release approved by the field office; (4) the number of illegal aliens detained at the Port Isabel Service Detention Center from 2010 through the present; (5) the number of illegal aliens who failed to report to a Duty deportation officer; and (6) the number of illegal aliens bused to a port of entry in the Rio Grande Valley. These records were released in full.

- On **September 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Susan Long**, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous data on ICE removals in December 2013. These records were released in full.
- On September 2, 2014, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Tan, a staff attorney with the **American Civil Liberties Union** Immigrants' Rights Project in San Francisco, California, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to individuals who were subject to mandatory detention under 8 U.S.C. Section 1226(c) from March 1, 2013, through March 31, 2014, in California, Massachusetts, and Washington. These records were released in full.
- On **September 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Carmen Forman**, a student journalist with the **University of Oklahoma** Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communications in Norman, Oklahoma, one Excel spreadsheet containing the number of deported undocumented immigrants from Oklahoma for the past five years. These records were released in full.
- On **September 3**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to **Craig Robinson**, a representative with **The Patriots Foundation** in West Des Moines, Iowa, 226 pages of records consisting of correspondence from the office of Senator Harry Reid (D-NV) and Miguel Rodriguez pertaining to the American Dream Fund Regional Center from January 1, 2011, through June 20, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **September 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Amy Taxin**, a reporter with the **Associated Press** in Tustin, California, 162 pages of records pertaining to the Standard Operating Procedure for the exercise of prosecutorial discretion created by each ICE Chief Counsel's Office in the U.S. per the November 17, 2011 memorandum by Principal Legal Advisor Peter Vincent. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
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### Announcements – Department/Agency Priorities

- On **September 24**, FEMA will announce the National Strategy for Youth Preparedness Education: Empowering, Educating and Building Resilience. The strategy focuses on emergency and disaster preparedness and community action with a focus on youth readiness for disasters and related events.
- On **September 24**, FEMA will announce the release of new Public Service Announcements (PSAs) developed in partnership with Disney and the Ad Council. The new PSAs highlight steps that kids can take to prepare for emergencies: Make a Plan, Build a Kit and Know The Facts.
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#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **September 22**, Secretary Johnson will meet with General Jacoby to discuss issues of mutual concern. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Columbus, OH where he will participate in a series of discussions with community leaders and local law enforcement related to countering violent extremism. He will observe a Community Resiliency Exercise focusing on scenarios to collaboratively combat violent extremism in local communities and will participate in a press availability.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **September 23**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will attend a reception in honor of the 2014-2015 White House Fellows.

##### *Other Principals*

- On **September 22**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with General John Kelly, Commander, U.S. Southern Command, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 22**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver remarks about his vision and priorities for CBP at the Migration Policy Institute in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **September 23**, FEMA U.S. Fire Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell, Jr. will deliver remarks highlighting the Administration's ongoing quest for *A Fire Safe America* to the Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference in Laurel, MD. Open press.

- On **September 24**, Transportation Security Administrator John Pistole, will speak at TSA's 12th Annual Coalition Conference, being hosted by the Office of Civil Rights and Liberties, Ombudsman and Traveler Engagement's Disability and Multicultural Division. The event will be held at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. Closed press.
- On **September 24**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate will meet with National Urban League President and CEO Marc Moriel in Washington, D.C. to discuss preparedness outreach, training and engagement activities used to engage Urban League affiliates. Closed press.
- On **September 26**, Transportation Security Administrator John Pistole, will speak at the Aero Club of Washington monthly luncheon regarding his perspective and thoughts concerning the aviation industry's role in working with TSA. Over 300 aviation executives and government officials will be in attendance. Open press.
- From **September 30 to October 2**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara will attend the Big City Emergency Managers semi-annual meeting in Chicago, IL. The meeting will bring together the Emergency Managers from the nation's largest urban areas for briefings and discussion on DHS-related issues including Federal Emergency Management Agency grants, the recent mudslides in Washington and the Emergency Management Assistance Compact. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **September 19**, Acting Under Secretary for Management Chris Cumiskey will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency about the DHS headquarters project at St. Elizabeths. Open press.

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- On **September 23**, a Customs and Border Protection representative from the Office of Field Operations will participate in a meeting with staff from the office of Representative Rodney Davis in Decatur, IL, to discuss upgrading Decatur Airport from a user fee airport to a port of entry. Closed press.
- On **September 23**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Deputy Under Secretary (Acting) Robert Griffin will provide an overview presentation of S&T to Senator Heidi Heitkamp. Closed press.
- On **September 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) Chief Information Officer Kevin Kern and OCIO Program Manager for TECS Modernization Program, Chris Moman, will provide majority and minority staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency with a briefing on ICE's Modernization efforts. Closed press.
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- On **September 24**, staff from the office of Representative Steve Scalise will tour Customs and Border Protection operations at the Port of New Orleans, LA. Closed press.

- On **September 25**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement representative Sonya Proctor will provide Chairman Hal Rogers and House Appropriations Committee staff with a briefing on hazardous security sensitive material. Closed press.
- On **September 26**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Reginald Brothers will host Senator Tom Carper at ILC Dover, which is the S&T Tunnel Plug Project's manufacturer facility. The visit will feature the project's full-sized test tunnel that was recently relocated from Morgantown, WV, and reconfigured to facilitate future testing of the Tunnel Plug and other innovative flood control technologies. Open press.
- In **September** (date tentative), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the Department of State (DOS) will have the annual Refugee Admissions Consultations with the House and Senate Judiciary Committee chairs and ranking member, to present the President's proposed FY 2015 admission numbers for refugees. Consultations are led by the Secretary of State, the Director of USCIS (on behalf of the Secretary of Homeland Security), the Assistant Secretary for Populations Refugees and Migration (DOS), and the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Refugee Resettlement (Department of Health and Human Services). On September 17, DOS conducted the Senate consultations. Secretary of State Final date, time, and executive participation for the House Judiciary consultations are tentative due to Secretary Kerry's limited availability. DHS and USCIS are working closely together to monitor the final resolution.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **September 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Boston Field Office Director Sean Gallagher will be quoted in a news release regarding the high-profile removal of Walter Polanco to Guatemala. Polanco is a Human Rights Violator who implicated himself in the persecution of others by disclosing numerous extra-judicial killings while severing in the Guatemalan Army (1983-1986) and conceding that he executed non-combatants of all ethnicities. Open press.

#### *Efficiency Review Initiative*

- To date, DHS has identified more than \$20 million in cost avoidances through continued implementation of the Energy Efficiencies and Energy Management Efficiency Review initiatives as well Component-led efforts to reduce energy consumption, through such means as installing energy efficient lighting and implementing power-management settings on desktops and laptops.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 28**, **William Marshall**, a representative with **Judicial Watch** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records of communication to or from CBP Commissioner Gil Kerlikowske and staff pertaining to the designation by President Obama of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument from January 1, 2013, through May 20, 2014.
- On **June 17**, **Laura Strickler**, a producer with **CBS News** in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to status

reports submitted to or prepared for the commissioner regarding corruption allegations against CBP employees from January 1, 2014, through June 15, 2014.

- On **August 26**, **Maria Perez**, a reporter with *Naples Daily News* in Naples, Florida, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the investigation of Waste Pro USA or Waste Pro of Florida in Fort Pierce, Florida, its managers, or its employees.
- On **August 28**, **Walter F. Roche Jr.**, a freelance reporter in Lafayette Hill, Pennsylvania, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration (USCIS) records pertaining to the Great Texas Regional Center.
- On **September 2**, **Michael Baker**, a reporter with *The Seattle Times* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a log of all FEMA assistance requests pertaining to the Oso landslide (EM-3370), including the following information: (1) the date of the request; (2) the name and address of the requester; (3) the amount requested; (4) the purpose of the request; (5) the date the request was approved or denied; and (6) the status of the request.
- On **September 3**, **Stephen Braun**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to contracts and contract addenda regarding Contract Number GS-22F-9736H between ICE and U.S. Investigations Services, Inc. from August 17, 2007, through February 7, 2013.
- On **September 4**, **Lomi Kriel**, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle Media Group* in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: (1) a copy of monthly reports sent to the Harris County Sheriff's Office pertaining to detainers and deportations resulting from Harris County Jail; and (2) statistical data pertaining to aliens transferred to ICE custody from Harris County Jail.
- On **September 4**, **Rachel Luban**, a freelance journalist with *Full Stop* in Hyattsville, Maryland, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a list of employers that petitioned USCIS for H-2B workers from January 1, 2012, through September 1, 2014.
- On **September 5**, **Phil Villarreal**, an editor and web producer with *KGUN9-TV* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to reports regarding the kidnapping pursuit that began on West Melridge Street in Tucson on September 3, 2014.
- On **September 6**, **Thomas Jones**, a reporter with *NBC Universal* in San Diego, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of surveillance footage, audio, and/or dashboard camera footage pertaining to the apprehension of Evereth Cabrera, San Diego Padres infielder, for driving under the influence at the State Route 94 Border Patrol Checkpoint in Dulzura, California from 12:15 am to 12:45 am.
- On **September 8**, **Zain Shauk**, a representative with *Bloomberg News* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the boarding and Certification of Compliance inspection for the UNITED KALAVRYTA off the coast of Galveston, Texas on July 27, 2014.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to **Jason Smathers**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, 1,700 pages of records consisting of e-mails, letters, and other communications from the DHS Center for Faith-

based and Neighborhood Partnerships. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).

- On **September 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Paul Birmingham**, an investigator with *KVOA News* in Tucson, Arizona, one page of records consisting of a chart containing the total number of undocumented aliens apprehended on Fort Huachuca from fiscal years 2010 through 2014 (year to date). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **September 10**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to **Stephanie Stoughton**, an editor with *Bloomberg News* in Washington, DC, 412 pages of records consisting of complaint narratives pertaining to closed DHS-OIG investigations. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), 7(D), 7(E), and 7(F).
- On **September 17**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to **Bill Trifiro**, a reporter and anchor with *24/7 News* in Roanoke, Virginia, 93 pages of records consisting of data pertaining to employees laid off, newly hired, and/or fired from January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DSH) released to **Robert Westervelt**, an editor with *The Channel Company*, 10 pages of congressional correspondence pertaining to cybersecurity. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6.
- On **September 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to **Paul Sutliff**, a reporter with *Brenner Brief News* in Rochester, New York, three pages of records containing statistics pertaining to detentions of non-Canadians who crossed the northern border in fiscal years 2004 through 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **September 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to **Michael Volpe**, a reporter with *Front Page Magazine* in Chicago, Illinois, 293 pages of records pertaining to the ICE Public Advocate's visits to Arizona, California, Oregon, and Washington. Portions of the release are withheld pursuant to FOIA Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

#### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to announce Federal Register Notice publication setting the fiscal year 2015 CW-1 Cap at 13,999.
- In **September**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to implement guidance for the divorce and death exceptions and removal of the residency requirements for abused spouses or children of qualifying Cuban principals.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to launch myE-Verify, a one-stop service for employees to access various features focused on protecting their identity and creating transparency into the E-Verify process.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

October 23, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **October 23**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C. to discuss employment-based immigration issues impacting the delivery of benefits and services by USCIS. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will host a teleconference discussion in Washington D.C. on Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS) with stakeholders from across the country to hear feedback regarding best practices and challenges during the adjudication of SIJS in local USCIS offices. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services will meet with representatives from the Charlotte Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, as well as representatives from non-governmental organizations including the Charlotte Catholic Charities, and the Latin American Coalition in Charlotte, NC to discuss the delivery of immigration benefits and services in their community. Closed press.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will conduct the next “Dialogue with the Director,” USCIS’s quarterly series to engage stakeholders and media. Date TBD. Open press.
- On **November 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Department of Education’s Office of Migrant Education will host a webinar to provide Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals information for parents. Closed press.
- On **November 10**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will commemorate Veterans Day during a signature naturalization ceremony at the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Triangle, VA. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 18**, there are 556,771 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.7 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 1,597,953 queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity:**

- On **October 24**, Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs Phil McNamara, along with DHS representatives from Cybersecurity and Communications, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Science and Technology Directorate, and US Secret Service will meet with Wisconsin Homeland Security Advisor Adjutant General Donald Dunbar to discuss cybersecurity efforts in the state of Wisconsin. Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker recently designated General Dunbar as the senior state official for the management and coordination of cyber security issues. Closed press.
- On **October 26**, Dr. Phyllis Schneck, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications, will participate in a panel discussion entitled, “The Cyber Threat: Addressing the Needs of Law Enforcement,” at the International Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference in Orlando, FL. Open press.

- On **October 28**, Dr. Phyllis Schneck, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications, will participate in a panel discussion entitled, “Cybersecurity Framework Gut Check—Are We Making Progress?,” at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Cybersecurity Summit in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **October 29**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will speak about cybersecurity at the Financial Times Outstanding Director’s Exchange in New York, NY. Open press.

#### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- On **October 23**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathy Brinsfield will participate with U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske in a CBP teleconference for Southwest Border Sheriffs and Police regarding the Ebola Response. Closed press.
- On **October 24**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathy Brinsfield will participate in a call with critical infrastructure stakeholders regarding the Ebola response. Dr. Brinsfield will discuss the Department’s efforts and Ebola virus characteristics. Closed press.
- November is Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience Month, a National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection-led initiative to increase the awareness of the role critical infrastructure plays in Americans’ daily lives.

#### *Upcoming Policy Initiatives*

- On **October 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to announce a policy update regarding Citizenship and Naturalization, Children of U.S. Citizens: Natural mothers who do not have a genetic relationship with their child (i.e., women who became pregnant through an egg donor) will still be able to petition for their child based on their relationship; be eligible to have their child petition for them based on their relationship; and be able to transmit U.S. citizenship to their child, as long as they are U.S. citizens and all other pertinent citizenship and naturalization requirements are met.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates announcing 17-month extension of Post-Completion Optional Practical Training for F-1 students enrolled in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) degree programs.

#### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates a Federal Register Notice publication regarding Temporary Protected Status for Syria.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publication of a Federal Register Notice publication regarding Temporary Protected Status designation for Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing the T Nonimmigrant Status Interim Rule. This regulation, which responds to comments on a related 2002 interim rule, will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding the Child Soldiers Accountability Act of 2008. The Secretary of



Homeland Security and the Attorney General have proposed to amend respective act-related regulations governing eligibility for asylum and withholding of removal.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- The Secretary at this time has nothing to report due to recent cancellation of official travel.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **October 30**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will lead the Border Interagency Executive Council (BIEC). The BIEC is established by the Executive Order on Streamlining the Export/Import Process for America's Businesses, signed on February 19, 2014 by President Obama.

#### *Other Principals*

- From **October 25 to 28**, several members of DHS leadership will attend the International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference in Orlando, FL, including Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Acting Director Thomas Winkowski, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, FEMA U.S. Fire Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell, Jr. will attend a meeting of the Wildland Fire Leadership Council in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give the keynote presentation at the National Defense Industrial Association Quarterly Executive Breakfast in Washington, D.C. Under Secretary Brothers will present the Science and Technology Directorate's visionary goals, priorities and the importance of industry partnerships. Meeting participants will include representatives from industry, government, academia and not-for-profit organizations. Open press.

### Items of Note

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **October 24**, Inspector General John Roth will testify before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on the multi-agency coordination efforts in response to the Ebola crisis.

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **October 28**, a representative from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the offices of Senators Thomas Carper, Christopher Coons, Robert Casey and Patrick Toomey on CBP agriculture inspection activities. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief staff from the House Ways and Means Committee on the preclearance program. Closed press.

- On **October 30**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration Office of Global Strategies will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation staff with an overview of the Office of Global Strategies. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, representatives from the Transportation Security Administration Office of Intelligence and Analysis will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation staff with an overview of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, representatives from the Federal Air Marshal Service will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation staff about the Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Overview. Closed press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **October 28**, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate is tentatively scheduled to be interviewed by The Weather Channel® to stress the importance of storm preparedness.
- On **October 29**, U.S. Coast Guard CDR Sean Carroll, Chief of Response Sector Boston, is scheduled participate in a panel at a University of New Hampshire (UNCH) Response Forum: “25 Years After the Exxon Valdez and in the Wake of Deep Water Horizon, What Have We Learned and What are We Missing?” The forum is sponsored by the UNCH Center for Spills in the Environment and the School of Ocean Engineering.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **September 19**, William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: (1) records pertaining to a directive issued to ICE employees on or after August 29, 2014, not to communicate with media regarding Islamic extremists crossing the U.S. Southwest border and threatening punitive measures to employees who discuss such issues with the media; and (2) records of communication from August 29, 2014, through the present to or from officials or employees within the ICE Homeland Security Investigations directorate containing the terms “Judicial Watch” or “Beto O’Rourke.”
- On **September 24**, Christina Vazquez, a journalist with *WPLG Local 10* in Pembroke Park, Florida, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to a minor ingesting heroin capsules at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport.
- On **October 9**, David Montgomery, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the USSS Use of Force Policy, including circumstances involving a suspect in a moving vehicle; and (2) records pertaining to the USSS review of agents’ actions and response to the incident involving Miriam Carey on October 3, 2013.
- On **October 9**, Todd Feathers, a representative with the *Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to Ebola detection training material given to TSA agents or other agency representatives responsible for screening passengers for the virus at the following airports: (1) John F. Kennedy International Airport; (2) Newark Liberty International Airport; (3) Washington Dulles International Airport; (4) Chicago O’Hare International Airport; and/or (5) Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

- On **October 10**, Hugh Handeyside, a representative with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to behavior detection activities and programs during the period in which the Screening of Passengers by Observation Techniques has been deployed at U.S. airports.
- On **October 10**, Chuck Ross, a reporter with *The Daily Caller* in Wichita, Kansas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General the following records: (1) a copy of e-mails former Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards sent to or received by a named third party; and (2) a copy of e-mails sent or received by Mr. Edwards containing the names of two third parties, from April 1, 2012, through January 1, 2014.
- On **October 14**, Josh Gerstein, a reporter with *Politico* in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the United States Secret Service records pertaining to allegations involving uninvited guests who attended the White House State Dinner on November 24, 2009.
- On **October 15**, John Greenwald, a freelance television producer with The Black Vault in Northridge, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of e-mails sent to or from DHS Secretary Jeh Johnson and/or Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas with the keyword “EBOLA” in the subject line or the body of the e-mail from July 1, 2014, through the present.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection issued to Christina Vazquez, a journalist with *WPLG Local 10* in Pembroke Park, Florida, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to a minor ingesting heroin capsules at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **October 9**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to U.S. locations to where unaccompanied alien children would be transported, relocated, and/or resettled.
- On **October 15**, the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General released to Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Venice, California, 11 pages of records consisting of a narrative listing of investigations closed in 2013 and 2014 pertaining to misconduct. These records were released in full.
- On **October 15**, the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General issued to Chuck Ross, a reporter with *The Daily Caller* in Wichita, Kansas, a full denial in response to his request seeking the following records: (1) a copy of e-mails former Acting Inspector General Charles Edwards sent to or received by a named third party; and (2) a copy of e-mails sent or received by Mr. Edwards containing the names of two third parties, from April 1, 2012, through January 1, 2014. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **October 15**, the Department of Homeland Security issued to Audrey Singer, a senior fellow with The Brookings Institution in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to individual level data for all applicants who submitted a Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals application. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

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- On **November 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host its first national Arabic-language engagement, in person and via teleconference and live stream, from the Arab American National Museum in Dearborn, MI. Closed press.

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October 30, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **November 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Department of Education's Office of Migrant Education will host a webinar to provide Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals information for parents. Closed press.
- From **November 3 to 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski for the Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition will attend the SecureTech conference hosted by the Canadian Association of Defence and Security Industries in Ottawa, Canada. On November 4, he will speak on a panel about border security and innovation. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba, Chief of Staff Juliet Choi, and Ambassador Susan Jacobs, Special Advisor for Children's Issues for the U.S. Department of State, will participate in a special citizenship ceremony for 20 children in Fairfax, Virginia, in recognition of National Adoptions Month. Open press.
- On **November 10**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will commemorate Veterans Day during a signature naturalization ceremony at the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Triangle, VA. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 25**, there are 558,058 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.7 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 2,237,095 queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity:**

- On **November 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on cybersecurity for critical infrastructure, at the American Bar Association Standing Committee on Law and National Security Annual Review of the Field of National Security Law CLE Conference, in Washington, D.C. Open press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- **November** is Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience Month, a National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection-led initiative to increase the awareness of the role critical infrastructure plays in Americans' daily lives.
- **November 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is scheduled to participate in a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Doña Ana County International Jetport in Santa Teresa, NM. The State of New Mexico and Doña Ana County completed construction of a new building for CBP processing and inspections. Open press.

### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates a Federal Register Notice publication regarding Temporary Protected Status for Syria.

- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publication of a Federal Register Notice publication regarding Temporary Protected Status designation for Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing the T Nonimmigrant Status Interim Rule. This regulation, which responds to comments on a related 2002 interim rule, will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding the Child Soldiers Accountability Act of 2008. The Secretary of Homeland Security and the Attorney General have proposed to amend respective act-related regulations governing eligibility for asylum and withholding of removal.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to implement guidance on the evaluation of claims of “extraordinary circumstances” for late filings pursuant to the Child Status Protection Act. This guidance will provide additional interpretation for determining whether extraordinary circumstances allow USCIS to excuse the 1-year filing requirement on a case-by-case basis.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing of final rule in the Federal Register to allow H-4 dependent spouses to apply for Employment Authorization Documents.

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **November 4**, Secretary Johnson will deliver remarks at the 2014 Fusion Center Association Annual Training Event at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center. Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver opening remarks, and Deputy Under Secretary for Science and Technology Robert Griffin will deliver the keynote speech. Open press.
- On **November 6**, Secretary Johnson will deliver the keynote speech at the Council of Foreign Relations (CFR) 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Term Member Conference at the CFR Washington office in Washington, DC. Closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **October 30**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will lead the Border Interagency Executive Council (BIEC). The BIEC is established by the Executive Order on Streamlining the Export/Import Process for America’s Businesses, signed on February 19, 2014 by President Obama. This will be the fifth meeting of the council, which is chaired by DHS and vice-chaired by the Consumer Product Safety Commission. Members include Departments and independent agencies that have responsibilities associated with the import and/or export of goods, to include: DHS, Treasury, Commerce, Agriculture, Interior, USTR, EPA, CPSC, Justice, Health and Human Services, Defense, State, and Energy. Closed press.
- From **November 4 to 5**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will be on official travel to London, where he will participate in a Joint Contact Group Meeting, give remarks at the Long School of Economics, and meet with Home Secretary Theresa May.
- On **November 6**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a G6 Session on Foreign Fighters, and meet with Turkish Interior Minister Efkana Ala. Closed press.

- On **November 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with French Interior Minister Cazaneuve. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals*

- From **November 2 to 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Edinburgh, Scotland, to address the Police Service of Scotland at a forum on leading strategic change hosted by the Police Executive Research Forum. Closed press.
- From **November 3 to 7**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick will join the official United States delegation to the 83<sup>rd</sup> INTERPOL General Assembly in Monaco.
- On **November 4**, Transportation and Security Administration (TSA) Administrator John Pistole will speak at the 14th Annual American Airline Association of Executives Aviation Security Summit in Arlington, VA. His remarks will highlight Risk-Based Security and program initiatives for the future. Open press.
- On **November 4**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver closing remarks at the 2014 Intelligence Community Analyst – Private Sector Program Concluding Summit in McLean, VA. The expected audience will consist of approximately 100 private sector and government analyst program participants, representatives from private sector associations, Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) representatives, and intelligence analysts. ODNI Principal Deputy Director Stephanie O’Sullivan will deliver opening remarks at the Summit. Closed press.
- From **November 4 to 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to attend a Joint Command Group meeting in London, England. While in London, the Commissioner is scheduled to meet with Matthew Barzun, U.S. Ambassador to the United Kingdom; Sir Charles Montgomery, Director-General of the U.K. Border Force; and Mandie Campbell, Director-General of U.K. Immigration Enforcement. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver keynote remarks at the National Network of Fusion Centers Association Training event in Alexandria, VA. Under Secretary Taylor’s remarks will focus on the recently published National Strategy and the Federal Engagement Strategy. The expected audience will be 500-600 federal, state, and local homeland security and industry partners. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will participate in the fourth annual Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Conference at the National Archives in Washington, D.C.
- On **November 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Kerlikowske and Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles for the Office of Air and Marine are scheduled to attend a principals meeting of The Interdiction Committee hosted by the U.S. Southern Command in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

#### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*



- On **November 3**, Transportation Security Administration's Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service (OLE/FAMS), Security Services and Assessments Division (SSA), Branch Manager Ron Phifer will conduct a briefing to staff from the House Homeland Security Committee, Transportation Security Subcommittee on the Law Enforcement Officer Reimbursement Program. The briefing's purpose is to provide the staff with an overview of OLE/FAMS and its efforts in supporting local law enforcement stakeholders.
- On **November 3**, Transportation Security Administration's Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement Assistant Administrator Eddie Mayenschein and Deputy Assistant Administrator Victoria Newhouse will participate in a Committee on Homeland Security Briefing Series at TSA Headquarters. Closed press.
- On **November 3**, Transportation Security Administration's Office of Security Operations Compliance Acting Director Fred Stein will brief House Department of Homeland Security subcommittee staff on Exit Lanes and Surface Inspectors. Closed press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- From **November 7 to 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services commemorates Veterans Day by welcoming more than 3,000 new citizens during nearly 40 naturalization ceremonies nationwide, highlighting the agency's commitment to immigration services for military members and their families. Director Rodríguez will participate in a signature ceremony November 10 at the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Triangle, Virginia. (This event also commemorates the U.S. Marine Corps' 239<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Open press.
- On **November 4**, Univision Network's *Primer Impacto* will air anchor Barbara Bermudo's story on how U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) utilizes technology to enforce border security. This story is based on a tour of CBP operations on **October 27**, with subsequent interviews of local CBP officials.
- **November 10**, Customs and Border Protection is scheduled to participate in a media event with the General Services Administration to celebrate the completion of Phase 1B of construction at the San Ysidro Port of Entry which includes the renovation of the northbound vehicle lanes, the demolition and construction of the administrative building ("head house") and the secondary inspection lot. Invited guests include members of the California congressional delegation and state and local government officials. Open press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 16**, Sean Dunagan, an investigator with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the potential threat posed by a member or members of a terrorist organization and/or an individual actor motivated by sympathies for a terrorist organization entering the U.S. via the Southwest border from July 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **October 16**, Ben Powell, a reporter with *WECT News* in Wilmington, North Carolina, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the Bald Head Island Adventure ferry grounding accident on December 17, 2013.
- On **October 17**, Ron Regan, a reporter with *WEWS NewsChannel 5* in Cleveland, Ohio, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) a copy of security videos

which shows passenger Amber Joy Vinson at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport on October 13, from 2:30 pm through 6:35 pm. (Case Number TSA 2015-TSFO-00022.)

- On **October 17**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Venice, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of the reports of investigation for 23 specified United States Secret Service (USSS) investigations.
- On **October 18**, Karen Savage, a representative with the Life Support Project in Roxbury, Massachusetts, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records: (1) records of correspondence between the USCG and Chemrisk and its employees pertaining to human health effects after the explosion of BP's Deepwater Horizon from April 19, 2010, through the present; and (2) records pertaining to USCG members who experienced health impacts while working along the Gulf Coast during and after the cleanup operations.
- On **October 20**, Carla Allen, a reporter with the *Yarmouth Vanguard* in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the investigation report regarding the death of a crew member aboard the NOVA STAR ferry on October 13.
- On **October 20**, 2014, Jessica Summers, a reporter with *Bloomberg First Word Oil* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records from the National Response Center for the following companies: (1) BP; (2) Phillips 66; (3) Valero; (4) Tesoro; (5) Motiva; (6) Exxon; and (7) Marathon from October 13, 2014, through the present.
- On **October 20**, Adam Wagner, a representative with *Star News Media* in Wilmington, North Carolina, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to investigation reports regarding the grounding of ADVENTURE in the vicinity of Battery Island near Southpoint, North Carolina on December 17, 2013.
- On **October 20**, Lynn Walsh, a producer with *NBC 7 News-San Diego* in San Diego, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a list of closed investigations in the San Diego, California area from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **October 20**, Tom Burton, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) and the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to the planning for Ebola outbreaks and dangers from June 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **October 20**, Melanie West, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the daily totals for the number of people who have been subject to an enhanced Ebola screening at the following airports: (1) John F. Kennedy International Airport and Newark Liberty International Airport from October 11, 2014, through October 20, 2014; and (2) Washington Dulles International Airport, Chicago O'Hare International Airport, and Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport from October 16, 2014, through October 20, 2014.
- On **October 21**, Clara Long, a researcher with Human Rights Watch in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the training procedures and application of the screening process required pursuant to the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008; (2) records pertaining to forms used to screen unaccompanied alien children; (3) data regarding

training implementation; and (4) data regarding unaccompanied alien children apprehended by CBP.

- On **October 21**, Rene Marsh, a correspondent with *CNN* in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) a copy of airport video footage which shows the routine pat down conducted on Amber Joy Vinson at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport on October 13, 2014. (Case Number TSA 2015-TSFO-00026.)
- On **October 21**, Patricia Alulema, a representative with *CBS News* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to travel expenses for USSS agents offering protection to former President Bill Clinton for the following dates and cities: (1) April 10, 2014, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 10**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Wendy Ruderman, a reporter with *The New York Times* in New York, New York, 30 pages of records consisting of e-mails, grant awards, and grant applications pertaining to a pilot facial recognition program to be launched by the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority in conjunction with the New York City Police Department on subway turnstiles at 42nd Street and 34th Street. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(E).
- On **October 20**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) released to Beryl Lipton, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, 57 pages of records consisting of memoranda pertaining to the Residential Detention Facility located at FLETC in Artesia, New Mexico. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **October 21**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers released to Matthew Sledge, a representative with the *Huffington Post* in New York, New York, 113 pages of records consisting of e-mails, statements, talking points, and panel questions and answers pertaining to the following: (1) the protests in Ferguson, Missouri and protests elsewhere over the death of Michael Brown Jr.; and (2) federal programs for equipping state and local law enforcement from August 9, 2014, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **October 21**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Brian Bennett, a reporter with the *Los Angeles Times* in Washington, DC, 28 pages of records consisting of incident reports pertaining to shootings on June 7, 2010, September 3, 2012, October 10, 2012, and September 28, 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

#### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- On **November 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host its first national Arabic-language engagement, in person and via teleconference and live stream, from the Arab American National Museum in Dearborn, MI. Closed press.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **November 7**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives of the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, D.C. to discuss the delivery of immigration benefits and services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, case assistance services provided by the Ombudsman's Office, as well as Ombudsman recommendations to USCIS regarding systemic and pervasive immigrant issues. Closed press.
- On **November 10**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will commemorate Veterans Day during a signature naturalization ceremony at the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Triangle, VA. Open press.
- On **November 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will deliver remarks to the Council for Global Immigration's Board of Directors. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 1**, there are 559,270 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.7 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 2,887,449 queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity:**

- On **November 12**, Science and Technology (S&T) Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan will give an overview presentation of S&T's cyber security research and development activities at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign's Trustworthy Cyber Infrastructure for the Power Grid Annual Industry workshop. The workshop will focus on the technology development, technology transition, education and awareness that are essential for developing a resilient power grid. Closed press.
- On **November 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Undersecretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Dr. Phyllis Schneck, will deliver remarks on cybersecurity for critical infrastructure, at the Information Technology and Communications Sector Annual Quad Government Coordinating Councils and Sector Coordinating Council Meeting. Closed press.
- On **November 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Undersecretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Dr. Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on public-private partnerships and data privacy at the Committee for Economic Development Fall Policy Conference. Open press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- **November** is Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience Month, a National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Infrastructure Protection-led initiative to increase the awareness of the role critical infrastructure plays in Americans' daily lives.
- **November 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is scheduled to participate in a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Doña Ana County International Jetport in Santa Teresa, NM. The State of New Mexico and Doña Ana County completed construction of a new building for CBP processing and inspections. Open press.

### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates a Federal Register Notice publication regarding Temporary Protected Status for Syria.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publication of a Federal Register Notice publication regarding Temporary Protected Status designation for Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing the T Nonimmigrant Status Interim Rule. This regulation, which responds to comments on a related 2002 interim rule, will clarify requirements, amend provisions as required by legislation, and outline discretionary changes.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding the Child Soldiers Accountability Act of 2008. The Secretary of Homeland Security and the Attorney General have proposed to amend respective act-related regulations governing eligibility for asylum and withholding of removal.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to implement guidance on the evaluation of claims of “extraordinary circumstances” for late filings pursuant to the Child Status Protection Act. This guidance will provide additional interpretation for determining whether extraordinary circumstances allow USCIS to excuse the 1-year filing requirement on a case-by-case basis.
- In **November**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing of final rule in the Federal Register to allow H-4 dependent spouses to apply for Employment Authorization Documents.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **November 7**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Minneapolis, MN for a series of community engagements with law enforcement officials and influential stakeholders.
- On **November 11**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give remarks at the U.S. Coast Guard Veterans Day Wreath Laying Ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery.
- On **November 12**, Secretary Jeh Johnsons will testify before the Senate Appropriations Committee Hearing titled “U.S. Government Response: Fighting Ebola and Protecting America.”
- On **November 13-16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Los Angeles, CA where he will be conducting a series of community engagements with stakeholder groups, giving keynote remarks at a judicial naturalization ceremony, delivering a speech to the Pacific Council on International Policy, and participating in a panel at the Reagan National Defense Forum.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas.*

- On **November 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with French Interior Minister Cazanneuve. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks on the Department’s efforts and challenges in combating labor trafficking. Labor trafficking uses force, fraud, and coercion to force people to work in involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery at the quarterly stakeholder event in Washington D.C. focused on labor trafficking and hosted by the Blue Campaign. The Department of Homeland Security, along

with the Department of Justice, Department of State, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Labor, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission will provide information on labor trafficking and efforts being made to combat this crime. Open press.

- On **November 14**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a panel discussion hosted by the Risk Assistance Network and Exchange in partnership with George Washington University. Open press.

#### *Other Principals*

- From **November 2 to 8**, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy Alan Bersin will travel to Monaco for the Interpol General Assembly. Open press.
- From **November 4 to 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director Thomas Winkowski will travel to Panama and Guatemala to meet with host-country law enforcement authorities to discuss on-going initiatives and international investigations, as well as policies related to travel documents and repatriation of their nationals. Closed Press.
- On **November 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles for the Office of Air and Marine are scheduled to attend a principals meeting of The Interdiction Committee hosted by the U.S. Southern Command in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Closed press.
- On **November 12 to 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will conduct Meet and Greets with various House and Senate committees and officials. He will meet with U.S. Senators Tom Carper of Delaware and Ted Cruz of Texas, and with U.S. Representatives Jason Chaffetz of Utah, Judy Chu of California, Luis Gutierrez of Illinois, and Louie Gohmert, Lamar Smith, and Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas. Closed press.
- From **November 12 to 21**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to the Caribbean and Central America as Chair of The Interdiction Committee (TIC) with a delegation of senior USG representatives, including U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske, in order to amplify intent to work with partner nations to defeat criminal networks operating in the western hemisphere, specifically those that promulgate illicit narcotics and associated proceeds with detrimental effects. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will discuss executive level engagement on critical infrastructure, at the National Infrastructure Advisory Council Quarterly Business Meeting. Open press.
- On **November 15**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give the keynote address at the Real World Design Challenge (RWDC) National Championship in Chevy Chase, MD, which will focus on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education. RWDC is an annual competition that provides high school students the opportunity to work on real world engineering challenges in a team environment. Open press.
- On **November 16**, Federal Emergency Management Administrator Craig Fugate, Chief of Staff Michael Coen, and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs Nicole Mlade will attend the National Governor's Association Seminar for New Governors in Westminster, CO to discuss emergency management issues. Open press.
- On **November 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver keynote remarks on trade facilitation and security at a forum hosted by the Council of the Americas in Washington, D.C. Open press.

## Items of Note

### *Congressional Testimony*

- On **November 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Office of Emergency Communications Director Ron Hewitt will testify about the ten-year anniversary of the release of the 9/11 Commission Report and its recommendations surrounding interoperable/emergency communications, before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications.

### *Congressional Briefings*

- On **November 12**, representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison and Office of Field Operations will participate in a joint briefing with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for the Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control to discuss joint efforts in seizing synthetic drugs. Closed press.
- On **November 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Acting Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will brief Senator Brian Schatz on travel and tourism initiatives. Closed press.

### *Expected Press Stories*

- From **November 7 to 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will commemorate Veterans Day by welcoming more than 3,000 new citizens during nearly 40 naturalization ceremonies nationwide, highlighting the agency's commitment to immigration services for military members and their families. Open press
- On **November 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) New York Special Agent in Charge James T. Hayes Jr. will be interviewed by NBC News. Correspondent Ann Curry is working on story regarding Iraqi and Syrian antiquities smuggled into the United States. NBC News will focus part of its story on how ICE investigates stolen antiquities. The interview will take place at the facility that stores seized and forfeited antiquities for HSI New York. Open press.
- On **November 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection expects to participate in a media availability with the General Services Administration to celebrate the completion of Phase 1B of construction at the San Ysidro Port of Entry which includes the renovation of the northbound vehicle lanes, the demolition and construction of the administrative building ("head house") and the secondary inspection lot. Invited guests include members of the California congressional delegation and state and local government officials. Open press.
- On **November 17 (tentative)**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Los Angeles personnel have been invited to participate in a media availability in San Pedro, California hosted by the U.S. Coast Guard aboard an 87-foot patrol boat to promote the Coast Guard's "Western Hemisphere" strategy to deter transnational crime, including maritime smuggling. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Charles Ray and HSI Los Angeles Special Agent in Charge Claude Arnold will serve as representatives. Open press.



## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 23**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Venice, California, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to contingency plans for an Ebola outbreak.
- On **October 24**, Jillian Melchior, a Franklin Center Fellow with the *National Review* in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of the DHS-OIG case file database for closed investigations pertaining to the United States Secret Service (USSS) for the most recent fiscal year.
- On **October 24**, Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of the database of possible excessive use of force allegations underlying DHS-OIG report OIG 13-114 titled, "CBP Use of Force Training and Actions To Address Use of Force Incidents."
- On **October 27**, Jim McElhatton, a representative with *The Washington Times* in Alexandria, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of the final reports for 10 closed investigations pertaining to the United States Secret Service (USSS).
- On **October 27**, William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records pertaining to a DHS-OIG investigation into allegations that a third party engaged a prostitute in Cartagena; and (2) a copy of e-mails to or from DHS-OIG personnel pertaining to the aforementioned investigation into the third party, from April 4, 2012, through the present.
- On **October 27**, Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the segregation of detainees held by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and/or Enforcement and Removal Operations.
- On **October 27**, Michael Kunzelman, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to recoupment efforts for disaster assistance funds regarding Hurricane Sandy in 2012.
- On **October 27**, Jessica Summers, a reporter with *Bloomberg First Word Oil* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records from the National Response Center for the following companies: (1) BP; (2) Phillips 66; (3) Valero; (4) Tesoro; (5) Motiva; (6) Exxon; and (7) Marathon from October 20, 2014, through the present.
- On **October 28**, Matthew Schwartz, a reporter with *KVOA-TV* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of e-mails sent from the highest ranking agent in the Tucson sector on April 1, 2014, and October 7, 2014.
- On **October 29**, Joshua Eaton, a representative with MuckRock News in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to Martin Ahmad Couture-Rouleau also known as Martin Couture-Rouleau, Martin Rouleau, Ahmad Couture-Rouleau, and Ahmad Rouleau, from January 1, 1989, through October 19, 2014.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Michael Ravnitzky, an individual in Silver Spring, Maryland, 12 pages of records consisting of complaint narratives from closed DHS-OIG investigations pertaining to the United States Secret Service (USSS) from January 1, 2011, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), 7(D), and 7(E).
- On **October 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, two pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to an allegation of withholding corruption information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **October 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Cora Currier, a representative with *ProPublica* in New York, New York, two pages of records consisting of memoranda pertaining to the President's Export Control Reform Initiative. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **October 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 10 pages of records consisting of briefing memoranda pertaining to the President's Committee for the North American Leaders Summit. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 5.
- On **October 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC4* in Washington, DC, 12 pages of records consisting of responses to congressional questions for the record pertaining to the hearing titled "Examining the Use and Abuse of Administratively Uncontrollable Overtime at the Department of Homeland Security." Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **October 29**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Peter Erikson, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 11 pages of records consisting of letters pertaining to grants awarded to the Paso Robles Joint Unified School District for FEMA Disaster Number 1505-DR-CA. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **October 29**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to, Robert Maxwell, an anchor and investigative reporter with *WXAN-TV* in Austin, Texas, 80 pages of records consisting of applications for funding, e-mails, and memoranda pertaining to private Emergency Medical Service providers. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **October 29**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) issued to Todd Feathers, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to individuals or organizations that applied to participate in FLETC programs but were rejected, from January 1, 2014, through the present.

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November 13, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

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- On **November 18**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Community Engagement Conference titled "Prevention of Violent

Extremism: Foreign Fighters at Home and Abroad” hosted by the National Counterterrorism Center in McClean, VA. Open press.

- On **November 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the Department of State (DOS) Overseas Security Advisory Council Meeting at DOS headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas.*

- On **November 14**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks on the Department’s efforts and challenges in combating labor trafficking. The Department of Homeland Security, along with the Department of Justice, Department of State, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Labor, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission will provide information on labor trafficking and efforts being made to combat this crime. Closed press.
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- On **November 18**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will co-chair the U.S.-Germany Security Cooperation Group bilateral meeting with State Secretary Emily Haber of Germany’s Federal Interior Ministry (BMI), and a half-day plenary session of discussion between Department of Homeland Security and BMI officials in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

*Other Principals*

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- On **November 14**, Under Secretary for National Protection and Programs Directorate Suzanne Spaulding will discuss executive level engagement on critical infrastructure, at the National Infrastructure Advisory Council Quarterly Business Meeting. Open press.

- On **November 15**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give the keynote address at the Real World Design Challenge (RWDC) National Championship in Chevy Chase, MD, which will focus on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education. RWDC is an annual competition that provides high school students the opportunity to work on real world engineering challenges in a team environment. Open press.
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- On **November 16**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate, Chief of Staff Michael Coen, and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs Nicole Mlade will attend the National Governor's Association Seminar for New Governors in Westminster, CO to discuss emergency management issues. Open press.
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- On **November 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver keynote remarks on trade facilitation and security at a forum hosted by the Council of the Americas in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **November 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to participate in a Labor-Management Forum with representatives from the National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU) at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator John Pistole, Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement (OSPIE) Assistant Administrator Eddie Mayenschein, and OSPIE Deputy Assistant Administrator Victoria Newhouse will participate in the Airlines for America Quarterly Security Council meeting at TSA Headquarters. Closed press.
- From **November 18 to 20**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will host the United Kingdom delegation for the 2014 U.S.-United Kingdom (UK) Bilateral Meeting (Bilat). The meeting will include reviews of current and proposed work developed under the S&T Bilateral Agreement signed in 2004 in topics including aviation and border security, cybersecurity, radiological and nuclear detection, chemical and biological defense and cross-cutting topics such as countering violent extremism. Closed press.

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#### *Congressional Briefings*

- On **November 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and Department of Homeland Security Offices of General Counsel are scheduled to brief the House of Representatives Judiciary Immigration Subcommittee regarding the Department of State's announcement of an in-country refugee processing program for children in Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador seeking to reunite with lawfully present relatives in the United States. Open press.
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#### *Expected Press Stories*

- From **November 7 to 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will commemorate Veterans Day by welcoming more than 3,000 new citizens during nearly 40 naturalization ceremonies nationwide, highlighting the agency's commitment to immigration services for military members and their families. Open press
- On **November 17 (tentative)**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Los Angeles personnel have been invited to participate in a media availability event in San Pedro, California hosted by the U.S. Coast Guard aboard an 87-foot patrol boat to promote the Coast Guard's "Western Hemisphere" strategy to deter transnational crime, including maritime smuggling. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Charles Ray and HSI Los Angeles Special Agent in Charge Claude Arnold will serve as representatives. Open press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a special naturalization ceremony in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, in conjunction with the Gettysburg Foundation's Dedication Day. Audience may include Members of Congress and USCIS leadership. Event may be live streamed. Open press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 30**, Ann Givens, a reporter with *NBC* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records of communications between CBP and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding Ebola prevention and screening at New York and New Jersey sites from March 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **October 30**, Bryan Luhn, a news director with *WCBD-TV* in Charleston, South Carolina, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the following records pertaining to Charleston International Airport: (1) a list of items that passengers reported missing from checked and carry-on luggage; (2) records pertaining to the disposition of the aforementioned claims; and (3) a list of TSA employees disciplined due to items missing from passengers' luggage from January 1, 2010, through the present.



- On **October 30**, Michael Scott, a reporter with *KRGT-TV* in Weslaco, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the investigation report pertaining to the JACKIE C that ran aground during Tropical Storm Dolly on South Padre Island.
- On **October 31**, Ann Choi, a reporter with the *Sun Sentinel*, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to interceptions and rescues by the USCG Seventh District from January 1, 2014, through October 31, 2014.
- On **November 3**, Joshua Eaton, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to Michael Abdul Zehaf-Bibeau prior to October 21, 2014.
- On **November 4**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or any other services for Vice President Joe Biden and any companions on the following trips: (1) September 3, 2014 trip to New Hampshire; (2) September 17, 2014 trip to Iowa; and (3) May 9, 2014 trip to South Carolina.
- On **November 4**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the reports or closing memoranda pertaining to investigations, audits, or reviews of agency micro-purchase (or purchase card) usage for fiscal years 2013 and 2014.
- On **November 4**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to regional and Headquarters A-123 reports regarding micro-purchases for fiscal years 2013 and 2014.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to a DHS-OIG investigation into allegations that a named third party engaged a prostitute in Cartagena. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **October 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to Howard Williams, an individual in San Marcos, Texas, a full denial in response to his request seeking a copy of the investigation pertaining to the death of Anastacio Hernandez-Rojas on May 28, 2010. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **October 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Chuck Ross, a representative with *The Daily Caller* in Wichita, Kansas, one Excel spreadsheet containing the flights chartered by ICE for the transportation of unaccompanied children. These records were released in full.
- On **October 31**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Jim Finkle, a journalist with *Thomson Reuters* in Boston, Massachusetts, 10 pages of records consisting of correspondence between Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) or United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) staff and the following individuals : (1) Barnaby Jack, an employee with McAfee and IoActive, from June 17, 2011, through September 10, 2013; and (2) Stuart McClure, an employee with McAfee and Cylance, from June 1, 2011, through January 1, 2014, regarding medical device security. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, and 7(E).

- On **October 31**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Chris Ingalls, an investigator with *King5* in Seattle, Washington, one page of records containing the number and amount of civil fines levied for firearms in restricted areas at SeaTac Airport from January 1, 2008, through June 30, 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **October 31**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Trent Seibert, a producer with *KTRK* in Houston, Texas, two pages of records containing the number and types of items seized at George Bush Intercontinental Airport and William P. Hobby Airport from January 1, 2005, through February 28, 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **October 31**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Todd Feathers, a representative with the *Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, five pages of records consisting of Ebola fact sheets. These records were released in full.
- On **November 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Kate Bailey, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing the number of Notices to Appear issued to juveniles that were not filed with any U.S. Immigration Court as a matter of prosecutorial discretion since January 1, 2012. These records were released in full.
- On **November 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Kate Bailey, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing the number of suspected illegal immigrants arrested and turned over to ICE by the Prince William County Police Department of Prince William County, Virginia and subsequently deported, released, or kept in detention. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Amy Taxin, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Tustin, California, one Excel spreadsheet containing the number of in-custody transfers from local law enforcement agencies to ICE, broken down by county and month from January 1, 2013, through the present. These records were released in full.
- On **November 3**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Peter Micek, Policy Counsel with *Access Now* in New York, New York, 14 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the European Data Protection Reform Package. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 4**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Brad Heath, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, two pages of records consisting of a Report of Investigation pertaining to a missing weapon. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 5**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Walter Moskop, a reporter with the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* in St. Louis, Missouri, 16 pages of records containing the number and types of items seized at Lambert St. Louis International Airport for 2004 and 2005. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- From **November 12 to 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez conducts meet and greets with various House and Senate committees and officials. He will meet with U.S. Senator Ted Cruz of Texas, and with U.S. Representatives

Jason Chaffetz of Utah, Judy Chu of California, Luis Gutierrez of Illinois, and Louie Gohmert, Lamar Smith, and Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas.

- On **December 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver a keynote address at the American Jewish Committee Pacific Northwest Chapter in Seattle, Washington.
- On **December 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host its EB-5 quarterly engagement in Washington, in person and via stakeholder call. USCIS staff will provide updates and respond to stakeholder questions.
- From **December 6-10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Assistant Commissioner Charles Stallworth (Office of International Affairs) are scheduled to attend the 72<sup>nd</sup> Session of the World Customs Organization Policy Commission in Recife, Brazil.
- From **December 14 to 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will visit Los Angeles, California, to speak at the annual National Immigrant Integration Conference hosted by the National Partnership for New Americans. Open press.
- From **December 17-18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to attend a meeting between CBP and the Canada Border Services Agency in Ottawa, Canada.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

December 4, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- From **November 25 to December 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations will conduct Town Hall meetings with all 24 field offices to discuss and address any questions relating to President Obama's Executive Actions issued on November 20, 2014. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodríguez will speak at USCIS' Tomich Center in Washington during a DHS engagement for embassy officials regarding the recently announced executive actions on immigration. Closed press. Department of Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson will also attend.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 29**, there are 563,548 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.7 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 5,318,893 queries have been run through the system.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing a final rule to allow H-4 dependent spouses to apply for employment authorization. News release, Public Affairs Guidance, and congressional calls are planned, as well as social media posts and uscis.gov content in English and Spanish.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to implement guidance for evaluating claims of "extraordinary circumstances" for late filings pursuant to the Child Status Protection Act. This guidance will provide additional interpretation for determining whether extraordinary circumstances allow USCIS to excuse the 1-year filing requirement on a case-by-case basis.

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **December 8**, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson is scheduled to deliver remarks on at the New York City Summit of Mayors on Implementation of Executive Action, hosted by New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio at Gracie Mansion. Open press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **December 9**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a Senior Leadership event with President Obama at the Washington Hilton in Washington, DC. The event will include recognition of outstanding senior leaders, announcements related to the management agenda, a panel discussion with Cabinet Secretaries and senior administration officials, and remarks from the President. Press status info pending.

### *Other Principals*

- From **December 1 to 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Acting Director Thomas Winkowski, along with U.S. Department of Homeland Security Assistant Secretary for Policy Alan Bersin, will travel to Beijing, China to meet with host country officials to discuss ongoing U.S.-China law enforcement initiatives and ideas for future cooperation. Closed press.
- From **December 4 to 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will travel to London, England to attend the Santa Marta Group of the Catholic Church in England and Wales conference on human trafficking. Deputy Director Ragsdale will serve as Chairman of a group session on human trafficking in the Americas during the conference. Additionally, Deputy Director Ragsdale will also attend the Prime Minister Symposium on Child Exploitation and provide a keynote speech representing the U.S. during the Global Alliance Against Child Abuse Online Summit. Closed press.
- From **December 6 to 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to attend the 72<sup>nd</sup> Session of the World Customs Organization (WCO) Policy Commission in Recife, Brazil. En route to Recife, the Commissioner will stopover in São Paulo, Brazil, to meet with Container Security Initiative staff. While in Recife, the Commissioner is scheduled to meet with several of his international counterparts, including the Directors-General of Customs of Brazil and India, as well as members of the WCO Secretariat. Closed press.
- On **December 7**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft is scheduled to deliver remarks at a Pearl Harbor Memorial Ceremony at the Coast Guard Cutter TANEY, the last fighting ship afloat today that took part in the defense of Hawaii during the December 7, 1941 Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The ceremony is scheduled to take place at the Coast Guard Cutter TANEY located at Pier 5 of Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Open press.
- On **December 7**, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Health Affairs (OHA) and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will speak at the International Association of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Chiefs Leadership conference in Washington, D.C. Her remarks will focus on the role of OHA in emergency medicine and the importance of EMS chiefs in their local communities. Closed press.
- On **December 8**, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will provide a keynote address at the North Carolina Biotechnology Center's event *Ebola NC: Local Response – Global Impact*. Her remarks will focus on federal coordination efforts and DHS response. Closed press.
- On **December 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodriguez is scheduled to accompany the Secretary at the New York City Summit of Mayors. Director Rodriguez will meet with mayors with whom USCIS intends to sign Letters of Agreement to promote citizenship awareness as well as education and outreach on agency programs. At least 20 mayors of major cities will attend. Open press.
- From **December 8 to 11**, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will attend the Special Operation Medical Association scientific assembly being held Tampa, FL. Closed press.
- On **December 9**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give the keynote speech at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Lincoln Laboratory (LL) Homeland Protection Workshop Series. The speech will focus on the need for improvements in the research and development process to keep pace with industry and the

importance of academia and laboratories to the Science and Technology Directorate. This event brings together government leaders, national technology leaders, private industry and state and local stakeholders to discuss key challenges and potential solutions. Closed press.

- On **December 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard to discuss CBP's vision, priorities, and challenges for fiscal year 2015. Closed press.
- On **December 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske, Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and other CBP leadership are scheduled to meet with Eric Olson, Associate Director of the Latin American Program at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C., as part of a lunch-and-learn meeting. Closed press.

### Items of Note

#### *Congressional Briefings*

- On **December 12**, representatives from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison and the Office of Border Patrol will participate in a classified briefing on border security threats and trends for staff from the House Homeland Security Committee and the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Department of Homeland Security Office of Intelligence and Analysis, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and U.S. Coast Guard will also participate. Closed press.
- On **December 12**, representatives from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Air and Marine will brief (via teleconference) staff from the office of Senator Jon Tester on the status of the Northern Border Realignment with an emphasis on operations in Montana. Closed press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- From **December 1 to 7**, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) will host a reporter and photographer from the Los Angeles Times aboard the USCG Cutter BLACKFIN. The story will focus on USCG efforts to combat drug trafficking and migrants along the southern California coast. Publication date still pending.

### Legal

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 13**, Shawna Ohm, a producer with *Yahoo Finance* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a listing of companies that have been fined by ICE for immigration violations over the past 10 years, including: (1) the date and location of the violations; (2) the nature of the violations; and (3) the amount of the fines.
- On **November 13**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to President Obama and any companions on their trip to Los Angeles, California from October 9, 2014, through October 10, 2014.

- On **November 13**, Archie Ingersoll, a reporter with *Forum Communications Company* in Fargo, North Dakota, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to passenger complaints filed over the previous 12 months involving TSA at the Hector International Airport.
- On **November 13**, Isaac Arnsdorf, a journalist with *Bloomberg News* in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) the following records: (1) private sector advisories issued to the oil and gas industry; (2) congressional correspondence pertaining to the oil and gas industry; (3) analysis of the risk of eco-terrorism to the oil and gas industry; and (4) records pertaining to the Keystone XL Pipeline from January 1, 2009, through the present.
- On **November 13**, John Santore, a reporter with the *Press of Atlantic City* in Atlantic City, New Jersey, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of the Alien file for Mohammad Ranjbar.
- On **November 14**, Beryl Lipton, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the mission proposals for Operation Torrent Divide mentioned by Secretary Jeh Johnson in his July 10, 2014 statement before the Senate Committee on Appropriations.
- On **November 18**, Virginia Eubanks, a representative with the Los Angeles Community Action Network in Albany, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to CBP's compliance and participation in the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative.
- On **November 19**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Venice, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to: (1) protests in Ferguson, Missouri; (2) the shooting death of Michael Brown; and (3) the pending grand jury decision in the case against Ferguson Police Officer Darren Wilson.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Megan Blarr, a producer with *WGRZ-TV* in Buffalo, New York, 17 pages of records pertaining to the missing Afghan soldiers who were found near the Canadian Border and to persons detained at the Rainbow Bridge, Lewiston-Queenston Bridge, and the Peace Bridge within the past year. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 13**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to, Jack Gillum, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, 85 pages of records consisting of letters to or from Congressman Paul Ryan (R-WI) or his staff pertaining to disaster survivors. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 13**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Eric Russell, a reporter with the *Portland Press Herald* in Portland, Maine, 130 pages of records consisting of complaints made by travelers against TSA agents at Portland International Jetport from 2004 through 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 14**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 621



pages of records consisting of internal investigations into allegations of Federal Air Marshal weapons discharges from 2003 through 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E). On November 14, , the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Ann Swinburn, an individual in Oakland, California, a no records determination in response to her request seeking the following records pertaining to former DHS Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Programs Juliette Kayyem, from March 2009, through December 2010: (1) records pertaining to salary and salary increases; (2) records pertaining to benefits including health, retirement, automobile allowance, housing allowance, and/or any other employee benefit; (3) per diem payments; and (4) records pertaining to payments regarding expenses related to travel, meals, or other “perks.”

- On **November 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Alberto Moya, a reporter with *CBS News* in New York, New York, 11 pages of records consisting of photographs and videos taken by ICE and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) employees at the CBP facility in Nogales, Arizona, from January 1, 2014, through June 11, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **November 17**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Adam Wagner, a representative with *Star News Media* in Wilmington, North Carolina, seven pages of records consisting of a case report pertaining to the grounding of ADVENTURE on December 17, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Daniel Villatoro, a journalist with *Plaza Publica* in Guatemala, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to unaccompanied alien children from Honduras, El Salvador, and Guatemala for 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous case-by-case information on each removal and return for February 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous case-by-case information on each removal and return for March 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
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- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous case-by-case information on each individual who was served a form I-221 or I-222 or form I-862 or I-863 in February 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing alien-by-alien, detention facility-by-detention facility, anonymous data on each individual who was detained, released, or was in ICE custody in February 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).

### *30-60 Day Lookahead*

- In **December**, Reporter Catherine Rentz of the Baltimore Sun is writing a story about the Presidential Task Force on Combating Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing and Seafood Fraud Task Force and the Coast Guard's part in it. Rentz has interviewed CDR Dan Schaeffer, Chief of Living Marine Resources & Marine Protected Species Enforcement Division. Publication of the story is expected this month.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates DHS implementation of a limited Haitian Family Reunification Program. The program offers certain eligible Haitian beneficiaries of family-based immigrant visa petitions an opportunity to come to the United States before their visas become available.
- From **December 14 to 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez and Chief of Staff Juliet Choi will visit Los Angeles, California, where Director Rodríguez will speak at the annual National Immigrant Integration Conference hosted by the National Partnership for New Americans. Open press.
- On **December 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a myE-Verify listening session from Washington, D.C., to provide an overview of the new program, employee rights, and additional resources. USCIS will also obtain feedback on the new and existing programs. Closed press.
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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

December 11, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- ***E-Verify Update:*** As of **December 6**, there are 564,777 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.7 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 5,892,947 queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity:**

- From **December 16 to 18**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Reginald Brothers will give the keynote address at the 2014 Research and Development Showcase and Technical Workshop that will focus on S&T's vision and the importance of cybersecurity.
- Open press on December 16, closed on December 17 and 18.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing a final rule to allow H-4 dependent spouses to apply for employment authorization. News release, Public Affairs Guidance, and congressional calls are planned, as well as social media posts and uscis.gov content in English and Spanish.
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### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **December 15**, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Deilley, TX where he will tour the new South Texas Family Center, as well as a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Detention Facility in Pearsall, TX. While there, he will participate in a press availability.
- On **December 16**, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Mexico City where he will participate in multiple bi-lateral meetings with Mexican government officials to discuss Executive Actions on Immigration and border security cooperation.

- On **December 18**, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks on his current department initiatives at the Professional Services Council Board of Directors Meeting in Arlington, VA. Closed press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- Nothing Significant to Report

*Other Principals*

- On **December 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez is scheduled to speak at the National Immigration Forum Board of Directors meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **December 14 to 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will travel to Los Angeles, CA where he will speak at the annual National Immigrant Integration Conference hosted by the National Partnership for New Americans. Open press.
- From **December 14 to 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez and Chief of Staff Juliet Choi will visit Los Angeles, California, where Director Rodriguez will speak at the annual National Immigrant Integration Conference hosted by the National Partnership for New Americans. Open press.
- On **December 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will host a myE-Verify listening session from Washington, D.C., to provide an overview of the new program, employee rights, and additional resources. USCIS will also obtain feedback on the new and existing programs. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara and Deputy Assistant Secretary Alaina Clark will participate in a meeting with Michael Masters, Cook County Executive Director for Homeland Security & Emergency Management, to discuss homeland security issues. Closed press.
- On **December 17 to 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will visit Toronto, Canada to meet with Howard Eng, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Greater Toronto Airports Authority. While in Canada, Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to attend a meeting between CBP and Canada Border Services Agency leadership in Ottawa, Canada. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Leigh Winchell, Deputy Director of the World Customs Organization's Compliance and Facilitation Directorate. Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is also scheduled to meet with Thomas Atkin, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense, both meetings will take place at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

Items of Note

*Congressional Briefings*

- From **December 14 to 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations will provide staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security with a briefing and tour of operations in

Miami, Key West, and Puerto Rico. This staff delegation was initiated by the committee staff. Closed press.

- On **December 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Assistant Director for International Operations Lev Kubiak will provide staff of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations with a briefing on ICE International Operations. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of International Affairs will brief staff from the House Ways and Means Committee on CBP's international engagement efforts. Closed press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **December 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to interview with Luiza Savage from Macleans's News Service in Buffalo, NY to discuss the northern border and the Beyond the Border Initiative. Open press.
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#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 20**, Yvette Cabrera, a reporter with *The Voice of Orange County* in Santa Ana, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: (1) criminal alien juvenile removal data for Enforcement and Removal Operations during fiscal year 2013 from offices in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and San Diego; and (2) a copy of the fiscal year 2013 ICE Immigration Removal annual report.
- On **November 20**, Russell Carollo, an individual in Pueblo, Colorado, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill and the National Pollution Funds Center Case Number FPN N10036.
- On **November 20**, Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Environment and Energy News* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and the office of Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI) from January 1, 2011, through the present.
- On **November 24**, Thomas Jones, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC), the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), and the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records of correspondence between Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) or his staff and the aforementioned pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.
- On **November 24**, Kevin Schmidt, an analyst with Cause of Action in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of text messages, Blackberry messenger chats, and SMS messages sent or received by the following individuals and/or the individuals currently holding the named positions: (1) Secretary Jeh

Johnson; (2) Christian Marrone, Chief of Staff; (3) Tanya Bradsher, Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs; (4) Brian de Vallance, Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs; and (5) Pam Coleman, White House Liaison from November 2, 2014, through November 8, 2014.

- On **November 24**, Stephen Dinan, a representative with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between David Shahoulian, DHS Deputy General Counsel, and Karl Thompson, Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, dated November 19, 2014.
- On **November 24**, Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, requested from United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of the Alien file for the late Nikolaus Schiffer.
- On **November 25**, Derek Mead, a representative with Muckrock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records: (1) records pertaining to CBP unmanned aircraft system flights (Predator or Reaper) that have crossed into Canadian territory; and (2) correspondence with Canadian officials regarding the flights.
- On **November 25**, Michael Ravnitsky, an individual in Silver Spring, Maryland, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the three most recent TSA Quarterly Federal Air Marshals Reports.
- On **November 25**, Jennifer Wadsworth, a representative with *Metro Silicon Valley* in San Jose, California, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) a list of dates and descriptions of perimeter security breaches at Mineta San Jose International Airport from January 1, 2012, through November 25, 2014.
- On **November 26**, William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) the following records: (1) a list of the names of all USSS protectees (Case Number USSS 20150260); and (2) the annual expenditure of U.S Government resources for each of those protectees from 2001 through 2014. On November 30, 2014, Michael Phillis, a representative with the Center for Public Integrity in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to contract number HSCG84-13-D-B13038 with Glocoms Incorporated.
- On **December 1**, Andrew Grimm, a reporter with *The Times-Picayune* in New Orleans, Louisiana, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) the names of contractors in audits OIG-15-01-D and OIG-DD-13-11; (2) the names of contractors awarded contracts by Tulane University; (3) the amounts paid to the aforementioned contractors; (4) a list of audits involving findings of overbilling by Belfour USA; and (5) subpoenas issued to Tulane in connection with DHS-OIG audits. On December 3, 2014, Lynn Walsh, a producer with *NBC 7 News* in San Diego, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to 24 investigations involving the San Diego area.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 17**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Sarah Trefethen, a freelance journalist in Brooklyn, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing case report descriptions of incidents in New York City. These records were released in full.

- On **November 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Barry Davis, an anchor with *KENS-5 TV* in San Antonio, Texas, one Excel spreadsheet containing booking information pertaining to illegal/undocumented immigrants caught/turned over to ICE in the South Texas region for fiscal years 2012 through 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **November 24**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Joshua Daniels, an analyst with the Libertas Institute, 41 pages of records pertaining to the State of Utah and its compliance with or implementation of the provisions and standards of the REAL ID Act, from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **November 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, 130 pages of records consisting of the Concept of Operations for CBP Air and Marine P-3 Airborne Early Warning and Long Range Tracking Aircraft and the Concept of Operations for CBP's Predator B Unmanned Aircraft System Fiscal Year 2010 Report to Congress. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 25**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Jeffrey Kerr, a general counsel and senior vice president with the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals Foundation in Washington, DC, 99 pages of records consisting of correspondence between TSA and the Iditarod Trail Committee, Inc. regarding the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race held March 5, 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **November 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Chris Castelli, a correspondent with *Inside Cybersecurity* in Arlington, Virginia, 11 pages of records consisting of the DHS cybersecurity study titled, "Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity." Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 7(E) and 7(F).
- On **November 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Leslie Donaldson, a reporter with *KTVU-TV* in Oakland, California, one Excel spreadsheet containing the number of vehicles acquired by NPPD in 2012. These records were released in full.
- On **November 26**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Zachary Mider, a reporter with *Bloomberg News* in New York, New York, two pages of records consisting of a letter pertaining to Solicitation Number HSCG30-13-Q-PCVD60. These records were released in full.
- On **November 28**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Heather Akers-Healy, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, 61 pages of records pertaining to FEMA's Transit Security Grant. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 28**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Matthew Sledge, a reporter with the *Huffington Post* in New York, New York, 46 pages of records consisting of incident reports and e-mails pertaining to the protests in Ferguson, Missouri and federal programs that equipped state and local law enforcement agencies from August 9, 2014, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.



- On **November 28**, U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Beryl Lipton, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, one page of records pertaining to detention and deportation facilities (temporary or permanent) proposed to be opened, anticipated to be opened, scheduled to open, and opened in 2014 and 2015. These records were released in full.
- On **November 28**, U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Lomi Kriel, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle Media Group* in Houston, Texas, six pages of records containing monthly reports sent to the Harris County Sheriff's Office pertaining to detainees and deportations resulting from Harris County Jail. These records were released in full.
- On **November 28**, U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Joanna Kao, a representative with *Al Jazeera America* in New York, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing the number of deportees deported through Tijuana and Mexico from October 1, 2013, through September 13, 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **December 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 132 pages of records pertaining to the collection, storage, return, and disposition of personal possessions of individuals detained at Department of Homeland Security (DHS) facilities. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **December 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Joanna McCall, a reporter with National Corporate Research, LTD in Washington, DC, 51 pages of records pertaining to federal contracts between ICE and the following companies: (1) Experian Information Solutions, Inc.; (2) Equifax Information Services, LLC; (3) TransUnion Corporation; (4) LexisNexis; (5) Reed Elsevier; (6) Thomson Reuters; and (7) West Publishing Corporation from January 1, 2012, through January 1, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **December 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Malia Litman, an individual in Dallas, Texas, eight pages of records consisting of complaint narratives involving the United States Secret Service (USSS). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(A), 7(C), 7(D), and 7(E).
- On **December 2**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Katie Davis, a reporter with *WJAR-TV* in Cranston, Rhode Island, 142 pages of records consisting of grants and letters for a 2009 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response grant of \$1.56 million awarded to the Scituate Fire and Rescue Engineering Board in Scituate, Rhode Island. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **December 3**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Robert Brauchle, a writer with the *Daily Press* in Newport News, Virginia, 26 pages of records consisting of project worksheets pertaining to the relief assistance awarded to various cities and counties in Virginia for Tropical Depression Ida and the Nor'easter in 2009. These records were released in full.
- On **December 3**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Tim Novak, a reporter with the *Chicago Sun Times* in Chicago, Illinois, 308 pages of

records pertaining to TUR Partners Metropolitan Regional Center LLC's application to be an EB-5 regional center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **December 3**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Martha Mendoza, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Santa Cruz, California, 29 pages of records consisting of e-mails between NPPD and Google. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

#### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- On **January 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will speak at the Homeland Security Business Development Council's luncheon in Washington. Closed press.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will conduct USCIS' second Dialogue with the Director, a national stakeholder engagement. Closed press.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

December 18- January 9, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- ***E-Verify Update:*** As of **December 13**, there are 566,063 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.7 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 6,448,237 queries have been run through the system.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### *Upcoming Rules/Regs*

- On **December 19**, the Office of Health Affairs anticipates that the new final Federal guidance document “Patient Decontamination in a Mass Chemical Exposure Incident: National Planning Guidance for Communities” will be posted in the Federal Register. This document was a collaborative effort with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of Preparedness and Response.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates publishing a final rule to allow H-4 dependent spouses to apply for employment authorization. News release, Public Affairs guidance, and congressional calls are planned, as well as social media posts and uscis.gov content in English and Spanish.
- In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to implement guidance for evaluating claims of “extraordinary circumstances” for late filings pursuant to the Child Status Protection Act. This guidance will provide additional interpretation for determining whether extraordinary circumstances allow USCIS to excuse the 1-year filing requirement on a case-by-case basis.

In **December**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates DHS implementation of a limited Haitian Family Reunification Program. The program offers certain eligible Haitian beneficiaries of family-based immigrant visa petitions an opportunity to come to the United States before their visas become available.

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- From **December 19 to January 4**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will be on personal travel.
- On **January 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will conduct a high level economic dialogue with Mexican officials in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- From **December 22 to 29**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will be on personal travel.

##### *Other Principals*

- On **December 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Leigh Winchell, Deputy Director of the World Customs Organization’s Compliance and Facilitation Directorate. Commissioner R. Gil

Kerlikowske is also scheduled to meet with Thomas Atkin, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense; both meetings will take place at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

- On **December 19**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with representatives from Human Rights Watch to hear their observations of human rights issues in China and their perspective on USG interaction with elements of the Chinese Government. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with representatives from the Migration Policy Institute to discuss the organization's request for DHS immigration statistics. Closed press.
- On **December 19**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will join the Secretary for a phone call with the Michigan Governor Rick Snyder regarding the New International Trade Crossing (NITC) between Detroit, Michigan, and Windsor, Ontario. Closed Press.
- On **January 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with David Cattler, Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency's Defense Combating Terrorism Center in McLean, Virginia. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will speak at the Homeland Security Business Development Council's luncheon in Washington. Closed press.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will conduct USCIS' second Dialogue with the Director, a national stakeholder engagement, in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings*

- From **December 14 to 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations will provide staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security with a briefing and tour of operations in Miami, Key West, and Puerto Rico. This staff delegation was initiated by the committee staff. Closed press.

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- In **December**, Reporter Catherine Rentz of the Baltimore Sun is writing a story about the Presidential Task Force on Combating Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing and Seafood Fraud Task Force and the Coast Guard's part in it. Rentz has interviewed Commander Dan Schaeffer, Chief of Living Marine Resources & Marine Protected Species Enforcement Division. Publication of the story is expected this month.
- On or about **December 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) will jointly release their fiscal year 2014 enforcement accomplishments and statistics. In January, CBP and TSA will jointly release their FY 2014 accomplishments and statistics related to trade and travel.
- On **December 18** and **December 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Tallahassee Resident Agent in Charge (RAC) Ralph Bradley's interview with *WTXL ABC Tallahassee* on human trafficking in the region is

scheduled to air on television at noon on December 18 and at 6:00pm on December 22 (both Eastern Standard Time). RAC Bradley's interview included training delivered to new deputies assigned to the Leon County Sheriff's Office. Open press.

- On **December 19 (tentative)**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Public Affairs Office is coordinating media availability to announce results of Operation Bah Humbug. ICE Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) El Paso Commercial Fraud Group has been working with U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers since October 1, 2014, intercepting international shipments containing counterfeit merchandise. Open press.
- On **December 31**, the Federal Emergency Management Administration anticipates media coverage of the end date of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development funded New York Disaster Housing Assistance Program.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **December 6**, Alison Young, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) the following records: (1) meeting minutes from Plum Island Animal Disease Center Institutional Biosafety Committee meetings from January 1, 2013, through December 10, 2014; and (2) records pertaining to reports of incidents, accidents, violations, exposures and potential exposures, or other issues reported under the National Institutes of Health guidelines from January 1, 2012, through December 10, 2014.
- On December 6, Alison Young, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) records pertaining to Plum Island Animal Disease Center laboratory incident reports from January 1, 2013, through December 10, 2014.
- On December 8, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to purchases and reimbursements including the keyword "Hooters" in fiscal years 2013 through 2014. On December 9, Patrick Michels, a reporter with *The Texas Observer* in Austin, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) an overview of investigations by DHS-OIG in Laredo, Brownsville, and McAllen, from January 1, 2008, through December 8, 2014; (2) a copy of the full Report of Investigation for three specified investigations on CBP and ICE, including any records of administrative action taken; and (3) records pertaining to a third party.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 5**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) issued to Thomas Jones, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence between FLETC and Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) or his staff pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.
- On **December 5**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Alexa O'Brien, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, 59 pages of records consisting of reports, memoranda, and other records pertaining to the WikiLeaks

organization. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.

- On **December 5**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Saad Kamal, an analyst with Washington Analysis, LLC in Washington, DC, 14 pages of records consisting of correspondence pertaining to Rapiscan. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **December 5**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 30 pages of records consisting of briefing papers and talking points pertaining to the Executive Repatriation Policy Steering Group. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **December 8**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), issued to Sean Dunagan, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking the following records: (1) records pertaining to the authorization of DHS Deputy Managing Counsel Prudence Beidler Carr to serve on the Board of Directors of the Insight Center for Community Economic Development; and (2) a copy of e-mails from the official DHS e-mail account of Ms. Carr to or from any e-mail address terminating in the domain “@insightccd.org” from October 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **December 8**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, 10,980 pages of records consisting of training materials used during FEMA’s Hazards United States - Multi Hazard training in 2012 and 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **December 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Joshua Smith, a reporter with the *San Diego CityBeat* in San Diego, California, one page of records containing statistical data pertaining to T-Visa applications received, approved, and denied from 2008 through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 3.

#### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- On **February 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez and Chief of Staff Choi will participate in the Florida 2015 Refugee Consultation in Jacksonville. The Director will speak and the Chief of Staff will take part in a panel discussion on citizenship.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

January 8, 2014

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **January 12**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will speak at the American Immigration Lawyers Association Georgia-Alabama Chapter Luncheon in Atlanta, GA on the delivery of immigration benefits and services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will speak at the Homeland Security Business Development Council's luncheon in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **January 15 (tentative)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez may speak in New York at an Americas Society/Council of the Americas and New York City Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs meeting titled "Gateway Cities Summit: Local Implications of Executive Action." Closed press.
- On **January 19 (tentative)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will participate in special naturalization ceremony to commemorate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Location TBD. Open press.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Assistant Director Marlen Piñeiro will attend the U.S. – Cuba Migration Talks in Havana, Cuba. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodriguez will conduct USCIS' second Dialogue with the Director, a national stakeholder engagement, at the Tomich Center in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 3**, there are 568,759 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 7,428,097 queries have been run through the system.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **January 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks on current Department of Homeland Security aviation security issues at the Aero Club of Washington's monthly luncheon. Open press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- Nothing Significant to Report

##### *Other Principals*

- On **January 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs Michele Bond at State Department Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.



- On **January 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with representatives from the National Alliance for Model State Drug Laws and the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) in Alexandria, Virginia. Closed press.
- On **January 14**, Office of Health Affairs Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will brief a delegation from India hosted by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regarding DHS efforts to develop guidance for first responders on the medical response to improvised explosive devices and active shooter incidents. Closed press.
- On **January 15**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver remarks *Building for the future – Reducing Future Risk* at the 2015 State of the Florida Insurance Market Summit in Amelia Island, FL. Closed press.

### Items of Note

#### *Congressional Testimony*

- **In February**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña, will provide testimony to the House Committee on the Judiciary. The Committee has made initial contact with ICE noting a hearing will be held, however no date has been confirmed. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings*

- From **January 14 to 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations will provide staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security with a briefing and tour of Department of Homeland Security operations in Miami, Key West, and Puerto Rico. This staff delegation was initiated by committee staff. Closed press.
- From **January 4 to 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Bangkok Regional Attaché Bryan McPherson, along with representatives from U.S. Customs and Borders Protection; U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration; and the U.S. Agency for International Development, will provide informational briefings to staff of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs as they conduct a fact-finding mission to evaluate the U.S. Pacific Command and partner nations' counter-narcotics and humanitarian assistance/disaster relief capabilities and operations, as well as American military readiness in the regions of Hawaii, Thailand, the Philippines, and Hong Kong. Closed press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **January 12**, NBC Nightly News is expected to air a report by Mark Potter featuring U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral John Korn on the recent increase in illegal migration from Cuba, Haiti, and other Caribbean nations. Rear Admiral Korn serves as commander of the Seventh Coast Guard District.
- **On January 14**, U.S. Custom and Border Protection's San Diego Field Office is scheduled to participate in a media event hosted by the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority at San Diego International Airport. The media-only event will announce new Automated Passport Control (APC) kiosks installed to expedite processing of incoming international flights. Open press.
- **In January**, Customs and Border Protection and Transportation and Security Administration will jointly release their FY 2014 statistics related to trade and travel. Open press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **December 11**, Robert Arnold, a reporter with *KPRC-TV* in Houston, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to closed investigations regarding pornography or misuse of a government computer from January 1, 2011, through the present.
- On **December 12**, Brent Corrado, an assignment editor with *KGUN* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to a named Border Patrol agent who was caught abusing his K-9 partner. On December 16, Clara Long, a researcher with Human Rights Watch in San Francisco, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the policies for handling complaints involving misconduct by U.S Customs and Border Protection (CBP); and (2) complaints received against CBP, from October 1, 2006, through the present.
- On **December 16**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records of correspondence between FEMA's Region II and the Center for Domestic Preparedness pertaining to the Super Bowl from February 1, 2014, through February 3, 2014
- On **December 16**, Steven Emerson, President with *SAE Productions* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to Secretary Jeh Johnson's meeting on December 5, 2014, with members from the Pakistani, Muslim, and Somali communities.
- On **December 17**, Sam Biddle, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of e-mails pertaining to the Sony Pictures film "The Interview."

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 16**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Catherine Crump, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, 85 pages of records consisting of Mission Assignments, Standard Operating Procedures, and a draft Privacy Threshold Analysis for Unmanned Aerial Vehicles. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **December 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to Brent Corrado, an assignment editor with *KGUN* in Tucson, Arizona, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to a named Border Patrol agent who was caught abusing his K-9 partner. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).

### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- From **February 2 to 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Kerlikowske is scheduled to participate in a B5 Meeting and Integrity Dialogue in Melbourne, Australia, and related meetings in Christchurch, New Zealand. Open press.

- On **February 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez and Chief of Staff Choi will participate in the Florida 2015 Refugee Consultation in Jacksonville. The Director will speak and the Chief of Staff will take part in a panel discussion on citizenship. Closed press.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

January 15, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **January 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Assistant Director Marlen Piñeiro and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will attend the U.S. – Cuba Migration Talks in Havana, Cuba. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, The Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a Fee Waiver Teleconference with external stakeholders to discuss U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services policy and practice related to fee waivers, and to hear feedback from stakeholders about fee waiver concerns. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, Department of Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate at the U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) Immigration Reform Taskforce, as part of USCM's Winter Meeting in Washington. Secretary Johnson will provide remarks to the Taskforce on the implementation of the President's Executive Actions on Immigration. Portions open and closed press.
- On **January 31**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Chicago, IL where he will meet with Representative Gutierrez and Mayor Rahm Emanuel to hold briefings on the implementation of the Administration's Executive Actions on Immigration.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 10**, there are 570,369 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 8,013,425 queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity:**

- On **January 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will conduct a briefing and tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center with Senator Ron Johnson.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- From **January 19 to 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Transportation and Security Administration (TSA) will be conducting preclearance technical visits at London Heathrow (LHR), Gatwick (LGW), Manchester (MAN), and Edinburgh (EDI) airports. Closed press.
- **From January 20 to 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Transportation and Security Administration (TSA) will be conducting a preclearance technical visit in Japan at Narita International Airport (NRT). A preclearance technical visit will also occur from **January 22 to 23** at Kansai International Airport (KIX). Closed press.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **January 20**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Chairman Carper, Ranking Member Thompson, and Senators Carper and Johnson on Capitol Hill. Closed press.

- On **January 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Senators Shaheen and Perdue. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver opening remarks at the National Sheriffs' Association 2015 Winter Training Conference in Washington, DC. Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will also attend, with Commissioner Kerlikowske delivering remarks on **January 23**. The National Sheriffs' Association is a national professional association dedicated to serving the Office of Sheriff and its affiliates through police education, police training, and general law enforcement information resources. Open press.
- On **January 22**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver the opening remarks at the DHS Orientation Event for Members of Congress, which Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will also attend. Closed press.
- From **January 27 to 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Douglas and Phoenix, AZ. While in Douglas, he will meet with Border Patrol personnel and local ranchers, and tour the border area. In Phoenix, Secretary Johnson will receive a Super Bowl Security Brief and participate in the NFL Press Conference. Secretary Johnson will also deliver a speech on border security at Arizona State University.
- On **January 31**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Chicago, IL where he will meet with Representative Gutierrez and Mayor Rahm Emanuel to hold briefings on the implementation of the Administration's Executive Actions on Immigration.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **January 20**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will host a meet and greet with United Kingdom Permanent Secretary Mark Sedwill in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **January 21**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the Ceremonial Swearing In of incoming Director of National Intelligence Nicholas Rasmussen. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals*

- On **January 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to meet with Director of Global Trade Services for Target Corporation Ted Sherman and Director of Global Trade Compliance for Regal Beloit Kathleen Neal, both co-chairs of the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for CBP at Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner (CBP) R. Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to meet with representatives of the National Association of Manufacturers, the National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America, and the Express Association of America as part of Trade Day events at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodríguez will conduct USCIS' second Dialogue with the Director, a national stakeholder engagement, at the Tomich Center in Washington. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will visit the U.S. Interests Section and the USCIS Havana Field Office to conduct a site visit and observe refugee processing. Closed press.

- On **January 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to meet with Mayor Ashley Swearingin of Fresno, CA at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC, to discuss Fresno-Yosemite International Airport and the federal port of entry application process. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will attend the State of the Nations Address hosted by the National Congress of American Indians. Open press.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Dr. Geoffrey Alpert, a professor of Criminal Justice at the University of South Carolina and an expert in police activities, including the use of force. Closed press.
- On **January 23**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Bersin will meet with the State Department International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Director for Mexico, Steve Kraft, to discuss security capacity building in Mexico. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings and Travel*

- On **January 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to brief staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Homeland Security about preclearance expansion and methodology. Closed press.
- On **January 22**, U.S. Secret Service will conduct a classified briefing for Chairman John Ratcliffe of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies. Closed press.
- On **Thursday, January 22**, a representative from the Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the House Ways and Means Committee on CBP's transition plan to move the first three Centers of Excellence and Expertise to operational status. Closed press.
- On **Friday, January 23**, Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles (Office of Air and Marine) is scheduled to brief Representative Henry Cuellar on the evaluation for a UAS alternate base on the Southwest border. Closed press.

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- In **January**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Transportation Security Administration will jointly release their FY 2014 accomplishments and statistics related to trade and travel (date to be determined).
- On **January 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Buffalo Special Agent in Charge Jim Spero will deliver remarks at a joint United States Attorney's Office press conference in Buffalo, NY to highlight National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month and discuss recent regional enforcement efforts. Open press.
- On **January 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations New York Special Agent in Charge James T. Hayes Jr. will be interviewed by WNBC-TV about counterfeit goods. WNBC is working on an in-depth story on the sale of counterfeit goods over the Internet. Open press.
- On **January 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Buffalo Special Agent in Charge Jim Spero will participate in a panel discussion televised by a PBS affiliate on joint law enforcement and Non-Governmental

Organization efforts to combat human trafficking. The station will air an ICE Human Tracking Public Service Announcement in the days leading up to and after the panel. Open press.

- On **January 21**, National Geographic Channel's *Drugs, Inc.*, a documentary series examining drug trafficking, is scheduled to broadcast an episode entitled "Spring Break" featuring U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in West Palm Beach and Miami, Florida.
- From **January 25 to 31**, The Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service (OLE/FAMS) Office of Public Affairs (OPA) will be participating in a "media day" event, along with several other Department of Homeland Security components, highlighting security in the Phoenix area for Super Bowl XLIX which has been designated as a SEAR 1 Event. Open press.
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## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **December 18**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between the Office of the Secretary and Governor Martin O'Malley (D-MD) in 2014.
- On **December 18**, Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the October 10, 2014 memorandum pertaining to the creation of an independent panel to conduct a review of the United States Secret Service (USSS).
- On **December 19**, Joe Ryan, a reporter with *Newsday* in Melville, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to complaints by National Flood Insurance Program policyholders for denied claims for Hurricane Sandy damage, due to incorrect or falsified engineering reports by unlicensed engineers.
- On **December 19**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of Region III Spot Reports from October 1, 2014, through November 30, 2014.
- On **December 19**, Julia Harte, a reporter with The Center for Public Integrity in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of the 2013 Improvised Nuclear Device Response and Recovery Capability-Based Implementation Plan, Revision 1.
- On **December 22**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of e-mails sent or received containing the keyword "Sony" from November 1, 2014, through December 18, 2014, for the following individuals: (1) Rand Beers; (2) Suzanne Spaulding; (3) Phyllis Schneck; and (4) Andy Ozment.



- On **December 23**, Patrick Toomey, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the gathering and use of foreign intelligence information.
- On **December 23**, Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to investigations regarding the use of unauthorized monitoring of communications used by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) from January 1, 2003, through the present.
- On **December 24**, Shannon Parker, a representative with the Brennan Center for Justice in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) various records pertaining to countering violent extremism including: (1) policies, procedures, and directives referencing DHS participation in such programs; and (2) records pertaining to the pilot programs announced by Attorney General Eric Holder in his September 2014 press release for Minneapolis, Saint Paul, Los Angeles, and Boston.
- On **December 24**, Amos Toh, an attorney with the Brennan Center for Justice in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and DHS National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the pilot program launched by the Department of Justice regarding countering violent extremism; and (2) records of correspondence between NPPD and Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism Lisa Monaco regarding her April 15, 2014 speech. On December 29, Will Tucker, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to Chemical Security Assessment Tool Security Vulnerability Assessments for specific zip codes.
- On **December 30**, Brett Solomon, a representative with Access Now, Inc. in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of communications between DHS and Commissioner Malmstrom or her cabinet members pertaining to the General Data Protection Regulation or the Directive from August 1, 2011, through April 30, 2012.
- On **December 30**, Betsy Lawrence, Director of Liaison with the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) statistical data for fiscal years 2001 through 2014 pertaining to the following: (1) “new office” L-1A petitions (2) new/initial L-1B petitions and (3) new/initial L-1A petitions.
- On **January 4**, Daralene Jones, a reporter with *WFTV* in Orlando, Florida, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to complaints filed by passengers at Orlando International Airport from January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2014.
- On **January 5**, Robert O’Harrow, a writer with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records compiled by DHS to respond to the Government Accountability Office’s requests regarding the Department’s Freedom of Information Act performance since 2008; (2) annual employment figures in the DHS Freedom of Information Act office; and (3) a breakdown of

the top 50 Freedom of Information Act requesters, including their identification and their requests.

- On **January 5**, Robert O’Harrow, a writer with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of all Freedom of Information Act requests for fiscal year 2013 that were counted as unfulfilled (“backlog”) in the recent Government Accountability Office Report 15-82.
- On **January 6**, Robin Cross, a producer with *CBS12 News* in West Palm Beach, Florida, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to FEMA trailers and Manufactured Housing Units in various counties in Florida.
- On **January 6**, Shakara Robinson, an assignment desk editor with *WDJT CBS 58* in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) court-martial records pertaining to Petty Officer 3rd Class Joshua Raymond.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **December 18**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Stuart Christmas, a general counsel and Vice President for Legal Investigations with the Government Accountability Institute in Tallahassee, Florida, a full denial in response to his request seeking the following records pertaining to the Department’s review and input regarding the following : (1) the application to the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States by Energy Metals Corporation and Uranium One, Inc.; (2) the approval of the purchase of Energy Metals Corporation by Uranium One, Inc. in July 2007 by the Committee; (3) the Committee’s case number 10-40; and (4) the proposed sale of a controlling interest of Uranium One, Inc. to ARMZ Uranium Holding Co., also known as JSC Atomredmetzoloto. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 3.
- On **December 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 22 pages of records consisting of e-mails from the former Acting Inspector General and the former Secretary’s advisor. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **December 22**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to Vice President Joe Biden’s visit to Guatemala City on June 20, 2014, and his meetings with Guatemalan President Otto Pérez Molina, Salvadoran President Salvador Sánchez Cerén, and high-ranking ministers from Honduras and Mexico to discuss ways to reduce unlawful immigration from Central America.
- On **December 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Jon Street, an assistant editor with *TheBlaze* in New York, New York, one page of records consisting of an invoice pertaining to items purchased by the Federal Protective Service from TacticalGear.com. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **December 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to Robert Ortega, a reporter with *The Arizona Republic* in Phoenix, Arizona, a full denial in response to his request seeking reports pertaining to investigations by CBP, or provided to CBP by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Justice, or other federal agencies,

regarding the shooting death of Jose Antonio Elena Rodriguez on October 10, 2012. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).

- On **January 6**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Mark Wilson, a writer with *Fast Company* in Chicago, Illinois, 54 pages of records pertaining to contract HSSCCG-12-F-00200. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On **January 6**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Mark Wilson, a writer with *Fast Company* in Chicago, Illinois, 20 pages of records pertaining to contract HSSCCG-14-F-00242. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.

### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- On **January 27**, The Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (IGA) will participate in a final update to the Council of Governors' staff on progress made to the *Federal-State Cyber Joint Action Plan*. Specific participation for IGA has yet to be determined. Closed press.
- From **January 28 to February 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Phoenix, AZ. Director Saldaña will participate in a joint news conference with National Football League officials and federal law enforcement agency partners to highlight ICE's efforts and successes in the area of Intellectual Property Rights enforcement. Closed press.
- From **January 31 to February 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to participate in the Border Five Agency Heads Conference and Integrity Dialogue in Melbourne, Australia, and related meetings in Christchurch, New Zealand. Closed press.
- In **February**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña, will provide testimony to the House Committee on the Judiciary. The Committee has made initial contact with ICE noting a hearing will be held. Open press.
- On **February 11 (tentative)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez is scheduled to speak at the Florida 2015 Refugee Consultation in Jacksonville. Closed press.
- On **February 22 (tentative)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez is scheduled to participate in a signature/anchor ceremony commemorating Presidents' Day at George Washington's Mount Vernon, the estate, museum, and gardens in Virginia. Open press.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### **Immigration:**

- On **January 27**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives from the National Immigrant Justice Center for a roundtable discussion on local and national issues related to the delivery of immigration services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will participate in a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Quarterly Community Engagement Roundtable in Chicago, IL. Ombudsman Odom will speak on a panel with Stevan E. Bunnell, General Counsel, Joseph B. Maher, Principal Deputy General Counsel, and Maria Rodriguez, a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Officer. Ombudsman Odom will present on the Ombudsman's Office and her role as DHS Blue Campaign Chair. Closed press.
- On **January 31**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Chicago, IL where he will meet with Representative Gutierrez and Mayor Rahm Emanuel to hold briefings on the implementation of the Administration's Executive Actions on Immigration. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 17**, there are 571,794 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 8,569,695 queries have been run through the system.

#### **Cybersecurity:**

- On **January 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will conduct a briefing and tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center with Senator Ron Johnson. Closed press.
- On **January 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on cybersecurity at the 2015 State of the Net Conference at the Newseum in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **January 29**, U.S. Secret Service (USSS) personnel will participate in a briefing update on USSS cyber efforts for the staff of the House Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security and Investigations. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- From **January 19 to 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Transportation and Security Administration (TSA) will be conducting preclearance technical visits at London Heathrow (LHR), Gatwick (LGW), Manchester (MAN), and Edinburgh (EDI) airports. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will participate in a trilateral law enforcement agencies meeting in Mexico City, Mexico, where the focus will be on confronting the challenges presented by transnational criminal organizations, combatting human trafficking, and exploring new areas of cooperation. Closed press.

- On **January 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Office of Privacy and Diversity will participate in a U.S. Commission on Civil Rights meeting in Washington, D.C. Discussion topics will include the state of civil rights at immigration detention facilities and the Prison Rape Elimination Act. Open press.
- On **January 29**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) staff detailed to the Department of Homeland Security Headquarters as training advisors to the Blue Campaign will participate in an event with U.S. Representative Michael Fitzpatrick (R-PA) and representatives from the local district attorney's office, police departments, and social service organizations. FLETC staff will provide an overview of human trafficking, lead participants through a case study focused on labor trafficking, demonstrate training videos, and lead a discussion about the realities of human trafficking. This event is open press for the initial 10 minutes, and is closed press for the remainder.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **January 26**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the Major County Sheriffs/Major Cities Chiefs Joint Winter Meeting in Washington, DC. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will also speak, with Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas and Assistant Secretary for the Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Heather Fong will be in attendance. Closed press.
- On **January 26**, Secretary Jeh Johnsons will travel to the National Security Agency for a tour and overview of operations in Fort Meade, MD. Closed press.
- From **January 27 to 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Douglas and Phoenix, AZ. While in Douglas, he will meet with Border Patrol personnel and local ranchers, and tour the border area. In Phoenix, Secretary Johnson will receive a Super Bowl Security Brief and participate in the NFL Press Conference. Secretary Johnson will also deliver a speech on border security at Arizona State University. Open press.
- On **January 29**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver the State of the Department of Homeland Security Speech at the Aspen Wilson Center in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **January 30**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will speak at the White House New Appointee Orientation Event in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **January 31**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Chicago, IL where he will meet with Representative Gutierrez and Mayor Rahm Emanuel to hold briefings on the implementation of the Administration's Executive Actions on Immigration. Closed press.
- From **February 4 to 6**, Secretary Johnson will travel to London, UK where he will participate in the Five Country Ministerial. Closed press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **January 27**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend meet and greets with Congressman Luis Gutierrez and Congressman Michael McCaul. Closed press.
- On **January 27**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the White House Law Enforcement Leader Convention on Immigration with Assistant Secretary for the Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Heather Fong. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the Human Trafficking Roundtable with chiefs and sheriffs of major cities. Closed press.

- On **January 29**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Los Angeles, CA to meet with Log Angeles Mayor Garcetti and local foundations and community groups for an engagement discussion on immigration on **January 30**. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals*

- On **January 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to participate in a media day event regarding multi-agency public security efforts in advance of Super Bowl XLIX in Glendale, Arizona. Open press.
- On **January 26**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Melvin Carraway and Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Assistant Administrator Roderick Allison will meet with Admiral William Gortney, the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) – Northern Command (NORTHCOM) Commander in Chief, for a meet-and-greet at TSA HQ. Closed Press.
- On **January 26**, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will speak at the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Human Trafficking event. The IRS Human Trafficking event is being held to bring awareness about National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Closed Press.
- On **January 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to conduct site visits and meet with local stakeholders in Tucson, Arizona. Closed press.
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- On **January 28**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick will present a key to FLETC to thank Mayor Phillip S. Burch and the community of Artesia, New Mexico, for its cooperation and commitment to the Artesia Family Residential Center. This temporary facility, on the grounds of FLETC’s training site in Artesia, was part of the Department’s response to the unprecedented influx of adults with children arriving at the United States’ southern border this past summer. Open press.
- On **January 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with representatives of the U.K. National Crime Agency, to include Director-General Keith Bristow, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to discuss enhanced bi-lateral information sharing on organized crime. Assistant Commissioner Charles Stallworth will also attend. Closed press.
- On **January 29**, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will speak at a constituent meeting and town hall in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The event will focus on the subject of human trafficking, and include presentations by personnel from the Federal Law Enforcement

Training Centers and Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations. Open press.

- On **January 30**, Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulgham will discuss ways to improve the Information Technology (IT) acquisition process and management at the IT Alliance for Public Sector 2015 Procurement Summit. Closed press.
- From **January 31 to February 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to participate in the Border Five Agency Heads Conference and Integrity Dialogue in Melbourne, Australia, and related meetings in Christchurch, New Zealand. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings*

- On **January 27**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on *Rebuilding After the Storm: Lessening Impacts and Speeding Recovery*. Open Press.
- On **January 30**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Deputy Administrator Joe Nimmich and FEMA Deputy Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery Bob Fenton will brief the House and Senate Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee on Cadre Operational Readiness Support and Deployability Status Report. Closed press.

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel:*

- On **February 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director, Sarah Saldaña will meet with Chairman Michael McCaul of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with Representative John Katko, chairman of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Closed press.

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- From **January 25 to 31**, The Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service (OLE/FAMS) Office of Public Affairs (OPA) will be participating in a “media day” event, along with several other Department of Homeland Security components, highlighting security in the Phoenix area for Super Bowl XLIX which has been designated as a SEAR 1 Event. Open press.
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## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **January 12**, Tom Michael, a general manager with *Marfa Public Radio* in Marfa, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the accidental discharge of a firearm during a training session on August 25, 2014, at the Big Bend Sector headquarters of the U.S. Border Patrol.
- On **January 12**, Mitra Ebadolahi, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union of San Diego and Imperial Counties in San Diego, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the investigation into the death of Steven Brian Keith.
- On **January 12**, Steve Reilly, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the biannual report or responses submitted to Senator Charles Grassley (R-IA) and Senator Thomas Coburn (R-OK) regarding their request for a summary of non-public management advisories and closed investigations, from January 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **January 13**, Ilan Ben-Meir, a reporter with *BuzzFeed News* in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records of communications between DHS and Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) or his office; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Senator Paul from January 1, 2010, through the present.
- On **January 13**, Ilan Ben-Meir, a reporter with *BuzzFeed News* in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records of communications between DHS and Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) since 2012 or while serving as Texas Solicitor General from 2003 through 2008; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Senator Cruz from January 1, 2003, through the present.
- On **January 14**, Amy Price, a research coordinator with the Workers Defense Project in Austin, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the number of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals applications processed in each county or city in Texas.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Michael Evans, a researcher with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, one page of records containing statistics pertaining to Border Patrol Southwest Border “turnbacks” and “gotaways” in fiscal years 2012 and 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **January 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Clara Long, a researcher with Human Rights Watch in San Francisco, California, seven pages of records and one Excel spreadsheet containing all complaints received against U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), from October 1, 2006, through January 5, 2015. These records were released in full.
- On **January 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 15 pages of records pertaining to an incident near Sells, Arizona on the Tohono O’Odham Indian Reservation in which one or more Mexican military helicopters reportedly entered U.S. airspace and

fired shots in the vicinity of U.S. Border Patrol personnel. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **January 13**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Michael Ravnitzky, an individual in Silver Spring, Maryland, 837 pages of records consisting of reports from TSA to Congress or congressional committees from January 1, 2008, through February 15, 2010. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 3.
- On **January 14**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Rachel Bale, a researcher with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, and Bob Ortega, a reporter with *The Arizona Republic* in Phoenix, Arizona, 50 pages of records consisting of complaint narratives on closed investigations involving U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, 7(C), 7(D), 7(E), and 7(F).

### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **February**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña, will testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary. The Committee has made initial contact with ICE noting a hearing will be held, but no specifics are yet in place. Open press.
- From **February 2 to 7**, a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Representative in the Caribbean will be coordinating an assessment/air carrier inspection in Havana, Cuba. The TSA Representative is working with American Airlines to provide Ground Security Coordinator training at the same time of TSA's proposed February visit. Closed press.
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- From **February 5 to 6**, Transportation Security Administration and Customs and Border Protection personnel will attend the World Customs Organization Technical Experts Group on Air Cargo Security, also in Brussels. Agenda items will include advanced cargo information, trusted trader alignment, and cooperation between customs and aviation security authorities on cargo security matters. Closed press.
- From **February 10 to 11**, Commissioner Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver remarks to the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protections meeting in San Francisco, California. Open press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez is scheduled to speak at the Florida 2015 Refugee Consultation in Jacksonville. Closed press.
- On **February 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce an expansion of DACA. (News Release expected. Also, congressional calls and message, Director's blog, Facebook and GovDelivery posts, media exclusive/advance, Pen & Pad, and tweets and uscis.gov content in English and Spanish.)

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

January 29, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **January 31**, Secretary Johnson will travel to Chicago, IL where he will meet with Representative Gutierrez and Mayor Rahm Emanuel to hold briefings on the implementation of the Administration's Executive Actions on Immigration. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 24**, there are 573,186 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 9,099,728 queries have been run through the system.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **February 2**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will meet with Rep. John Ratcliffe, Chairman of House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies, to provide an overview presentation of the Science and Technology Directorate. Closed press.
- On **February 4**, the U.S. Secret Service (USSS) will present a briefing at USSS Headquarters to members of the Joint Forces Staff College on the United States Secret Service's capabilities in Cyber Security. Closed press.
- On **February 4 to 6**, Representatives from the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs will participate in the National Governor's Association's Governors Homeland Security Advisors Council Winter Meeting. Department leadership from the Office of Intelligence & Analysis, National Protection and Programs Directorate and Federal Emergency Management Agency will also participate. During the meeting, the Homeland Security Advisors will receive a threat briefing as well as a tour of the National Cybersecurity Communications and Integration Center (NCCIC). Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- From **February 6 to 8**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) staff detailed to serve as training advisors to the Department of Homeland Security's Blue Campaign will film a human trafficking training video at FLETC's headquarters in Glynco, Georgia. The video will focus on the potential role of the foster care and child protective service systems in the recruitment of minors into sex trafficking. Experts from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services provided input into the script. Closed press.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **January 31**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a stakeholder engagement on the President's Executive Actions on Immigration in Chicago with Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Representative Luis Gutierrez. The event will focus on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program and the new Deferred Action for Parental Accountability (DAPA) program. Portions open and closed press.

- From **February 4 to 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to London, UK where he will participate in the Five Country Ministerial. Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will also attend. Closed press.
- On **February 10**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will speak at the Small Business Administration's African American History Month program. Closed press.
- On **February 10**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Senator David Perdue. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with students from Miami University of Ohio currently interning in Washington, DC for the semester. Closed press.
- From **February 12 to 13**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Los Angeles and Palo Alto, CA.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **February 3**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker on the President's second-term travel and tourism agenda, to include progress on border entry under the current Presidential Memorandum, as well as visa issues, transportation and infrastructure planning, and marketing in the U.S. Closed press.
- On **February 4**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Congresswoman Linda Sanchez. Closed press.
- On **February 5**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Chairman Xavier Becerra. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals*

- From **January 31 to February 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in the Border Five Agency Heads Conference and Integrity Dialogue in Melbourne, Australia, and related meetings in Christchurch, New Zealand. Closed press.
- From **February 1 to 2**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to Long Beach, CA to speak at the annual Passenger Vessel Association meeting. Closed press.
- From **February 2 to 7**, a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Representative in the Caribbean will be coordinating an assessment/air carrier inspection in Havana, Cuba. The TSA Representative is working with American Airlines to provide Ground Security Coordinator training at the same time of TSA's proposed February visit. Closed press.
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- On **February 4**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give the keynote speech at the In-Q-Tel (IQT) CEO Summit, titled "New Innovative Models for Government R&D" in Monterrey, CA. IQT bridges the gap between the technology needs of the U.S. intelligence community and emerging commercial innovation. IQT investments accelerate product development and add mission-critical capabilities and deliver these cutting-edge technologies to end users quickly and efficiently. Closed press.
- On **February 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host its quarterly in-person stakeholder meeting on asylum issues, in Washington. Closed press.

- From **February 5 to 6**, Transportation Security Administration and Customs and Border Protection personnel will attend the World Customs Organization Technical Experts Group on Air Cargo Security, also in Brussels. Agenda items will include advanced cargo information, trusted trader alignment, and cooperation between customs and aviation security authorities on cargo security matters. Closed press.
- From **February 6 to 7**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with Jürgen Stock, the Secretary General of INTERPOL, in London to discuss cooperation with INTERPOL on security issues, to include combating foreign fighter travel. Closed press.
- From **February 10 to 11**, Commissioner Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver remarks to the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protections meeting in San Francisco, California. Open press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez is scheduled to speak at the Florida 2015 Refugee Consultation in Jacksonville. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director León Rodríguez is scheduled to speak at an engagement with Embassy and consulate staff at USCIS' Tomich Center in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel:*

- On **February 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director, Sarah Saldaña will meet with Chairman Michael McCaul of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **February 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will meet with Ranking Member Bennie Thompson of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will meet with Chairman Ron Johnson of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Closed press.

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **February 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection will participate along with local, state, and other federal law enforcement agencies in providing public security support for Super XLIX at the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale, Arizona. Open press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **January 20**, Malia Litman, an individual in Dallas, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) various records pertaining to the United States Secret Service (USSS) regarding: (1) David Chaney; (2) Sarah Palin; (3) Todd Palin; and (4) records pertaining to specific investigations.
- On **January 20**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to items purchased with agency reception funds and representation funds in fiscal or calendar year 2014.

- On **January 20**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to purchases of alcoholic beverage items in fiscal year 2014
- On **January 21**, Russell Carollo, an individual, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of communications pertaining to Google, Inc. from June 29, 2010, through the present.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to Tom Michael, a general manager with *Marfa Public Radio* in Marfa, Texas, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the accidental discharge of a firearm during a training session on August 25, 2014, at the Big Bend Sector headquarters of U.S. Border Patrol. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On **January 15**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Beth Morrissey, a reporter with the *New York World* in New York, New York, 27 electronic files of aggregate data pertaining to FEMA's individual claims records for Hurricane Sandy for the State of New York. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **January 16**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Jon Campbell, a reporter with the *Village Voice* in San Diego, California, 881 pages of records consisting of grants pertaining to Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) report number OIG-11-46 titled "The State of California's Management of Urban Areas Security Initiative Grants awarded During Fiscal Years 2006 through 2008." Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **January 16**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Robert Kall, a representative with Opednews in Newtown, Pennsylvania, 26 pages of records consisting of memoranda and guidance pertaining to the Ebola virus. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6. On January 16, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Marina Bolotnikova, an editorial chair with *The Harvard Crimson* in Cambridge, Massachusetts, 614 pages of records consisting of the exhibits attached to DHS-OIG Report of Investigation 12-TSA-PHL-00968. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **January 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Carol Leonnig, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, eight pages of records consisting of Notifications of Personnel Actions. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **January 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 165 pages of records pertaining to the topic of denaturalization. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(A), 7(C), 7(D), and 7(E). On **January 21**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York,

99 pages of records from the Alien file for a named individual. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **January 21**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 29 pages of naturalization records pertaining to the late Johann Hansl. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **January 21**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Terry Easley, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 107 pages of records consisting of a case report, photographs, medical reports, letters, police reports, and witness statements pertaining to two deaths on the MAERSK ALABAMA on February 18, 2014. These records were released in full.

### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- In **February**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña, will testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary. The Committee has made initial contact with ICE noting a hearing will be held, but no specifics are yet in place. Open press.
- On **February 18**, Director Rodríguez will host a Spanish-language stakeholder teleconference to discuss executive action. Closed press.
- On **February 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce an expansion of DACA. (News Release expected. Also, congressional calls and message, Director's blog, Facebook and GovDelivery posts, media exclusive/advance, Pen & Pad, and tweets and uscis.gov content in English and Spanish.)
- On **February 22**, Director Rodríguez is scheduled to participate in a signature/anchor ceremony commemorating Presidents Day at George Washington's Mount Vernon, the estate, museum, and gardens in Virginia. Open press.



## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

February 5, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **February 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will expand Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), per the January 30 announcement.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **January 31**, there are 574,796 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in fiscal year (FY) 2015, a total of 9,628,212 queries have been run through the system.

#### Cybersecurity:

- From **February 11 to 13**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Cohn, and U.S. Secret Service Special Agent in Charge Stuart Tryon will participate in a “Cyber Summit” at Stanford University. Open press.
- On **February 12**, Science and Technology Directorate First Responder Group Director (Acting) Jay Martin will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security’s Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies. The title of the hearing is “Emerging Threats and Technologies to Protect the Homeland.” Open press.
- On **February 13**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara and Office for Cybersecurity & Communications (CS&C) Assistant Secretary Andy Ozment will travel to Carson City, NV to participate in the Nevada Governor’s monthly Commission on Homeland Security meeting, followed by a SECRET level briefing to the Governor and his senior staff on the cyber threat. Open press for the Commission Meeting; Closed press for the Threat Briefing.
- On **February 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will provide a cybersecurity brief to staff from the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

- From **February 6 to 8**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) staff detailed to serve as training advisors to the Department of Homeland Security’s Blue Campaign will film a human trafficking training video at FLETC’s headquarters in Glynco, Georgia. The video will focus on the potential role of the foster care and child protective service systems in the recruitment of minors into sex trafficking. Experts from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services provided input into the script. Closed press.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- From **February 4 to 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to London, UK where he will participate in the Five Country Ministerial. Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will also attend. Closed press.

- On **February 10**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will speak at the Small Business Administration's African American History Month program. Closed press.
- On **February 10**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Senator David Perdue. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with students from Miami University of Ohio currently interning in Washington, DC for the semester. Closed press.
- From **February 12 to 13**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Los Angeles and Palo Alto, CA where he will meet with Mayor Eric Garcetti and hold meetings on the implementation of the Administration's Executive Actions on Immigration as well as address University of Southern California students on the mission of the Department. In Palo Alto on February 13, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in the White House Summit on Cybersecurity and Consumer Protection.
- On **February 18**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will speak at the Diplomatic Corps and State of the Administration Speaker Series where he will discuss the priorities' and goals of the Department of Homeland Security as they relate to an international audience, as well as provide an overview of his experiences leading the Department.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **February 9**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a discussion on private sector engagement in cybersecurity with members from Business Executives for National Security (BENS). The BENS-hosted event will focus on Department opportunities for collaboration and improvement in the private sector, specifically when formulating policy. Closed press.
- From **February 11 to 13**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Cohn, and U.S. Secret Service Special Agent in Charge Stuart Tryon will travel to participate in a "Cyber Summit" at Stanford University in CA. Open press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **February 5 to 6**, Transportation Security Administration and Customs and Border Protection personnel will attend the World Customs Organization Technical Experts Group on Air Cargo Security, also in Brussels. Agenda items will include advanced cargo information, trusted trader alignment, and cooperation between customs and aviation security authorities on cargo security matters. Closed press.
- From **February 6 to 7**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with Jürgen Stock, the Secretary General of INTERPOL, in London to discuss cooperation with INTERPOL on security issues, to include combating foreign fighter travel. Closed press.
- **February 9**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) Director Connie Patrick will address the Rotary Club of Saint Simons Island, Georgia. The club comprises business professionals and community leaders who volunteer time, talent, and resources to create positive and lasting change in their communities and around the world. Director Patrick will provide an overview of FLETC an update on initiatives. Closed press.
- On **February 9**, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will present keynote remarks at an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) internal event focused on recognizing and combating human trafficking. The event was rescheduled from January 26, 2015 due to weather. Closed press.
- On **February 9**, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will provide remarks at an event, hosted by Deloitte, for college and university students on human trafficking. Closed press.

- From **February 10 to 11**, Commissioner Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver remarks to the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of Customs and Border Protections meeting in San Francisco, California. Open press.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to participate in a press event in Miami, Florida, to highlight CBP's agriculture inspections efforts related to cut-flower imports in connection with Valentine's Day. Invited guests include Miami Mayor Tomás Pedro Regalado and Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Barry Johnson. Open press.
- On **February 10**, Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection (DNDO) Director, Dr. Huban Gowadia will meet with Senator Ron Johnson, Chairman of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, to provide an overview of DNDO and its mission. Closed Press.
- On **February 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on data collection and protections related to Homeland Infrastructure Foundation Level Data at the Esri Federal GIS Conference, in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez is scheduled to speak at the Florida 2015 Refugee Consultation in Jacksonville. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director León Rodríguez is scheduled to speak at an engagement with Embassy and consulate staff at USCIS' Tomich Center in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From February 11 to 13, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to San Diego, CA to attend the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association and U.S. Naval Institute WEST 2015 Conference and Exposition. He will also visit the Unified Port of San Diego and the CBP Port of Entry at San Ysidro. Open press.
- In **February**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña, will testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary. The Committee has made initial contact with ICE noting a hearing will be held, but no specifics are yet in place. Open press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

- From **February 6 to 8**, Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Chairman Ron Johnson will lead a delegation of Members on a tour of Department of Homeland Security operations in an around Corpus Christi, Laredo, and McAllen, Texas. Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles (Office of Air and Marine) is scheduled to accompany the delegation. Closed press.
- On **February 9**, staff from the office of Representative Beto O'Rourke will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations at the Bridge of the Americas in El Paso, Texas. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, representatives from the Office of Air and Marine will brief Members from the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security on source and transit zones. USCG will also participate. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will meet with Chairman Ron Johnson of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Closed press.

- On **February 13**, the Blue Campaign will brief the Homeland Security Academic Advisory Council (HSAAC) Subcommittee on Campus Resilience. The Subcommittee is comprised of education experts, including university presidents. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **February 10**, Acting Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will meet with Chairman of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Ron Johnson. This is an introductory meeting to provide basic information about OHA and its role. Closed press.
- On **February 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director, Sarah Saldaña will meet with Representative Loretta Sanchez (D-CA) of the House Committee on Homeland Security. This courtesy visit was initiated by the ICE Office of Congressional Relations. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña will meet with Chairman Ron Johnson (R-WI) of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Closed press.
- On **February 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate representatives will provide a FY 2016 budget brief to staff from the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security.
- On **February 12**, Science and Technology Directorate First Responder Group Director (Acting) Jay Martin will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security's Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies. The title of the hearing is "Emerging Threats and Technologies to Protect the Homeland." Location and Time: 311 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C., from 2 to 3 p.m. Open press.
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- On **February 12**, U.S. Secret Service (USSS) Deputy Special Agent in Charge William Noonan, USSS Office of Investigations - Criminal Investigative Division, will address the U.S. House of Representatives, Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske was interviewed by Associated Press reporter Alicia Caldwell on the outlook of the southwest border for this spring/summer and an update on use of force. Publication date to be determined.
- On **January 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske was interviewed by *Los Angeles Times* reporter Brian Bennett to discuss the change in leadership in the CBP Office of Internal Affairs and an update on use of force. On January 30, Mr. Bennett interviewed former CBP Office of Internal Affairs Acting Assistant Commissioner

Mark Morgan about his return to the FBI and his accomplishments while at CBP in regards to use of force and transparency. Publication date to be determined.

- On **February 9**, CNN national correspondent Sara Sidner is scheduled to visit the San Ysidro, California, port of entry for a story on drug smugglers using magnetic storage devices that hold drugs and placing these on unsuspecting driver's vehicles coming through the ports of entry. Story would be broadcast nationally and on their website; publication date to be determined.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **January 22**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to President Obama and any companions on their trip to Honolulu, Hawaii from December 1, 2014, through January 5, 2015.
- On **January 22**, William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to expenses incurred to provide security and/or other services to former President Bill Clinton and any companions for trips to Little St James, U.S. Virgin Islands from January 1, 2001, through the present.
- On **January 24**, Steve Reilly, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a complete export of FEMA's National Shelter Survey database.
- On **January 26**, Steve Reilly, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records released for Freedom of Information Act Case Number OIG 2014-069, pertaining to complaints received by DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) alleging the abuse of minors by U.S. Border Patrol.
- On **January 26**, Bryan Johnson, an attorney with Amoachi & Johnson, PLLC in Bay Shore, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to specific facility observation checklists from the OIG's memoranda "Oversight of Unaccompanied Minor Children," dated July 30, 2014, and August 28, 2014.
- On **January 27**, Cyrus Farivar, a journalist with *Ars Technica* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the January 26, 2015 incident of a drone landing on the White House grounds; and (2) records pertaining to any other drone incidents on the White House grounds.
- On **January 27**, Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the January 26, 2015 incident of a drone landing on the White House grounds.
- On **January 28**, Audrey Singer, a senior fellow with the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, including renewals via the I-821D form.

- On **January 28**, Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the Advanced Technology Northern Border Security Pilot Program.
- On **January 28**, Brock Hires, a reporter with the *Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle* in Omak, Washington, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) statistics pertaining to the seizures of drugs and firearms as well the number of individuals crossing the border in Okanogan and Ferry Counties in 2014.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On January 22, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Lomi Kriel, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle Media Group* in Houston, Texas, one page of records consisting of an e-mail pertaining to the following: (1) the bidders for the Dilley Family Residential Center expansion; (2) the proposed price to the federal government for renting out Sendero Ranch; (3) the contract between ICE and Sendero Ranch/Kootz McCombs and/or other party to rent out existing structures at 1925 West Highway 85, West Dilley, Texas; and (4) the locations for all new family residential centers proposed by ICE for Texas since February 1, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On January 22, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, 37 pages of records pertaining to Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) Freedom of Information Act Case Numbers OIG 2013-118, 2013-148, and 2013-164. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On January 22, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 87 pages of records pertaining to the Beta Groups of Mexico's National Migration Institute. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On January 22, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to David Iaconangelo, a journalist with the *Latin Times* in Brooklyn, New York, 90 pages of records and two Excel spreadsheets pertaining to the number of individuals brought into custody in New York City that were processed at the Varick Street Service Processing Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On January 22, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Paul Birmingham, a reporter with *KVOA News 4 Tucson* in Tucson, Arizona, seven pages of records pertaining to Tucson-based commercial shuttle companies that were the subjects of ICE investigations in Southern Arizona from January 1, 2013, through March 10, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On January 22, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Darren Eustance, a representative with Malleus Political Strategies in Apex, North Carolina, 128 pages of records pertaining to an ICE raid at the Mills Manufacturing Plant in Asheville,

North Carolina on August 12, 2008. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On January 22, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Darrell Hill, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union of Arizona in Phoenix, Arizona, 34 pages of records pertaining to two named individuals. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On January 22, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to Robert Ortega, a reporter with *The Arizona Republic* in Phoenix, Arizona, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the death of Border Patrol Agent Nicholas Ivie on October 2, 2012. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On January 23, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Brandon Wieber, a representative with MuckRuck News in Boston, Massachusetts, 18 pages of records consisting of policies and procedures for Unmanned Aircraft Systems. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On January 23, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, four pages of records pertaining to travel card theft investigations in fiscal years 2012 through 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On January 26, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Jackie Stevens, an author and professor with Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, 567 pages of records consisting of the Alien file for a named individual. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemptions d5, j2, and k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On January 27, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 18 pages of records consisting of a listing of CBP employees arrested, charged, convicted, and/or sentenced on corruption-related charges from September 1, 2012, through January 9, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 2, 6, 7(C), and 7(E). On January 28, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Jeremy Schwartz, a reporter with the *Austin American-Statesman* in Austin, Texas, one page of records containing statistics pertaining to the number of I-44 forms filed at the following Border Patrol Stations: (1) Abilene; (2) Amarillo; (3) Dallas; (4) Fort Stockton; (5) Lubbock; (6) Midland; (7) Pecos; (8) San Angelo; and (9) San Antonio for fiscal years 2005 through 2013. These records were released in full.

### 30-60 Day Look-Ahead

- On **February 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Las Vegas Assistant Special Agent in Charge Michael Harris will participate in a multiagency news conference hosted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Nevada to announce the results of a seven month enforcement surge targeting child sexual exploitation offenders. Open press.



- From **February 17 to 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, and Mexico for a series of bilateral engagements with foreign government counterparts and other stakeholders.
- On **February 18**, Director Rodríguez will host a Spanish-language stakeholder teleconference to discuss executive action. Closed press.
- On **February 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce an expansion of DACA. (News Release expected. Also, congressional calls and message, Director’s blog, Facebook and GovDelivery posts, media exclusive/advance, Pen & Pad, and tweets and uscis.gov content in English and Spanish.)
- From **February 24 to 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner David Glawe (Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison) will attend the Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) Winter Session hosted by the Department of State's Bureau of Diplomatic Security in Arlington, Virginia. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to attend a Counter-ISIL Senior Leaders Seminar at U.S. Special Operations Command Headquarters in Tampa, Florida. Closed press.
- From **March 2 to 6**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway is tentatively scheduled to visit with aviation security officials in Brussels, Belgium; Paris, France; and Berlin, Germany.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

February 5, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **February 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will expand Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 7**, there are 576,305 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of 10,165,266 queries have been run through the system.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **February 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will provide a cybersecurity brief to staff from the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security.
- From **February 20 to 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will lead a discussion on the Department's cybersecurity efforts at the Winter Meeting of the Council of Governors. Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate and U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Peter Neffenger will also participate at this Pentagon event. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **February 18**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will speak at the Diplomatic Corps and State of the Administration Speaker Series where he will discuss the priorities and goals of the Department of Homeland Security as they relate to an international audience, as well as provide an overview of his experiences leading the Department.
- On **February 20**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will lead a discussion on the Department's cybersecurity efforts with his participation facilitated by Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara. Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate and U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Peter Neffenger will also participate. Closed press.
- From **February 20 to 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in the National Governors Association 2015 Winter Meeting, at which he will deliver remarks focused on cybersecurity to the Homeland Security and Public Safety Committee. Portions open and closed press.
- On **February 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the 54th Anniversary of the National Day of the State of Kuwait Reception. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a breakfast meeting with the House Homeland Majority Committee. Closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **February 26**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a Counter-ISIL Senior Leaders Seminar at U.S. Special Operations Command Headquarters in Tampa, Florida.

Additional Department leadership participation includes Intelligence and Analysis Under Secretary General Francis Taylor, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale. Closed press.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **February 17 to 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, and Mexico for a series of bilateral engagements with foreign government counterparts and other stakeholders.
- On **February 18**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Melvin Carraway will have a meet-and-greet at TSA Headquarters with Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA) Captain Tim Cannoll, ALPA Safety and Security Manager Jerry Wright, and ALPA Aviation Safety and Security Specialist Bridger Newman to discuss aviation security. Closed press.
- On **February 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez Director Rodríguez will host two stakeholder teleconferences – including one in Spanish- to discuss executive action. Closed press.
- On **February 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez is scheduled to travel to New York City to engage the workforce and stakeholders, and to conduct media interviews. Closed press except for media interviews.
- On **February 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is tentatively scheduled to meet with Gary Moore, President and Chief Operating Officer of Cisco, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **February 19 to 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to McAllen and Laredo, Texas, where the Commissioner will accompany a delegation led by Representative Filemon Vela on a tour of CBP operations at the Donna-Río Bravo International Bridge. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez is scheduled to travel to Atlanta, Georgia, to participate in an immigration event with Mayor Kasim Reed. Open press.
- On **February 20**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Melvin Carraway will have a meet-and-greet at TSA Headquarters with Airports Council International - North America President Kevin Burke and Vice President of Security and Facilitation Chris Bidwell. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Melvin Carraway will have a meet-and-greet at TSA Headquarters with Todd Hauptli, President and CEO of the American Association of Airport Executives. Closed press.
- **From February 23 to 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Assistant Commissioner Brenda Smith (Office of International Trade) are scheduled to attend and speak at the Customs and Trade Facilitation Symposium hosted by the International Chamber of Commerce and the United States Council for International Business in Miami, Florida. Open press.
- From **February 24 to 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner David Glawe (Office of Intelligence and Investigative Liaison) will attend the Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) Winter Session hosted by the Department of State's Bureau of Diplomatic Security in Arlington, Virginia. Closed press.

- From **March 2 to 6**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway is tentatively scheduled to visit with aviation security officials in Brussels, Belgium; Paris, France; and Berlin, Germany.

#### Items of Note

##### *Committee Briefings and Travel*

- From **February 17 to 18**, staffers from the offices of Senators Ted Cruz, Jeff Flake, David Vitter, Jeff Sessions, and David Perdue are scheduled to tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in and around Laredo and McAllen, Texas. Closed press.
- From **February 19 to 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representatives from the Office of Administration and other CBP component offices will brief staff from the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security on the FY 2016 CBP budget. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of International Trade will provide a monthly trade briefing to staff from the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees. Closed press.

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- In **February**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña, will testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary. The Committee has made initial contact with ICE noting a hearing will be held, but no specifics are yet in place. Open press.
- On **February 17**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director Huban Gowadia will testify before the House Committee on Appropriations on DNDO's budget. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Paul Zukunft will testify on the Coast Guard's FY16 Budget Request before the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee.

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **February 10**, Esteban Castro, a television journalist and producer from Costa Rica, is scheduled to tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in and around San Diego, California, for a story on the risks that migrants take when crossing the Mexican border illegally. Publication date to be determined.
- On **February 10**, U.S. News and World Report journalist Alan Neuhauser is expected to publish an article on tracking oil spills. The article has been in progress for a long time and utilizes Coast Guard information and data from the National Response Center and the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund.
- On **February 13**, CBS News regional correspondent Miles Doran is scheduled to air a story on the journey of Valentine's Day cut-flower imports, specifically how they are inspected at Ports of Entry and shipped from south Florida.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **January 29**, Colin Lecher, a representative with *The Verge/Vox Media* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the January 26, 2015 incident of a drone landing on the White House grounds.
- On **January 29**, Donald Triplett, a representative with MuckRock News in Bryson City, North Carolina, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the power outage at Raleigh-Durham International Airport on December 22, 2014.
- On **January 30**, Tina Jensen, a reporter with, *KRQE News 13* in Albuquerque, New Mexico, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to illegal items seized from the Albuquerque International Airport in 2014.
- On **January 30**, Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records of correspondence and communications to and from the DHS-OIG pertaining to the classification of information within OIG-15-18, “Audit of Security Controls for DHS Information Systems at John F. Kennedy International Airport,” as Sensitive Security Information, from July 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **February 2**, Clara Long, a researcher with Human Rights Watch in San Francisco, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records pertaining to policies and procedures regarding: (1) data collection on stops, searches, and interrogation of individuals at Ports of Entry, Border Patrol Checkpoints, and elsewhere; and (2) complaints involving misconduct by U.S Customs and Border Protection (CBP).
- On **February 2**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the Spot Reports issued or shared in FEMA Region IX from January 30, 2015, through February 2, 2015, from 8 am through 8am.
- On **February 3**, John Garcia, a reporter with the *Big Bend Sentinel* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of surveillance video from the CBP interior checkpoint located four and a half miles south of Marfa, Texas, on January 6, 2015, from 10:15 am through 12:00 pm.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 28**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Jason Leopold, a reporter with Truthout in Beverly Hills, California, 10 pages of records consisting of Daily Situation Reports. These records were released in full.
- On **January 28**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Andrew Glazer, a producer with *Dan Rather Reports* in New York, New York, 2,393 pages of records consisting of contracts and records pertaining to FEMA trailers deployed after Hurricane Katrina. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **January 30**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Meghann Myers, a writer with the *Navy Times* in Springfield, Virginia, five pages of records consisting of memoranda pertaining to Lieutenant Commander Fred Seaton. These records were released in full.
- On **January 30**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Karen Savage, a representative with the Life Support Project, 70 pages of records consisting of medical treatment records pertaining to Deepwater Horizon. These records were released in full.

- On **January 30**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Eric Staats, a representative with the *Naples Daily News* in Naples, Florida, three pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to applications from Collier County, the City of Naples, and Marco Island for artificial reefs. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **January 30**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Erin Siegal, a journalist with *Univision* in San Ysidro, California, nine pages of records consisting of charts pertaining to USCG servicemembers who were not naturalized during their service. These records were released in full.
- On **February 2**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Steve Reilly, a reporter with the *Press & Sun-Ledger* in Binghamton, New York, 16,406 pages of records consisting of Individual and Public Assistance claims data pertaining to Tropical Storm Lee from September 7, 2011, through December 31, 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **February 2**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Jarrett Renshaw, a reporter with the *Star-Ledger* in Trenton, New Jersey, 120 pages of records consisting of correspondence logs between FEMA and elected officials from New Jersey from October 30, 2012, through January 31, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **February 3**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Patrick Toomey, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the government's use of information obtained or derived from foreign intelligence surveillance.
- On **February 4**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Victor Michel, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, one page of records containing statistics for Southwest Border Unmanned Aircraft Systems Operations for fiscal years 2006 through 2014. These records were released in full.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

February 19, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- **February 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher (Office of Border Patrol) is scheduled to deliver remarks on the state of the border at the Border Management Summit hosted by the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement (IDGA) in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **March 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana will provide testimony before the House Committee on the Judiciary. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, unaccompanied alien children, and family units. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 14**, there are 577,789 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of 10,699,016 queries have been run through the system.
- On **February 20**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will lead a discussion on the Department's cybersecurity efforts at the Winter Meeting of the Council of Governors. Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate and U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Peter Neffenger will also participate at this event. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **February 20**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a Department budget-related conference call with the Aspen Homeland Group. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the 54th Anniversary of the National Day of the State of Kuwait Reception. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Malaysian Chief Secretary Ali Hamsa and Attorney General Gani to sign law enforcement and border security-related Memorandum of Understanding for possible Malaysian participation in the Visa Waiver Program. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with the Emir of Qatar, Sheikh Tamin Bin Hamad Al-Thani, in Washington, D.C. on enhancements to aviation security cooperation, specifically in relation to information sharing. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver opening remarks at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Strategic Industry Communication Event. Specific topic sessions will highlight challenges and engage with industry in a meaningful dialogue on innovative ways to address them. The event provides a venue to discuss program specific topics that span multiple components and impact the DHS Unity of Effort Initiative, which is focused on ensuring the department invests and operates in a unified fashion and makes decisions that are transparent and collaborative. Portions open and closed press.



- On **February 27**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a breakfast meeting with the House Homeland Majority Committee. Closed press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **February 24**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a Federal Protective Service (FPS) Award Ceremony during which two FPS officers will be awarded the FPS Police Life Saving Medal. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will hold meet and greets with State Attorney Generals from Oregon, Washington, New Mexico, and New York. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will hold courtesy meetings with Congressman Carter and Chairman McCaul. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend a Counter-ISIL Senior Leaders Seminar at U.S. Special Operations Command Headquarters in Tampa, Florida. Additional Department leadership participation includes Intelligence and Analysis Under Secretary General Francis Taylor, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will hold a courtesy meeting with Congressman Thompson. Closed press.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **February 17 to 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will travel to El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, and Mexico for a series of bilateral engagements with foreign government counterparts and other stakeholders.
- From **February 19 to 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to McAllen and Laredo, Texas, where the Commissioner will accompany a delegation led by Representative Filemon Vela on a tour of CBP operations at the Donna-Río Bravo International Bridge. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez is scheduled to travel to Atlanta, Georgia, to participate in an immigration event with Mayor Kasim Reed. Open press.
- On **February 20**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Melvin Carraway will have a meet-and-greet at TSA Headquarters with Airports Council International - North America President Kevin Burke and Vice President of Security and Facilitation Chris Bidwell. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with State Department Assistant Secretary Charles Rivkin of the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, as well as Under Secretary for International Trade Stefan Selig. These meetings will preview proposed policy and legislative changes to the Visa Waiver Program that will emphasize security aspects. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Melvin Carraway will have a meet-and-greet at TSA Headquarters with Todd Hauptli, President and CEO of the American Association of Airport Executives. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) R. Gil Kerlikowske will have a meet and greet with Hawaii Governor David Ige at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.

- On **February 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with Charles Rivkin, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs, at State Department Headquarters in Washington, DC, to discuss the Visa Waiver Program. Assistant Secretary for Policy and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will also participate. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with Mark Brzezinski, the U.S. Ambassador to Sweden, to discuss preclearance expansion to Stockholm's Arlanda Airport. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Miami, FL where he will deliver a keynote address at the Customs and Trade Facilitation Symposium hosted by the international Chamber of Commerce and U.S. Council for International Business. Open press. Additionally, Commissioner Kerlikowske will participate in a panel discussion on balancing security and trade facilitation alongside World Customs Organization Secretary-General Kunio Mikuriya. Closed press. Commissioner Kerlikowske will also meet with Miami International Airport Director Emilio Gonzalez regarding CBP operations at the airport. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana, Deputy Director Dan Ragsdale, and representatives from Homeland Security Investigations The Hague will host Europol Deputy Director Wil van Gemert for a meet and greet at ICE headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **March 2 to 6**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway is tentatively scheduled to visit with aviation security officials in Brussels, Belgium; Paris, France; and Berlin, Germany.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony/Travel*

- From **February 19 to 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representatives from the Office of Administration and other CBP component offices will brief staff from the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security on the FY 2016 CBP budget. Closed press.
- On **February 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of International Trade will provide a monthly trade briefing to staff from the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, Congressman Paul Gosar will tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations at the Nogales, Arizona, port of entry. Closed press.
- On **February 23**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) representatives will conduct FLETC's Fiscal Year 2016 budget briefing before the U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations staff. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, Office of Health Affairs Acting Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer will meet with Representative Bennie Thompson, Ranking Member of the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on the proposed biometric exit pilots. Closed press.
- On **February 24**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will brief Senator Carper on the Department's efforts in Central America. Closed press.

- On **February 25**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will host a senior delegation from Mexico's Governance Department to discuss border security, law enforcement cooperation, emergency management cooperation, and intelligence and information sharing. Additional Department participations will include U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R Gil Kerlikowske, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana, as well as representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Office of Intelligence and Analysis. Closed press.
- On **February 25**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Paul Zukunft will testify on the Coast Guard's FY16 Budget Request before the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee.
- On **February 26**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will represent the Department in a High Level Security Dialogue with Mexico led by Deputy Homeland Security Advisor to the President Rand Beers.
- On **February 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives will brief Congressman Duncan Hunter on the apprehension of four Turkish nationals in November 2014. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representative will brief staff from the office of Senator David Perdue on CBP's agriculture program. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, Office of Health Affairs Acting Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul as well as Response and Communications Subcommittee Chairman Martha McSally. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will meet with Representative Shelia Jackson Lee of the House Committee on Homeland Security and the House Committee on the Judiciary. Closed press.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will meet with Representative Loretta Sanchez of the House Committee on Homeland Security and the House Committee on the Judiciary. Closed press.
- On **March 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will meet with Representative Zoe Lofgren, Ranking Member of the Immigration and Border Security Subcommittee of the House Committee on the Judiciary. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana will provide testimony before the House Committee on Appropriations. ICE anticipates this hearing will cover the President's Fiscal Year 2016 budget request for ICE. Open press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- In **February**, Esteban Castro, a television journalist and producer from Costa Rica, is scheduled to tour U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations in and around San Diego, California, for a story on the risks that migrants take when crossing the Mexican border illegally. Publication date to be determined.
- On **February 12**, *Washington Post* Mexico City Bureau Chief Josh Partlow interviewed South Texas Campaign Commander Robert Harris regarding the Juvenile Referral Process pilot program in Laredo, Texas, involving repeat juvenile offenders from Mexico used to smuggle drugs or aliens across the border. To help illustrate the story, photographer Jonathan Levinson took part in a ride along with Border Patrol agents. Publication date is to be determined.

- On **February 23**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance and Mitigation Administration Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance Brad Kieserman will be interviewed by *60 Minutes* reporter Sharyn Alfonsi regarding Hurricane Sandy, proposed legislation, FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate's previous comments on Write Your Own insurance issues, and the future of the NFIP program. In addition to speaking with FEMA, *60 Minutes* is interviewing homeowners affected by controversies surrounding the flood insurance program. The story is tentatively slated for broadcast on **March 1**.
- On **February 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection R. Gil Kerlikowske will interview with Jose Diaz-Balart of MSNBC and Alan Gomez of USA Today regarding travel and commerce with Cuba. Open press.
- On **February 26**, Transportation Security Administration Public Affairs Manager Mike McCarthy will host an in-line baggage screening media event at Logan International Airport. Open press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 5**, Gregory Korte, a reporter with *USA Today* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of the presidential policy directives received by the DHS Secretary from January 20, 2009, through the present.
- On **February 6, 2015**, Lee Berthiaume, a representative with the *Ottawa Citizen* in Ottawa, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Operations Coordination and Planning (OPS) records pertaining to Michael Zehaf-Bibeau, the individual who shot and killed a Canadian soldier and attacked Canada's Parliament Buildings in Ottawa, Canada on October 22, 2015.
- On **February 6**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to memoranda or reports issued (or shared with other FEMA offices/managers) in 2014 by FEMA's internal investigative division.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **January 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Mitra Ebadolahi, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in San Diego, California, three pages of records pertaining to the death of Steven Brian Keith while he was under the custody and control of CBP at the Campo Border Patrol Station in Pine Valley, California. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 5**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 74 pages of records from the Alien File for the late Alexander Schweidler. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **February 6**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to John Sullivan, a reporter with the *Times Herald-Record* in Middletown, New York, 372 pages of records consisting of project worksheets, invoices, correspondence, and e-mails pertaining to assistance provided to the Village of Washingtonville, New York for flood relief or flood damage following Hurricane Irene. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.

- On **February 6**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Josh Wade, a producer with *WSB-TV* in Atlanta, Georgia, 132 pages of records pertaining to Georgia recipients of grants from the Non Profit Security Grant Program since the program's inception. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 9**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Sean Dunagan, an investigator with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 498 pages of records pertaining to pre-solicitation HSSCCG-14-R-00028, which was issued on October 3, 2014, seeking a vendor to provide card consumables for the Document Management Division that will be used to produce Permanent Resident Cards and Employment Authorization Documentation cards. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **February 9**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Stuart Anderson, a director with the National Foundation for American Policy in Arlington, Virginia, eight pages of records containing statistics on the number of L-1B petitions received, approved, denied, as well as the number of L-1B petitions for which a Request for Evidence was issued for fiscal years 2012 through 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **February 9**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Tarno Vahter, a reporter with the *Eesti Ajalehed* in Tallinn, Estonia, 39 pages of records pertaining to the late Endel Ilves. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **February 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 24 pages of records from the Alien File for the late Anton Bless. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **February 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 1,543 pages of records from the Alien File for the late Boleslavs Maikovskis. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 34 pages of records from the Alien File for Jakob Denzinger. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **February 10**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Jim Dalrymple, a reporter with *BuzzFeed* in Los Angeles, California, five pages of records consisting of correspondence pertaining to Congressman Jason Chaffetz (R-UT). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **February 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Adam Walser, an investigator with *ABC Action News* in Tampa, Florida, 144 pages of records consisting of case reports, Captain of the Port Orders, photographs, letters, and logs pertaining to grounded barges in Anna Maria, Florida. These records were released in full.
- On **February 11**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Danny Hakim, a representative with *The New York Times* in Albany, New York, 237 pages of records consisting of FEMA After Action Reports pertaining to Hurricane Irene. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

- On **February 11**, 2015, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Sylvia Carignan, a writer with *The Frederick News-Post* in Frederick, Maryland, 23 pages of records pertaining to lost and stolen property (valued at 50 dollars or greater than) at FEMA's Distribution Center in Fredrick, Maryland from January 1, 2012, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **February 11**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Jason Leopold, a reporter with *Vice News* in Venice, California, 67 pages of records pertaining to 23 investigations involving the United States Secret Service (USSS). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

#### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- From **March 5 to 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Morocco where he will attend ministerial meetings on newly ratified policy partnerships with Moroccan law enforcement and border security agencies. This event will be facilitated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Casablanca.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **March 9**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will speak at the American Immigration Lawyers Association's Midwest Regional Conference in Chicago, IL. This event will be an intergovernmental panel on the office's mission and process for case assistance. Closed press.
- On **March 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana will provide testimony before the House Committee on the Judiciary. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, unaccompanied alien children, and family units. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 21**, there are 579,201 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of 11,198,736 queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,356**.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **February 27**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a breakfast meeting with the House Homeland Majority Committee. Closed press.
- On **March 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the National League of Cities Congressional City Conference in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks on Department priorities and goals at the State of the Administration Speaker Series with the Diplomatic Corps in Washington, DC. Closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **February 27**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Congressman Thompson. Closed press.
- On **March 2**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with the Israeli Deputy Foreign Minister in Washington, DC. Closed press.

##### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **February 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodríguez is expected to meet in Washington with U.S. Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard of California, who has requested an overview of USCIS and the FY 2016 budget request. Closed press.
- From **March 2 to 4**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will accompany the Vice President of the United States to Guatemala on official travel. Closed press.



- From **March 2 to 6**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway is tentatively scheduled to visit with aviation security officials in Brussels, Belgium; Paris, France; and Berlin, Germany.
- On **March 2**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez and Acting Deputy Chief of Staff James McCament will participate in a meet and greet U.S. Representatives and House Judiciary Committee members Lamar Smith of Texas and Darrell Issa of California, in Washington. Closed press.
- On **March 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend a meeting of the International Trade Committee at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The Deputy Commissioner will be accompanied by Assistant Commissioner Brenda Smith (Office of International Trade). Closed press.
- On **March 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will accompany David O’Sullivan, the European Union’s Ambassador to the United States, on a tour of the National Targeting Center – Passenger in Reston, Virginia. Closed press.
- On **March 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez and Acting Deputy Chief of Staff McCament will hold a meet and greet in Washington with U.S. Senator John Hoeven of North Dakota, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **March 3**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate will travel to meet with New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu to discuss recovery efforts in the City of New Orleans. Louisiana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Director Kevin Davis will also attend. Closed press.
- From **March 4 to 6**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will attend the INTERPOL Executive Committee sessions in Lyon, France. Closed press.
- From **March 3 to 5**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate, Deputy Administrator Joseph Nimmich, and other FEMA leadership will attend a meeting of the National Advisory Council (NAC) to discuss and review progress and recommendations of the NAC subcommittees. Closed press.
- On **March 3**, Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield will attend the Association of State Health Officials annual Leadership in Government Meeting for New Health Officials. Closed Press.
- On **March 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez and Acting Deputy Chief of Staff James McCament meet with the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus in Washington. Closed press.
- On **March 4**, U.S. Customs and Border (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a conference call with members of CBP’s Integrity Advisory Panel. Closed press.
- On **March 4**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis Under Secretary General Frank Taylor, along with representatives from U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Transportation and Security Administration, and National Protection and Programs Directorate will brief members of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **March 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will meet with Jewish organizations in an event in Washington organized by HIAS. HIAS is an organization dedicated to providing safety and freed to refugees of all faiths and ethnicities from all over the world. Closed press.

- On **March 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will host a “Dialogue with the Director” in Spanish live and via teleconference. Location TBD. Closed press.
- On **March 5**, U.S. Customs and Border (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Lieutenant General James Peake, M.D., USA Retired, President of CGI Federal, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **March 5 to 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Morocco where he will attend ministerial meetings on newly ratified policy partnerships with Moroccan law enforcement and border security agencies. This event will be facilitated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Casablanca.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Customs and Border (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Office of National Drug Control Policy Director Michael Botticelli and U.S. Agency for International Development Acting Administrator Alfonso Lenhardt. Closed press.
- On **March 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will deliver keynote remarks at the HIAS Board Mission Reception in Washington, DC. HIAS is an organization dedicated to providing safety and freed to refugees of all faiths and ethnicities from all over the world. Closed press.
- On **March 7**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will attend the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Community Celebration of the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Kennewick, Washington. This facility’s research strengthens the U.S. foundation for innovation and helps find solutions for multiple U.S. government agencies, universities, and industries, including the Department of Homeland Security. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony/Travel*

- On **February 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives will brief Congressman Duncan Hunter on the apprehension of four Turkish nationals in November 2014. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representative will brief staff from the office of Senator David Perdue on CBP’s agriculture program. Closed press.
- On **February 27**, Office of Health Affairs Acting Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul as well as Response and Communications Subcommittee Chairman Martha McCally. Closed press.
- On **March 2**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance Brad Kieserman, FEMA Deputy Associate Administrator for Mitigation Roy Wright and other senior staff will brief the full Senate Banking and House Financial Services Committee staff on the fiscal year (FY) 2016 FEMA budget proposal. Closed press.
- On **March 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner Edward Young (Office of Air and Marine) will brief staff from the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding CBP Air and Marine programs and priorities. Closed press.
- On **March 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski (Office of Technology Innovation and Acquisition) will brief staff from the House

Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding CBP technology programs and priorities. Closed press.

- On **March 3**, Office of Health Affairs Director of Health Threats Resilience Jon Greene will brief staff of the House Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness and Response on March 3, regarding the Office of Health Affairs' work to detect and prepare for health threats. Closed press.
- On **March 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Chief Financial Officer Joseph D. Moore and others are expected to testify at the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration and National Interest, hearing, "Oversight of USCIS: Ensuring Agency Priorities Comply with the Law." Open press.
- On **March 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will meet with Representative Zoe Lofgren, Ranking Member of the Immigration and Border Security Subcommittee of the House Committee on the Judiciary. Closed press.
- On **March 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to brief Members of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding source and transit zones alongside Vice Admiral Charles Michel, USCG Deputy Commandant for Operations. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, Staff from the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee will visit the DHS Office of Health Affairs for an "OHA 101" briefing and a tour of the office. Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield and Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Sally Phillips will both participate. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana will provide testimony before the House Committee on Appropriations. ICE anticipates this hearing will cover the President's Fiscal Year 2016 budget request for ICE. Open press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **March 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services starts social media campaign for mid-March on the announcement of H-1B Cap Season for FY 2016 and Premium Processing. (News release expected with announcement. Also News Alert, congressional message, Facebook and GovDelivery posts, and tweets and uscis.gov content in English and Spanish.)
- On **February 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan was interviewed by *60 Minutes* producer Rich Bonin regarding the National Targeting Center and CBP's targeting operations as part of a story focused on Secretary Johnson. **Publication date to be determined.**
- On **February 20**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Public Affairs facilitated a stand-up/walk-and-talk interview at a Centralized Examinations Station in New Jersey between CBP Office of Field Operations Chief Kevin McCabe and Lloyd Boston, a reporter/fashion expert for the CBS show *The Insider*, about CBP's efforts in combatting intellectual property rights violations. The interview centered on the issue of counterfeiting with a focus on designer handbags. **Publication date to be determined.**
- From **March 16 to 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Public Affairs Office Phoenix will staff a tour of the ICE Florence Detention Facility with a reporter for the Tucson-based *FOX* and *CBS* affiliates. The TV crew is interested in taking viewers inside the facility to see how ICE detainees are housed, how they are fed, and what ICE has done to

address concerns from immigrant advocate groups. The footage captured during the tour will be used for a news feature story presenting a look inside the facility. Open press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 12**, Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to management implication reports, and/or similar reports, letters, and memoranda created by and/or held in Southwest border investigative offices of the DHS-OIG for fiscal years 2008 through 2010.
- On **February 18**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with *Vice News* in Venice, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the exhibits for case number I13-USSS-SID-00076.

### *FOIA Release*

- On **February 13**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Megan Wilson, a researcher with *The Hill* in Washington, DC, 13 pages of records pertaining to an interagency agreement between FEMA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service regarding a Dam/Impoundment Pocket Safety Guide and Dam/Impoundment Safety Training for Non-Engineers. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 34 pages of records pertaining to the Biometric Identification Transnational Migration Alert Program in Mexico from January 1, 2010, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jeff Elder, a representative with *The Wall Street Journal* in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing Student and Exchange Visitor Information System data pertaining to foreign students. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **February 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Maria Perez, a representative with the *Naples Daily News* in Naples, Florida, 144 pages of records pertaining to the investigation of Waste Pro USA. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemptions j2 and k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing anonymous data pertaining to individuals who were detained, released, or in ICE custody in December 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **February 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 13 pages of records

consisting of talking points and frequently asked questions pertaining to Unaccompanied Alien Children and diseases afflicting them. These records were released in full.

*30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- On **March 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services plans to release communications related to submission of the White House Task Force on New Americans' report to the President. Report is expected to include recommendations for immigrant integration.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

March 5, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **March 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana will provide testimony before the House Committee on the Judiciary. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, unaccompanied alien children and family units, and immigration enforcement matters. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **February 28**, there are 580,578 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of 11,723,578 queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,363**.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **March 18**, Chief Information Officer Luke McCormack will participate in a panel discussion entitled, “The Internet of Things, Automation of a Cloud,” at the IT Security Entrepreneurs Forum. Open press.
- On **March 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity at the IT Security Entrepreneurs Forum in Mountain View, CA. Open press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **March 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the National League of Cities Congressional City Conference in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks on Department priorities and goals at the State of the Administration Speaker Series with the Diplomatic Corps in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the Financial Services Roundtable 2015 Spring Conference. Closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **March 6**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Janet Murguia and staff members from the National Council of La Raza. Closed press.
- On **March 10**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association Homeland Security Conference in Washington, DC. Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver keynote opening remarks on intelligence integration across the Department and the Intelligence Community. Open press.

### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **March 5 to 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Morocco where he will attend ministerial meetings on newly ratified policy partnerships with Moroccan law enforcement and border security agencies. This event will be facilitated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Casablanca.
- On **March 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Office of National Drug Control Policy Director Michael Botticelli and U.S. Agency for International Development Acting Administrator Alfonso Lenhardt. Closed press.
- On **March 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodríguez will deliver keynote remarks at the HIAS Board Mission Reception in Washington, DC. HIAS is an organization dedicated to providing safety and freedom to refugees of all faiths and ethnicities from all over the world. Closed press.
- From **March 7 to 10**, DHS Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor, DHS Deputy Assistant Secretary for Counterterrorism Policy Thomas Warrick, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. The delegation will meet with Dr. Saad Al Jabri, Special Advisor to the Minister of Interior (MOI) to discuss DHS-MOI cooperation; the review process for the Global Entry Pilot Program; the pre-clearance initiative; the Aviation Security Program; and areas of continued and expanding cooperation with regards to global counterterrorism. Closed press.
- From **March 9 to 10**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will visit the Maritime Law Enforcement Training Center (MLETC) in Los Angeles, CA. During the visit, Director Patrick will tour the facility and meet with MLETC partners including executives from the California Division of Boating and Waterways and several local law enforcement departments to discuss maritime law enforcement, first responder training initiatives, and agency partnerships. Closed press.
- On **March 10**, Office of Operations Coordination and Planning Director Richard Chávez will meet with James C. Olson, United States Interdiction Coordinator and Acting Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. Closed press.
- From **March 11 to 12**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (S&T) Reginald Brothers will give the keynote address at the National Council of Entrepreneurial Tech Transfer Conference. The conference will bring together Fortune/Global 1000 companies, universities and entrepreneurs to strengthen the global innovation network, to open partnering opportunities between investors and companies and to bring forward new and innovative technologies from around the world. Open press.
- From **March 11 to 17**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Deputy Administrator for Protection and National Preparedness Tim Manning will address Disaster Risk Management at the United Nations World Conference on Disaster Reduction in Sendai, Japan. Closed press.
- On **March 11**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will speak at National Defense University on DHS's role in International Affairs. Closed press.
- On **March 13**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give the opening remarks "National Conversation on Homeland Security Technology: Wearables for the First Responder of the Future" and participate in an Science and Technology Directorate



sponsored town hall discussion on this and related topics at the South by Southwest (SXSW) Interactive Festival. SXSW Interactive is an incubator of cutting-edge technologies and digital creativity and offers five days of keynote presentations, panel sessions, workshops and core conversations that provide hands-on training, big-picture analysis and business opportunities. Open press.

- On **March 13**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate and other FEMA senior leadership will provide an overview of FEMA's top priorities and program areas to National Emergency Management Association leadership and new state emergency management directors at FEMA headquarters. Closed press.
- From **March 14 to 17**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate and other FEMA senior leaders will attend the National Emergency Management Association mid-year conference. Open press. On March 16, Administrator Fugate will deliver an address entitled "Building for the Future." Open press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Zukunft will travel to Sector New York in Staten Island as the Keynote Speaker for the Dr. Olivia J. Hooker Building Ceremony. The ceremony is honoring Dr. Olivia Hooker's 100th Birthday and her accomplishments as the first African American woman to enlist in the Coast Guard for Women's History Month. Open press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to speak to Ann Linde, State Secretary to the Swedish Minister for Home Affairs, via teleconference to discuss preclearance expansion to Stockholm's Arlanda Airport. Closed press.
- On **March 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Gary Moore, President and Chief Operating Officer of Cisco, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. This event has been rescheduled from February 18. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Ned Norris, Jr., Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **March 23 to 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Brussels, Belgium and to The Hague, Netherlands. In Brussels, Director Saldaña will attend the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the World Customs Organization's Enforcement Committee, deliver a keynote address, and conduct bilateral meetings. In The Hague, Director Saldaña will meet with counterparts from Netherlands and from multilateral organizations. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **March 6**, Staff from the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee will visit the DHS Office of Health Affairs for an "OHA 101" briefing and a tour of the office. Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield and Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs Sally Phillips will both participate. Closed press.
- On **March 6**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Cohn will provide a briefing to Senator Lankford, who is a new member of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Closed press.

- On **March 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Border Patrol and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will brief minority staff from the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee via teleconference regarding the apprehension of four Turkish nationals attempting to cross the Southwest border in November 2014. ICE will also participate. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, Office of Policy Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Mark Koumans will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on the Visa Waiver Program. Open press.
- On **March 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of International Trade will provide a routine update on CBP's trade related activities to staff from the House Ways and Means Committee and a separate briefing to staff from the Senate Finance Committee. Closed press.
- On **March 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral and Deputy Commandant for Operations Charles D. Michel will testify before the House Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation on Coast Guard missions.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will provide testimony before the House Committee on Homeland Security. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, implementation of policies and procedures relating to executive action on immigration reform, deferred action for childhood arrivals, and other immigration enforcement matters. Open press.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana will provide testimony before the House Committee on Appropriations on the President's Fiscal Year 2016 budget request for ICE. Open press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- The First Coast Guard District continues to see heavy media interest in icebreaking operations throughout the Northeast. Cold weather and potential impacts on needs including home heating oil and commercial shipping lanes have so far generated interest on CBS Evening news and Today Show.
- On **March 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Executive Associate Director Thomas Homan and ERO New York Field Office Director Christopher Shanahan will meet with CNN for an interview on the release of the 2011 Performance-Based National Detention Standards and enhancements to detainee healthcare/detention reforms. This interview may lead to a CNN on-camera interview. Open press.
- On **March 11**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Zukunft is scheduled to hold an editorial board with the Navy Times focusing on the upcoming year priorities, to include personnel related topics such as sexual assault prevention, diversity initiatives, fitness standards, and pay and compensation issues.
- On **March 11**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will speak at National Defense University on DHS's role in International Affairs. Closed press.
- On **March 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Las Vegas Assistant Special Agent in Charge Michael Harris will participate in a multiagency news conference hosted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Nevada to announce the results of a seven-month enforcement surge targeting child sexual exploitation offenders. Open press.

- During the week of **March 16 to 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Public Affairs Office Phoenix will staff a tour of the ICE Florence Detention Facility with a reporter for the Tucson-based FOX and CBS affiliates. The footage captured during the tour will be used for a news feature story presenting a look inside the facility. Open press.
- On **February 23**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Public Affairs facilitated a tour of the Border Infrastructure System and visit to the San Ysidro and Otay Mesa Ports of Entry for *San Diego Union-Tribune* reporter Roxana Popescue. **Publication date to be determined.**

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 19**, Matt Howerton, a reporter with *KOAT* in Albuquerque, New Mexico, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to contraband seized at TSA security checkpoints at the Albuquerque International Sunport in 2014. (Case Number TSA 2015-TSFO-00122.)
- On **February 19**, Sean Dunagan, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to contract number HSTS0212CTWE026 awarded to Entereza, Inc. to assist TSA's Office of Civil Rights and Liberties with the development of a cultural/religious awareness training program.
- On **February 23**, Ian Smith, a representative with the Federation for Immigration Reform in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to: (1) Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals; (2) Deferred Action to Parents of American and Lawful Permanent Residents; and (3) financial costs regarding the adjudication of asylum applications filed by Unaccompanied Alien Children from fiscal years 2012 through 2014.
- On **February 23**, Anderson Muse, an individual in Denver, Colorado, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) a copy of a DHS assessment regarding the threat the Sovereign Citizen movement poses to the U.S.
- On **February 24**, 2015, Michel Marizco, a producer with *KVOA NEWS 4* in Tucson, Arizona requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to employee applications and/or polygraph tests that resulted in referrals to other law enforcement agencies from October 1, 2006, through February 20, 2015.
- On **February 25**, Claire Vinocur, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor Scott Walker (R-WI) as Governor of Wisconsin, Milwaukee County Executive, and as a member of the Wisconsin State Assembly from 1993 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Walker.

### *FOIA Release*

- On **February 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to Alison Young, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, 26 pages of records pertaining to meeting minutes at Plum Island Animal Disease Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, 6, and 7(F).

- On **February 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to Alison Young, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, 11 pages of records pertaining to laboratory incidents that occurred at Plum Island Animal Disease Center from January 1, 2013, through December 10, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(F).
- On **February 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, six pages of records consisting of correspondence from DHS to Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT) and Senator Chuck Grassley (R-IA) in response to the December 23, 2014 letter sent to Attorney General Eric Holder and Secretary Jeh Johnson regarding cell-site simulators. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **February 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Paul Birmingham, a producer with *KVOA News 4* in Tucson, Arizona, data pertaining to the number of aircraft intercepted by Office of Air and Marine aircraft including ultralight aircraft that have been detected and/or intercepted crossing the U.S.-Mexico border from January 1, 2008, through January 1, 2014. These records were released in full. (Case Number CBP-2014-009618.)
- On **February 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Mark Collette, a reporter with the *Corpus Christi Caller-Times* in Corpus Christi, Texas, 22 pages of records containing statistics pertaining to unauthorized immigrant deaths reported by Border Patrol in Texas from January 1, 2005, through February 5, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Brock Hires, a reporter with the *Omak Chronicle* in Omak, Washington, one page of records containing statistics regarding seizures and crossing data for Okanogan and Ferry Counties. These records were released in full.
- On **February 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jackie Stevens, a professor with Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, eight Excel spreadsheets and 109 pages of records consisting of policies and e-mails pertaining to claims of U.S. citizenship by aliens. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Hudson Gill, an attorney with Johnson, Anselmo, Murdoch, Burke, Piper & Hochman, P.A. in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 121 pages of records pertaining to the decision not to open an ICE detention facility in the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data pertaining to the number of Mexican nationals repatriated by the U.S. for fiscal years 2010 through 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **February 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Leslie Donaldson, a reporter with *KTVU News Channel 2* in Oakland, California, two pages of records listing the number of alternative fuel and hybrid vehicles in the ICE fleet. These records were released in full.
- On **February 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Garance Burke, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in San Francisco, California, one Excel

spreadsheet containing statistical information pertaining to the number of unaccompanied minors detained by ICE, by facility. These records were released in full.

- On **February 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Kate Bailey, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, one page of records containing a listing of the number of administrative case closures for fiscal years 2012 through 2014. These records were released in full. On February 25, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Annie Waldman, a reporter with *ProPublica* in New York, New York, four pages of records pertaining to Enforcement and Removal Operations Field Offices involved in the Criminal Alien Removal Initiative. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- On **March 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral and Coast Guard Judge Advocate General Steven Poulin will testify before the Senate committee on Armed Services on sexual assault in the military.
- On **March 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will testify on the Coast Guard's FY2016 Budget Request.
- On **March 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President's FY 2016 Budget. Open press.
- In **March**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez and Deputy Director Lori Scialabba are tentatively scheduled to travel to New York to meet with Mayor Bill de Blasio and others, in association with the announcement of the Letter of Agreement with New York City to promote citizenship, education, awareness, and access. Official date to be determined. Open press.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez and Deputy Director Lori Scialabba are tentatively scheduled to travel to Seattle, WA to promote citizenship education and awareness, and to expand access to citizenship information and resources. Open press.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **March 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana will provide testimony before the House Committee on the Judiciary. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, unaccompanied alien children and family units, and immigration enforcement matters. Open press.
- In **March 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates possible White House-led communications related to submission of the White House Task Force on New Americans' report to the President. The report is expected to include recommendations for immigrant integration. The White House Domestic Policy Council will lead communications as necessary for submission of the recommendations. Task Force member agencies (including USCIS) may cross-promote communications.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **March 7**, there are 581,744 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of 12,311,207 queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,369**.

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#### Cybersecurity:

- On **March 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on Department-coordinated responses to cyber threats, at the Financial Times Cyber Security Summit USA, in New York. Open press.
- On **March 18**, Chief Information Officer Luke McCormack will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "The Internet of Things, Automation of a Cloud," at the IT Security Entrepreneurs Forum. Open press.
- On **March 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity at the IT Security Entrepreneurs Forum in Mountain View, CA. Open press.
- On **March 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on cybersecurity workforce development, at the Association for Federal Information Resources Management and US Cyber Challenge Cybersecurity Summit in Washington. Open press.
- On **March 26**, The U.S. Coast Guard Academy will host its first annual Cyber symposium. The goal of this symposium is to bring together cyber security personnel from across the full spectrum of intellectual disciplines and societal sectors to discuss the various components of a cyberspace strategy for government and commercial entities through guided presentations and panel discussions by subject matter experts. Open press.
- On **March 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity careers and opportunities, at the Women in Cybersecurity conference in Atlanta. Closed press.

## Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **March 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will hold a follow up meeting with the Council on Foreign Relations regarding metrics. Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Cohn will also participate. Closed press.
- On **March 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Chief Executive Officer of Lufthansa Airlines Carsten Spohr regarding international aviation security issues, trusted traveler programs including Global Entry, and travel facilitation innovations. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the Financial Services Roundtable 2015 Spring Conference. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify before the House Appropriations Committee on Homeland Security regarding the FY 2016 budget. Open press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **March 16**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Chief Executive Officer of JetBlue Airways Robin Hayes on aviation security issues. Closed press.
- On **March 20**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will chair a meeting of the Border Interagency Executive Council hosted by the Department of Commerce. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **March 15**, Office of Partnership and Engagement's Countering Violent Extremism Coordinator David Gersten will address the National Emergency Management Association mid-year meeting and present on the Department's CVE efforts. Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will also deliver remarks. Closed press.
- From **March 16 to 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Peter Neffenger will travel to Marietta, GA to visit the Lockheed Martin Aeronautics facility for the C-130J production line. Closed press. VADM Neffenger will then travel to St. Petersburg, FL to serve as the keynote speaker at a delivery ceremony for the 174th and final 45-foot response boat-medium (RB-M). Closed press.
- On **March 16**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Sarah Saldana will meet with the Vietnamese Minister of Public Security to discuss information sharing, cybersecurity, counterterrorism cooperation, and combating trafficking of counterfeit goods. Closed press.
- On **March 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Gary Moore, President and Chief Operating Officer of Cisco, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. This event has been rescheduled from February 18. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will attend the U.S.-Canada Emergency Management Consultative Meeting at State Department. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Ned Norris, Jr., Chairman of the Tohono O'odham Nation, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.



- From **March 23 to 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Brussels, Belgium and to The Hague, Netherlands. In Brussels, Director Saldaña will attend the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the World Customs Organization’s Enforcement Committee, deliver a keynote address, and conduct bilateral meetings. In The Hague, Director Saldaña will meet with counterparts from Netherlands and from multilateral organizations. Closed press.
- On **March 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on the role of biometrics and identity verification in protecting critical infrastructure, at the Connect ID event in Washington. Open press.
- On **March 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President’s FY 2016 Budget. Open press.
- In **March**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez and Deputy Director Lori Scialabba are tentatively scheduled to travel to New York to meet with Mayor Bill de Blasio and others, in association with the announcement of the Letter of Agreement with New York City to promote citizenship, education, awareness, and access. Official date to be determined. Open press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **March 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral and Deputy Commandant for Operations Charles D. Michel will testify before the House Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation on Coast Guard missions.
- On **March 17**, Acting Transportation and Security Administration Administrator Melvin J. Carraway will testify before the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security in a hearing on the FY 2016 budget and general oversight. Open press.
- On **March 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Charles Michel will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.
- On **March 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldana will provide testimony before the House Committee on Appropriations on the President’s Fiscal Year 2016 budget request for ICE. Open press.
- On **March 18**, Office of Partnership and Engagement’s Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Coordinator David Gersten and CVE staff along with the offices of Intelligence and Analysis, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the National Counterterrorism Center will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security on Syrian Foreign Fighters and Refugees and provide a CVE threat brief. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will conduct a tour of the National Response Coordination Center for members of the House Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications. Closed press.
- On **March 18**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Deputy Administrator Joe Nimmich will conduct a roundtable discussion “What is Driving the Increasing Costs and Rising

Losses From Disasters?” with the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management. Closed press.

- On **March 18**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Charles Michel will testify before the House Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation and House Armed Service Subcommittee Seapower on the Cooperative Strategy for a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Seapower. Open press.
- On **March 19**, Acting Transportation and Security Administration Administrator Melvin J. Carraway will testify before the House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security in a hearing on the FY 2016 budget request. Open press.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will provide testimony before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, implementation of policies and procedures relating to executive action on immigration reform, deferred action for childhood arrivals, and other immigration enforcement matters. Open press.
- On **March 20**, Staff from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs will tour the Office of Health Affairs (OHA) office space and receive an overview briefing. Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield; acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Sally Phillips; acting Chief of Staff Terri Cheshire; and acting Director for Workforce Health and Medical Support William Seifarth will participate in the meeting. Closed press.
- On **March 23**, Transportation and Security Administration Administrator Office of Security Capabilities representatives Scott Rooney, Mike McCormick, and Greg Miller will provide the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security Chairman John Katko and Ranking Member Kathleen Rice with a TSA Systems Integration Facility tour and briefing. Closed press.
- On **March 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral and Coast Guard Judge Advocate General Steven Poulin will testify before the Senate committee on Armed Services on sexual assault in the military.
- On **March 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will testify on the Coast Guard’s FY2016 Budget Request.
- On **March 24**, Transportation and Security Administration Administrator Office of Intelligence and Analysis representatives John Schwartz, Stephanie Hamilton, Jeff Thorne, Michelle Reed, Barbara Timms, Nathan Tsoi, Parish Blair, Carolyn Mitchell, and Donald Lombardo will provide congressional district staff with a universal enrollment update. Closed press.
- On **March 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Zukunft will testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President’s FY 2016 Budget Request for the Coast Guard. Open press.
- On **March 25**, Transportation and Security Administration Chief Risk Officer Ken Fletcher will testify before the Transportation Subcommittee on the House Homeland Security Committee on TSA Pre✓®. Open press.
- On **March 26**, Transportation and Security Administration Executive Advisor Steve Sadler will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security in a hearing on TSA Pre✓®. Open press.

### *Expected Press Stories*

- The Federal Emergency Management Agency anticipates some news coverage regarding a settlement being negotiated between the National Flood Insurance Program and Plaintiffs filing suit against the program alleging fraud. Date of the settlement has yet to be determined, but may occur this week.
- On **March 16**, Transportation and Security Administration (TSA) Public Affairs Manager Sari Koshetz will host a press conference on TSA Cares and Passenger Support Specialist programs at Orlando International Airport. Open press.
- During the week of **March 16 to 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Public Affairs Office Phoenix will staff a tour of the ICE Florence Detention Facility with a reporter for the Tucson-based FOX and CBS affiliates. The footage captured during the tour will be used for a news feature story presenting a look inside the facility. Open press.
- On **March 19**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will speak at the Cleveland City Club on coast guard operations. Local affiliates of PBS and NPR intend to cover the event, and local reporters may cover it as invited guests.
- On **March 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez and Miami Beach, Florida, Mayor Philip Levine may participate in a special naturalization ceremony in Miami Beach commemorating that city's 100<sup>th</sup> year. Open press.
- On **February 23**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Public Affairs facilitated a tour of the Border Infrastructure System and visit to the San Ysidro and Otay Mesa Ports of Entry for *San Diego Union-Tribune* reporter Roxana Popescue. **Publication date to be determined.**

### Legal

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **February 26**, William Robinson, a reporter with *Mail Online* in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to investigations into government-issued or government-owned computers/laptops/devices since January 1, 2013.
- On **March 2**, Eileen Sullivan, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC), the Office of Inspector General (OIG), and the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of correspondence logs pertaining to Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) and his staff from January 1, 2011, through the present.
- On **March 2**, John Greenewald, Jr., a freelance television producer with The Black Vault in Northridge, California, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to requests from any U.S. Department or Agency to activate the FEMA National Radio System from January 1, 2010, through March 2, 2015.
- On **March 3**, George Myers, a reporter with the *Kokomo Tribune* in Kokomo, Indiana, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records of correspondence between FEMA and the Indiana Department of Homeland Security pertaining to Kokomo Municipal Stadium from May 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **March 4**, 2015, Jeremy Berns, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of

Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) or his offices from 1998 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Senator Rubio.

- On **March 4**, Michael Kane, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor Chris Christie (R-NJ) or his offices from 1987 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Christie.
- On **March 4**, Patrick Stranix, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with former Governor Jeb Bush (R-FL) or his offices from 1974 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to former Governor Bush.
- On **March 4**, Eric Bennett, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX) or his offices from 1995 through the present; (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Senator Cruz; (3) records of communication with former Governor Rick Perry (R-TX) or his offices from 1972 through the present; and (4) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to former Governor Perry.
- On **March 4**, Krystal Ramirez, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor Mike Pence (R-IN) or his offices from 1991 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Pence.
- On **March 4**, Tyler Kotkin, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor Bobby Jindal (R-LA) or his offices from 1996 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Jindal.
- On **March 4**, Kelly Roberts, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) or his offices from 1990 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Senator Paul.
- On **March 4**, Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of report number OIG 15-33, "Fiscal Year 2014 Evaluation of DHS' Compliance with Federal Information Security Management Act Requirements for Intelligence Systems."

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **February 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Cristina Costantini, a reporter with *Fusion* in New York, New York, 10 pages of records containing

statistical data pertaining to Continued Presence applications received by ICE. These records were released in full.

- On **February 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Shawna Ohm, a reporter with *Yahoo News & Finance* in New York, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data pertaining to companies that were fined by ICE for immigration violations over the past 10 years. These records were released in full.
- On **February 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Sean Dunagan, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 21 pages of records pertaining to the late Anwar al-Awlaki. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **February 26**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Michael Scott, a reporter with *KRGT-TV* in Weslaco, Texas, 50 pages of records consisting of case reports, photographs, and communication logs pertaining to the grounding of JACKIE C during Tropical Storm Dolly. These records were released in full.
- On **February 27**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Jim McElhatton, a representative with *The Washington Times* in Alexandria, Virginia, 43 pages of records consisting of reports of investigation and case summary reports for several investigations pertaining to the United States Secret Service (USSS). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(D).
- On **February 27**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Thomas Jones, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, seven pages of records consisting of correspondence to and from Congressman William Cassidy (R-LA) from January 1, 2009, through November 30, 2013, pertaining to: (1) legislation or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **March 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Matthew Sledge, a representative with the *Huffington Post* in New York, New York, 122 pages of records pertaining to the protests in Ferguson, Missouri. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **March 3**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Michael Grabell, a reporter with *ProPublica* in New York, New York, 167 pages of records consisting of TSA Deputy Administrator John Halinski's travel records since he assumed the position in July 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **March 3**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Jonathan Carlson, a reporter with *ABC 7 Action News* in Detroit, Michigan, two pages of records containing the number of claims of missing or stolen items from baggage at Detroit Metro Airport and the amount paid out in settlements and claims for 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **March 4**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Jack Gillum, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, 213 pages of records consisting of e-mails to and from former Chief of Staff John Sandweg to three named DHS officials from

January 20, 2009, through June 1, 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.

*30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- On **May 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates a special naturalization ceremony at the Ellis Island Immigration Museum in Liberty State Park in New Jersey. It is anticipated that President Obama will be invited. Ceremony to occur during opening event for museum's Peopling of America Center. One naturalization candidate will be museum board member and father of Office of Management and Budget Director Shaun Donovan. Open press.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

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- On **March 26**, Office for State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Enforcement Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Tom Homan will participate in the business meeting of the Western States Sheriffs' Association (WSSA). The meeting will address the transition from Secure Communities to the Priority Enforcement Program, and the importance to public safety of state and local law enforcement's participation in the program. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **March 14**, there are 582,996 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of 12,889,110 queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,377**.

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- On **March 26**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Cohn will participate in a meeting with the Information Technology Council to discuss cybersecurity as it pertains to Department priorities. Closed press.
- On **March 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity careers and opportunities, at the Women in Cybersecurity conference in Atlanta. Closed press.



## Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **March 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Bulgarian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior Romyana Bachvarova to discuss border management and U.S. Customs and Border Protection assistance to Bulgaria to build its air passenger data collection and analysis capability. Closed press.
- On **March 25**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend a Joint Meeting of Congress where President of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan Mohammad Ashraf Ghani will deliver an address. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify before the House Appropriations Committee on Homeland Security regarding the FY 2016 budget. Open press.
- On **March 26**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Lebanese Minister of the Interior Nouhad Machnouk to discuss security issues. Closed press.
- From **April 1 to 3**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will be on official travel to the Coast Guard Academy to attend a memorial service for Cadet Soso Makaridze and Cadet Besarion Gorjoladze. From there, he will travel to New York, NY where he will resume his daily operations. Closed press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- From **March 21 to 28**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will be on personal travel.
- From **March 31 to April 2**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel with Senator Heitkamp to North Dakota at his invitation. This rescheduled trip will be to tour local Department-related operations and discuss grants and border issues. Closed press.
- On **March 30**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong will host a conference call with members of the Law Enforcement Immigration Task Force to discuss the importance of state and local participation in the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **March 22 to 28**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Neffenger will travel to Finland to enhance partnerships with Finland Defense Forces and Border Guard during an Arctic Oil Recovery Exercise. Additionally, he will visit Coast Guard Unit, Activities Europe in Schinnen, Netherlands. Closed press.
- From **March 23 to 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Brussels, Belgium; The Hague, Netherlands; and Beijing, China. In Brussels, Director Saldaña will attend the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the World Customs Organization's Enforcement Committee, deliver a keynote address, and conduct bilateral meetings. In The Hague, Director Saldaña will meet with counterparts from the Netherlands and from multilateral organizations. In Beijing, Director Saldaña will conduct bilateral meetings and sign a Memorandum of Understanding concerning repatriation with the Ministry of Public Security. Closed press.
- On **March 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on the role of biometrics and identity verification in protecting critical infrastructure, at the Connect ID event in Washington. Open press.

- On **March 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to welcome a delegation of Border Five senior officials at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. The delegation will participate in roundtable discussions about the Centers of Excellence and Expertise then travel to Detroit, Michigan, and Los Angeles, California, to tour CBP facilities. Closed press.
- On **March 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with representatives from the European Commission's Taxation and Customs Union, to include Director-General Heinz Zourek, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC to discuss customs cooperation between the US and the EU. Closed press.
- On **March 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver remarks on leading change and best practices in leadership to a delegation from India's Police Service in Washington, DC. The delegation is being hosted by the International Association of Chiefs of Police as part of its International Police Education and Training Program. Closed press.
- On **March 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver remarks on the "State of Trade" at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **March 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Dr. Emilio González, Director of the Miami-Dade Aviation Department, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **March 26**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will attend the first U.S.-Canada Border Operations Leadership Team Meeting which will be a forum for bi-national collaboration among leaders of law enforcement and prosecution agencies to address ways to enhance operational effectiveness and facilitate the successful investigation and prosecution of transnational criminal conduct. Closed press.
- On **March 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Acting Deputy Attorney General Sally Yates at Department of Justice Headquarters in Washington, DC to discuss use of force issues. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **March 23**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Office of Security Capabilities representatives Scott Rooney, Mike McCormick, and Greg Miller will provide the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security Chairman John Katko and Ranking Member Kathleen Rice with a TSA Systems Integration Facility tour and briefing. Closed press.
- On **March 23**, staff from the U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations will visit the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers' (FLETC) site in Cheltenham, MD. FLETC staff will provide a tour and overview of operations in Cheltenham. Closed press.
- On **March 23**, Office of Partnership and Engagement Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Coordinator David Gersten and CVE staff will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security on CVE issues and the Three City Pilot Program. Closed press.
- On **March 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral and Coast Guard Judge Advocate General Steven Poulin will testify before the Senate committee on Armed Services on sexual assault in the military.

- On **March 24**, Office of Science and Technology Under Secretary Reginald Brothers will meet with Congressman House Committee Chairman of the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technologies, and provide an overview of the Science and Technology Directorate. Closed press.
- On **March 24**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Office of Intelligence and Analysis representatives John Schwartz, Stephanie Hamilton, Jeff Thorne, Michelle Reed, Barbara Timms, Nathan Tsoi, Parish Blair, Carolyn Mitchell, and Donald Lombardo will provide congressional district staff with a universal enrollment update. Closed press.
- On **March 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Zukunft will testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President's FY 2016 Budget Request for the Coast Guard. Open press.
- On **March 25**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Cohn will participate in a Department overview briefing for Senator James Lankford, a new member on the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **March 25**, Transportation Security Administration Chief Risk Officer Ken Fletcher will testify before the Transportation Subcommittee on the House Homeland Security Committee on TSA Pre✓®. Open press.
- On **March 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President's FY 2016 Budget. Open press.
- On **March 26**, Transportation Security Administration Executive Advisor Steve Sadler will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security in a hearing on TSA Pre✓®. Open press.
- On **March 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña will meet with Senator Tom Carper, Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Closed press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **March 25**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez and Miami Beach, Florida, Mayor Philip Levine may participate in a special naturalization ceremony in Miami Beach commemorating that city's 100<sup>th</sup> year. Open press.
- On **February 23**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Public Affairs facilitated a tour of the Border Infrastructure System and visit to the San Ysidro and Otay Mesa Ports of Entry for *San Diego Union-Tribune* reporter Roxana Popescue. **Publication date to be determined.**

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **March 5**, Debbie Strauss, a producer with *KPRC/NBC Houston* in Houston, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of radio transmissions pertaining to MONTE ALEGRE and CHEMBULK HOUSTON on March 5, 2015.
- On **March 6**, Thomas Fritzsche, Clinical Teaching Fellow with the Cardozo School of Law in New York, New York, on behalf of the National Day Laborer Organizing Network, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the DHS Priority Enforcement Program.

- On **March 6**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to: (1) President Obama and any companions on their February 2015 trip to Palm Springs, California (Case Number USSS 20150560); and (2) First Lady Michelle Obama, Malia Obama, Sasha Obama, and any companions on their February 2015 trip to Aspen, Colorado.
- On **March 9**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to President Obama and any companions on their February 19, 2015 trip to Chicago, Illinois.
- On **March 9**, Harry Weber, a representative with *Bloomberg News* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of audio and radar tracking data pertaining to a collision between CARLA MAERSK and the CONTI PERIDOT on March 9, 2015.
- On **March 9**, Debbie Strauss, a producer with *KPRC/NBC Houston* in Houston, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of radio transmissions pertaining to a collision between CARLA MAERSK and the CONTI PERIDOT on March 9, 2015.
- On **March 10**, Jonathan Salant, a reporter with *NJ Advance Media* in Rockville, Maryland, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records of correspondence pertaining to Senator Robert Menendez (D-NJ), including his involvement on behalf of Border Support Services and/or Dr. Salomon Melgen, from January 1, 2011, through March 1, 2015.
- On **March 11**, Kelly Riddell, a reporter with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to letters sent from Senator Robert Menendez (D-NJ) and his legal counsel to DHS and its components from December 1, 2012, through the present.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **January 21**, Siem Eikelenboom, a journalist with the *Dutch Financial Daily* in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the grounding of KULLUK on December 31, 2012.
- On **February 9**, Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the late Karl Linnas, a convicted Nazi war criminal.
- On **February 19**, Jeremy Redmon, a reporter with *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* in Woodstock, Georgia, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the total number of criminal aliens ICE released from immigration detention centers in fiscal years 2012 through 2015. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-72631.)
- On **February 24**, Terri Langford, a reporter with *The Texas Tribune* in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records pertaining to the Willacy County Correctional Center in Raymondville, Texas: (1) records pertaining to the bidding and selection of MTC to manage the facility; (2) training videos; and (3) videos maintained by ICE regarding assaults, crimes, or unusual incidents from January 1, 2006, through the present.

- On **February 25**, Alicia Caldwell, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records of correspondence to or from the following officials: (1) CBP Commissioner Gil Kerlikowske; (2) CBP's Office of Air and Marine Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles; (3) Secretary Jeh Johnson; (4) Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Chief of Staff Christian Marrone; and/or (5) United States Secret Service (USSS) Director Joseph Clancy regarding USSS's planned tests of unmanned aircraft systems, from January 24, 2015, through February 24, 2015.
- On **February 27**, Molly Hennessy-Fiske, a writer with the *Los Angeles Times* in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to a report of abuse at the Karnes Residential Center in Karnes City, Texas on or about February 9, 2015.
- On **March 3**, Claire Vinocur, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), and the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor John Kasich (R-OH) or his offices from 1983 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Kasich.
- On **March 4**, Kevin Nious, a reporter with *4 NBC New York* in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records of correspondence between FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate and General Services Administration Administrators Denise Pease and Dan Tangherlini or their designees regarding FEMA moving to the One World Trade Center from September 1, 2014, through the present.

### *30-60 Day Look Ahead*

- On **March 31**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will host Trade Day meetings with the National Retail Federation, the Association of Global Automakers, and the American Trucking Association at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- In **March**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez and Deputy Director Lori Scialabba are tentatively scheduled to travel to New York to meet with Mayor Bill de Blasio and others, in association with the announcement of the Letter of Agreement with New York City to promote citizenship, education, awareness, and access. Official date to be determined. Open press.
- From **April 9 to 10**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Fong will join U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner Gil Kerlikowske and other CBP officials in a two-day meeting with state law enforcement officials in Tucson, AZ. The purpose of the meeting is to enhance engagement, coordination, and understanding of border and law enforcement issues with state-level law enforcement agencies. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña will provide testimony before the House Judiciary Committee. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, unaccompanied alien children, and family units. Open press.

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April 2, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **April 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates announcing its Letter of Agreement with New York City to promote citizenship education and awareness, and to expand access to citizenship information and resources, in the city. Possible press and stakeholder event at the New York Public Library. Possible participation by USCIS Director León Rodríguez, USCIS Deputy Director Lori Scialabba, and New York Mayor Bill de Blasio, among others. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:**

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **April 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion on cybersecurity workforce development at Howard University in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck is expected to interview with ABC News on cybersecurity operations. The interview will likely also include a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **April 6**,
- From **April 6 to 10** Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Beijing, China for multiple bilateral engagements. Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will accompany. Closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

##### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **April 7 to 8**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will travel to Detroit where he will visit local TSA facilities and conduct an industry/stakeholder engagement forum to collaborate on TSA initiatives moving forward. Closed press.
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- From **April 15 to 16**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong along with representatives from the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations will meet with Miami-Dade Police Director J.D. Patterson, Broward County Sheriff Scott Israel, and Palm Beach County Sheriff Ric Bradshaw. The discussions will focus on the critical role of state and local law enforcement participation in the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- From **April 13 to 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs will host a National Immigration Conference for congressional staff at the Capitol Visitor Center. The Conference will provide an opportunity for congressional staff to learn about immigration system program information from U.S. Government departments and agencies, in-depth procedural information about immigration issues and case processing, and how the U.S. Government documents U.S. citizenship and provides assistance to U.S. citizens overseas. Closed press.
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- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña will provide testimony to the House Appropriations Committee during a hearing on the ICE FY16 Budget Request. Open press.

#### Items of Note

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **April 6**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with representatives of the American Immigration Lawyers Association to discuss issues in the delivery of immigration services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) anticipates announcing its Letter of Agreement with New York City to promote citizenship education and awareness, and to expand access to citizenship information and resources in the city. Possible press and stakeholder event at the New York Public Library. Possible participation by USCIS Director León Rodríguez, USCIS Deputy Director Lori Scialabba, and New York Mayor Bill de Blasio, among others. Open press.
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- **E-Verify Update:** As of **March 28**, there are **585,839** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2015, a total of **14,074,408** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,388**.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **April 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion on cybersecurity workforce development at Howard University in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Phyllis Schneck will interview with Pierre Thomas of ABC News about cybersecurity operations, specifically the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center.
- On **April 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on threats, challenges and opportunities in homeland security at the National Summit on Homeland Security Law at the Oklahoma City School of Law. Open press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Assistant Director Ian Quinn will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, during a hearing titled “Investing in Cyber Security: Understanding Risks and Building Capabilities for the Future.” Open press.

- On **April 3**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Gerald Hassell, CEO of Bank of New York Mellon to discuss cybersecurity. This is a part of his April 2 to 3 New York, NY official travel. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- From **April 2 to 3**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York, NY where he will meet with Mayor DeBlasio regarding the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- On **April 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Chinese Ambassador Cui Tiankai in advance of the Secretary's trip to China. Closed press.
- From **April 6 to 10** Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Beijing, China for multiple bilateral engagements. Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will accompany. Closed press.
- On **April 13**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with the Blue Dog Coalition in Washington, DC to discuss Department funding, among other security priorities. Closed press.
- On **April 13**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet for a working lunch with Secretary of Defense Ash Carter in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a meet and greet with New York District Attorney Cy Vance. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a meet and greet with Peter Maurer, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will speak at an upcoming CAPSTONE Course, the 5-week experience for new Generals and Admirals within the Department of Defense. Closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **April 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet separately with representatives from McKinsey & Co. and with American Federation of Government Employees National President J. David Cox to discuss Department engagement efforts. Closed press.
- On **April 13**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Congressman Tom Cole to discuss Department priorities, and thank him for his support of the Department. Closed press.
- From **April 16 to 17**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to New Orleans, LA.

##### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **April 6 to 16**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will travel to Singapore to participate in and attend several INTERPOL events. Portions open and closed press.
- From **April 6 to 7**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to New Orleans, LA to participate in the Ancient Albatross Change of Watch. He will also attend the Aviation Commanding Officer's meeting in Mobile, AL and visit the National Aviation Museum in Pensacola, FL. Closed press.
- From **April 6 to 7**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will travel to Indianapolis, IN where he will visit local TSA facilities and a yet to

be determined local university to discuss risk based strategy and employment opportunities within TSA. Closed press.

- From **April 7 to 8**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will travel to Detroit where he will visit local TSA facilities and conduct an industry/stakeholder engagement forum to collaborate on TSA initiatives moving forward. Closed press.
- From **April 7 to 8**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will travel to Minneapolis, MN where he will visit local TSA facilities and meet with officials from the Department of Justice. Closed press.
- **From April 7 to 9**, the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs will participate in the Big City Emergency Managers (BCEM) Spring meeting in Los Angeles, CA, where Federal Emergency Management Agency Administration Craig Fugate will present the keynote address “Building for the Future.” BCEM will bring together the Emergency Managers from the nation’s largest urban areas for briefings and discussion on DHS-related issues. Closed press.
- From **April 8 to 9**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will travel to Detroit where he will visit local TSA facilities and conduct an industry/stakeholder engagement forum to collaborate on TSA initiatives moving forward. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Luc Porterlance, President of the Canada Border Services Agency, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with the CBP Integrity Advisory Panel at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver remarks on the new CBP Strategic Plan, *Vision and Strategy 2020*, and participate in a question-and-answer session with Darrell West, Vice-President and Director of Governance Studies, at the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **April 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Minneapolis, MN to conduct a site visit, host an employee town hall meeting, and take part in a ribbon-cutting ceremony to recognize the consolidation of the Port of Minneapolis offices. Closed press.
- From **April 9 to 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to Boston, MA to address the Harvard Kennedy School. He will also visit Coast Guard Base Cape Cod and the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT. Closed press.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Tucson, AZ where he will participate in a law enforcement roundtable hosted by the CBP State, Local, and Tribal Liaison. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Las Vegas, NV where he will speak at the National Treasury Employees Union. Closed press.
- From **April 15 to 16**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong, along with representatives from the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations, will meet with Miami-Dade Police Director J.D. Patterson, Broward County Sheriff Scott Israel, and Palm Beach County

Sheriff Ric Bradshaw. The discussions will focus on the critical role of state and local law enforcement participation in the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.

- On **April 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to speak at the National Treasury Employees Union Annual Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Englewood, CO where he will deliver remarks on emerging threats and patterns at Western Union's 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Southwest Border. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Customs and Border (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to meet with Charles Rivkin, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs, and Thomas Engle, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Transportation Affairs, at State Department Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press. Additionally, they will meet with Dr. Kristin Graham of the Department of State's Intelligence and Research Bureau at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC to discuss the findings of recent research conducted in Central America. Closed press.
- From **April 16 to 20**, U.S. immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will travel to San Antonio and Dallas, TX where she will meet with Governor Abbot and other stakeholders. Portions open and closed press.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Elliot Kaye, Chairman of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- From **April 6 to 9**, staff from the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security are schedule to tour DHS operations in and around San Francisco, Oakland, and Alameda, CA. Closed press.
- On **April 8**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will provide a briefing and tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center to Ranking Member Roybal-Allard. They will provide the same briefing and tour on April 10 to staff of Senate Majority Leader McConnell. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña will testify before the House Judiciary Committee. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, unaccompanied alien children, and family units. Open press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña will provide testimony to the House Appropriations Committee during a hearing on the ICE FY16 Budget Request. Open press.
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- On **April 15**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Michel will testify on Coast Guard missions before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.

- On **April 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to brief staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding counter-network operations. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President's FY 2016 Budget. This is postponed from March 25. Open press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **March 25**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Public Affairs coordinated filming in Miami, FL with The NRA Network's *Life of Duty* television producer Chuck Holton and crew. They filmed CBP air and marine operations for a three-episode series of the show *Frontlines Reports*, a 15-minute news feature format program. One episode will cover the northern border, another the southern border, and the third episode will cover coastal protection. The crew previously recorded footage in Arizona and Vermont and plans to interview Executive Director of Operations Merton Cox. Airdate to be determined.
- On **April 11**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will give a live interview with No Labels radio on XM Sirius radio discussing his priorities for the Coast Guard.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Tucson Border Patrol Sector plans to hold a Border Safety Initiative media event featuring Spanish language media, Mexican and Central American Consuls, and representatives from humanitarian groups. Participants will take a short hike in the desert to experience what it is like to cross Arizona's dangerous Sonoran Desert. Open press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **March 19**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Beverly Hills, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of e-mails from CBP Media Relations Divisions Director Michael Friel and Press Secretary Jenny Burke containing the words "This American Life" and "refuseniks" from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **March 19**, Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of the Alien File and C-File for the following deceased individuals: (1) Josef Eckert (Case Number USCIS COW2015000238); (2) Albert Ensin (Case Number USCIS COW2015000243); (3) Jakob Habich (Case Number USCIS COW2015000246); (4) Michael Gruber (Case Number USCIS COW2015000258); and (5) Konrads Kalejsin.
- On **March 19**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to President Obama and any companions on their trip to Los Angeles, California from March 12, 2015, through March 13, 2015.
- On **March 19**, Lauren Barich, a research associate with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and Senator Richard Burr (R-NC) or his staff or his previous office from January 1, 1995, through the present.

- On **March 20**, Mark Cygan, a research associate with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and Senator Roy Blunt (R-MO) or his staff from January 1, 2011, through the present.
- On **March 20**, Caldwell, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the March 4, 2015 incident involving two USSS agents driving through a secure area into the White House complex.
- On **March 23**, Stephen Braun, a representative with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of e-mails between former Secretary Janet Napolitano and other DHS officials and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to and from the e-mail address hdr22@clintonemail.com from January 21, 2009, through February 1, 2013.
- On **March 23**, Mitra Ebadolahi, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in San Diego, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to a named individual regarding an incident that occurred on August 9, 2014, through August 10, 2014.
- On **March 25**, Danielle Lipsman, a representative with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI) or his staff from January 1, 2011, through the present.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **March 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Rebekah Young, a reporter with *KRGV-TV* in Weslaco, Texas, 18 pages of records consisting of facility observation checklists for Rio Grande Valley Sector facilities visited for the OIG memorandum “Oversight of Unaccompanied Alien Children” dated July 30, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **March 20**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Jeff Plungis, a reporter with *Bloomberg News* in Washington, DC, 97 pages of records consisting of travel records and a list of gifts received for former TSA Administrator John Pistole from September 1, 2010, through May 31, 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **March 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Laura Strickler, a reporter with *CBS News* in New York, New York, 60 pages of records consisting of Significant Incident Reports issued at the McAllen, Texas Border Patrol Station in April 2014 and May 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **March 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Clara Long, a researcher with Human Rights Watch in San Francisco, California, a no records determination in response to her request seeking the following records pertaining to policies and procedures regarding: (1) data collection on stops, searches, and interrogation of individuals at Ports of Entry, Border Patrol Checkpoints, and elsewhere; and (2) complaints involving misconduct by U.S Customs and Border Protection (CBP).

- On **March 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Alicia Caldwell, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records pertaining to the transfer of Alvin Smith from the United States Secret Service (USSS) to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations from November 1, 2014, through February 10, 2015.
- On **March 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Jacqueline Armendariz, a reporter with *The Monitor* in McAllen, Texas, 283 pages of records consisting of all complaints submitted to the CBP passenger service manager since 2010 at ports of entry in Hidalgo and Cameron Counties in Texas. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **March 25**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Debbie Strauss, a producer with *KPRC/NBC Houston* in Houston, Texas, three Vessel Traffic Service replay recordings pertaining to an incident involving MONTE ALEGRE and CHEMBULK HOUSTON on March 5, 2015. These records were released in full.

*30 to 60 Day Look Ahead*

- From **April 19 to 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Orlando, FL where he will speak at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America Conference. Closed press.
- From **April 21 to 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will travel to Phoenix, AZ where he will deliver the keynote address at the Ninth Annual Border Security Expo. Open press.



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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- From **April 13 to 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs will host a National Immigration Conference for congressional staff at the Capitol Visitor Center. The Conference will provide an opportunity for congressional staff to learn about immigration system program information from U.S. Government departments and agencies, in-depth procedural information about immigration issues and case processing, and how the U.S. Government documents U.S. citizenship and provides assistance to U.S. citizens overseas. Closed press.
- On **April 13**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will give keynote remarks at the Invest in the USA EB5 Advocacy Conference, the trade association for the EB-5 Regional Center Program. Closed press.
- On **April 13**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will present at U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and Department of State's Consular Affairs National Immigration Conference to discuss our office's case assistance services. Closed press.
- From **April 13 to 15**, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will lead a delegation traveling to McAllen, Harlingen, and Brownsville, TX to tour border operations, conduct stakeholder outreach, and provide training for law enforcement related to combating trafficking along the southwest border. Closed press.
- From **April 15 to 16**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong and representatives from Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement Removal Operations will meet individually with Miami-Dade Police Director J.D. Patterson, Broward County Sheriff Scott Israel, and Palm Beach County Sheriff Ric Bradshaw. The discussion will center on the importance of state and local law participation in the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will present at the American Immigration Lawyers Association Spring Conference & Webcast. Ombudsman Odom will preview the 2015 Annual Report and discuss issues in the delivery of immigration services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Closed press.
- **From April 20 to 21**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with humanitarian immigration relief stakeholders in Houston and San Antonio, TX to discuss case assistance and learn about issues in the delivery of immigration services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 4**, there are **587,174** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2015, a total of **14,663,434** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,391**.

## Cybersecurity:

- On **April 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion on cybersecurity workforce development at Howard University in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on threats, challenges and opportunities in homeland security at the National Summit on Homeland Security Law at the Oklahoma City School of Law. Open press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Deputy Assistant Director Ian Quinn will testify before the Senate Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, during a hearing titled “Investing in Cyber Security: Understanding Risks and Building Capabilities for the Future.” Open press.

## Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **April 13**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with the Blue Dog Coalition in Washington, DC to discuss Department funding, among other security priorities. Closed press.
- On **April 13**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet for a working lunch with Secretary of Defense Ash Carter in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a meet and greet with New York District Attorney Cy Vance. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a meet and greet with Peter Maurer, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will speak at an upcoming CAPSTONE Course, the 5-week experience for new Generals and Admirals within the Department of Defense. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Wesley College in Dover, DE where he will meet with a group of Law and Justice students and deliver a Q&A session. Closed press.
- From **April 20 to 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to San Francisco, CA where he will deliver the keynote address at the 2015 RSA Conference at which security stakeholders convene to discuss the most current information technology issues of the day. Open press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **April 13**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Congressman Tom Cole to discuss Department priorities, and thank him for his support of the Department. Closed.
- On **April 22**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks to the Homeland Security Academic Advisory Council where he will highlight the Department’s progress in implementing council recommendations. Open press.
- On **April 24**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a working lunch with Deputy Secretary of Commerce Bruce Andrews. Closed press.

### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **April 6 to 16**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will travel to Singapore to participate in and attend several INTERPOL events. Portions open and closed press.
- From **April 11 to 14**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will travel to Singapore to meet with Ambassador Wagar and Deputy Chief of Mission Blair to discuss international cooperation efforts. Closed press.
- From **April 14 to 15**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will travel to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia to meet with the Chief Secretary of Government, Royal Malaysian Customs Director General, Minister Zahid.
- On **April 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to speak at the National Treasury Employees Union Annual Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. Closed press.
- From **April 14 to 15**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (USST) Reginald Brothers will travel to Waltham, MA with a team of designated speakers from the Science and Technology Directorate for the plenary session at the 2015 Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Symposium on Technologies for Homeland Security. Open press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Englewood, CO where he will deliver remarks on emerging threats and patterns at Western Union's 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Southwest Border. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will travel to St. Louis, MO to participate in the Federal Security Director and Supervisory Air Marshal in Charge Conference. Closed press.
- On **April 16**, Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will travel to Atlanta, GA where she will participate on a panel of federal officials at a plenary session for the 2015 Public Health Preparedness Summit, entitled "Thing Globally, Plan, Respond, and Recover Locally: The U.S. Global Health Security."
- On **April 16**, U.S. Customs and Border (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan are scheduled to meet with Charles Rivkin, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs, and Thomas Engle, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Transportation Affairs, at State Department Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press. Additionally, they will meet with Dr. Kristin Graham of the Department of State's Intelligence and Research Bureau at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC to discuss the findings of recent research conducted in Central America. Closed press.
- From **April 16 to 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will travel to San Antonio and Dallas, TX where she will meet with Governor Abbot and other stakeholders. Portions open and closed press.
- On **April 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Elliot Kaye, Chairman of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From **April 19 to 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Orlando, FL where he will speak at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America Conference. Closed

- On **April 21**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will deliver the keynote address at the Airport Law Enforcement Agencies Network 2015 Spring Conference in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **April 21**, Office of Operations Coordination Director Richard Chávez will meet with Major General Jack Briggs, U.S. Northern Command. The meeting will include a tour of the National Operations Center. Closed press.
- From **April 21 to 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will travel to Phoenix, AZ where he will deliver the keynote address at the Ninth Annual Border Security Expo. Open press.
- On **April 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will host the first public meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> Term Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for Customs and Border Protection at the U.S. International Trade Commission in Washington, DC. Open press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **April 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Patrol Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to meet with Senator Jeanne Shaheen to discuss privacy and European engagement issues. Closed press.
- On **April 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah Saldaña will testify before the House Judiciary Committee. This general ICE oversight hearing will likely include topics such as criminal alien releases, unaccompanied alien children, and family units. Open press.
- On **April 14**, Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will meet with the American College of Surgeons Hartford Consensus III Committee in Hartford, CT. The discussion will center on strategies to increase survivability in mass-casualty shootings. Closed press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña will provide testimony to the House Appropriations Committee during a hearing on the ICE FY16 Budget Request. Open press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Miami Special Agent in Charge Alysa Erichs will testify before the Senate Special Committee on Aging regarding scams involving the impersonation of Internal Revenue Service agents. ICE's participation in this hearing was requested by Committee staff. Open press.
- On **April 15**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Michel will testify on Coast Guard missions before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan is scheduled to brief staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding counter-network operations. Closed press.
- On **April 17**, Department representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and U.S. Customs and Border Protection will brief the Senate and House Appropriations Committees on immigration statistics. Closed press.

- On **April 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President's FY 2016 Budget. Open press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher and Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner are scheduled to testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee regarding Northern Border security. Open press.
- On **April 23**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director Huban Gowadia will brief Chairman Michael McCaul of the House Homeland Security Committee and staff. DNDO will describe how the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture anticipates and addresses radiological and nuclear threats. Closed press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **March 25**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of Public Affairs coordinated filming in Miami, FL with The NRA Network's *Life of Duty* television producer Chuck Holton and crew. They filmed CBP air and marine operations for a three-episode series of the show *Frontlines Reports*, a 15-minute news feature format program. One episode will cover the northern border, another the southern border, and the third episode will cover coastal protection. The crew previously recorded footage in Arizona and Vermont and plans to interview Executive Director of Operations Merton Cox. Airdate to be determined.
- On **April 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Public Affairs for Latin America will release information regarding the high-profile removal to Mexico of two fugitives wanted for first-degree murder and kidnapping and illegal imprisonment. Open press.
- On **April 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard and U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Air and Marine will participate in a media event in San Diego, CA, at which they will announce an increase in drug seizure rates in the Eastern Pacific and showcase the impacts of interagency cooperation. Open press.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Tucson Border Patrol Sector plans to hold a Border Safety Initiative media event featuring Spanish language media, Mexican and Central American Consuls, and representatives from humanitarian groups. Participants will take a short hike in the desert to experience what it is like to cross Arizona's dangerous Sonoran Desert. Open press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **March 26**, Evan Lehmann, a reporter with *Environment & Energy Publishing, LLC* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records of correspondence between David Miller, FEMA's former Associate Administrator for the Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration and Gerald Nielsen with the Nielsen Law Firm, LLC and Nielsen, Carter & Treas, LLC, from September 2011, through Mr. Miller's last day of employment with FEMA in 2015.
- On **March 27**, Scott Gurian, a reporter with the *New Jersey Spotlight* in Bloomfield, New Jersey, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to responses from Write Your Own insurance companies regarding National Flood Insurance Program Bulletin W-15012, dated March 16, 2015.

- On **March 27**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to First Lady Michelle Obama and any companions on their March 2015 trip to Los Angeles, California.
- On **March 27**, Josh Gerstein, a reporter with *Politico* in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the Global City Regional Center, LLC.
- On **March 27**, **Maria Sacchetti**, a reporter with *The Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the 2,059 convicted criminals arrested as part of Operation Cross Check, announced on March 9, 2015, to include the names, ages, nationalities, crimes, and Area of Responsibility where the subject was arrested.
- On **March 30**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) a copy of e-mails sent or received from e-mail addresses used by Suzanne Spaulding, David Hess, Steven Harris, and Phyllis Schneck that include the keywords “Super Bowl, Phoenix, or Glendale” from February 1, 2015, through February 8, 2015.
- On **March 30**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) a copy of e-mails sent or received from e-mail addresses used by L. Eric Patterson that include the keywords “heighten, heightened, Parliament, or Canada” from October 28, 2014, through October 31, 2014.
- On **March 31**, Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to monitoring open source articles and reporting on facilities as part of NPPD’s Outreach and Engagement Strategy and Implementation Plan for Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program.
- On **March 31**, Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to quarterly updates and resources sent to covered chemical facilities in April 2015 as part of NPPD’s Outreach and Engagement Strategy and Implementation Plan for Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program.
- On **March 31**, Robert O’Harrow, a writer with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the use of 22 students in the Pathways Career Intern Program in the National Capital Region in an effort to reduce CBP’s Freedom of Information Act backlog.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **March 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, 24 pages of records consisting of NPPD’s Outreach and Engagement Strategy and Implementation Plan for Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program for contacting facilities that are noncompliant with Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards. These records were released in full.
- On **March 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, a no records determination in

response to his request seeking the following records pertaining to HSCECR-14-Q-00006, the contract proposal for the National License Plate Recognition database service: (1) orders from Secretary Jeh Johnson's office to cancel the contract proposal; (2) orders from the Secretary's office to review the contract proposal; and (3) final reports summarizing the results of the review.

- On **March 30**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to John Michael, a reporter with *KMSP-TV News* in Eden Prairie, Minnesota, 52 pages of records consisting of position titles and salaries at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and a chart listing disciplinary actions against TSA agents at the airport from October 20, 2010, through October 20, 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **March 31**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Daniel Blom, a producer with *CBS News* in Chicago, Illinois, 62 pages of records consisting of complaints, investigative reports, and incident reports for passengers who claimed TSA agents conducted an overly aggressive and/or inappropriate pat down or frisking at the security checkpoints at O'Hare Airport and Midway Airport for fiscal years 2012 through 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **March 31**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Tom Burton, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in Washington, DC, nine pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the planning for Ebola outbreaks and dangers from June 1, 2014, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **March 31**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 21 pages of records consisting of complaint narratives pertaining to the use of unauthorized monitoring of communication used by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) from January 1, 2003, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(A), 7(C), 7(D), and 7(E). On April 1, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Jarrett Renshaw, a reporter with *The Star-Ledger* in Trenton, New Jersey, 222 pages of records consisting of community disaster loan applications submitted by towns, authorities, and other governmental agencies in New Jersey following Hurricane Sandy. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **April 1**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Megan Wilson, a reporter with *The Hill* in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records of communications pertaining to the national interest determination regarding the Keystone XL pipeline from January 1, 2014, through February 2, 2015.



## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- From **April 16 to 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will travel to San Antonio and Dallas, TX where she will meet with Governor Abbot and other stakeholders on immigration issues. Portions open and closed press.
- **From April 20 to 21**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with humanitarian immigration relief stakeholders in Houston and San Antonio, TX to discuss case assistance and learn about issues in the delivery of immigration services by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Closed press.
- From **April 21 to 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will travel to Phoenix, AZ where he will deliver the keynote address at the Ninth Annual Border Security Expo. Open press.
- From **April 28 to 30**, Office and State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong and accompanying staff will participate in the joint meeting of the Southwest Border Sheriffs' Coalition and Texas Border Sheriffs' Coalition in Del Rio, TX. The discussions will focus on the transition from Secure Communities to the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 11**, there are **588,451** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in FY 2015, a total of **15,242,529** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,391**.

#### Cybersecurity:

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **April 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Oklahoma City, OK where he will participate in the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary remembrance ceremony of the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Open press.
- From **April 20 to 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to San Francisco, CA where he will deliver the keynote address at the 2015 RSA Conference at which security stakeholders convene to discuss the most current information technology issues of the day. Open press. While in San Francisco, he will also meet and engage with state and local stakeholders, to include California Governor Jerry Brown along with Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend a dinner in honor of United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Antonio Guterres in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Admiral Bill Gortney of U.S. Northern Command in Washington, DC in lieu of their regularly scheduled video conference on operations and updates. Closed press.

- On **April 25**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the White House Correspondents' Association Dinner in Washington, DC, accompanied by Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas. Open press.
- On **April 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on Oversight of the Department of Homeland Security. Open press.
- On **April 29**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify before the Senate Appropriation Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the FY16 budget. Open press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **April 22**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks to the Homeland Security Academic Advisory Council where he will highlight the Department's progress in implementing council recommendations. Open press.
- On **April 22**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with University of Southern California President C.L. Max Nikias and accompanying staff for a meet and greet as requested by President Nikias. Closed press.
- On **April 23**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, along with U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with former CBP Commissioner W. Ralph Basham, now of Command Consulting Group in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a working lunch with Deputy Secretary of Commerce Bruce Andrews. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security on allegation of special access and political influence. Open press.
- On **May 1**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver the keynote address at the Migration Policy Institute Roundtable regarding regional solutions for unaccompanied children. Closed press.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **April 17**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with Norwegian Minister of Children, Equality, and Social Integration Solveig Horne. Closed press. Later, he will visit the Terrorist Screening Center to discuss immigration policy and the Visa Waiver Program. Closed press.
- On **April 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is tentatively scheduled to meet with Senator Charles Schumer to discuss the cargo pre-inspection pilot at the Peace Bridge located in Buffalo, New York. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Orlando, FL where he will speak at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America Conference. Closed press.
- On **April 21**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will travel to Guatemala with the Commissioner of Mexico's National Institute of Migration Ardelio Vargas to meet with counterparts for a discussion on regional repatriation efforts. Additionally, Assistant Secretary Bersin will meet with Government of Guatemala officials to further work under the DHS-Ministry of Security of Guatemala Declaration of Principles and Bilateral Strategic Plan, including border security cooperation and aviation passenger information collection and sharing. Closed press.

- On **April 21**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will deliver the keynote address at the Airport Law Enforcement Agencies Network 2015 Spring Conference in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **April 21**, Office of Operations Coordination Director Richard Chávez will meet with Major General Jack Briggs, U.S. Northern Command. The meeting will include a tour of the National Operations Center. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend a reception hosted by Dr. Philipp Ackermann, Deputy Chief of Mission of the German Embassy, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will participate in a repatriation ceremony along with the Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt Ambassador Mohamed Tawfik hosted by the National Geographic Museum in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske, Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan and other CBP leaders are scheduled to meet with Lieutenant General James Peake, MD, USA Retired, President of CGI Federal, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC, for a “lunch and learn” meeting. Closed press.
- From **April 23 to 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to San Francisco, CA where he will attend the Coast Guard Foundation Dinner and visit with local units. Open and closed press, respectively.
- On **April 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will host the first public meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> Term Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for Customs and Border Protection at the U.S. International Trade Commission in Washington, DC. Open press.
- From **April 26 to May 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Dakar, Senegal; Casablanca and Rabat, Morocco; Dar es Salaam, Tanzania; and Nairobi, Kenya, to engage with U.S. and local government officials. Closed press.
- From **April 27 to 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations Dakar will host a U.S. Customs and Border Protection delegation led by Commissioner Gil Kerlikowske. The visit will include meetings with U.S. Ambassador Zumwalt as well as with the Director General of the Senegalese Customs, the High Commander for the Senegalese Gendarmerie, and the Inspector General of the Senegalese National Police. Part of the visit will include an official signing ceremony at the Senegalese Customs headquarters, where Commissioner Kerlikowske and the Senegalese Customs Director General will sign a Customs Mutual Assistance Agreement. Open press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **April 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the President’s FY 2016 Budget. Open press.
- On **April 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher and Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner as well as U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Buffalo Special Agent in Charge James

Spero will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee regarding Northern Border security. Open press.

- On **April 22**, Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the Senate Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee on FEMA's Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Proposal. Open press.
- On **April 22**, Office of Management Acting Deputy Under Secretary Chip Fulghum will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency on "Acquisition Oversight: how Effectively is DHS Safeguarding Taxpayer Dollars?" Open press.
- On **April 23**, Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate will testify before the House Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee on FEMA's Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Proposal. Open press.
- On **April 23**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director Huban Gowadia will brief Chairman Michael McCaul of the House Homeland Security Committee and staff. DNDO will describe how the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture anticipates and addresses radiological and nuclear threats. Closed press.
- On **April 24**, Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield will brief the House Appropriations Committee staff on Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosives defense strategic alignment. Closed press.
- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodriguez will meet and brief Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard on USCIS operations and the FY16 budget request. Date has yet to be determined. Closed press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **April 20**, Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate will discuss the goals of FEMA's efforts surrounding America's PrepaRAthon! on April 30 during an interview with The Weather Channel's Wx Geeks. The show will air on April 26, and highlights the importance of community preparation as it relates to natural disasters. The interview will be conducted from FEMA's headquarters studio in Washington, DC.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Tucson Border Patrol Sector plans to hold a Border Safety Initiative media event featuring Spanish language media, Mexican and Central American Consuls, and representatives from humanitarian groups. Participants will take a short hike in the desert to experience what it is like to cross Arizona's dangerous Sonoran Desert. Open press.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Office of Public Affairs will launch the official ICE Instagram account. Implementing Instagram is the next step in ICE's continued outreach efforts to leverage digital media and innovative technologies to communicate with the American people directly and effectively about ICE's missions, priorities, and efforts to keep the nation safe and secure. Open press.
- In **April**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Huban Gowadia will publish an article that details DNDO's mission, partnerships, and functions in the International Journal of Nuclear Security.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 2**, Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of the Alien File for the late Karlis Detlavs.
- On **April 3**, Guiheng Zhou, a representative with Sina Corporation in Tianjin, China, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) statistical data pertaining to the number of passengers whose passports list the nationality as China from January 1, 2012, through the present.
- On **April 3**, Paul Abowd, a journalist with *Al Jazeera America* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to allegations and investigations of sexual misconduct at the Karnes County Residential Center in Karnes City, Texas.
- On **April 4**, Malena Carollo, a graduate student with Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to deaths of individuals in ICE custody from January 1, 2010, through April 4, 2015.
- On **April 4**, Michael Biesecker, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Raleigh, North Carolina, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of Michael Slager's service records.
- On **April 6**, Josh Gerstein, a reporter with *Politico* in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of all attachments to the Statement of Alejandro N. Mayorkas dated January 5, 2015.
- On **April 7**, Stephen Braun, a representative with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) a copy of e-mails between former USSS Director Mark Sullivan and other agency officials and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to and from the e-mail address [hdr22@clintonemail.com](mailto:hdr22@clintonemail.com) from January 21, 2009, through February 1, 2013.

### *FOIA Release*

- On **April 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Ginger McCall, Director, Director, Open Government with the Electronic Privacy Information Center in Washington, DC, 302 pages of records pertaining to the following contracts: (1) HSHQDC08C00100; (2) HSHQDC11F00087; and (3) HSHQDC14A00015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **April 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Will Tucker, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing the Chemical Security Assessment Tool Security Vulnerability Assessments for specific zip codes. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3 and 7(F).
- On **April 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Jeff Ruch, Executive Director with Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking the following records: (1) records pertaining to DHS's implementation of section 828 of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2013 (codified at 41 U.S.C. section §4712); and (2) whistleblower reprisal complaints made by federal contractor employees.

- On **April 3**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Laura Strickler, a producer with *CBS News* in New York, New York, 21 pages of records consisting of Significant Incident Reports for April 2014 and May 2014 issued out of the McAllen Border Patrol Station. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 135 pages of records and 402 Excel spreadsheets consisting of daily, weekly, or monthly reports regarding the arrival of undocumented minors in the U.S. from May 1, 2014, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **April 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Tovin Lapan, a representative with the *Las Vegas Sun* in Henderson, Nevada, 1,362 pages of records pertaining to every facility inspection report for the Henderson Detention Center from January 1, 2010, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E). On April 3, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Alejandra Matos, a representative with the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* in Minneapolis, Minnesota, 1,817 pages of records pertaining to the Sherburne County Detention Center in Minnesota since 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Mitra Ebadolahi, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in San Diego, California, four pages of records consisting of a Report of Investigation pertaining to Steven Keith's arrest. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 6**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Alicia Caldwell, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking the following records: (1) records detailing plans by the United States Secret Service (USSS) to test unmanned aircraft systems in airspace over Washington, DC; and (2) records of correspondence between USSS and the Office of the Secretary regarding the aforementioned plans from January 24, 2015, through February 24, 2015.
- On **April 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Astrid Galvan, a correspondent with the *Associated Press* in Tucson, Arizona, four pages of records pertaining to an incident that occurred June 26, 2014, through June 27, 2014, in which a Mexican helicopter crossed into Arizona and fired at agents. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Beverly Hills, California, and Michael Ravnitzky, an individual in Silver Spring, Maryland, 14 pages of records consisting of e-mails from CBP Media Relations Divisions Director Michael Friel and Press Secretary Jenny Burke containing the phrase "This American Life" and "refuseniks". Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Erin Siegal, a reporter with *Fronteras Desk* in San Ysidro, California, 94 pages of records pertaining to the deportation of military service members or veterans. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **April 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jacqueline Stevens, a professor with Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, 145 pages of records that were shown or provided to Ian Urbina of *The New York Times* regarding the ICE Detainee Work Program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On April 7, 2015, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on all ICE detainers issued in fiscal year 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Katherine Evans, a researcher with the University of Minnesota Law School in Minneapolis, Minnesota, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on Risk Classification Assessments conducted by ICE since March 19, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 8**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to William Marshall, an investigator with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 198 pages of records consisting of records of communication between USCIS and various entities in Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and Mexico pertaining to the influx of undocumented unaccompanied minors and others into the U.S. from July 15, 2013, through July 15, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **April 8**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Gary Baum, a writer with the *Hollywood Reporter* in Los Angeles, California, two pages of records consisting of data pertaining to O-1A and O-1B visa applications submitted for fiscal years 1993 through 2015 (November 30, 2014). These records were released in full.
- On **April 8**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Joanna Kao, a representative with *Al Jazeera America* in New York, New York, 16 pages of records and one compact disk pertaining to denial notices for naturalization applications filed under the Immigration and Naturalization Act Sections 328 or 329 since September 11, 2001. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 8**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Edward Hasbrouck, a consultant with The Identity Project in Oakland, California, 40 pages of records consisting of an incident report and investigation pertaining to a named individual at the Portland International Airport in April 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 5, 6, and 7(C).



## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

April 23, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- From **April 28 to 30**, Office and State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong and accompanying staff will participate in the joint meeting of the Southwest Border Sheriffs' Coalition and Texas Border Sheriffs' Coalition in Del Rio, TX. The discussions will focus on the transition from Secure Communities to the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- On **April 28**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will speak at the National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference Board Convention in Houston, TX. Open press.
- From **April 28 to May 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will participate in the full round conference of the Inter-Governmental Consultation on Migration, Asylum, and Refugees in Sydney, Australia.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will speak at the Ethiopian Community Development Council Annual National Conference in Arlington, Virginia. Press status has yet to be determined.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **April 18**, there are **589,168** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.8 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of **15,855,982** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,392**.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **April 27**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs will facilitate a tour of the National Cybersecurity Integration Center for the Iowa Adjutant General Tim Orr and Connecticut Adjutant General Thaddeus Martin. Closed Press.
- On **April 27**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will deliver the keynote address for the INTERPOL Cybercrime Working Group. Additional details to follow. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Internal Revenue Service Commissioner John Koskinen to share best practices in cybersecurity. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver the keynote address at the National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee meeting. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **April 25**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the White House Correspondents' Association Dinner in Washington, DC, accompanied by Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas. Open press.
- On **April 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on Oversight of the Department of Homeland Security. Open press.

- On **April 29**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify before the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and the Senate Appropriation Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the FY16 budget. Open press.
- On **May 1**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with program participants from the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute on the Department's mission and priorities, specifically in relation to policy implementation. Closed press.
- On **May 2**, Secretary Jeh Johnson travel to Miami, FL where he will speak at the Florida Memorial University's commencement ceremony. Open press.
- On **May 4**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Chesapeake, VA for a Coast Guard operations engagement. Closed press.
- On **May 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver the commencement convocation address to University of the District of Columbia students. Open press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **April 24**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a working lunch with Deputy Secretary of Commerce Bruce Andrews. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas along with Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will participate in an INTERPOL Executive Committee Meeting. Topics include a briefing on budget and operations, followed by discussion. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security on allegation of special access and political influence. Open press.
- On **May 1**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver the keynote address at the Migration Policy Institute Roundtable regarding regional solutions for unaccompanied children. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **April 23 to 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to San Francisco, CA where he will attend the Coast Guard Foundation Dinner and visit with local units. Open and closed press, respectively.
- On **April 24**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will host the first public meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> Term Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for Customs and Border Protection at the U.S. International Trade Commission in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **April 24**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will participate in a Center for Strategic International Studies panel discussion entitled "Fueling the Online Trade Revolution: A New Customer Framework to Facilitate Small Business Commerce and Security." Closed press.
- From **April 26 to May 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to travel to Dakar, Senegal; Casablanca and Rabat, Morocco; Dar es Salaam, Tanzania; and Nairobi, Kenya, to engage with U.S. and local government officials. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations Dakar will facilitate portions of this travel. Closed press.
- On **April 28**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give keynote remarks at the USA Science and Engineering Festival X-Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Symposium. Sessions will cover a wide array of

subject areas, including space exploration, paleontology, bio-inspired robotics, marine biology, the mathematics of origami and econ-friendly vehicle innovation. Open press.

- From **April 29 to May 1**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to District 7 and Guantanamo Bay where he will attend Flag retirement ceremonies throughout the area. Closed press.
- On **April 29**, Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield will participate in courtesy meetings with Congresswoman Susan Brooks and Donald Payne. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield will participate in a day-long meeting hosted by the Institute of Medicine that will address current and futures strategies in disaster and other emergency management. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with the incoming Mexico Deputy Chief of Mission, John Duncan at the Department of State. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, U.S. Secret Service Director Joe Clancy will attend the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Blue Mass at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Washington, DC. Additional Department leaders are expected to attend this event and others as a part of the scheduled activities for National Policy Week 2015. Open press.
- On **May 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Assistant Secretary of State for Transportation Affairs Charles Rivkin and State Department Headquarters in Washington, DC. This is rescheduled from March 20 and April 16. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **April 24**, Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Kathryn Brinsfield will brief the House Appropriations Committee staff on Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosives defense strategic alignment. Closed press.
- From **April 24 to 30**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Huban Gowadia will brief multiple House and Senate Committees on the Department's Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear program. Closed press.
- On **April 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of Field Operations and the Office of Chief Counsel will participate in a briefing for staff from the House Ways and Means Committee regarding the application of customs duties to imports from Cuba. The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control and the Department of State will also participate. Closed press.
- On **April 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner Wagner will participate in a roundtable discussion on biometric entry/exit with Members of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- On **April 28**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Paul Zukunft will testify before the Senate Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and the Coast Guard. Open press.
- On **April 29**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will testify before the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere. Representation will also include Department of State, U.S. Agency for International Development, and Department of Defense. Open press.

- In **April**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodriguez will meet and brief Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard on USCIS operations and the FY16 budget request. Date has yet to be determined. Closed press.
- On **April 30**, Transportation Security Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security, on access control and employee screening. Open press.

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **April 28**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will jointly with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services host a media event to raise awareness of the various relief options for victims of human trafficking and other crimes.
- On **April 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Office of Public Affairs will launch the official ICE Instagram account. Implementing Instagram is the next step in ICE's continued outreach efforts to leverage digital media and innovative technologies to communicate with the American people directly and effectively about ICE's missions, priorities, and efforts to keep the nation safe and secure. Open press.
- In **April**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Huban Gowadia will publish an article that details DNDO's mission, partnerships, and functions in the International Journal of Nuclear Security.
- In **April**, U.S. Coast Guard anticipates some coverage of Deepwater Horizon anniversary, although no interviews planned and/or held at Headquarters level at this time. The Commandant does intend to publish a story in the Huffington Post on readiness in the context of Deepwater Horizon.
- In **April**, U.S. Coast Guard expects the magazine Yachts International to publish a story on a week in the life of District 7 units for its June issue. The article is expected to have several quotes from the Commandant.
- On **May 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement expects negative press related to a protest march from downtown Dilley to the South Texas Family Residential Center by Grassroots Leadership of Austin. Open press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On Alicia Caldwell, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the 976 gang members and associates arrested by ICE as part of Project Wildfire from February 23, 2015, through March 31, 2015.
- On Nicole Reinert, a journalist with *KQED* in San Francisco, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of communications and contracts between DHS and the Harris Corporation, the Santa Clara County Office of Emergency Services, and the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office regarding the purchase of the following products: (1) StingRay; (2) StingRay II; (3) Amber Jack; (4) TriggerFish; (5) KingFish; (6) Octopus; (7) Harpoon; and (8) Hailstorm from January 1, 2010, through April 2, 2015.
- On Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) a copy of e-mails sent or received by the DHS Chief of Staff, Director of Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A), Director of National

Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD), Director of Science and Technology Directorate (S&T), and the Director of the Office of Public Affairs (OPA) from 12 pm – 7 pm on April 7, 2015, that include the keywords “outage, Charles County, or White House.”

- On Raymond Downs, a reporter with the *Broward/Palm Beach New Times* in Miami, Florida, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records for 2014 and 2015: (1) data pertaining to immigrants who died while in ICE custody; and (2) the total number of immigrant detainees held by ICE and their country of origin.
- On Michael Biesecker, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Raleigh, North Carolina, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the service records pertaining to the late Walter Scott.
- On James Long, a reporter with *NBC News* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the aerial surveillance footage from an unmanned aircraft surveillance flight from June 24, 2011, in which CBP aided Nelson County Sheriff Kelly Janke during the arrest of Rodney Brossart’s sons.
- On Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to President Obama and any companions on their March 28, 2015, through March 29, 2015 trip to Palm City, Florida.
- On John Greenwald, Jr., a freelance television producer with The Black Vault in Northridge, California, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to Rex 84, also known as Readiness Exercise 1984.
- On Charles Lane, a reporter with *WSHU* in Long Island, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to invoices/bills submitted to FEMA by Write Your Own Programs for legal services for Superstorm Sandy.
- On Ginger McCall, Director, Open Government with the Electronic Privacy Information Center in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records pertaining to mobile video surveillance systems: (1) technical specifications, contracts, and statements of work including but not limited to those associated with contract award number HSBP1014D0011 with Mistral; (2) records detailing the technical specifications of visual and auditory surveillance hardware; (3) instructions, policies, and procedures concerning the use of the systems to collect, store, transmit, reproduce, retain, degrade, or delete images and sounds; and (4) records pertaining to precautions taken to ensure the protection from unauthorized copying of the data on the systems.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **April 8**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Edward Hasbrouck, a consultant with The Identity Project in Oakland, California, four pages of records consisting of TSA Operation Center Identification Verification Reports indicating the numbers of ID checks, numbers of ID checks resulting in a “not verified” outcome, or number of checks resulting in a “denied” outcome. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 8**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Henry Curtis, a reporter with *The Orlando Sentinel* in Orlando, Florida, 55 pages of records pertaining to the three gun stops made by TSA officers in 2013 during pre-boarding screening of passengers at

John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York and Newark International Airport in New Jersey. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 5, 6, and 7(C).

- On **April 9**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Pia Malbran, a reporter with *CBS News* in Miami, Florida, 135 pages of records pertaining to allegations of misconduct or inappropriate behavior and final dispositions regarding U.S. Air Marshalls on international flights from October 1, 2003, through June 30, 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **April 9**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Kirsten Setera, a producer with *WCVB-TV* in Boston, Massachusetts, 61 pages of records consisting of travel and entertainment expenses submitted by David Johnson from March 2007 through June 2010 while he was the program manager of the Visible Intermodal Prevention and Response team. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Lomi Kriel, a reporter with *The Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, 60 pages of records consisting of the current contract between ICE and Karnes County to run the Karnes County Residential Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E). (Case Number ICE 2014-ICFO-07701.)
- On **April 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Chris Ingalls, a reporter with *KING 5* in Seattle, Washington, 592 pages of records pertaining to the Seattle Field Office Northwest Detention Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **April 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to L. Jazmine Ulloa, a reporter with the *Austin American-Statesman* in Austin, Texas, 60 pages of records and two Excel spreadsheets pertaining to detention facilities in Texas that currently contract or hold agreements with ICE to detain immigrants who have illegally crossed the Southwest border. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 13**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Ilan Ben-Meir, a reporter with *BuzzFeed News* in New York, New York, 732 pages of records consisting of correspondence logs for: (1) Governor Chris Christie (R-NJ); (2) former Governor Jeb Bush (R-FL); (3) Governor Bobby Jindal (R-LA); (4) Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL); (5) Governor Rick Perry (R-TX); (6) former Senator Rick Santorum (R-PA); (7) Governor Scott Walker (R-WI); (8) Governor Mike Pence (R-IN); (9) former Senator Jim Webb (D-VA); (10) Hillary Clinton; (11) Senator Rand Paul (R-KY); and (12) Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Mark Dow, a freelance reporter in Brooklyn, New York, 79 pages of records pertaining to ICE's use of sedatives during removal proceedings. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on ICE detainees issued in fiscal year 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **April 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on Secure Communities removals and returns in fiscal year 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **April 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jesse Franzblau, a researcher with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 47 pages of records pertaining to the visit of former ICE Director John Morton to Mexico in November 2009 through December 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Julie Putnam, a producer with *NBC* in San Jose, California, four pages of records consisting of Senior Federal Traveler Reports for fiscal years 2012 and 2013. These records were released in full.
- On **April 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Claire Vinocur, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, 12 pages of records consisting of the congressional correspondence logs pertaining to Governor John Kasich (R-OH). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **April 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Eileen Sullivan, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, one page of records consisting of correspondence logs pertaining to Senator Rand Paul (R-KY). These records were released in full.
- On **April 15**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Lee Bowman, a reporter with *Scripps News* in Washington, DC, 158 pages of records consisting of Presidential disaster declaration requests denied from January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2006. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 15**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Emily Dooley, a journalist with *Newsday Media Group* in Melville, New York, one Excel spreadsheet consisting of Individual Assistance Recoupment Data pertaining to Superstorm Sandy. These records were released in full.
- On **April 15**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Lara Jakes, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, 155 pages of records consisting of the Alien File and records for resettlement in the U.S. under the International Organization for Migration and the Iraqi Special Immigrant Visa program for a named individual. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 15**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Betsy Lawrence, Director of Liaison with the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data for fiscal years 2013, 2014, and year to date 2015 on the number of Forms I-601A that were received, approved, or denied, or a request for evidence was issued. These records were released in full.



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April 30, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **May 1**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver the keynote address at the Migration Policy Institute Roundtable regarding regional solutions for unaccompanied children. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a briefing with White House Domestic Policy Council Director Cecilia Munoz on the Citizenship Public Awareness Campaign. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Los Angeles, CA where he will meet with local officials regarding the Priority Enforcement Program. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will also attend. Closed press.
- On **May 12**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the White House Summit on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will participate in the immigration break out session of this summit. Closed press.
- In **May**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will announce via agency-produced video that invitations are being issued for individuals eligible to apply to the Haitian Family Reunification Parole program.
- On **May 12**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the Law Enforcement Immigration Task Force Meeting at the White House in Washington, DC, accompanied by U.S. Customs and Border Protection R. Gil Kerlikowske and Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong. Closed press.
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#### Cybersecurity:

- On **May 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on department priorities in cybersecurity, at the George Washington University Center for Cyber and Homeland Security Strategy and Leadership Forum. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion entitled “Cybersecurity as it Relates to Public Safety Communications” at the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials International Broadband Summit in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **May 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Internal Revenue Service Commissioner John Koskinen to share best practices in cybersecurity. Closed press.
- On **May 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion entitled, “What Directors Need to Know About Cybercrime & IP,” at the Women Corporate Directors 2015 Global Institute, in New York, NY. Closed press.

- On **May 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver the keynote address at the National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee meeting. Closed press.
- From **May 7 to 8**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Miami, FL where he will conduct meetings with local stakeholders, to include the Association of General Counsel at their Spring Meeting, to address Department efforts in cybersecurity. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on the evolving cyber threat, at the Business Executives for National Security CEO Cyber Roundtable in Kansas City, KS. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity, at the Bank of America Global Equity Head Trader Conference in New York, NY. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

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- On **May 2**, Secretary Jeh Johnson travel to Miami, FL where he will speak at the Florida Memorial University's commencement ceremony. Open press.
- On **May 4**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Chesapeake, VA for a Coast Guard operations engagement. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York, NY where he will participate in several engagements focusing on countering violent extremism. Closed press. Possible press engagement to conclude the trip, pending finalization.
- On **May 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver the commencement convocation address to University of the District of Columbia students. Open press.
- From **May 10 to 16**, Secretary Johnson, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas, and officials throughout the Department will participate in National Police Week, a series of planned events in Washington, DC and communities across the country to honor those who have lost their lives in the line of duty. Police week events include the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil, 34<sup>th</sup> Annual National Peace Officers Memorial Service, and 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Blue Mass. DHS events include the ICE Valor Memorial & Wreath Laying Ceremony, CBP Valor Memorial and Wreath Laying Ceremony, USSS Wall of Honor Ceremony, and FPS Annual Wreath Laying Ceremony. Portions open and closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **May 4**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Japanese Cabinet Minister and Chair of the National Public Safety Commission Eriko Yamatani to discuss increased U.S.-Japan homeland security cooperation in Washington, DC. Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will also attend. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the 153rd Anniversary of the Battle of Puebla to be held at the Mexican Cultural Institute in Washington, DC. Open to invited press.

### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **April 30**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will host a public teleconference on H-1B Changes in Worksite Locations. Ombudsman Odom and others will discuss the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Administrative Appeals Office precedent decision *Matter of Simeio Solutions LLC*. Open Press.
- On **May 1**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with Undersecretary for North American Affairs Sergio Alcocer to discuss law enforcement cooperation on the U.S. Southern border. Closed press.
- On **May 1**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with the incoming Mexico Deputy Chief of Mission, John Duncan at the Department of State. Closed press.
- From **May 4 to 7**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will travel to Finland where he will participate in a Visa Waiver Program site visit and various INTERPOL meetings. Closed press.
- On **May 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will deliver the keynote address at the Federal Asian Pacific American Council event in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **May 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will participate in the annual U.S. Attorney’s Conference in Washington, D.C. Director Saldaña will deliver remarks to the Immigration and Border Subcommittee of the Attorney General’s Advisory Committee. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara, along with the Office of Legislative Affairs, will meet with the Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Administration regarding the implementation of the REAL ID Act in Alaska. Closed press.
- On **May 5**, Federal Emergency Management Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in a Hurricane Awareness tour event in Norfolk, VA to raise awareness of the impacts from tropical cyclones threats and the importance of hurricane preparedness. Open press.
- On **May 6**, Federal Emergency Management Administrator Craig Fugate will participate in a Hurricane Awareness tour event in Myrtle Beach, SC to raise awareness of the impacts from tropical cyclones threats and the importance of hurricane preparedness. Open press.
- On **May 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Assistant Secretary of State for Transportation Affairs Charles Rivkin and State Department Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to Cape May, NJ for the Designation of Cape May County to be officially proclaimed a “Coast Guard Community.” Open press.
- On **May 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks at the Global Supply Chain Summit hosted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **May 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to a group of law clerks at the U.S. Supreme Court as part of a “lunch and learn” series sponsored by the Chief Justice. Commissioner Kerlikowske has been a speaker in this series for the past several years. Closed press.

- From **May 15 to 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Dallas, TX to conduct local office visits as part of Operation iCARE (ICE’s Director Cultivating Relationships Everywhere), which is a component of the Director’s employee engagement initiative. In addition, Director Saldaña will participate in two events at Southern Methodist University (SMU) Dedman School of Law to include: providing the keynote address at the Hooding commencement ceremony on **May 16** and participating in a luncheon on **May 21** where she will receive the SMU Dedman School of Law’s Distinguished Spanish Alumni Award. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **April 30**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will testify before the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere “Migration Crisis: Oversight of the Administration’s Proposed \$1 Billion Request for Central America.” Open press.
- On **May 6**, Office of Operations, Coordination, and Planning (OPS) will brief the House Appropriation Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, regarding the OPS budget. The briefing will occur at OPS and will coincide with a National Operations Center briefing and tour. Closed press.
- On **May 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will join Congressman Will Hurd for a meet and greet. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection representatives will brief staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee regarding border fencing and operational requirements for tactical infrastructure. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection representative will brief staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees regarding Non-Intrusive Inspection technology and the associated FY 2016 budget request. Closed press.
- On **May 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representatives will provide a routine update on CBP’s trade related activities to staff from the Senate Finance Committee. Closed press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 16**, Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the following congressional correspondence workflow control numbers: (1) 1075824 for Congressman Rob Bishop (R-UT); and (2) 1069681 for Senator Thad Cochran (R-MS). On April 16, Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to congressional correspondence workflow control number 986069 for Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX).
- On **April 16**, Scott Friedman, a reporter with *NBC 5* in Fort Worth, Texas, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the following records: (1) the total number of prisoners transported in the custody of law enforcement via commercial airline flights in the U.S. from January 1, 2013, through the present; and (2) records pertaining to prisoner transports via commercial airlines at the following airports: (a) Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport; (b) Los Angeles International Airport; (c) O’Hare International

Airport; (d) Miami International Airport; (e) San Francisco International Airport; and (f) LaGuardia Airport from January 1, 2014, through the present.

- On **April 16**, Sophie-Claire Hoeller, an editor with the Thrillist Media Group in New York, New York, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to individuals arrested or escorted off a plane in the past five years. (Case Number TSA 2015-TSFO-00190.)
- On **April 17**, Matt Svensson, an individual in Atlanta, Georgia, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the names of the two officers at the Denver International Airport who were removed from duty due to allegations of groping male passengers.
- On **April 20**, Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the following congressional correspondence workflow control numbers: (1) 23192 and 199060 for Senator Hillary Clinton (D-NY); (2) 752712; (3) 756111; (4) 774296; (5) 827539; (6) 847233; (7) 942749; (8) 949831; (9) 951084; (10) 951900; (11) 955075; (12) 962568; and (13) 964205.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **April 15**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Lee Bowman, a correspondent with *Scripps News* in Washington, DC, 158 pages of records consisting of Presidential disaster declaration requests and determination letters. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, nine pages of records pertaining to items purchased with DHS representation funds for fiscal year 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 21**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Caroline Porter, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in Chicago, Illinois, 113 pages of records consisting of after action reports and other records pertaining to Urban Shield Boston emergency training exercises in May 2011 and November 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 21**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Rachel Morris, a representative with the Electronic Privacy Information Center in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records pertaining to the development and implementation of Z Backscatter Vans or similar technology since 2011.
- On **April 21**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Shawn Musgrave, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, two pages of records consisting of the October 10, 2014 memorandum pertaining to the creation of an independent panel to conduct a review of the United States Secret Service (USSS). These records were released in full.
- On **April 21**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 107 pages of records consisting of the Alien File for the late Johann Hahner. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

May 7, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **May 12**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the White House Summit on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will participate in the immigration break out session of this summit. Closed press.
- On **May 12**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the Law Enforcement Immigration Task Force Meeting at the White House, accompanied by U.S. Customs and Border Protection R. Gil Kerlikowske, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Sarah Saldana, and Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong. Closed press.
- On **May 13**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will travel to Salt Lake City, UT where he will deliver keynote remarks at the Catholic Legal Immigration Network Inc. Open press.
- From **May 15 to 22**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Dallas, TX to conduct local office visits as part of Operation iCARE (ICE's Director Cultivating Relationships Everywhere), which is a component of the Director's employee engagement initiative. In addition, Director Saldaña will participate in two events at Southern Methodist University (SMU) Dedman School of Law to include: providing the keynote address at the Hooding commencement ceremony on **May 16** and participating in a luncheon on **May 21** where she will receive the SMU Dedman School of Law's Distinguished Spanish Alumni Award. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 2**, there are **592,136** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of **17,059,752** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,389**.

#### Cybersecurity:

- From **May 11 to 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate leadership to include Deputy Under Secretary Phyllis Schneck will participate in the Evanta New York Chief Information Security Officer Executive Summit. The summit will focus on information sharing between government and the private sector. Deputy Under Secretary Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks. Closed press.
- On **May 12**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Deputy Assistant Secretary Alaina Clark along with representation from the National Protection and Programs Directorate will meet with staff from the National Governors Association to Council of Governors on efforts regarding cybersecurity priorities for the states and opportunities for future collaboration. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on the evolving cyber threat, at the Business Executives for National Security CEO Cyber Roundtable, in Kansas City, KS. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity, at

the Bank of America Global Equity Head Trader Conference in New York, NY. Closed press.

- On **May 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for CS&C Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on the emerging cyber ecosystem and its effect on national security, at the Colorado Cybersecurity Consortium, in Denver. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Boeing Chairman Jim McNerney to discuss cybersecurity and aviation security. Closed press.

#### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

##### Principal Schedules

###### *Secretary Johnson*

- From **May 10 to 16**, Secretary Johnson, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas, and officials throughout the Department will participate in National Police Week, a series of planned events in Washington, DC and communities across the country to honor those who have lost their lives in the line of duty. Police week events include the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil, 34<sup>th</sup> Annual National Peace Officers Memorial Service, and 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Blue Mass. DHS events include the ICE Valor Memorial & Wreath Laying Ceremony, CBP Valor Memorial and Wreath Laying Ceremony, USSS Wall of Honor Ceremony, and FPS Annual Wreath Laying Ceremony. Portions open and closed press.
- On **May 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Representatives John Carter and Lucille Roybal-Allard for a quarterly meeting. Closed press. Separately that afternoon, Secretary Johnson will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul along with Representative Bennie Thompson, Senator Tom Carper, and Senator Ron Johnson for a quarterly meeting. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson along with Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with the Homeland Security Advisory Council. Closed press.
- On **May 22**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in his regularly occurring secure video teleconference with General John Kelly of United States Southern Command. Closed press.

###### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **May 13**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a meet and greet with Senator Ron Johnson. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with the Western Growers Board during their annual May visit to Washington DC. Closed press.
- From **May 18 to 19**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to New Orleans, LA where he will conduct site visits to local field offices within the Department. Closed press.

###### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **May 11**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a signing ceremony at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to launch a fellowship program between CBP and the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) alongside IACP Executive Director Vincent Talucci. Closed press.



- On **May 11**, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Officer Megan Mack will present with the U.S. delegation the Universal Periodic Review before the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva, Switzerland. Open press.
- On **May 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks at the Global Supply Chain Summit hosted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- On **May 12**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to a group of law clerks at the U.S. Supreme Court as part of a “lunch and learn” series sponsored by the Chief Justice. Commissioner Kerlikowske has been a speaker in this series for the past several years. Closed press.
- On **May 12**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will participate in the Robert B. McKeon Endowed Lectureship Series on Military Strategy and Leadership with the U.S. Service Chiefs at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **May 12**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will participate in a Five Country Conference (5CC) Head of Delegation call to discuss the progress of ongoing law enforcement information sharing initiatives among the Five Eyes and to begin planning for the 5CC Plenary in London in September. Closed press.
- On **May 13** Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will provide brief remarks during a roundtable discussion at a Business Executives for National Security event. Closed press.
- On **May 13**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give the keynote address at the Internet of Things Security Summit. Open press.
- On **May 14**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate will travel to New Orleans, LA where he will deliver the closing keynote speech at the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (National VOAD) Conference and is expected to sign a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between FEMA and the National VOAD. Open press.
- On **May 14**, Office of Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will deliver the keynote address at a forum for the Federal Bar Association, Transportation and Transportation Security Law Section, hosted by the Transportation Security Administration. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will participate in the National League of Cities (NLC) federal agency intergovernmental affairs breakfast. This engagement provides partners with an opportunity to hear about NLC’s priorities for 2015, and engage in a dialogue about opportunities for future collaboration. Closed press.
- On **May 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with representatives from Lockheed Martin, to include Stephanie Hill, Vice-President and General Manager of Information Systems & Global Solutions civil business, and Marsha Malone, Vice-President of Government Relations, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 18**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara and National Protection and Programs Directorate, Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Assistant Secretary Ozment will travel to Albany, NY to meet with Commissioner of the New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services John Melville and representatives from Governor Cuomo's office to discuss a range of Cybersecurity

related topics. While in Albany, A/S McNamara and A/S Ozment will also tour the Multistate Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC). Closed Press.

- On **May 19**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will provide keynote remarks at the Christopher Newport University Symposium on Homeland Security and Defense in Newport News, VA. The discussion will focus on protecting U.S. infrastructure. Open press.
- On **May 19**, Office of Operations Coordination and Planning Director Richard Chavez will participate in a tour and meet and greet with National Executive Director Nihad Awad at the Council on American-Islamic Relations. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a Central Florida Community Engagement Roundtable quarterly meeting hosted by the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties in Tampa, FL. The Commissioner will also deliver remarks at a Policy Leadership Speaker Series luncheon hosted by St. Petersburg College in Seminole, Florida, and host a CBP employee town hall. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **April 30**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Public Affairs facilitated a ground ride-along and overview for the Phoenix Telemundo affiliate as a follow up to an aerial overview provided by the Tucson Air Branch and the Tucson Border Patrol Sector. The overviews covered CBP's border security efforts in Arizona and the challenges agents face in desert conditions. During the overviews, the reporter was able to observe a group south of the U.S/Mexico border suspected of staging to illegally enter the United States. **Airdate to be determined.**
- U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Public Affairs provided *Daily Beast* reporter Marcia Alertt with photos and information related to tunnels found in the San Diego and El Centro Sectors. **Publication date to be determined.**
- On **May 1**, Arizona Republic reporter Bob Ortega requested a site visit of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) facility in Sierra Vista, Arizona, for an anticipated article on the UAS program and the Office of Inspector General report released in December 2014. **Publication date to be determined.**

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **May 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate representatives will brief House and Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff on DHS cybersecurity roles and staffing. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck and Assistant Secretary for CS&C Andy Ozment will brief Senator Tom Carper on cybersecurity. Closed press.
- On **May 7**, Federal Protective Service (FPS) Director Eric Patterson will meet with Sen. Roger Wicker to discuss the results of a facility security assessment of the federal courthouse in Greenville, MS. Closed press.
- On **May 13**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will meet with Representative Will Hurd for a meet and greet. Closed press.

- On **May 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Mark Borkowski, Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles (Office of Air and Marine), and Deputy Chief Ron Vitiello are scheduled to testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at a hearing regarding fencing, technology, infrastructure, and air operations. Open press.
- On **May 13**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Coordination Center Director Bruce Foucart will join with U.S. Customs and Border Protection to provide a briefing regarding IPR Enforcement and Anti-Dumping/Countervailing Duties to the majority and minority staff on the House Appropriations Subcommittee. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with Senator Charles Schumer's staff to discuss Senator Schumer's interest in Civilian Extraterritorial Jurisdiction Act (CEJA) legislation, which is the legislation that needs to pass in order to give the United States jurisdiction over the U.S. officials operating abroad. The CEJA legislation must be passed before the recent preclearance agreement with Canada can be implemented. Closed press.
- On **May 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Bruce Baffer will testify before the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee on acquisitions. Open press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **April 23**, Todd Shepherd, a reporter with the Independence Institute in Denver, Colorado, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to completed inventories of lost, stolen, and/or damaged equipment and/or assets for DHS for the last three years.
- On **April 23**, Nicola Clark, a reporter with *The New York Times* in Ile-de-France, France, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records pertaining to the late Andreas Guenter Lubitz from 2010 through 2015: (1) records pertaining to dates of U.S. entry and exit; and (2) records pertaining to visas, including correspondence regarding visa application approvals or rejections.
- On **April 23**, Nick Penzenstadler, a reporter with *USA Today* in Appleton, Wisconsin, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the following records: (1) the log, database, or electronic tracking record used to track phone calls to the TSA Office of Inspection Hotline and e-mails to [TSAInspectionHotline@dhs.gov](mailto:TSAInspectionHotline@dhs.gov); and (2) records pertaining to substantiated claims of employee misconduct by TSA screeners from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **April 28**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Beverly Hills, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) and the National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the late Freddie Gray; and (2) records pertaining to the protests and riots in Baltimore, Maryland from April 15, 2015, through the present.
- On **April 28**, Joseph Tanfani, a reporter with the *Los Angeles Times* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the deaths of the following individuals while in the custody of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP): (1) Anastacio Hernandez-Rojas on May 28, 2010; and (2) Alexander Martin on March 15, 2012.

- On **April 28**, Mike Lee, a reporter with *EnergyWire* in Fort Worth, Texas, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) an unredacted copy of records pertaining to GreenHunter’s proposal to ship wastewater on the Ohio River from the USCG Sector Ohio Valley.

*FOIA Release*

- On **April 23**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Debi Cornwall, an individual in Brooklyn, New York, one page of records consisting of data pertaining to USCG personnel deployed to or on assignment at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **April 23**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Mike Lee, a reporter with *EnergyWire* in Fort Worth, Texas, 21 pages of records consisting of e-mails, letters, and bulletins pertaining to GreenHunter’s proposal to ship wastewater on the Ohio River from the USCG Sector Ohio Valley. These records were released in full.
- On **April 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, three pages of records pertaining to the U.S. negotiation with the Mexican government regarding the Operation Against Smugglers Initiative on Safety and Security prosecution program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Ryan Luther, an individual in Washington, DC, 431 pages of records consisting of correspondence between ICE and several members of Congress. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 201 pages of records pertaining to the communications between Department of Homeland Security (DHS) personnel and non-U.S. third parties regarding “humanitarian parole” and/or the U.S. policy of permitting undocumented women and children to cross into the U.S. on the Southwest border. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Molly Redden, a representative with *Mother Jones* in Washington, DC, 11 pages of records pertaining to a 2010 proposal by Essex County, New Jersey to set up a new detention facility in the Essex County Correctional Facility and Delaney Hall. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Cristina Costantini, a reporter with *Fusion* in Brooklyn, New York, one Excel spreadsheet and 61 pages of records pertaining to the following: (1) 215 allegations of abuse that the Government Accountability Office (GAO) reviewed in its November 2013 report, GAO-14-38, “Immigration Detention: Additional Actions Could Strengthen DHS Efforts to Address Sexual Abuse;” and (2) sexual assault and abuse allegations filed by ICE detainees from January 1, 2009, through August 31, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **April 24**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Geoffrey Heeren, an attorney with the Valparaiso University Law Clinic in Valparaiso, Indiana, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistics pertaining to individuals granted benefits or relief from removal by ICE. These records were released in full.
- On **April 27**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to Sylvia Carignan, a reporter with the *Frederick News Post* in Frederick, Maryland, and Alison Young, a reporter with *USA Today* in McLean, Virginia, 52 pages of records pertaining to laboratory incidents that occurred at the National Biodefense Analysis Countermeasures Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(F).
- On **April 28**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Patrick Michels, a reporter with *The Texas Observer* in Austin, Texas, 31 pages of records consisting of reports of investigation and case summary reports pertaining to three specific investigations. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **April 28**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Bill Streifer, a freelance journalist in Inwood, New York, 65 pages of records consisting of immigration records contained in the Alien File for the late Fritz Hansgirk. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(C).
- On **April 28**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Tiff Hagger, a researcher with *Ark Media* in Brooklyn, New York, 35 pages of records consisting of the Alien File for the late Anne Smith. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **April 29**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 109 pages of records consisting of correspondence to and from Governor Rick Perry (R-TX). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **April 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Guiheng Zhou, a representative with Sina Corporation in Tianjin, China, 20 pages of records consisting of statistical data pertaining to the number of incoming passengers whose passports list the nationality as China from fiscal years 2012 through 2015 (year to date). These records were released in full.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

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- On **May 20**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong and other Department officials will participate on a panel discussion about immigration at the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs' annual conference in Spokane, WA. During the panel discussion, officials will outline the public safety benefit of state and local law enforcement participation in the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- On **May 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will deliver the keynote address at a convention of consular officials in Washington, DC hosted by the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, the American Immigration Council, and the Immigrant Legal Resource Center. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 9**, there are **593,398** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of **17,691,201** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,394**.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **May 18**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Stanford Senior Research Scholar for cyber policy Herb Lin. Closed press.
- On **May 18**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara and National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary Andy Ozment will travel to Albany, NY to meet with Commissioner of the New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services John Melville and representatives from Governor Cuomo's office to discuss a range of Cybersecurity related topics. While in Albany, Assistant Secretary McNamara and Assistant Secretary Ozment will also tour the Multistate Information Sharing and Analysis Center. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on the emerging cyber ecosystem and its effect on national security, at the Colorado Cybersecurity Consortium, in Denver. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will meet with Jamie Saunders, Director for Cyber Crime at the United Kingdom National Crime Agency to discuss cooperation on combating cyber-crimes. Closed press.

- On **May 20**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Boeing Chairman Jim McNerney to discuss cybersecurity and aviation security. Closed press.

#### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

##### Principal Schedules

###### *Secretary Johnson*

- From **May 16 to 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Los Angeles, CA to deliver the commencement address at Occidental College. Open press.
- On **May 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with U.S. Ambassador to Sweden Mark Brzezinsky to discuss preclearance and the visa waiver program. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Representatives John Carter and Lucille Roybal-Allard for a quarterly meeting. Closed press. Separately that afternoon, Secretary Johnson will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul along with Representative Bennie Thompson, Senator Tom Carper, and Senator Ron Johnson for a quarterly meeting. Closed press.
- On **May 20**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New London, CT where he will deliver the commencement address at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. Open press.
- On **May 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson, along with Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, will attend the Homeland Security Advisory Council's (HSAC) partially closed meeting at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will be on personal travel to Montclair, NJ where he will also deliver remarks at the Montclair Memorial Day Ceremony. Open press.
- During the week of **May 25**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will work out of his New York, NY office, with the exception of scheduled official travel on May 27 to Kansas City, KS for an Office of Science and Technology Groundbreaking and Ceremony. Open press.

###### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- From **May 18 to 19**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to New Orleans, LA where he will conduct site visits to local field offices within the Department. Closed press.
- From **May 28 to June 3**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Germany to engage in a series of bilateral meetings. Portions open and closed press.

###### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **May 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with representatives from Lockheed Martin, to include Stephanie Hill, Vice-President and General Manager of Information Systems & Global Solutions civil business, and Marsha Malone, Vice-President of Government Relations, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 18**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara and National Protection and Programs Directorate, Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Assistant Secretary Ozment will travel to Albany, NY to meet with Commissioner of the New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services John Melville and representatives from Governor Cuomo's office to discuss a range of Cybersecurity related topics. While in Albany, Assistant Secretary McNamara and Assistant Secretary Ozment will also tour the Multistate Information Sharing and Analysis Center. Closed press.



- On **May 18**, Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum will speak on a panel discussing the role of shared services in federal agencies at the Joint Financial Management Improvement Program Federal Financial Management Conference in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, Transportation Security Administration Acting Administrator Mel Carraway will provide keynote remarks at the Christopher Newport University Symposium on Homeland Security and Defense in Newport News, VA. The discussion will focus on protecting U.S. infrastructure. Open press.
- On **May 19**, Office of Operations Coordination and Planning Director Richard Chavez will participate in a tour and meet and greet with National Executive Director Nihad Awad at the Council on American-Islamic Relations. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Kathleen Wynne, the Premier of Ontario, at CBP Headquarters. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to a group of foreign delegates attending the 2015 CBP and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) International Workshop at the Intellectual Property Rights National Coordination Center in Arlington, VA. ICE Director Sarah Saldaña is also scheduled to address the group. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will join the Private Sector Office Chief of Staff James Dinneen for a meeting with the Orange County Business Council in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will attend the Automated Mutual-Assistance Vessel Rescue Awards Dinner at the National Press Club. Open press.
- On **May 21**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will deliver a keynote speech during the National Response to Catastrophic and Disruptive Threats Exercise 2015 at the United States Marine Corps Command and Staff College. Location: Quantico, VA. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a Central Florida Community Engagement Roundtable quarterly meeting hosted by the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties in Tampa, FL. The Commissioner will also deliver remarks at a Policy Leadership Speaker Series luncheon hosted by St. Petersburg College in Seminole, Florida, and host a CBP employee town hall. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Tampa, FL where he will participate in a Central Florida Community Engagement Roundtable quarterly meeting hosted by the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. The Commissioner will also deliver remarks at a Policy Leadership Speaker Series luncheon hosted by St. Petersburg College in Seminole, FL. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate and Deputy Associate Administrator for Mitigation Roy Wright will host the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers/FEMA Senior Leadership Seminar to discuss interagency coordination in disaster response. Closed press.
- On **May 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Tacoma, WA where he will deliver the keynote address at the CBP West Coast Trade Symposium. Open press.

- On **May 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to San Jose, Costa Rica where he will sign a Customs Mutual Assistance Agreement. Open press.
- On **Friday, May 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Panama City, Panama where he will sign a memorandum of understanding on cargo data information sharing. Open press.
- On **May 28**, Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection Director Huban Gowadia along with Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will meet with Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti for a demonstration of Securing the Cities (STC) capabilities and a discussion about the STC effort in the Los Angeles/Long Beach region. STC is a grant program focused on high-threat, high-density urban areas and is currently supporting New York City/Jersey City/Newark, Los Angeles/Long Beach, and the National Capital Region. Open press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **May 7**, the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Public Affairs facilitated a visit to the Central Air Cargo Exam Facility in Newark, NJ for Nate Silver, editor-in-chief of *FiveThirtyEight*, to shoot b-roll footage for a short film called the “Case of the Hidden Idols.” The film will take viewers inside the Department’s investigation into Subhash Kapoor’s global smuggling network and show how data cracked the case, the largest seizure of antiquities in U.S. history. **Publication date to be determined.**

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **May 18**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate and Deputy Associate Administrator for Mitigation Roy Wright will meet with Representative Andy Harris and his staff to discuss Federal Flood Risk Management Standards implementation and provide program context. Closed press.
- On **May 19**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin and Deputy Assistant Secretary Drew Kuepper are briefing the House Appropriations Committee on a Policy overview and Policy’s Planning, Programming, Budget and Execution process. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection (DNDO) Director Huban Gowadia is scheduled to participate in a demonstration of detection capabilities of DNDO’s Mobile Detection Deployment Unit for congressional members and staff. Closed press.
- On **May 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations Assistant Director for Repatriations Marlen Piñeiro will provide a briefing to Senator Bill Nelson on Cuban removals. This briefing was requested by Senator Nelson’s staff. Closed press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 1**, Laura Strickler, a producer with *CBS News* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the cost and/or planning of providing protection to former President Bill Clinton for his March 2011 and February 2012 trips to Lagos Nigeria, from January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2013. On May 1,

Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to President Obama and any companions on their April 23, 2015 trip to Everglades National Park in Florida.

- On **May 1**, Gregory Korte, a reporter with *USA Today* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the letter from Congressman Doug Collins, received March 9, 2015, regarding Secretary Jeh Johnson's comments about Muslim Americans at the White House Summit on Countering Violent Extremism, File No. 1070373.
- On **May 4**, Patrick Taurel, a legal fellow with the American Immigration Council in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to Policies for the Apprehension, Detention and Removal of Undocumented Immigrants from November 20, 2014, through the present.
- On **May 4**, Patrick Taurel, a legal fellow with the American Immigration Council in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to standard operating procedures regarding Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals from November 20, 2014, through the present.
- On **May 4**, Emily Creighton, an attorney with the American Immigration Council in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the implementation of the Immigration and Nationality Act Section 235(b) Expedited Removals at the Karnes County Residential Center in Karnes City, Texas.
- On **May 5**, Dorothy Scheeline, a representative with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and the following: (1) Senator Mark Kirk (R-IL) or his staff from November 2010 through the present; and (2) Congressman Mark Kirk (R-IL) or his staff from January 2001 through November 2010.
- On **May 6**, Alexa O'Brien, a reporter with *VICE News* in Astoria, New York, and Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Beverly Hills, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to: (1) Jacob Appelbaum; (2) *Der Spiegel*; (3) the TOR Project; (4) the Chaos Computer Club; (5) the Freedom of the Press Foundation; (6) Cypherpunks; (7) Cult of the Dead Cow; (8) Noisebridge; (9) Kink.com; (10) Greenpeace; (11) the Ruckus Society; (12) the Rainforest Action Network; (13) monochrome; (14) Transparency International; (15) Wikileaks; and (16) Hackers on Planet Earth.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **April 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Steven Emerson, President with *SAE Productions* in Washington, DC, 17 pages of records consisting of advisory group notes and briefing notes from meetings between John Cohen and organizations or individuals regarding training pertaining to communication outreach efforts. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 7(E).
- On **May 1**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, 44 pages of records consisting of the Investigation of DHS Employee Corruption Cases Report prepared

by the DHS, Office of Inspector General (OIG), dated September 10, 2014, and e-mails pertaining to the report.

- On **May 1**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the investigation of the January 1, 2014 explosion and fire at the Cedar-Riverside apartment complex in Minneapolis, Minnesota. On May 1, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Nicola Clark, a reporter with *The New York Times* in Paris, France, 87 pages of records pertaining to the travel history for the late Andreas Guenter Lubitz. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 1**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to LaDonna Beeker, a producer with *WIS-TV* in Columbia, South Carolina, 239 pages of immigration records from the late Sung Hee Kwon's Alien File. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 5**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to LaDonna Beeker, a producer with *WIS-TV* in Columbia, South Carolina, 513 pages of immigration records from the late Raja Fayad's Alien File. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 57 pages of records pertaining to the formation and functions of the "Grupos Beta" of Mexico's Instituto de Migracion. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 6**, 2015, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Tom Winter, a reporter with *NBC News* in New York, New York, four pages of records pertaining to the travel history for the late Tamerlan Tsarnaev. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

May 21, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **May 26**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will deliver the keynote address at a convention of consular officials in Washington, DC hosted by the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, the American Immigration Council, and the Immigrant Legal Resource Center. Closed press.
- On **May 27**, Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will host a public teleconference on U Nonimmigrant Visas. Ombudsman Odom and others will discuss U visa processing, law enforcement certification issues, processing times at the Vermont Service Center, and best practices for filing with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the Department of State. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 16**, there are **594,709** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of **18,347,648** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,396**.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **May 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on security and resilience for GPS networks, at the Aerospace Industries Association GPS Modernization Luncheon. Closed press.
- On **May 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on physical and cyber security for electric power grids at the Independent System Operators and Regional Transmission Organizations Annual Conference. Closed press.
- On **May 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will travel to New York, NY where she will deliver remarks on DHS cybersecurity priorities for critical infrastructure at the Billington Corporate Cybersecurity Summit. Open press.
- On **June 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion entitled, “Cyber Warfare, Eurasian Incursions and the Growth of State-Sponsored Hacking,” at the Thompson-Reuters 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Law Firm Forum, in New York. Closed press.
- On **June 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will travel to Yountville, CA where she will participate in a panel discussion on cybersecurity, at the Executive Women in Energy Summer Meeting. Closed press.

## Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **May 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson, along with Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, will attend the Homeland Security Advisory Council's (HSAC) partially closed meeting at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **May 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will be on personal travel to Montclair, NJ where he will also deliver remarks at the Montclair Memorial Day Ceremony. Open press.
- During the week of **May 25**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will work out of his New York, NY office, with the exception of scheduled official travel on May 27 to Kansas City, KS for an Office of Science and Technology Groundbreaking and Ceremony. Open press.
- On **June 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will tour Mount Weather and receive a briefing and overview of capabilities with U.S. NORTHCOM Commander Bill Gortney. This will be facilitated by Office of Operations Coordination Richard Chavez. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Miami University of Ohio as part of their Inside Washington internship program. Closed press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- From **May 28 to June 3**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Germany to engage in a series of bilateral meetings. Portions open and closed press.
- On **June 5**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in the President's Management Council Meeting. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **May 22**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will provide opening remarks to a meeting of the Homeland Security Intelligence Council. Closed press
- On **May 26**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with members of local trade and tourism associations as well as host a Roundtable Meeting with key stakeholders in Baltimore, MD. Closed press.
- On **May 27**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Tacoma, WA where he will deliver the keynote address at the CBP West Coast Trade Symposium. Open press.
- On **May 27**, Office of Operations Coordination Director and Continuity Coordinator Richard Chávez will attend the Continuity Advisory Group, which is a quarterly meeting led by the Federal Emergency Management Agency that includes Federal Executive Branch Continuity Coordinators from 64 Departments and Agencies. Closed press.
- On **May 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to San Jose, Costa Rica where he will sign a Customs Mutual Assistance Agreement. Open press.
- On **May 28**, Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection Director Huban Gowadia along with Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will meet with Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti for a demonstration of Securing the Cities (STC) capabilities and a discussion about the STC effort in the Los Angeles/Long Beach region. STC is a grant program focused on high-threat, high-density urban areas and is currently supporting New

York City/Jersey City/Newark, Los Angeles/Long Beach, and the National Capital Region. Open press.

- On **May 28**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will travel to Miami, FL where he will participate in a Hurricane Briefing at the National Hurricane Center. Open press.
- On **May 29**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Panama City, Panama where he will sign a memorandum of understanding on cargo data information sharing alongside Panamanian President Juan Carlos Verla. Open press.
- On **June 1**, Office of Operations Coordination Director Richard Chávez will meet with Director of the National Weather Service Louis Uccellini and Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs for the National Weather Service John Sokich. Following the meeting with Director Chávez, Directors Uccellini and Sokich will tour the National Operations Center. Closed press.
- On **June 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver the keynote address at the 94<sup>th</sup> American Association of Exporters and Importers Conference & Expo in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Phoenix, AZ where he will speak at the joint annual meeting of the Police Executive Research Forum, the Major Cities Chiefs Association, and the National Executive Institute Associates. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **May 14**, *Washington Post* reporter Stephanie Kirchner interviewed U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello by phone for a story about illegal migration to Europe and steps that countries have taken to enforce immigration laws. Topics discussed included measures to increase border security and the Southwest Border campaign. Publication date to be determined.
- On **May 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will interview with National Public Radio on Coast Guard Arctic operations and its icebreaking mission and assets.
- In **June**, the Nation celebrates Immigrant Heritage Month, as designated by President Obama. (Communications plan in draft.)

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **June 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing on DHS's international programs. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement International Operation Assistant Director Lev Kubiak will also participate. Open press.
- On **May 27**, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection representative from the Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Homeland Security regarding public-private partnerships and the associated FY 2016 budget request. Closed press.



- On **May 29**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region III Administrator MaryAnn Tierney will provide a FEMA 101 presentation to Representative Ryan Costello. Location: West Chester, PA. Closed press.
- From **May 26 to 28**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) will host congressional staffers from U.S. Senator Johnny Isakson's office and from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. They will visit FLETC's sites in Glynco, GA, and Charleston, SC to better familiarize themselves with FLETC operations. Closed press.
- On **May 28**, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection representative from the Office of Air and Marine will brief staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Homeland Security regarding the Coastal Surveillance Systems Pilot at the Air and Marine Operations Center. Closed press.
- On **June 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña will meet with Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid to discuss ICE's enforcement priorities, prosecutorial discretion, and family unit detention. This meeting was requested by Senator Reid. Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 7**, Nicholas Riccardi, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Denver, CO requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records of correspondence between DHS and the Office of Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) as listed in the DHS correspondence log: (1) correspondence dated August 1, 2011, regarding a constituent who has a construction contract with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) (ID #917307); (2) correspondence dated December 9, 2011, regarding a group of Cuban Americans with concerns regarding Cuban immigration (ID#932245); (3) correspondence dated December 22, 2011, seeking assistance for Haitian families (ID# 932734); (4) correspondence dated January 10, 2012, on behalf of a constituent requesting U.S. citizenship (ID#935029); (5) correspondence dated August 28, 2012, on behalf of a constituent requesting permanent id (ID#957251); (6) correspondence dated September 25, 2012, regarding humanitarian admission (ID#962819); and (7) correspondence dated March 14, 2013, regarding immigration reform/E2 treaty reform investor visa holders (ID#976487).
- On **May 7**, Marcy McMacken, an editor with *Telemundo Arizona* in Phoenix, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the investigation report for the June 26, 2014 incident regarding a Mexican military helicopter that allegedly entered U.S. airspace and then fired shots at U.S. Border Patrol agents.
- On **May 8**, Felipe Hemming, a reporter with *PINAC News* in Highland, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the names, ranks, and dates of hire of all individuals assigned to U.S. Border Patrol's Swanton Sector in New York where an altercation occurred on May 7, 2015, between an individual and two Border Patrol agents at a checkpoint.
- On **May 11**, Nicole Gelinas, a writer with the Manhattan Institute in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the discovery and seizure at the border of counterfeit or suspected counterfeit New York City mobile food vending cart permits or other New York City street vending permits since 2010.

- On **May 11**, Emily Creighton, an attorney with the American Immigration Council in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to statistical data for each individual who was or is currently detained at the South Texas Family Residential Center in Dilley, Texas.
- On **May 12**, Jace Larson, a reporter with *KPRC* in Houston, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) investigations in the last two years that mention Houston's William P. Hobby Airport and George Bush Intercontinental Airport; and (2) records used to create the report OIG-15-86 that mention these airports.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **May 7**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Stephen Braun, a representative with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking a copy of e-mails between former Secretary Janet Napolitano and other DHS officials and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to and from the e-mail address hdr22@clintonemail.com from January 21, 2009, through February 1, 2013.
- On **May 7**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Mitchell Byars, a reporter with *The Daily Camera* in Boulder Colorado, four pages of records consisting of Individual Assistance household data pertaining to residences destroyed in Boulder County, Colorado due to flooding from September 11, 2013, through September 15, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **May 7**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Katie Drapcho, a representative with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, four pages of records consisting of correspondence between State Senator Joni Ernst (R-IA) and FEMA regarding a grant extension. These records were released in full.
- On **May 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jose Munoz, a fellow with *Univision Communications Inc.* in Miami, Florida, 444 pages of records pertaining to GPS ankle monitoring devices. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Ellen Nakashima, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, 1,379 pages of records pertaining to ICE's plan to seek a vendor to provide access to a National License Plate Recognition database service. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 11**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Beryl Lipton, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, 96 pages of records pertaining to contracts entered into by ICE for services and activities regarding the Houston Processing Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 11**, 2015, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Thomas Fritzsche, Clinical Teaching Fellow with the Cardozo School of Law in New York, New York, on behalf of the National Day Laborer Organizing Network, 124 pages of records consisting of publicly-available reports pertaining to the DHS Priority Enforcement Program. These records were released in full. (Case Number OIG 2015-118.)

- On **May 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Michael Kane, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor Chris Christie (R-NJ) or his offices from 1987 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Christie.
- On **May 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Patrick Stranix, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking the following records: (1) records of communication with former Governor Jeb Bush (R-FL) or his offices from 1974 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to former Governor Bush.
- On **May 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Krystal Ramirez, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor Mike Pence (R-IN) or his offices from 1991 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Pence.
- On **May 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Kimberly Smith, a representative with the University Of Denver Strum College Of Law in Denver, Colorado, 83 pages of records pertaining to U non-immigrant status certifications. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Perla Trevizo, a reporter with the *Arizona Daily Star* in Tucson, Arizona, 2,488 pages of records consisting of Border Patrol apprehensions for fiscal years 2012 through 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Perla Trevizo, a reporter with the *Arizona Daily Star* in Tucson, Arizona, 156 pages of records consisting of Border Patrol apprehensions for which the method of arrest is “other agency” from fiscal years 2010 through 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 13**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Lauren Sweeney, a reporter with *KPRC* in Houston, Texas, 82 pages of records consisting of complaints received from passengers at William P. Hobby Airport and George Bush Intercontinental Airport from January 1, 2013, through January 1, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **May 13**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 26 pages of records consisting of statistical data regarding the following items reported missing, lost, or stolen: (1) security and identification badges; (2) credentials; (3) access control devices; and (4) uniforms from January 1, 2012, through January 31, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 3.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

May 28, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- From **June 2 to 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Dan Ragsdale along with Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum and Department leaders from U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Office of Management will visit ICE facilities currently housing unaccompanied children in Dilley and McAllen, TX. Closed press.
- On **June 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will conduct a special naturalization ceremony at City Hall in Pittsburgh, PA, in honor of Immigrant Heritage Month. Pittsburgh Mayor William Peduto is also scheduled to attend. While in Pittsburgh, Director Rodríguez will also tour the Pittsburgh Field Office and participate in a stakeholder meeting. Portions open and closed press.
- On **June 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will deliver remarks at the Council on Global Immigration's 2015 Symposium in Washington, DC. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 23**, there are **595,817** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of **19,065,982** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,394**.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **June 1**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will have a meet and greet with the Mexican Ambassador to the U.S., Mr. Alejandro I. Estivill. This engagement will focus on counterterrorism and cyber security. Office of Intelligence and Analysis Under Secretary Francis Taylor will also participate. Closed press.
- On **June 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and Special Assistant to the President and Cybersecurity Coordinator Michael Daniel will meet to discuss cybersecurity with Senator Nelson. Closed press.
- On **June 2**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on security and resilience for GPS networks, at the Aerospace Industries Association GPS Modernization Luncheon. Closed press.
- On **June 3**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a call to Senator Richard Burr to discuss issues pertaining to homeland security issues, highlighting cybersecurity. Closed press.
- On **June 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Cyber Warfare, Eurasian Incursions and the Growth of State-Sponsored Hacking," at the Thompson-Reuters 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Law Firm Forum, in New York. Closed press.
- On **June 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will travel to Yountville, CA where she will participate in a panel discussion on cybersecurity, at the Executive Women in Energy Summer Meeting. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion

entitled, “Militarization of the Internet: Expanding the Boundaries of Cyberwar,” at the Techonomy Media Policy Conference, in Washington. Open press.

- On **June 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on Information Sharing and Analysis Organization (ISAO) best practices, at the DHS ISAO Workshop, in Cambridge, MA. Open press.
- On **June 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks cybersecurity threats, at the Gartner Security & Risk Management Summit, in National Harbor, MD. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Boeing Company Chairman Jim McNerney on cybersecurity and aviation security related issues. Closed press.

#### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

##### Principal Schedules

###### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **June 2**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a call with Senator Martin Heinrich in response to the Senator’s request for a short briefing on U.S. Customs and Border Protection operations and New Mexico’s Port of Entry at Santa Teresa. Closed press.
- On **June 3**, Secretary Jeh Johnson travel to Philadelphia, PA where he will participate in a Countering Violent Extremism effort student engagement. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will tour Mount Weather and receive a briefing and overview of capabilities with U.S. NORTHCOM Commander Bill Gortney. This will be facilitated by Office of Operations Coordination Richard Chavez. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Miami University of Ohio as part of their Inside Washington internship program. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with community and interfaith leaders in Sterling, VA to discuss Countering Violent Extremism efforts and awareness. Closed press.

###### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- From **May 28 to June 3**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Germany to attend biannual meetings of the Security Cooperation Group with German counterparts in Berlin followed by the G6+1 (France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Spain, United Kingdom, and United States) interior ministers’ meeting hosted by Germany in Dresden, and the U.S.-EU Justice and Home Affairs ministerial meeting in Riga, Latvia. Deputy Assistant Secretary Koumans is to accompany S2. Closed press.
- On **June 5**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in the President’s Management Council Meeting. Closed press.

###### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **May 31 to June 3**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will travel overseas to Norway and Iceland, for participation as an invited speaker during Nor-Shipping 2015, a commercial meeting in Oslo, Norway. Open press.

- From **June 1 to 2**, Office of Health Affairs Assistant Secretary and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield will travel to San Diego, CA where she will visit various local Department sites, in addition to the Coronado Naval Base. Closed press.
- **On June 1**, Office of Operations Coordination Director Richard Chávez will meet with Director of the National Weather Service Louis Uccellini and Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs for the National Weather Service John Sokich. Following the meeting with Director Chávez, Directors Uccellini and Sokich will tour the National Operations Center. Closed press.
- **On June 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver the keynote address at the 94<sup>th</sup> American Association of Exporters and Importers Conference & Expo in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- **On June 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner (CBP) R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a press event to promote CBP's travel and tourism related initiatives at the 2015 International Pow-Wow Conference hosted by the U.S. Travel Association and BrandUSA in Orlando, FL. Open press.
- **On June 3**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis Under Secretary Francis Taylor will meet with the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregation of America along with representatives from the National Security Council and Department of State to present a current threat assessment and discuss preparedness efforts and grant funds through the Nonprofit Security Grant Program. Closed press.
- **On June 5**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Phoenix, AZ where he will speak at the joint annual meeting of the Police Executive Research Forum, the Major Cities Chiefs Association, and the National Executive Institute Associates. Closed press.
- **On June 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Lieutenant General Michael Flynn, U.S. Army (Retired) and Chief Executive Officer of Flynn Intel Group LLC. Closed press.
- From **June 8 to 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Brussels, Belgium and The Hague, Netherlands where he will attend annual meetings of the Border Five agency heads, the World Customs Organization (WCO,) Policy Commission, and the WCO Council in Brussels, Belgium, and The Hague, Netherlands. Closed press.
- **On June 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Tampa, FL where she will serve as the keynote speaker at the Women in Federal Law Enforcement's Annual Leadership Training. Open press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- In **June**, the Nation celebrates Immigrant Heritage Month, as designated by President Obama. (Communications plan in draft.)
- **On June 1**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will travel to Miami, FL where he will join National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration leadership and the Director of the National Hurricane Center Rick Knabb at the 2015 Atlantic Season Hurricane kick-off media tour. Open press.

- On **June 2**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency will announce new disaster declaration data visualization for state, local tribal and territorial use. The communication products will include a blog post, video, social messaging, and a news release. Open press.
- On **June 9**, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Phoenix Public Affairs Officer will staff a media tour of the Florence Service Processing Center with two reporters from the local affiliate of National Public Radio. Open press.
- On **June 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Victim Witness Specialist Deanna Wallace will be interviewed by a freelance journalist with The Chronicle of Philanthropy. The interview will highlight Victim Witness Specialists' roles in ICE HSI's human trafficking investigations. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **June 2**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing on DHS's international programs. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement International Operation Assistant Director Lev Kubiak will also participate, along with Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin. Open press.
- On **June 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña will meet with Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid to discuss ICE's enforcement priorities, prosecutorial discretion, and family unit detention. This meeting was requested by Senator Reid. Closed press.
- On **June 2**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) representatives will brief the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security Chairman John Katko on TSA Pre-Check marketing strategy. Closed press.
- On **June 3**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis Under Secretary Francis Taylor will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security regarding "Terrorism Gone Viral: The Attack in Garland, Texas and Beyond" focusing on lone offender attacks and foreign fighters. Open press.
- On **June 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will provide a cyber-threat briefing to House Committee on Homeland Security staff. Closed press.
- On **June 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will participate in a meet and greet with Representative Will Hurd. Closed press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **May 14**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to reports produced by the National Operations Center or regional Operations Centers containing the keyword "Philadelphia" from 7 pm on May 12, 2015, through the present.
- On **May 15**, Robert O'Harrow, a writer with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records compiled in response to Government Accountability Office requests regarding Freedom of Information Act performance since 2008.
- On **May 18**, Arnaldo Rojas, a reporter with *KXLN-TV* in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the number of



complaints and incidents of sexual assaults in immigration detention centers from January 1, 2013, through April 30, 2015.

*FOIA Release*

- On **May 14**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Michael Kaufman, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California in Los Angeles, California, 487 pages of records consisting of the Alien File for a named individual. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption k2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 7(C) and 7(E).
- On **May 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Gabriela Rivera, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in San Diego, California, 163 pages of records pertaining to expedited removals and asylum claims from January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Marcy McMacken, a reporter with *Telemundo AZ News* in Phoenix, Arizona, four pages of records pertaining to an incident on June 26, 2014, regarding a Mexican helicopter that entered U.S. airspace and then fired shots at U.S. Border Patrol agents. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Johnny Dwyer, a freelance journalist with *Foreign Policy* in New York, New York, 11 pages of records pertaining to the outbreaks of the Ebola virus from January 1, 2012, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 15**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Ellen Nakashima, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, three pages of records consisting of a Proper Use Memorandum. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3 and 6.
- On **May 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, 12 pages of records pertaining to computer query/commands used to prepare the reports that the Enforcement and Removal Operations statistical tracking unit generates for the Criminal Alien Program on a regular basis. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 18**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Hannah Rappleye, a journalist with *NBC News* in New Orleans, Louisiana, 110 pages of records and two Excel spreadsheets pertaining to guns, assets, and other items seized as a result of Operation Community Shield Task Force's operations within the borders of Honduras from fiscal year 2010 through the present, including but not limited to the 1,118 weapons seized from gang members or their associates during Operation Community Shield gang enforcement operations during fiscal year 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **May 19**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) issued to Thania Clevenger, an attorney with the Council on American-Islamic Relations in Tampa, Florida, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records pertaining to an incident that

occurred between two named individuals and a Federal Air Marshall at Pittsburgh International Airport on June 17, 2014.

- On **May 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Malia Litman, an individual in Dallas, Texas, five pages of complaint records pertaining to the United States Secret Service (USSS). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **May 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Claire Vinocur, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to her request seeking the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor John Kasich (R-OH) or his offices; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Kasich.
- On **May 19**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ralf Karerat, a writer with *American Bazaar* in Germantown, Maryland, two pages of records consisting of data pertaining to H1-B, L1, H4, F1, F2, J1, and J2 visa applications submitted for fiscal years 2005 through 2015(as of November 30, 2014). These records were released in full.
- On **May 19**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 12 pages of records contained in the Alien File for the late Albert Ensin. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **May 20**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 33 pages of records contained in the Alien File for the late Kazys Gimzauskas. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **May 20**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Trina Realmuto, an attorney with the National Immigration Project of the National Lawyers Guild in Boston, Massachusetts, one page of records consisting of correspondence pertaining to an audit involving the separation of family members during deportation to Mexico from lateral repatriation programs. These records were released in full.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **June 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will deliver remarks at the Council on Global Immigration's 2015 Symposium in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **June 11**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong will meet with members of the California State Sheriffs' Association to discuss immigration enforcement and implementation of the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- On **June 15**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong will deliver a presentation at the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association Summer Conference. Presentation topics include the implementation of the Priority Enforcement Program and federal support for local law enforcement equipment acquisition. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will travel to Boston, MA where he will host a press conference with Mayor Martin Walsh to promote citizenship education and awareness, and expand access to citizenship information and resources. Open press.
- From **June 16 to 19**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to San Diego, CA where he will attend the National Association of Attorneys General Summer Meeting and deliver remarks focusing on the Priority Enforcement Program. Open press.
- On **June 19**, the Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will present at the American Immigration Lawyers Association Annual Conference. They will preview the 2015 Annual Report and discuss our office's case assistance services. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **May 23**, there are **595,817** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of **19,065,982** queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is **1,394**. Please note there is no new data to report to technical difficulties this week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **June 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Militarization of the Internet: Expanding the Boundaries of Cyberwar," at the Techonomy Media Policy Conference, in Washington. Open press.
- On **June 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on Information Sharing and Analysis Organization (ISAO) best practices, at the DHS ISAO Workshop, in Cambridge, MA. Open press.
- On **June 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Chairman and Chief Executive Officer for AT&T on cybersecurity issues. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks cybersecurity

threats, at the Gartner Security & Risk Management Summit, in National Harbor, MD. Closed press.

- On **June 10**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Boeing Company Chairman Jim McNerney on cybersecurity and aviation security related issues. Closed press.

#### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

##### Principal Schedules

###### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **June 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Houston, TX where he will personally engage with communities across the country on countering violent extremism. He will attend a youth roundtable discussion as well as an engagement session at a local community college. Additionally, he will meet with Houston Mayor Annise Parker, Representative Sheila Jackson Lee and Senator John Cornyn for various site visits to include a disaster relief location in light of the recent flooding. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the French-American Friendship and Lafayette's Historic Voyage on L'Hermione Celebration Reception and Dinner in Mount Vernon, VA. Attendance will include Ambassador of France to the U.S. Gerard Araud. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with community and interfaith leaders in Sterling, VA to discuss Countering Violent Extremism efforts and awareness. Closed press.
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- On **June 11**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will lead a countering violent extremism public engagement with the All Dulles Area Muslim Society. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a discussion with Montgomery County local community, law enforcement, faith-based, and local government partners to learn about their violent extremism prevention and intervention approach. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at Senator Jeanne Shaheen's annual New Hampshire Business Day Luncheon, where members of the New Hampshire business community have an opportunity to hear from government leaders and members of congress about important federal programs and issues. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a recurring quad meeting along with Department of Treasury Secretary Jack Lew, National Security Agency Director Michael Rogers, and Federal Bureau of Investigations Director James Comey. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will hold a recurring secure video teleconference with U.S. Southern Command General John Kelly. Closed press.
- From **June 18 to 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York, NY where he will meet with the Hudson Union Society, an institution that brings together world leaders with the public to converse on current events. Closed press.

###### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **June 9**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas along with Office of Intelligence and Analysis Under Secretary Francis X. Taylor and Office of Operations Coordination and Planning Director Richard Chavez will attend a Homeland Security Senior Leader Seminar at the National Counterterrorism Center. Topics will focus on challenges faced in protecting the Homeland from terrorist threats related to ISIL, al-Nusrah Front, and AQ and its affiliates.

The Deputy Attorney General, Deputy Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Director of the National Counterterrorism Center will also attend. Closed press.

- On **June 10**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks at the fourth annual meeting of the U.S.-Mexico CEO Dialogue where he will address Department partnership initiatives with the private sector. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will have a meet and greet with Representative Bennie Thompson. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate as the featured guest on the Business of Government Hour for a radio interview. Open press.
- On **June 12**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Department of Justice Deputy Attorney General Sally Yates on current collaboration efforts. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **June 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Lieutenant General Michael Flynn, U.S. Army (Retired) and Chief Executive Officer of Flynn Intel Group LLC. Closed press.
- From **June 8 to 9**, the Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection Director Huban Gowadia will visit Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory. While there, she will conduct a town hall and roundtable session on women in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math. Closed press.
- From **June 8 to 12**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will travel to Lyon, France for various INTERPOL meetings. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Tampa, FL where she will serve as the keynote speaker at the Women in Federal Law Enforcement's Annual Leadership Training. Open press.
- On **June 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will travel to New York City to meet with the Maritime Security Committee and unit visits. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will meet with the editors of the Wall St. Journal in New York City to conduct an editorial board. Open press.
- From **June 11 to 12**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will travel to San Diego, California, as the Keynote speaker at the Women's Leadership Conference. Open press.
- From **June 10 to 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will travel to New York, NY to deliver the keynote address at the ICE Homeland Security Investigations-led Financial Crimes Symposium. Attendees will represent law enforcement, regulatory, and financial sector stakeholders in the New York/New Jersey High Intensity Financial Crimes Area. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will host the annual State Emergency Managers Hurricane Briefing video teleconference. Closed press.
- From **June 14 to 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Brussels, Belgium and The Hague, Netherlands where he will attend annual meetings of the Border Five agency heads, the World Customs Organization (WCO,) Policy Commission, and the WCO Council in Brussels, Belgium, and The Hague, Netherlands. Closed press.

- On **June 15**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will provide opening remarks at the Checkpoint Industry Day, sponsored by the Science and Technology Directorate. The purpose of the Industry Day is to share S&T and Transportation Security Administration's specific intentions for the new Apex Program. Concepts and ideas that emerge from the event will support investment plans for checkpoint technologies and architectures. Open press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a Labor-Management Forum with representatives from the National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU), to include NTEU President Colleen Kelly, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to students attending the CBP Leadership Institute at the CBP Advanced Training Center in Harpers Ferry, WV. Closed press.
- On **June 18** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to attendees of the FBI's National Executive Institute in Mount Vernon, VA. Closed press.
- From **June 19 to 22**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary McNamara will attend the U.S. Conference of Mayors annual meeting in San Francisco, CA. Portions open and closed press.
- From **June 21 to 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will travel to Frankfurt, Germany; Istanbul, Turkey; and Rome, Italy. Press to be determined.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **June 9**, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Phoenix Public Affairs Officer will staff a media tour of the Florence Service Processing Center with two reporters from the local affiliate of National Public Radio. Open press.
- On **June 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Victim Witness Specialist Deanna Wallace will be interviewed by a freelance journalist with The Chronicle of Philanthropy. The interview will highlight Victim Witness Specialists' roles in ICE HSI's human trafficking investigations. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, Federal Emergency Management Agency will announce new disaster declaration data visualization for state, local, tribal, and territorial use. The communication products will include a blog post, video, social messaging, and a news release.
- On **June 19**, a graduation ceremony will be held for the third class of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Human Exploitation Rescue Operative (HERO) Corps interns in Washington, DC before they begin internships at ICE field offices around the country. The ICE HERO Corps program recruits and trains wounded, ill, or injured active duty service members, transitioning active duty service members, and military veterans for employment to support law enforcement in the areas of child exploitation investigations and digital forensics. Open press.

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **June 8**, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representative will brief staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding CBP's international programs and engagement efforts. Closed press.

- On **June 10**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Deputy Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery Robert Fenton will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications on Defense Support of Civil Authorities. Open press.
- On **June 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will participate in a meet and greet with Representative Will Hurd. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Charles Michel will testify before the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere Interdiction Efforts. Open press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will testify before the House Committee on Oversight & Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, hearing on “DHS’s Implementation of Executive Action.” U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana will also testify. Open press.

*Other Briefings (Field Briefings, CODELs, Other Travel)*

- On **June 19**, Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) Under Secretary Francis X. Taylor will host a Congressional Deep Dive event at I&A for staff from the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and Senate Select Committee on Intelligence to provide a review of the recently approved new I&A organizational structure, a demonstration of the DHS Data Framework capabilities, a demonstration of the Homeland Security Intelligence Network and its maturation as a useful tool for state and local partners and a review of the Analytic Innovation Cell. Closed press.

Legal

*FOIA Requests*

- On **May 20**, Grace Meng, a researcher with Human Rights Watch in Los Angeles, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) case-by-case data pertaining to non-citizens removed from fiscal year 2007 through the present.
- On **May 21**, Shane Bauer, a reporter with *Mother Jones*, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to litigation against the Corrections Corporation of America and submitted by the company while seeking contracts for the South Texas Family Residential Center and the Otay Mesa Detention Center from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **May 21**, Kevin Rothstein, a producer with *WCVB-TV* in Needham, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the late Tamerlan Tsarnaev.
- On **May 21**, Nathan Wessler, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) the following records: (1) records pertaining to grant applications under the Urban Areas Security Initiative, the State Homeland Security Program, the Port Security Grant Program, and Operation Stonegarden to purchase, upgrade, and operate cell site simulators; and (2) Biannual Strategy Implementation Reports from January 1, 2000, through the present.
- On **May 21**, Alexandra Singer, a researcher with *Ark Media* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of the Alien File for the late Julia Lin (also known as Ming Hui Tsang).



- On **May 22**, Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the late Melbourne Hartman, including a copy of his C-file.
- On **May 22**, George Joseph, a reporter with *The Intercept* in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to the protest movement known as “Black Lives Matter” in the following state and cities over the last two years: (1) Florida; (2) Ferguson, Missouri; (3) New York, New York; and (4) Baltimore, Maryland.
- On **May 22**, Nicholas Riccardi, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Denver, Colorado, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records of correspondence between ICE and Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) from January 1, 2011, through May 22, 2015.
- On **May 26**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton from April 1, 2015, through the present.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **May 18**, the United States Secret Service (USSS) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 87 pages of records pertaining to Operation Moonlight. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Privacy Act Exemption j2 and Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
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## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

June 4, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

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- On **June 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion entitled, "Militarization of the Internet: Expanding the Boundaries of Cyberwar," at the Techonomy Media Policy Conference, in Washington. Open press.
- On **June 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on Information Sharing and Analysis Organization (ISAO) best practices, at the DHS ISAO Workshop, in Cambridge, MA. Open press.
- On **June 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Chairman and Chief Executive Officer for AT&T on cybersecurity issues. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks cybersecurity

threats, at the Gartner Security & Risk Management Summit, in National Harbor, MD.  
Closed press.

- On **June 10**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Boeing Company Chairman Jim McNerney on cybersecurity and aviation security related issues. Closed press.

#### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

##### Principal Schedules

###### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **June 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Houston, TX where he will personally engage with communities across the country on countering violent extremism. He will attend a youth roundtable discussion as well as an engagement session at a local community college. Additionally, he will meet with Houston Mayor Annise Parker, Representative Sheila Jackson Lee and Senator John Cornyn for various site visits to include a disaster relief location in light of the recent flooding. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the French-American Friendship and Lafayette's Historic Voyage on L'Hermione Celebration Reception and Dinner in Mount Vernon, VA. Attendance will include Ambassador of France to the U.S. Gerard Araud. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with community and interfaith leaders in Sterling, VA to discuss Countering Violent Extremism efforts and awareness. Closed press.
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- On **June 11**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will lead a countering violent extremism public engagement with the All Dulles Area Muslim Society. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a discussion with Montgomery County local community, law enforcement, faith-based, and local government partners to learn about their violent extremism prevention and intervention approach. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at Senator Jeanne Shaheen's annual New Hampshire Business Day Luncheon, where members of the New Hampshire business community have an opportunity to hear from government leaders and members of congress about important federal programs and issues. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a recurring quad meeting along with Department of Treasury Secretary Jack Lew, National Security Agency Director Michael Rogers, and Federal Bureau of Investigations Director James Comey. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will hold a recurring secure video teleconference with U.S. Southern Command General John Kelly. Closed press.
- From **June 18 to 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York, NY where he will meet with the Hudson Union Society, an institution that brings together world leaders with the public to converse on current events. Closed press.

###### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **June 9**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas along with Office of Intelligence and Analysis Under Secretary Francis X. Taylor and Office of Operations Coordination and Planning Director Richard Chavez will attend a Homeland Security Senior Leader Seminar at the National Counterterrorism Center. Topics will focus on challenges faced in protecting the Homeland from terrorist threats related to ISIL, al-Nusrah Front, and AQ and its affiliates.

The Deputy Attorney General, Deputy Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Director of the National Counterterrorism Center will also attend. Closed press.

- On **June 10**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will deliver remarks at the fourth annual meeting of the U.S.-Mexico CEO Dialogue where he will address Department partnership initiatives with the private sector. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will have a meet and greet with Representative Bennie Thompson. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate as the featured guest on the Business of Government Hour for a radio interview. Open press.
- On **June 12**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Department of Justice Deputy Attorney General Sally Yates on current collaboration efforts. Closed press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **June 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Lieutenant General Michael Flynn, U.S. Army (Retired) and Chief Executive Officer of Flynn Intel Group LLC. Closed press.
- From **June 8 to 9**, the Office of Domestic Nuclear Detection Director Huban Gowadia will visit Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory. While there, she will conduct a town hall and roundtable session on women in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math. Closed press.
- From **June 8 to 12**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary Alan Bersin will travel to Lyon, France for various INTERPOL meetings. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldaña will travel to Tampa, FL where she will serve as the keynote speaker at the Women in Federal Law Enforcement's Annual Leadership Training. Open press.
- On **June 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will travel to New York City to meet with the Maritime Security Committee and unit visits. Closed press.
- On **June 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will meet with the editors of the Wall St. Journal in New York City to conduct an editorial board. Open press.
- From **June 11 to 12**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will travel to San Diego, California, as the Keynote speaker at the Women's Leadership Conference. Open press.
- From **June 10 to 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director Daniel Ragsdale will travel to New York, NY to deliver the keynote address at the ICE Homeland Security Investigations-led Financial Crimes Symposium. Attendees will represent law enforcement, regulatory, and financial sector stakeholders in the New York/New Jersey High Intensity Financial Crimes Area. Closed press.
- On **June 11**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will host the annual State Emergency Managers Hurricane Briefing video teleconference. Closed press.
- From **June 14 to 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will travel to Brussels, Belgium and The Hague, Netherlands where he will attend annual meetings of the Border Five agency heads, the World Customs Organization (WCO,) Policy Commission, and the WCO Council in Brussels, Belgium, and The Hague, Netherlands. Closed press.

- On **June 15**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will provide opening remarks at the Checkpoint Industry Day, sponsored by the Science and Technology Directorate. The purpose of the Industry Day is to share S&T and Transportation Security Administration's specific intentions for the new Apex Program. Concepts and ideas that emerge from the event will support investment plans for checkpoint technologies and architectures. Open press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a Labor-Management Forum with representatives from the National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU), to include NTEU President Colleen Kelly, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **June 18**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to students attending the CBP Leadership Institute at the CBP Advanced Training Center in Harpers Ferry, WV. Closed press.
- On **June 18** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to attendees of the FBI's National Executive Institute in Mount Vernon, VA. Closed press.
- From **June 19 to 22**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary McNamara will attend the U.S. Conference of Mayors annual meeting in San Francisco, CA. Portions open and closed press.
- From **June 21 to 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will travel to Frankfurt, Germany; Istanbul, Turkey; and Rome, Italy. Press to be determined.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **June 9**, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Phoenix Public Affairs Officer will staff a media tour of the Florence Service Processing Center with two reporters from the local affiliate of National Public Radio. Open press.
- On **June 9**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Victim Witness Specialist Deanna Wallace will be interviewed by a freelance journalist with The Chronicle of Philanthropy. The interview will highlight Victim Witness Specialists' roles in ICE HSI's human trafficking investigations. Closed press.
- On **June 9**, Federal Emergency Management Agency will announce new disaster declaration data visualization for state, local, tribal, and territorial use. The communication products will include a blog post, video, social messaging, and a news release.
- On **June 19**, a graduation ceremony will be held for the third class of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Human Exploitation Rescue Operative (HERO) Corps interns in Washington, DC before they begin internships at ICE field offices around the country. The ICE HERO Corps program recruits and trains wounded, ill, or injured active duty service members, transitioning active duty service members, and military veterans for employment to support law enforcement in the areas of child exploitation investigations and digital forensics. Open press.

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **June 8**, a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representative will brief staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding CBP's international programs and engagement efforts. Closed press.



- On **June 10**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Deputy Associate Administrator for Response and Recovery Robert Fenton will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications on Defense Support of Civil Authorities. Open press.
- On **June 12**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will participate in a meet and greet with Representative Will Hurd. Closed press.
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*Other Briefings (Field Briefings, CODELs, Other Travel)*

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Legal

*FOIA Requests*

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#### Cybersecurity:

- On **June 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on DHS' role in cybersecurity, at the American Bar Association (ABA) Public Contracts Law Section, in Washington. Open press
- On **June 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate expects to announce that the Enhanced Cybersecurity Services program will be available to all U.S.-based public and private organizations, as opposed to only those classified as critical infrastructure. The announcement will be made via blog post.

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- On **June 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on cyber threats to businesses, at the Twenty-First Century Fox General Counsel Conference, in New York. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on cybersecurity for the power grid, at the Lexington Institute Power Grid Cybersecurity Working Group meeting, in Arlington, Va. Closed press.
- On **June 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on the Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community (C3) Voluntary Program, at the Industrial Control Systems Joint Working Group (ICSJWG) 2015 Spring Meeting. Open press.
- On **June 25**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity for payment systems, at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City Payments Conference, in Kansas City. Open press.
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###### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **June 15**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Karnes City, Texas to meet with families at the Karnes Family Residential Center. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a discussion with Montgomery County local community, law enforcement, faith-based, and local government partners to learn about their violent extremism prevention and intervention approach. Closed press.
- On **June 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Vinod Khosla, CEO of Khosla Ventures and Jim Dolce, CEO of Lookout Mobile to discuss technology and venture capital. Lookout Mobile has been an important partner for the Department in its San Francisco/Bay Area outreach and engagement.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at Senator Jeanne Shaheen's annual New Hampshire Business Day Luncheon, where members of the New Hampshire business

community have an opportunity to hear from government leaders and members of congress about important federal programs and issues. Closed press.

- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a recurring quad meeting along with Department of Treasury Secretary Jack Lew, National Security Agency Director Michael Rogers, and Federal Bureau of Investigations Director James Comey. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will hold a recurring secure video teleconference with U.S. Southern Command General John Kelly. Closed press.
- From **June 18 to 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York, NY where he will meet with the Hudson Union Society, an institution that brings together world leaders with the public to converse on current events. Closed press.
- On **June 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Admiral Gortney of NORTHCOM for a recurring SVTC. Closed press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **June 16**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will give the keynote address at the National Association of Attorney Generals Summer Meeting in La Jolla, CA. Open press.
- On **June 25**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate at the Security Innovation Network Innovation Summit to be held at the Times Center in New York, NY. He will give the closing keynote address. Open press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **June 14 to 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will travel to Brussels, Belgium and The Hague, Netherlands where they will attend annual meetings of the Border Five agency heads, the World Customs Organization (WCO,) Policy Commission, and the WCO Council in Brussels, Belgium, and The Hague, Netherlands. Closed press.
- On **June 15**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will provide opening remarks at the Checkpoint Industry Day, sponsored by the Science and Technology Directorate. The purpose of the Industry Day is to share Science and Technology's and the Transportation Security Administration's specific intentions for the new Apex Program. Concepts and ideas that emerge from the event will support investment plans for checkpoint technologies and architectures. Open press.
- On **June 15**, (tentative) FEMA and the Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration will launch a National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) call center to support policy holders seeking general information regarding their policies, and to receive recovery technical assistance. The NFIP call center can be reached at 1-800-621-3362, and will operate from Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. ET. Open press.
- On **June 16**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will present the U.S. Coast Guard Cyber Strategy at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). Open press.
- On **June 16**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will be speaking at the Science and Technology Patent Awards Ceremony. DNDO's Chief Scientist, Dr. Tom Albert, will be receiving an award for patenting and inventing a method and device for detecting moving radiation sources. Open press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a Labor-Management Forum with representatives from the National



Treasury Employees Union (NTEU), to include NTEU President Colleen Kelly, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.

- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to attend a meeting of the U.S.-Canada Executive Steering Committee hosted by the White House National Security Council in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Lance Fritz, President and Chief Executive Officer of Union Pacific Railroad, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to deliver keynote remarks at the second annual “Building A Competitive U.S.-Mexico Border” conference hosted by the Woodrow Wilson Center’s Mexico Institute, the Border Trade Alliance, and the Association of Mexican Businessmen in Washington, D.C. Open press via live webcast.
- From **June 17 to 18**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary McNamara will attend the National Association for Attorneys General (NAAG) Summer Meeting in San Diego, California. During the NAAG Summer Meeting, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will address the group on June 17 to discuss the new Priority Enforcement Program, as well as meet one-on-one with several Attorneys General. Portions Open and Closed press.
- On **June 18**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia and Deputy Director Brasure will be visiting the Defense Threat Reduction Agency to discuss the Nimble Elder (NE) program. NE is a contingency operations program that supports Combatant Commands and U.S. government agencies in countering WMD threats. Closed press.
- On **June 18** U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to attendees of the FBI’s National Executive Institute in Mount Vernon, VA. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña will host a graduation ceremony for the third class of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Human Exploitation Rescue Operative (HERO) Corps interns in Washington, DC before they begin internships at ICE field offices around the country. Open press.
- On **June 19**, the Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom, Acting Deputy Director Gary Merson, and Chief of Policy Elissa McGovern will present at the AILA Annual Conference. They will preview the 2015 Annual Report and discuss our office’s case assistance services. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary, Alan Bersin will be on travel in San Diego, California for domestic meetings with USCIS, CBP and ICE on law enforcement cooperation. Closed press.
- From **June 18 to June 19**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will travel to Tampa, FL, for participation as the keynote speaker during the 2015 Navy League National Convention. Open press.
- From **June 19 to 22**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary McNamara will attend the U.S. Conference of Mayors annual meeting in San Francisco, CA. Portions open and closed press.
- From **June 22 to 26**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña will participate in the annual Five Eyes Law Enforcement Group principals meeting in London. The meeting will bring together the heads of the Five Eyes law enforcement

community to discuss cross cutting issues involving information sharing, best practices and related topics. Additionally, the delegation will participate in a variety of bilateral meetings within the Embassy and with external law enforcement partners. Closed press.

- On **June 23**, Assistant Secretary Raul Perales will present luncheon remarks to the Washington Homeland Security Roundtable. (Press TBD)
- On **June 25**, Office of Operations Coordination Director Richard Chávez will participate in a tour and meet and greet with National Executive Director Nihad Awad at the Council on American-Islamic Relations. Closed press.
- From **June 21 to 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director Leon Rodriguez will travel to Frankfurt, Germany; Istanbul, Turkey; and Rome, Italy. While in Turkey, Director Rodriguez will meet with United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees representatives to discuss registration of Syrians. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- DHS earns an A+ on Small Business Scorecard, date of announcement TBD.

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **June 16**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Charles Michel will testify before the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere Interdiction Efforts. Open press.
- On **June 16**, Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement Assistant Administrator Eddie Mayenschein will testify before the Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security in a hearing on surface transportation. Open press.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director Sarah R. Saldaña and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director Leon Rodriguez will provide testimony to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security and the Subcommittee on Health Care, Benefits and Administrative Rules during a hearing on DHS's implementation of Executive Action. Open press.
- On **June 17**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Deputy Administrator Joseph Nimmich, Deputy Associate Administrator for Mitigation Roy Wright, and representatives from Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Council for Environment Quality (CEQ), Government Accountability Office (GAO), and Federal Transit Agency (FTA) will participate in a federal assistance, disaster costs and losses roundtable with the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management. Location: Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **June 19**, Under Secretary Taylor will host a Congressional Deep Dive event at I&A for staff from the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and Senate Select Committee on Intelligence to provide a review of the recently approved new I&A organizational structure, a demonstration of the DHS Data Framework capabilities, a demonstration of the Homeland Security Intelligence Network and its maturation as a useful tool for state and local partners and a review of the Analytic Innovation Cell. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, Under Secretary Taylor will host a follow-up Congressional lunch with staff from the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and Senate Select Committee

on Intelligence to discuss any questions arising from the June 19th deep dive event. Closed press.

*Other Briefings (Field Briefings, CODELs, Other Travel)*

- On **June 15**, Senate Sergeant at Arms, Frank Larkin, and House Sergeant at Arms, Paul Irving, and staff members will visit the Freedom Center. During the visit, the group will receive a tour/brief of the Transportation Security Operations Center and the Systems Operation Control Section. Closed press.
- On **June 17**, Senator Ron Wyden, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate, and private and public sector technology experts will participate in a FEMA Tech Corps Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signing ceremony in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **June 19**, Senator Marco Rubio's staff will travel to U.S. Coast Guard District 7 to tour the Coastguard Station Ft. Lauderdale and ride on a Fast Response Cutter. Discussion will include the U.S. Coastguard's Western Hemisphere Strategy. Closed press.
- On **June 26**, Senator Bill Nelson's staff will travel to visit the U.S. Coast Guard Maritime Security Response Team in Chesapeake, VA. His staff will be briefed on capabilities and operations of the Maritime Security Response Team. Closed press.

Legal

*FOIA Requests*

- On **May 28**, Steve Chamraz, a news anchor with *TMJ4* in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to firearms discovered at TSA checkpoints in General Mitchell International Airport from January 1, 2012, through May 1, 2015.
- On **May 28**, Lomi Kriel, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following records: (1) a copy of e-mails sent or received by Houston's ICE Chief Counsel Sabrina Gray and her successor Sarah Hartnett pertaining to prosecutorial discretion; and (2) records pertaining to the number of cases closed by prosecutorial discretion per month through Houston's ICE Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, including a brief description of the case, from January 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **May 28**, Lomi Kriel, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to recommendations, policy guidelines, and operational guidelines to address the district court's February 16, 2015 injunction in *Texas v. United States*, (S.D. Tex. 14-cv-254).
- On **May 28**, Lomi Kriel, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to monthly apprehensions for unaccompanied children and family units broken down per country per Border Patrol sector from October 1, 2013, through the present.
- On **May 29**, Lomi Kriel, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to monthly apprehensions for Cuban Inadmissibles broken down per Border Patrol sector from October 1, 2010, through the present.

- On **May 29**, Sam Pearson, a representative with *Environment & Energy News* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to the schedules for the following individuals: (1) Suzanne Spaulding; (2) David Wulf; and Caitlin Durkovich from August 20, 2014, through the present.
- On **May 29**, Lauren Barich, a research associate with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence for 58 specific workflows in the congressional correspondence log pertaining to Senator Richard Burr (R-NC).
- On **June 2**, Jeremy Cohen, an individual in West Palm Beach, Florida, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between DHS and Congressman Alan Grayson (D-FL) or his staff, or his previous office from January 1, 1990, through the present.
- On **June 2**, Miriam Aukerman, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan in Grand Rapids, Michigan, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the enforcement activities of the U.S. Border Patrol and/or staff for fiscal years 2012 through 2014 for the Detroit, Buffalo, and Tucson Sectors.
- On **June 2**, Ian Mandel, an individual in Alexandria, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records of correspondence and e-mails received from former Senator Hillary Clinton (D-NY) and her staff from January 3, 2001, through January 21, 2009.
- On **June 2**, Ian Mandel, an individual in Alexandria, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records of correspondence and e-mails received from the following: (1) the Clinton Foundation; (2) the William J. Clinton Presidential Foundation; (3) the William J. Clinton Foundation; (4) the William J. Clinton Foundation, Inc.; (5) the Bill, Hillary & Chelsea Clinton Foundation; (6) the Clinton Health Access Initiative; (7) the Clinton Global Initiative; (8) the Clinton Climate Initiative; (9) the Alliance for a Healthier Generation; (10) the Clinton Development Initiative; (11) the Clinton Giustra Enterprise Initiative; (12) the Clinton Presidential Center; (13) Too Small to Fail; and (14) No Ceilings: The Full Participation Project from January 1, 1997, through the present.
- On **June 3**, Michael Kaufman, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California in Los Angeles, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the death of Juan Pablo Flores-Segura.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **May 28**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Gregory Korte, a reporter with *USA Today* in Washington, DC, four pages of records pertaining to the letter from Congressman Doug Collins (R-GA), received March 9, 2015, regarding Secretary Jeh Johnson's comments about Muslim Americans at the White House Summit on Countering Violent Extremism. These records were released in full.
- On **May 29**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Jason Smathers, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, eight pages of records consisting of e-mails between TSA and congressional staffers pertaining to the possibility of

a government shutdown or the actual shutdown. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

- On **May 29**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Jennifer Wadsworth, a writer with *Metro Silicon Valley* in San Jose, California, eight pages of records consisting of a listing of perimeter security breaches at Mineta San Jose International Airport from January 1, 2012, through November 25, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 3
- On **June 1**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 215 pages of records contained in the Alien File for the late Andrija Artukovic. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **June 2**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Matthew Sledge, a representative with the *Huffington Post* in New York, New York, 17 pages of records pertaining to: (1) the protests in Ferguson, Missouri and protests elsewhere over the death of Michael Brown Jr.; and (2) federal programs for equipping state and local law enforcement from August 9, 2014, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **June 29**, the Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will submit their Annual Report to Congress. Specific areas discussed include: quality and consistency in adjudications, delays in processing of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals renewal applications, handling of Special Immigrant Juvenile petitions, provisional waivers, asylum backlogs, the EB-5 Immigrant Investor Program, and the H-2 Temporary Worker Programs. Open press.
- In **June (~29th)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigrations Services plans to publish a new form—I-131A, Application for Travel Document—to allow lawful permanent residents to request a travel permit at a U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate. Open press.
- In **July (~4th)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigrations Services commemorates Independence Day with special naturalization ceremonies across the Nation, with a possible anchor ceremony at White House. Open press.
- On **July 4**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigrations Services Director León Rodríguez will participate in a naturalization ceremony for 100 new citizens at George Washington’s Mount Vernon in Mount Vernon, Virginia. Open press.
- On **July 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigrations Services Director León Rodríguez is scheduled to speak at the League of United Latin American Citizens’ annual conference in Salt Lake City, Utah. Open press.
- On **July 9**, DHS Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will present at the 2015 Catholic University Human Trafficking Conference. Closed Press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **June 20**, there are 600,792 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2015, a total of 21,828,185 queries have been run through the system; the weekly average for the number of employers registering is 1,391.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **June 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on building confidence in cyberspace, at the National Security Agency Information Assurance Symposium 2015, in Washington. Closed press.
- On **July 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for CS&C Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on his cybersecurity priorities at DHS, at the Homeland Security Dialogue Forum Luncheon Meeting in Washington. Closed Press.

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **June 30**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with the U.S. Ambassador to Italy and with the Ambassador to the Holy See in Rome, Italy. Closed press.
- On **July 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will make opening remarks at an American Jewish Community Meeting in Washington, D.C.

- On **July 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will make remarks at the National Student Leadership Conference in Washington, D. C.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **June 27 to 31**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong will participate in the National Sheriffs' Association Annual Conference, Major County Sheriff's Association Summer Conference, and Western States Sheriffs' Association meeting in Baltimore, MD. Closed Press.
- From **June 27 to July 1**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to lead the U.S. delegation to the South and Central Asia Regional Summit on Countering Violent Extremism in Astana, Kazakhstan. Closed press.
- On **June 29**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak at the Major County Sheriffs' Association conference in Baltimore, Maryland. Following his remarks, the Commissioner will meet with Sheriff William Gore of San Diego County, California. Closed press.
- On **June 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel H. Ragsdale will deliver remarks to the 2015 National Sheriffs' Association/Major County Sheriffs' Association 2015 Joint Summer Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland. Closed press.
- On **June 29**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will speak to the Government Technology and Services Coalition, a non-profit organization of companies that work in homeland and national security, at their "Insight Session. Closed press.
- On **June 30**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will speak at the Major County Sheriffs Association Conference in Baltimore, Maryland, to provide an overview of the current threat environment to the Nation's Sheriffs, as well as an overview of his strategic vision for I&A. Closed press.
- On **July 1**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Dr. Stephen Ostroff, Acting Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 1**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Gary Moore, President and Chief Operating Officer of Cisco, in Arlington, Virginia. Closed press.
- On **July 2**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer, Alan Bersin will meet with Yousef Al Otaiba, Ambassador of the United Arab Emirates to the United States to discuss Global Entry. Closed press.
- On **July 8**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with leadership from Women in Federal Law Enforcement (WIFLE), to include Executive Director Catherine Sanz, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. The Commissioner will be presented with the 2015 WIFLE Executive Committee Award. Closed press.

Items of Note

*Expected Press Stories*

- From **July 1 to 30**, the U.S. Coast Guard Ice Breaker Healy will be on an Arctic research mission. A camera crew from the TechKnow show on the Al Jazeera America network is embedded for part of the research mission. A New York Times team led by Reporter Steve Meyers is also embedded for part of the voyage.



- On **July 8**, an interview with Chief Human Capital Officer Catherine Emerson will air on Federal News Radio's 'Ask the CHCO' series. The discussion will center on workforce issues/challenges, best practices and lessons learned.
- On **June 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Ninth District Commander Rear Admiral June Ryan is scheduled to be interviewed by WKYC in Cleveland for a segment the news station does called "7 Minutes." The segment features the reporter interviewing the admiral for seven minutes on a variety of topics.

#### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **July 8**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Robert Kolasky will testify about DHS' efforts in climate change before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency.

#### *Other Briefings (Field Briefings, CODELs, Other Travel)*

- On **June 30**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) will host Senator David Perdue and his senior counselor at its headquarters in Glynco, Georgia. They will receive a tour and observe training to familiarize themselves with FLETC's operations. Closed press.
- On **July 7**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet (via teleconference) with Senator Kirsten Gillibrand regarding checkpoint operations, use of force policy, and related issues. Closed press.
- On **July 10**, Members of the House Homeland Security Committee's Task Force on Combatting Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel are scheduled to tour the National Targeting Center – Passenger in Reston, Virginia. Closed press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On **June 11**, **Larry Geller**, a reporter with *Disappeared News* in Honolulu, Hawaii, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records of correspondence between CBP or any predecessor agency and the late Senator Daniel Inouye (D-HI) or his office pertaining to long-line fishing vessels of foreign ownership or foreign flagged, or the crew or crewmembers of such vessels.
- On **June 11**, **Patrick Michels**, a reporter with *The Texas Observer* in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection the following records: (1) personnel records pertaining to three former CBP Internal Affairs employees; and (2) complaints against staff in the CBP Internal Affairs Houston Field Office from January 1, 2013, through January 1, 2015, including records of subsequent investigation or disciplinary action.
- On **June 11**, **Owen Barcala**, representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records pertaining to the Department's development of a mobile application for Freedom of Information Act requests.
- On **June 12**, **Jeremy Adler**, a research analyst with **America Rising, LLC** in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records of

communications between former Senator Russ Feingold (D-WI) and the Office of the Secretary, Executive Secretariat, DHS Office of Public Affairs, and DHS Office of Legislative Affairs from November 25, 2002, through December 31, 2004.

- On **June 12, Erick Payne**, a reporter with *OU Nightly* in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency records pertaining to the amount of monetary aid from FEMA to each of the 77 counties in Oklahoma as a result of the April 2015 through May 2015 tornadoes and flooding.
- On **June 12, Kris Van Cleave**, a correspondent with *CBS News* in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration records pertaining to complaints and investigations alleging inappropriate touching/groping by TSA officers from January 1, 2010, through the present.
- On **June 15, Kyle Sisenstein**, a representative with **America Rising, LLC** in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records of communications between former Congressman Joe Sestak (D-PA) and the Office of the Secretary, Executive Secretariat, DHS Office of Public Affairs, and DHS Office of Legislative Affairs from January 3, 2007, through January 3, 2011.
- On **June 15, Kyle Sisenstein**, a representative with **America Rising, LLC** in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records of communications between Congressman Patrick Murphy (D-FL) and the Office of the Secretary, Executive Secretariat, DHS Office of Public Affairs, and DHS Office of Legislative Affairs from January 3, 2013, through June 12, 2015.
- On **June 15, Greg Feltman**, an individual in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records of correspondence between DHS and Senator Mark Kirk (R-IL) or his staff from May 24, 2015, through the present.
- On **June 15, John Tran**, a counsel with the **Electronic Privacy Information Center** in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records pertaining to the One DHS Overstay Vetting Pilot and policies pertaining to DHS's practice in identifying high-risk nonimmigrant student visa holders.
- On **June 16, Aaron Gordon**, a reporter with *VICE Sports* in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement records turned over to a named requester and/or Major League Baseball from January 31, 2013, through June 16, 2015.
- On **June 16, Meera Sriram**, a representative with the **Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security the following records: (1) a log of correspondence between DHS and the office of Congressman David Jolly (R-FL) pertaining to the Florida Association of Broadcasters and SRI International from March 1, 2014, through the present; and (2) records in the DHS Privacy Office pertaining to complaints of, investigations into, or requests made by the aforementioned entities.
- On **June 16, Samah Assad**, a journalist with *WEWS NewsChannel 5* in Cleveland, Ohio, requested from the Transportation Security Administration records pertaining to the Federal Aviation Administration and/or TSA investigations into safety and security incidents at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport and Akron-Canton Airport for 2013 through the present.
- On **May 26, Scott Parker**, Director of Investigations with the **Republican National Committee** in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and

- Immigration Services records of correspondence and data sent to or from the following domain names: (1) clintonemail.com; (2) chelseaooffice.com; (3) presidentclinton.com; (4) mail.president.clinton.com; (5) printer.presidentclinton.com; and (6) wjcoffice.com.
- On **May 28, Zachary Mider**, a reporter with *Bloomberg News* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard records from the USCG Ninth District contracting office or the USCG Acquisition Directorate pertaining to Section 835 of the Homeland Security Act and/or the prohibition on contracting with inverted domestic corporations from January 1, 2010, through the present.
  - On **June 3, Eric Martin**, a journalist with *TradeWinds* in Stamford, Connecticut, requested from the United States Coast Guard records pertaining to the number of port-state control inspections and detentions each month from January 1, 2009, through May 31, 2015.
  - On **June 9, Seth Robins**, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in San Antonio, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the death of Jorge Alberto Umana-Martinez while detained at the South Texas Detention Complex in Pearsall, Texas.
  - On **June 10, Leslie Dellon**, a representative with the **American Immigration Council** in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security records pertaining to Form I-765 Applications for Employment Authorization for fiscal years 2011 through 2015 (year to date).
  - On **June 10, Blake Herzog**, a writer with the *Yuma Sun* in Yuma, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection records pertaining to disciplinary actions taken against a named employee regarding misrepresentation of attendance at Yuma City Council meetings as time worked for CBP at U.S. Border Patrol Yuma Station from January 1, 2012, through the present.

#### *FOIA Release*

- On **June 12**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement released to **Leticia Miranda**, a reporter with *The Nation* in Brooklyn, New York, 200 pages of records consisting of contracts between ICE and the Glades County Sheriff's Office. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **June 15**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services released to **Yezmin Thomas**, a journalist with *Telemundo Dallas* in Fort Worth, Texas, one Excel spreadsheet containing the number of denials pertaining to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals in Texas from August 1, 2012, through July 21, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6. On **June 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Ulysses Arn**, a reporter with **USofArn.com** in Ottawa, Illinois, five pages of records containing data pertaining to the number of unaccompanied minors and adult illegal immigrants apprehended by the U.S. Border Patrol near the southern border. These records were released in full.
- On **June 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Inspector General issued to **Jonathan Rudenberg**, a representative with **MuckRock News** in Boston, Massachusetts, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to reports based on the "red team" testing of Transportation Security Administration checkpoints with weapons and contraband. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 5.

- On **June 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released to **Mitra Ebadolahi**, an attorney with the **American Civil Liberties Union** in San Diego, California, 48 pages of records consisting of policies and reports pertaining to the death of Steven Brian Keith while in the custody of CBP at the Campo Border Patrol Station in Pine Valley, California. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

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July 1, 2015

### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **July 7**, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs' Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will join Department colleagues from Policy and Immigration and Customs Enforcement to brief House staff members from the Committee on Homeland Security regarding the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- On **July 7**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will meet with a small group of stakeholders in Washington, DC, to discuss the existing Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. Closed press.
- On **July 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will speak at the League of United Latin American Citizens' annual conference in Salt Lake City, Utah. Connection to Task Force on New Americans promotion/outreach. Open press.
- On **July 9**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New Orleans, LA where he will attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit Oral Arguments on immigration reform. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Chicago, IL where he will meet with local government and community leadership on Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **June 27**, there are **602,111** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2015, a total of **22,492,518** queries have been run through the system. On average, **1,388** employers register each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **July 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on department priorities at the Homeland Security Dialogue Forum Luncheon Meeting in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **July 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a roundtable discussion on the Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community Voluntary Program, at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Cybersecurity Roundtable event in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **July 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will be delivering remarks on Tactical Threat Intelligence Sharing, at the InfraGard Atlanta Members Alliance Chapter Meeting in Atlanta. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **July 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a call of the CEOs of major U.S. commercial air carriers to introduce Pete Neffenger as the new Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration. Closed press.

- On **July 6**, Secretary Johnson will visit the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Headquarters to introduce and welcome the new TSA Administrator, Admiral Peter Neffenger. Selected media outlets will be present to record remarks from Secretary Johnson and Administrator Neffenger. There will not be a question and answer period. Open press.
- On **July 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in an interagency meeting on the Going Dark initiative. Additional representation will include the Department of Justice, National Security Agency, and Department of Defense. Closed press.
- On **July 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the American Jewish Community Meeting and Tabletop Exercise, focusing on bringing together senior leaders from umbrella organizations within the American Jewish community to discuss coordination and response to a nationwide attack on its constituents. Closed press.
- On **July 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks to the National Student Leadership Conference which brings together high school students world-wide and providing the opportunity to explore high-level and effective leadership. Open press.
- On **July 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify before the House Judiciary Committee on General Oversight. Open press.
- On **July 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York City, NY where he will work out of his regional office and hold a secure video teleconference with USSOUTHCOM General John Kelly. Closed press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **July 8** Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the senior leaders meeting as a part of the Jewish Community Tabletop Exercise with leaders from the Jewish community. Closed Press.
- From **July 10 to July 12** Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to Los Angeles to throw out the first pitch at the LA Dodgers game on Cuban American Night. Additional meetings while in LA are TBD. Open Press.
- From **July 13 to July 18** Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will travel to Israel and Sweden to participate in a bilateral meeting with his Israeli and Swedish counterpart, respectively. Closed Press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **July 6 to July 10**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will be on official international travel to the Northern Coast (El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras) and will join U.S. Department of State Counselor Tom Shannon, Assistant Secretary of State Roberta Jacobson, Ambassador William Brownfield, U.S. Department of Justice Deputy Assistant Attorney General Bruce Schwartz, and U.S. Agency for International Development Assistant Administrator Beth Hogan on a trip to meet with foreign counterparts in order to further interagency collaboration on security initiatives in Central America. Closed press.
- On **July 7**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will host an Intelligence Community (IC)-wide IC Information Technology Environment (ITE) meeting at the request of the Director of National Intelligence. I&A will brief IC partners on the homeland intelligence mission in general and how technology and information sharing initiatives can help meet our intelligence needs. Closed press.

- On **July 8**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with leadership from Women in Federal Law Enforcement (WIFLE), to include Executive Director Catherine Sanz, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- From July 8 to 10, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will travel to Coast Guard District 13 (the Pacific Northwest – Oregon) for the Ancient Albatross Change of Watch Ceremony. Closed press.
- On **July 9**, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will present at the 2015 Catholic University Human Trafficking Conference. Closed Press.
- On **July 9**, U.S. Secret Service Director Joseph P. Clancy and Deputy Director Craig D. Magaw will lead a USSS Day of Remembrance Ceremony at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington DC.
- On **July 12**, Deputy Under Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum will participate in an executive working session on Human Capital in Federal Financial Management. The session will be held in Nashville, TN in conjunction with the Association of Government Accountants Professional Development and Training event in Nashville, TN. Closed press.
- On **July 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Training Conference and Exposition in Indianapolis, IN. Closed press.
- On **July 13**, Deputy Under Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum will present a session titled, “21st Century CFO, the Next Generation of Financial Management,” at the Association of Government Accountants Professional Development and Training event in Nashville, TN. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Intergovernmental Affairs’ Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will participate in the President’s Task Force on Puerto Rico meeting. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to meet with Mario Cordero, Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **July 5**, the CBS Sunday Morning Show will air an interview with Secret Service Director Joseph P. Clancy. The interview was pre-taped with CBS News National Correspondent Lee Cowan.
- On **July 8**, an interview with Chief Human Capital Officer Catherine Emerson will air on Federal News Radio’s ‘Ask the CHCO’ series. The discussion will center on workforce issues/challenges, best practices and lessons learned. The interview was recorded on June 16.
- On **July 9**, representatives from Customs and Border Patrol’s Office of Administration will participate in a press briefing hosted by the General Services Administration (GSA) to announce the construction of a temporary commercial roadway leading from the U.S.- Mexico border to the Columbus, New Mexico, land port of entry. By redirecting commercial traffic away from the primary inspection area, the project will expedite trade and reduce traveler wait times. Open press.
- On **July 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will address a session of the 6th Symposium on the Impacts of an Ice-Diminishing Arctic on Naval and Maritime



Operations, co-hosted by the U.S. National Ice Center and the U.S. Arctic Research Commission. Open press.

*Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **July 7**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Senator Kirsten Gillibrand regarding checkpoint operations, use of force policy, and related issues via telephone. Closed press.
- On **July 7**, U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services Refugee, Asylum & International Operations Associate Director Joe Langlois will testify at a Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs hearing: “The 2014 Humanitarian Crisis at our Border: A Review of the Government’s Response to Unaccompanied Minors One Year Later.” Representatives from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and the U.S. Department of Justice have also been invited. Open press.
- On **July 8**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Region VI Administrator Tony Robinson will meet with the Louisiana Congressional Delegation including Congressman Steve Scalise and Senator David Vitter to discuss the status of a pending first appeal for a Public Works grant related to Hurricane Katrina. Location: Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **July 8**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Robert Kolasky will testify about Department efforts in climate change before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency. Open press.
- On **July 9**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Screening and Coordination Policy Kelli Ann Burriesci will attend a Classified Member brief to Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and House Committee on Homeland Security on TSA Secure Identification Area (SIDA) vetting/access to Terrorist Identities Datamart Environment (TIDE) on July 9. PLCY/SCO will attend with TSA. Closed press.
- On **July 10**, Members of the House Homeland Security Committee’s Task Force on Combatting Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel are scheduled to tour the National Targeting Center – Passenger in Reston, VA. Closed press.
- On **July 10**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO) Director Gowadia will meet with Representative Daniel Donovan from the Committee on Homeland Security to brief the Congressman on DNDO’s mission. Closed press.
- On **July 14**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing on maritime operations. The Department of Homeland Security Inspector General will also testify. Open press.
- On **July 14**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will testify before the House of Representatives Committee on Homeland Security in a joint hearing entitled “Weapons of Mass Destruction: Bolstering DHS to Combat Persistent Threats to America.” Open press.
- On **July 14**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Security Technology joint hearing on the Chemical, Biological,

Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives (CBRNE) Office. Other witnesses include the DHS Domestic Nuclear Detection Office and Office of Health Affairs. Open press.

- On **July 15**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Alles will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at a hearing entitled “Understanding Threats and Strategies for the Maritime Border.” U.S. Coast Guard and Immigration and Customs Enforcement representatives will also testify. Open press.
- On **July 16**, Transportation Security Administration Assistant Administrator Rod Allison will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security in a hearing on Federal Air Marshals. Open press.
- On **July 17**, Transportation Security Administration representative Ginny Wise, accompanied by Federal Emergency Management Agency representation, will brief the Senate Appropriations Committee/House Appropriations Committee staff on the FY 2015 preparedness grants. Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **June 18**, Chuck Ross, a reporter with *The Daily Caller* in Wichita, Kansas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of e-mails sent between former Executive Assistant Director James Dinkins, current Executive Assistant Director Peter Edge, Senator Harry Reid (D-NV) or his staff, and senior investigator Taylor Johnson containing the keywords “EB-5, Reid, Mayorkas, McAuliffe, or Taylor Johnson.”
- On **June 18**, Mark Greenblatt, a correspondent with *Scripps* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) a copy of monthly, quarterly, or annual reports pertaining to matters of professional responsibility and/or misconduct from any law enforcement entities obligated to report these matters to the DHS-OIG.
- On **June 18**, Abigail Walls, a research analyst with America Rising, LLC in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of communications between Congresswoman Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) and the Office of the Secretary, Executive Secretariat, DHS Office of Public Affairs (OPA), and DHS Office of Legislative Affairs (OLA) from January 1, 2013, through June 24, 2015.
- On **June 18**, Sandra Chapman, a reporter with *WTHR* in Indianapolis, Indiana, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) the following records: (1) the 2015 report on TSA checkpoint screeners in which 67 of 70 banned weapons were not detected; and (2) the 2015 report on TSA checkpoint screening tests involving the State of Indiana.
- On **June 18**, Steve Emerson, President with *SAE Productions* in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to a February 13, 2015 meeting held by the Council on American-Islamic Relations Florida regarding community outreach, engagement, and safety for Muslim communities.
- On **June 19**, Joe Ferguson, a reporter with the *Arizona Daily Star* in Tucson, Arizona, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to items seized by TSA agents at Tucson International Airport from June 1, 2013, through June 1, 2015.
- On **June 19**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of e-mails sent or received by Mark Walters, Director, FEMA Emergency Services Division, Mt. Weather Emergency

Operations Center, on April 7, 2015, that include the keywords “power or National Operations Center.”

- On **June 19**, Joseph Trevithick, a freelance journalist with War Is Boring in Alexandria, Virginia, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to an after action review or final report regarding CBP’s Operation Bathe and Beaute.
- On **June 22**, Kelsi Loos, a reporter with *The Frederick News-Post* in Frederick, Maryland, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to detainees in ICE custody transferred to or from the Frederick County Adult Detention Center.
- On **June 23**, David Burghart, a journalist with FatalEncounters.org in Reno, Nevada, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to incidents and investigations regarding fatal encounters involving CBP from January 1, 2000, through June 23, 2015.
- On **June 23**, John Adams, a reporter with *PJ Media* in Alexandria, Virginia, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to James E. O’Keefe III, including directives to border patrol agents at ports of entry regarding Mr. O’Keefe.
- On **June 24**, Maria Sacchetti, a reporter with the *Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the late Tamerlan Tsarnaev.
- On **June 24**, Wesley Bruer, a producer with *CNN* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records of communications between DHS and the Office of Personnel Management and other federal government agencies pertaining to or in response to the most recent cyber-intrusion that compromised the private information of millions of government employees, including the breach of security clearance information; and (2) records pertaining to DHS advisements to the Office of Personnel Management regarding the security of its systems before the intrusion.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 18**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Michael Kunzelman, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to FEMA’s efforts to recoup disaster assistance funds that it provided to individuals following Hurricane Sandy in 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **June 18**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Justin Ling, a correspondent with *VICE News* in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to incident reports occurring on or around the Saint Lawrence, St. Regis, and/or Paquette Rivers from fiscal years 2009 through 2015 (year to date). These records were released in full.
- On **June 19**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Kelly Roberts, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, 10 pages of records consisting of communications with Senator Rand Paul (R-KY). These records were released in full.
- On **June 22**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Martha Mendoza, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Santa Cruz, California, five pages of records containing perimeter breach/access control data for San Jose Airport and Category X airports from January 1, 2004, through March 17, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 3.

- On **June 24**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, six pages of records consisting of the C-file for the late Melbourne Hartman. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **July 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with American Friends Service Committee in Newark, NJ and the American Immigration Lawyers Association New York Chapter in New York, NY to discuss the Ombudsman's case assistance services and issues with the delivery of immigration services by USCIS. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with the New York City Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs to discuss the Ombudsman's case assistance services and issues with the delivery of immigration services by USCIS. Closed press.
- In **July (~15th)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services anticipates Notice of Proposed Rule Making to expand eligibility for Form I-601A, Application for Provisional Unlawful Presence Waiver. (Anticipate congressional message, Facebook and GovDelivery posts, and tweets and uscis.gov content in English and Spanish.)
- In **July (~21st)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce the revision of volume 12 of its Policy Manual to clarify modifications to the Oath of Allegiance for naturalization. (Approximate date revised.) (Anticipate Web alert, Facebook and GovDelivery posts, and tweets in English and Spanish, and uscis.gov content.)
- In late **July or early August**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will publish regular data for the 3rd quarter of FY 2015 [including Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and renewals] to uscis.gov.
- In early **August**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will start public testing of an intelligent virtual assistant (IVA) chat feature for uscis.gov to offer customers new communication channels for finding answers to their questions and provide less expensive self-service options. USCIS plans to be the first component within the Department to implement an IVA.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 11**, there are **604,264** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of **23,724,135** queries have been run through the system. On average, **1,381** employers register each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **July 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will participate in a panel discussion on the elements of good public policy for the national power grid and infrastructure security, at the Electric Infrastructure Security Summit VI. 2015 in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **July 22**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on current issues and challenges in the field of security at NPPD, at the 2015 Aspen Security Forum in Aspen, CO. Open Press
- On **July 22**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on motivating high

school girls in pursuing STEM education and careers, at the Girls Who Code Program in Washington, DC. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **July 22 to 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Aspen, CO to attend and participate in the 2015 ASPEN Security Forum. Open press.
- On **July 27**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will hold a secure video teleconference with USSOUTHCOM General Kelly. Closed press.
- On **July 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will have lunch with Department of Justice Attorney General Loretta Lynch. Closed press.
- On **July 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will hold a secure video teleconference with USNORTHCOM Admiral Gortney. Closed press.
- On **July 29**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will have breakfast with the House Homeland Majority. Closed press.
- On **July 29**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give remarks for the 2015 Congressional Summer Intern Lecture Series. Open press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **July 21**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will provide keynote remarks at the Department of Homeland Security Blue Campaign 5-Year Anniversary event in Washington, D.C. Open Press.
- On **July 23**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will participate in a Summer Council of Governors meeting along with his DoD counterpart, and governor co-chairs. Closed Press
- On **July 24**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will participate in an Executive Committee Meeting with INTERPOL. Closed Press.
- On **July 29** (tentative), Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will address the Asian American Pacific Islanders Caucus meeting. Closed Press.

##### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **July 20**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will meet with the U.S. Ambassador to Argentina, Noah Mamet, to discuss a variety of topics to include collaboration on law enforcement issues, trade and travel facilitation, and potential travel to the region. Closed press.
- From **July 21 to July 25**, Under Secretary for Management Russ Deyo, Transportation Security Administrator Peter Neffenger, and Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will participate in panels at the Aspen Institute Homeland Security Group Meeting. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Chief Information Officer Luke McCormack will participate in FedScoop's Federal Executive Roundtable, an informal roundtable discussion focused with fellow Federal executives on the future of IT security. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will host a Trade Day meeting with the International Trade Surety Association and representatives of surety companies, to include Avalon Risk Management, Roanoke Trade

Services, Navigators Management Company, and International Bond & Marine at Customs and Border Protection Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

- On **July 23**, an Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties representative will travel to Chicago, Illinois to conduct a regular roundtable meeting with diverse community leaders. While there, CRCL will also conduct a regular Community Awareness Brief town hall with community leaders. Closed press.
- On **July 23**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Gary Moore, President and Chief Operating Officer of Cisco, in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **July 24**, Chief Information Officer Luke McCormack will participate in a panel discussion about what the new Administration should do with information technology, data transparency, and open government at the Performance Institute's Transitions in Government 2016 event in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **July 24 to July 26**, Office of Public Engagement Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary McNamara and Deputy Assistant Secretary Clark will attend the Summer National Governors Association meeting in West Virginia. Open and Closed Press.
- From **July 26 to July 28**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will speak at a workshop on foreign terrorist fighters hosted by the United Nations' Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate in Madrid, Spain. While in Madrid, the Deputy Commissioner will also meet with Spanish government and U.S. Embassy officials and representatives from Adolfo Suárez Madrid-Barajas Airport regarding preclearance expansion. Closed press.
- On **July 27**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to a delegation of senior police officials from India hosted by the International Association of Chiefs of Police in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 27**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña will pay formal respects to the sacrifice of America's veterans by participating in a wreath laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery's Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington, Virginia. Open press.
- On **July 28**, Office of Public Engagement Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary McNamara, State Coordinator Kim Johnson, and members of the Policy Screening Coordination Office will travel to New Hampshire to meet with state officials regarding REAL ID. Closed Press.
- On **July 28**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is scheduled to address a meeting of Office of Chief Counsel senior leadership in San Antonio, Texas. Closed press.
- On **July 29**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with local representatives of American Airlines, United Airlines, British Airways, and Delta Airlines, as well as with U.K. Home Office and U.S. Embassy officials and representatives from Gatwick Airport in London, England, regarding preclearance expansion. Closed press.
- On **July 29**, Deputy Under Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum will provide the keynote address at the American Council for Technology-Industry Advisory Council Data Act Forum in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **July 29**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend an Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations meeting in Chicago, Illinois. Open Press.



- On **July 30**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Paul MacKinnon, Public Safety Canada’s Assistant Deputy Minister for Strategic Policy, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to discuss preclearance firearms protocol. Closed press.
- On **July 30**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will participate in National Nuclear Security Administration’s Mission Executive Council meeting.
- On **July 30**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with local representatives of Delta Airlines, United Airlines, and American Airlines, as well as with representatives from Manchester Airport in Manchester, England, regarding preclearance expansion. Closed press.
- On **July 30 to July 31**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will travel to Riverside, CA to receive a tour of the Air and Marine Operations Center (AMOC) Operations Floor and Surveillance Center and meet with AMOC leadership on their role in the DHS Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Strategy. Closed press.
- From **July 31 to August 1**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with representatives of Edinburgh Airport in Edinburgh, Scotland, regarding preclearance expansion. The Deputy Commissioner will be accompanied by Deputy Assistant Commissioner Wagner. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **July 22**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Ready Campaign, in partnership with the Ad Council will release a public service announcement highlighting the importance of individual emergency and disaster preparedness to coincide with the 35th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- On **July 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Atlanta’s efforts to combat human trafficking will be featured in CNN’s premiere of the documentary Children for Sale: The Fight to End Human Trafficking. The documentary, hosted by actress Jada Pinkett Smith, features an interview with former ICE HSI Atlanta Special Agent in Charge Brock Nicholson.
- Secretary Johnson will announce the launch of the 2015 Feds Feed Families campaign. This year’s campaign will run from July 15 through October 2 and the theme is “Feds Fighting Hunger.” The DHS Chair for the 2015 campaign is Brenda B. Smith, Assistant Commissioner, Office of International Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and the DHS Champion is Terrence Hill.

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **July 20**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a roundtable discussion with staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- During the **week of July 20** (date/time TBD) the Office of Policy will lead a briefing on the DHS Northern Border Strategy with Component support and participation. This briefing is in response to an inquiry from Senators Heitkamp and Ayotte’s offices. Closed press.
- On **July 20**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will brief congressional staff members from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on red teaming, nuclear forensics, and the global nuclear detection architecture. Closed press.

- On **July 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodriguez will provide testimony to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary during a hearing focused on interior enforcement, the release of criminal aliens, and the Priority Enforcement Program. Open press.
- On **July 21**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will host a Congressional briefing on its 2015 Annual Report to Congress. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Matthew Klein, Office of Internal Affairs is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Owen and Assistant Commissioner Smith are scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with staff from the House Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, an National Protection and Programs Directorate representative will participate in a briefing about the FY 2015 Preparedness Grant Programs Allocations with the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on Homeland Security
- On **July 22**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement representative Ginny Wise will brief Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs and House Committee on Homeland Security staff on the FY 2015 preparedness grants. Closed press.
- On **July 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a briefing to meet and greet Representative Robert Pittenger. Closed press.
- On **July 23**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Mission Support Chief Administrative Officer Robert Waltemeyer will brief Senate and House Appropriations Committees to provide an update on the current gaps, budgetary challenges and project decisions highlighted in the FEMA five-year facilities plan. Closed press.
- On **July 27**, all National Protection and Programs Directorate subcomponents will participate in a briefing about an Overview of NPPD with Congressional members and staff. Closed press.
- On **July 28**, Customs and Border Protection Chief Fisher is scheduled to brief Members of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the “State of the Southwest Border.” Closed press.
- On **July 29**, Administrator Peter Neffenger will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security in a hearing on aviation security. Open press.

#### *Other Briefings/CODELS*

- On **July 20**, House Homeland Security Committee Chairman Michael McCaul is scheduled to tour Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Coast Guard seaport operations in Miami, Florida, followed by a luncheon with local CBP and U.S. Coast Guard leadership. Closed press.
- On **July 20**, Congresswoman Holmes Norton will host 125 District of Columbia senior residents for Senior Legislative Day at Coast Guard Headquarters. The event is an opportunity for the congresswoman to meet and discuss issues with the residents. Closed press.

- On **July 20**, the U.S. Coast Guard and Customs and Border Protection will meet with Chairman McCaul in the Port of Miami. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee staff will attend a U.S. Coast Guard meeting regarding National Intelligence Program Funding. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee staff will attend a U.S. Coast Guard meeting regarding Fire Scout / Unmanned Aerial Systems. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Senate Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries & Coast Guard Subcommittee Minority staff will attend a U.S. Coast Guard meeting regarding S.312, the Senate Coast Guard Authorization Act. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Matthew Klein, Office of Internal Affairs is scheduled to have a meet-and-greet with staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, (*tentative*) the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Small State and Rural Advocate Robert Nadeau and Private Sector Division Director Robert Glenn will meet with Representative Derek Kilmer's staff to discuss the role and responsibilities of the Rural Advocate and Private Sector Division in rural communities. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, House Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation Subcommittee staff will receive a briefing on the Coast Guard's blended retirement program. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, staff from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Office of Protection and National Preparedness, National Preparedness Directorate will provide an overview on the National Exercise Division Climate Resiliency Test to members of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees. Closed press.
- On **July 23-25**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senator Cochran's staff at Joint Interagency Task Force – South, and on board a Fast Response Cutter and a National Security Cutter in Key West, Florida. Closed press.
- On **July 23 to 26**, Senate Appropriations staff will visit the Joint Interagency Task Force – South and a Medium Endurance Cutter in Key West, Florida. Closed press.
- On **July 24**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will meet with Chairman McCaul. Closed press.
- On **July 24**, Federal Emergency Management Agency U.S. Fire Administrator Chief Ernest Mitchell, Jr., and Emergency Management Institute Administrator Tony Russell will provide members of Senate and House Appropriations Committees an overview and tour of the National Emergency Training Center and Emergency Management Institute in Emmitsburg, MD. Closed press.
- On **July 27**, Office of Operations Coordination, U.S. Coast Guard, the Office of Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman, Customs and Border Protection, Immigration and Customs Enforcement will participate in the 7<sup>th</sup> annual "One DHS" Day on the Hill which brings together the DHS operating and support components to showcase major programs and technologies. This event is being coordinated by the DHS Office of Legislative Affairs and is open to all members of Congress and staff. Closed press.
- On **July 29**, Senate Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee staff will receive a briefing from the U.S. Coast Guard on Polar Icebreaker Preliminary Operational Requirements Document. Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **July 2**, Josh Margolin, a reporter with *ABC News* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to preparations, actions, and associated reviews of events and responses regarding the June 6, 2015 escape by Richard Matt and David Sweat from the Clinton Correctional Facility in New York, including the search for the inmates, and the conclusion of the crisis.
- On **July 3**, Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the following Procurement Instrument IDs: (1) HSBP1011P01098; (2) HSBP1012C00108; (3) HSBP20130027000194; (4) HSBP1013P00704; (5) HSBP1014P00817; and (6) HSBP1014P00886.
- On **July 6**, Barton Gellman, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to himself, including his travels, interactions with Edward Snowden, and reporting on electronic surveillance and leaks.
- On **July 7**, Amy Harris, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to grant recipients for the Nonprofit Security Grant Program from 2013 through 2015. On **July 8**, Ali Winston, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) statistical data pertaining to the individuals listed in the ICEGangs database from January 1, 2010, through December 30, 2014.
- On **July 8**, Bethany Jones, a producer with Bright Roads Productions, Inc. in Los Angeles, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the investigation of an individual arrested for attempting to smuggle U.S. military technology to Iran.
- On **July 8**, Franco Ordonez, a reporter with *McClatchy* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records of communication pertaining to publicity or inquiries from media and/or advocacy groups regarding ICE family residential centers.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Evans, a researcher with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 117 pages of records consisting of Homeland Security Intelligence Reports, created from January 2011 through June 2014, pertaining to Mexico, migrant workers, border security, or immigration policy. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **July 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Vriti Jain, a representative with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, 57 pages of records pertaining to investigations of Sara Lee, Reebok, Haggar, and Pillowtex. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E). On **July 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Eric Bennett, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, 96 pages of records consisting of communications between ICE and Texas

Governor Rick Perry (R-TX). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **July 2**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Tyler Kotkin, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, five pages of records consisting of communications between USCG and Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal (R-LA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6. On **July 6**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Betsy Lawrence, Director of Liaison with the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, DC, 673 pages of records consisting of USCIS standard operating procedures and policies issued after August 7, 2013, regarding the adjudication of Forms I-601A, Application for Provisional Unlawful Presence Waiver and Forms I-601, Applications for Waiver of Grounds of Inadmissibility. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(E).
- On **July 7**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Mike Lee, a reporter with *Environment & Energy News* in Fort Worth, Texas, 1,501 pages of records pertaining to GreenHunter's proposal to ship wastewater on the Ohio River. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **July 8**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Environment & Energy News* in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence between Rand Beers and any representatives of the governments of Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom, and/or New Zealand pertaining to the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards program and/or chemical security issues from April 9, 2013, through December 23, 2013.
- On **July 8**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Julia Harte, a reporter with the Center for Public Integrity in Washington, DC, 41 pages of records consisting of a copy of the 2013 FEMA plan titled "Improvised Nuclear Device Response and Recovery Capability-Based Implementation Plan, Revision 1." These records were released in full.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- From **July 14 to 17**, the Office of Immigration Policy and Americas Policy will represent the Department at the Regional Consultation Group on Migration hosted by Mexico's Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Mexico City, Mexico. The Government of Mexico's agenda focuses on two broad themes: Youth, Migration, and Development in the Post-2015 Development and Integration, Return, and Social and Productive Reintegration of Migrants. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Assistant Secretary McNamara will travel to Chicago, IL with the Secretary to meet with local officials regarding the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed Press.
- On **July 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national webinar for various community-based organizations regarding the T and U visa and the Violence Against Women Act. Closed press.
- On **July 18**, as part of their 2012 Letter of Agreement, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and the city of Los Angeles, California, will host a citizenship event in Boyle Heights with the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO). Closed press.
- In **July**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce the revision of volume 12 of its Policy Manual to clarify modifications to the Oath of Allegiance for naturalization.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of July 4, there are 603,082 employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2015, a total of 23,073,526 queries have been run through the system. On average, 1,383 employers register each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **July 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a roundtable discussion on the Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community (C<sup>3</sup>) Voluntary Program, at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Cybersecurity Roundtable event in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **July 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on Tactical Threat Intelligence Sharing, at the InfraGard Atlanta Members Alliance (IAMA) Chapter Meeting in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on motivating high school girls in pursuing STEM education and careers, at the Girls Who Code Program in Washington, DC. Closed press.

## Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **July 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify in front of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on the Judiciary for an oversight hearing. Open press.
- On **July 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Senator Carper and Senator Johnson. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Chicago, IL where he will meet with local government and community leadership on Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York City, NY where he will work out of his regional office and hold a secure video teleconference with USSOUTHCOM General John Kelly. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will hold a secure video teleconference with USNORTHCOM Admiral Gortney.
- On **July 22 to 24**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Aspen, CO to attend and participate in the 2015 ASPEN Security Forum. Open press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- From **July 13 to July 18** Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will travel to Israel and Sweden to participate in a bilateral meeting with his Israeli and Swedish counterpart, respectively. Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will be accompanied by Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer, Alan Bersin. Closed Press.
- On **July 22** Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will attend the ICE C3 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Open Press.
- On **July 23** Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will participate in a Summer Council of Governors meeting along with his DoD counterpart, and governor co-chairs. Closed Press.
- On **July 24** Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will participate in an Executive Committee Meeting with INTERPOL. Closed Press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **July 12**, Deputy Under Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum will participate in an executive working session on Human Capital in Federal Financial Management in Nashville, TN. Closed press.
- On **July 13**, Deputy Under Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum will present at a session at the Association of Government Accountants Professional Development and Training event in Nashville, TN. Closed press.
- On **July 13**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will attend the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) 39th Annual Training Conference and Exposition in Indianapolis, IN. Closed press.
- On **July 13**, Assistant Secretary Perales for the Private Sector within the Office of Policy will travel to Boston, MA to meet with Tim Rowe, Founder and CEO of the Cambridge Innovation Center to discuss how the Department of Homeland Security can partner with local innovators. Closed Press.



- On **July 14**, Assistant Secretary Perales for the Private Sector within the Office of Policy will meet with Ken Levine, CEO of Digital Guardian in Boston, MA. Closed Press.
- On **July 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul F. Zukunft will address a session of the 6th Symposium on the Impacts of an Ice-Diminishing Arctic on Naval and Maritime Operations, co-hosted by the U.S. National Ice Center and the U.S. Arctic Research Commission, and special invitations to be sent to the Alaska Congressional Delegation and from representatives from other Arctic nations. Open press.
- On **July 16**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Mario Cordero, Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Federal Emergency and Management Agency Region VI Administrator Tony Robinson, and Louisiana Recovery Office Director Mike Womack will meet in New Orleans with City of New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu to discuss the City's recovery progress going into the 10th anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. Closed press
- On **July 21**, Chief Information Officer Luke McCormack will participate in FedScoop's Federal Executive Roundtable, an informal roundtable discussion focused with fellow Federal executives on the future of IT security. Closed press.
- On **July 21 to 24**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will travel to Aspen, Colorado to attend the Aspen Homeland Security Forum and speak on the current threat environment and Department of Homeland Security counterterrorism efforts. Open press.
- On **July 23**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Gary Moore, President and Chief Operating Officer of Cisco, in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- From **July 24 to 26**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary McNamara and Deputy Assistant Secretary Clark will attend the Summer National Governors Association meeting in West Virginia. Open and Closed press.
- On **July 25**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will participate in the Aspen Security Forum's panel on "The National Security Council, Department of Homeland Security, and the State Department: Using All the Instruments of National Power to Combat Threats." Open press.
- On **July 28**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis, Francis X. Taylor will meet with an Australian Delegation including Australian Senators Tehan, Byrne and Ruddock to discuss Countering Violent Extremism and terrorist travel strategic approaches. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **13 July**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft, will interview with Steven Myers, New York Times, for an article he is writing on the Arctic.
- On **15 July**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will interview with Denny Gillem on Front Lines of Freedom syndicated radio program about general Coast Guard topics in advance of the Coast Guard Festival in Grand Haven, Michigan.
- On a date to be determined, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to announce via news release and associated communications the renewal of its 2013 Letter of Agreement with the city of Chicago. No ceremony or associated event planned. USCIS

Director León Rodríguez will sign the renewal letter, which will then be sent to Mayor Rahm Emanuel to sign. (Signing originally set for July 1 did not occur.)

*Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **July 8**, several retired and former Coast Guard members who served during the Vietnam War are to join with leaders of Congress at a ceremony to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the war.
- On **July 13**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) representatives from the Office of Administration will brief staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding TRIRIGA (the system of record for CBP real estate property data) and CBP real property initiatives. Closed press.
- On **July 14**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles will testify before the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security at a hearing on maritime operations. Open press.
- On **July 14**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will testify before the House of Representatives Committee on Homeland Security in a joint hearing entitled “Weapons of Mass Destruction: Bolstering DHS to Combat Persistent Threats to America.” Open press.
- On **July 14**, Office of Health Affairs, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer Dr. Kathryn Brinsfield, will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security’s Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications and the Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies. Open press.
- On **July 15**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at a hearing entitled “Understanding Threats and Strategies for the Maritime Border.” Open press.
- On **July 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Executive Associate Director Peter T. Edge will provide testimony to the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (HSGAC) during a hearing titled “Securing the Border: Understanding Threats and Strategies for the Maritime Border.” The hearing will also include testimony by officials from U.S. Customs and Border Protection and the U.S. Coast Guard. Open press.
- On **July 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of Office of Cyber and Infrastructure Analysis Brandon Wales will participate in a briefing about Cyber Dependent Infrastructure with Representative Robert Pittenger.
- On **July 15**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Representative Graves (R-6th/LA) about the status of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill cleanup, 5 years after the original mishap. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Assistant Administrator Rod Allison will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security in a hearing on Federal Air Marshals. Open press.

- On **July 16**, Federal Emergency and Management Agency Grant Programs Assistant Administrator Brian Kamoie will provide a briefing on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 Preparedness Grants to House and Senate Appropriation staff. Closed press.
- On **July 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate representative will participate in a briefing about the FY 2015 Preparedness Grant Programs Allocations with the Senate and House Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Closed Press.
- On **July 17**, Federal Emergency and Management Agency Congressional Affairs Division will conduct its Quarterly Congressional Briefing for Appropriations and Authorization staff. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Office of Health Affairs Acting Deputy Director for Workforce Health and Medical Support Bill Seifarth will brief House and Senate staff on the recently released guidance for First Responders on Improving Survivability in IED and Active Shooter Incidents. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement representative Ginny Wise, will brief the Senate Appropriations Committee and House Appropriations Committee staff on the FY 2015 preparedness grants. Closed press.
- On **July 17**, Customs and Border Protection representatives from the Office of International Trade will provide a monthly trade briefing to staff from the House Ways and Means Committee. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodriguez will provide testimony to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary during a hearing focused on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, Interior Enforcement, and the Priority Enforcement Program. Open press.
- On **July 21**, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Ombudsman will host a Congressional briefing on the USCIS 2015 Annual Report to Congress. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement representative Ginny Wise will brief the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs and the House Committee on Homeland Security staff on the FY 2015 preparedness grants. Closed press.
- On **July 22**, a National Protection and Programs Directorate representative will participate in a briefing about the FY 2015 Preparedness Grant Programs Allocations with the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on Homeland Security
- On **July 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cyber Security and Communications Phyllis Schneck will be participate in a briefing with Representative Robert Pittenger.

#### Other Briefings (Field Briefings, CODELs, Other Travel)

- On **July 15**, Transportation Security Administration Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Assistant Administrator Rod Allison will have a meet and greet with House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security Chairman John Katko. Closed press.
- On **July 15**, the U.S. Coast Guard will celebrate its 225th Birthday with a cake-cutting ceremony on Capitol Hill. This event is being coordinated by Coast Guard Congressional Affairs and is open to all members of Congress and staff.

- On **July 20**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a roundtable discussion with staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **July 21**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Matthew Klein will have a meet-and-greet with staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- From **July 23 to 25**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senator Cochran's staff at Joint Interagency Task Force - South, and on board a Fast Response Cutter and a National Security Cutter in Key West, Florida. Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **June 25**, Esha Bhandari, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to use of Twitter and other social media accounts.
- On **June 25**, Chris Ingalls, an investigator with *KING 5* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to specific TSA claim numbers for lost, damaged, or stolen goods.
- On **June 26**, Robert Hopwood, a producer with *The Desert Sun* in Palm Springs, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to roving patrol operations, complaints, and disciplinary actions for the El Centro and San Diego Sectors from January 1, 2011, through June 26, 2015.
- On **June 29**, Christopher McDaniel, a reporter with *BuzzFeed News* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the following: (1) HarrisPharma; (2) Chris Harris; and (3) the importation of execution drugs.
- On **June 29**, John Harden, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to methamphetamine seized by the U.S. Border Patrol for the past 10 years.
- On **June 30**, James Hoffer, a reporter with *WABC* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to all items seized/confiscated by CBP staff at the following airports: (1) John F. Kennedy International Airport; (2) LaGuardia Airport; and (3) Newark Liberty International Airport from January 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015.
- On **June 30**, Jayson Chesler, a reporter with *News21* in Phoenix, Arizona, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) statistical data pertaining to the amount of marijuana seized in fiscal years 1990 through 2011 in the Southwest Border Sectors.
- On **June 30**, Glenn Katon, Legal Director with the Muslim Advocates in Oakland, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) various records pertaining to Countering Violent Extremism.
- On **June 30**, Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of e-mails sent or received by MaryAnn Tierney, Regional Administrator for FEMA Region III from 4:00 pm on April 27, 2015, through 11:00 pm on April 28, 2015, that include the keywords “Maryland or Baltimore.”

- On **June 30**, Ian Head, a representative with the Center for Constitutional Rights in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records of correspondence between ICE, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and private contractors pertaining to the detention bed mandate.
- On **June 30**, Seth Robbins, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in San Antonio, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the death of Jorge Umana-Mortiz who was detained at the South Texas Detention Complex in Pearsall, Texas.
- On **July 1**, Kate Bailey, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records of communication between the USSS and former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton pertaining to the creation, setup, maintenance, and disposal of the clintonemail.com e-mail server from January 1, 2009, through July 1, 2015.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **June 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Ian Mandel, an individual in Alexandria, Virginia, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence and e-mails received from the following: (1) the Clinton Foundation; (2) the William J. Clinton Presidential Foundation; (3) the William J. Clinton Foundation; (4) the William J. Clinton Foundation, Inc.; (5) the Bill, Hillary & Chelsea Clinton Foundation; (6) the Clinton Health Access Initiative; (7) the Clinton Global Initiative; (8) the Clinton Climate Initiative; (9) the Alliance for a Healthier Generation; (10) the Clinton Development Initiative; (11) the Clinton Giustra Enterprise Initiative; (12) the Clinton Presidential Center; (13) Too Small to Fail; and (14) No Ceilings: The Full Participation Project from January 1, 1997, through the present.
- On **June 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Thomas Fritzsche, a clinical teaching fellow with the Cardozo School of Law in New York, New York, on behalf of the National Day Laborer Organizing Network, 12 pages of records consisting of a listing of complaint narratives pertaining to the DHS Priority Enforcement Program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **June 26**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Ian Mandel, an individual in Alexandria, Virginia, seven pages of records consisting of correspondence and e-mails received from former Senator Hillary Clinton (D-NY) and her staff from January 3, 2001, through January 21, 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **June 29**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Beryl Lipton, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, one page of records consisting of the list of mission areas scheduled to have funds diverted to the apprehension of illegal immigrants as indicated in Secretary Jeh Johnson's August 7, 2014 press release. These records were released in full.
- On **June 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with *NBC 4* in Washington, DC, one page of records consisting of a list of purchases of alcoholic beverage items in fiscal year 2014 by the Department. These records were released in full.

- On **June 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jessica Vaughan, a representative with the Center for Immigration Studies in Washington, DC, 86 pages of records pertaining to gang members arrested under ICE's Operation Community Shield in fiscal year 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **June 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to Joseph Trevithick, a freelance journalist with War Is Boring in Alexandria, Virginia, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to an after action review or final report regarding CBP's Operation Bathe and Beaute. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **July 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Paul Ingram, a reporter with the *Tucson Sentinel* in Tucson, Arizona two pages of records containing statistical data pertaining to the number of rocking incidents on the U.S.-Mexico border. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **July 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Jens Krogstad, a writer and editor with the Pew Research Center in Washington, DC, one page of records containing statistical data for the number of unaccompanied juveniles apprehended in fiscal year 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **July 1**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Stephen Dinan, a representative with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, four pages of records consisting of e-mails between David Shahoulian, DHS Deputy General Counsel, and Karl Thompson, Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the Department of Justice, Office of Legal Counsel. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **July 1**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Marina Bolotnikova, a writer with *The Harvard Crimson* in Cambridge, Massachusetts, five pages of records pertaining to an incident that occurred at Boston Logan Airport on August 12, 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, and 7(C).

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- In **August**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will publish regular data for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of FY 2015 (including Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals and renewals) to [uscis.gov](http://uscis.gov).
- On **August 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Chief of Staff Juliet K. Choi will visit Seattle, WA, for the National Conference of State Legislatures 2015 Legislative Summit and the signing of a Letter of Agreement (LOA) to strengthen citizenship education and awareness efforts in Seattle. Summit is closed press, LOA signing is open press.
- On **August 10**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña will deliver a keynote address at the 27<sup>th</sup> annual Crimes Against Children Conference in Dallas, TX. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **July 25**, there are **606,509** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 1.9 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015, a total of **25,021,914** queries have been run through the system. On average, **1,373** employers register each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **August 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Assistant Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on NPPD's efforts to improve cyber security and protect commercial networks and infrastructure within the Federal Government and partnerships, at the Defense Strategies Institute, Cyber Security for National Defense Symposium in Alexandria, VA. Closed press.
- On **August 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary of Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on the impact of climate change to infrastructure, and global and national security issues and operations, at the Air Force Leaders Session on Climate Science and Implications for Air Force Installations and Operations on Joint Base Andrews, MD. Closed press.
- On **August 14**, Private Sector Office Assistant Secretary Raúl Perales will join Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding, National Protection and Programs Directorate, for a cybersecurity discussion with 14 CEOs of Wisconsin companies. This briefing is being organized by Senate Homeland Security Chairman Ron Johnson at the Capitol Visitors Center. Press TBD.
- On **August 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary of Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on an overview of DHS and cybersecurity concerns on businesses, at Washington DC Defense and Diplomacy in Washington, DC. Closed press.

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **July 31**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give remarks at a U.S. Coast Guard boot camp graduation in Cape May, NJ. Open press.



- On **August 4**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks to celebrate the 225<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United States Coast Guard and participate in a ceremony unveiling a new Forever Stamp to commemorate the important date. Open press.
- On **August 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with the Mayor of Chicago, Rahm Emanuel. Closed press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **August 4**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will host the Joint Contact Group meeting with the United Kingdom. Closed Press.
- On **August 6**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will provide the keynote address at the Black Hat United States-United Kingdom Cybersecurity Collaboration. Open Press.
- On **August 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will make remarks at the Def Con Hacking Conference. Open Press.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **July 30 to July 31**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will travel to Riverside, CA to receive a tour of the Air and Marine Operations Center (AMOC) Operations Floor and Surveillance Center and meet with AMOC leadership on their role in the DHS Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Strategy. Closed press.
- On **July 31**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a trade roundtable discussion followed by a port tour in Wilmington, DE. Senator Tom Carper will also participate. Open press.
- On **July 31**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give the keynote speech at the Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA) in Alexandria, VA for its colloquia series on the Rapidly Changing World. Closed press.
- On **July 31**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with local business community stakeholders in Philadelphia, PA hosted by the World Trade Center of Greater Philadelphia. Commissioner Kerlikowske will also meet with Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter and tour CBP operations at Philadelphia International Airport, in addition to hosting an employee town hall meeting. Business community engagement meeting, open press; all other events, closed press.
- From **July 31 to August 1**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with representatives of Edinburgh Airport in Edinburgh, Scotland, regarding preclearance expansion. Closed press.
- On **August 3**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña will provide opening remarks at the 19th Annual ICE Hispanic Agents Association’s Professional Development Training in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- On **August 3**, Office for State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Fong will participate in a panel titled “Update on the President’s Executive Actions” at the National Conference of State Legislators’ Legislative Summit in Seattle, WA. While in Washington, Assistant Secretary Fong will engage with local law enforcement and officials on participation in the Priority Enforcement Program. Closed press.
- On **August 4**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will speak and host a ceremony at Coast Guard Headquarters to celebrate the Coast Guard’s 225<sup>th</sup> anniversary and unveil the Coast Guard Forever Stamp. Open press.

- On **August 4**, Chief Information Officer Luke McCormack will deliver the keynote speech about technology and homeland security at the Second Annual Richmond-Washington Forum in Richmond, VA. Closed press.
- On **August 5**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Paul Malik, the new U.S. Consul General to Dubai, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **August 5 to August 7**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the 2015 U.S.–Mexico Summit hosted by the University of Texas at El Paso and the office of Representative Beto O’Rourke in El Paso, TX. Commissioner Kerlikowske will participate in a panel discussion on trade facilitation and border security. Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer, Alan Bersin may also attend. Open press.
- From **August 6 to 7**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will travel to Atlantic City, NJ to participate in a roundtable discussion with the National Fusion Center Association’s Board of Directors to discuss intelligence and information sharing issues of concern to the board. Closed press.
- From **August 7 to 9**, Office of Operations Coordination Director Richard Chávez will travel to Boston, MA to tour the Boston Regional Intelligence Center and (tentatively) meet with Boston Police Department Police Commissioner William Evans. Closed press.
- From **August 9 to 12**, Assistant Secretary Perales will travel to San Juan, Puerto Rico to join the annual hemispheric Airports Conference of the Americas hosted by the Association of Airport Authority Executives of America. Closed Press.
- On **August 10**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with representatives from Expeditors International at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to discuss Automated Commercial Environment implementation. Closed press.
- On **August 12**, Office of Operations Coordination Director Richard Chávez will deliver remarks at the 2015 Maritime Operational Threat Response War Game at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, PA. Closed press.
- From **August 12 to 14**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor and Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will travel to Mexico to participate in meetings with various Mexican officials to discuss topics of mutual interest. Closed press
- On **August 14**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak at the Washington Council on International Trade’s Summer Luncheon in Seattle, WA. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- Secretary Johnson will announce the launch of the 2015 Feds Feed Families campaign. This year’s campaign will run from July 15 through October 2 and the theme is “Feds Fighting Hunger.” The DHS Chair for the 2015 campaign is Brenda B. Smith, Assistant Commissioner, Office of International Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and the DHS Champion is Terrence Hill.
- During the week of **August 2** (tentative), the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Ready Campaign will launch a National Preparedness Month Social Media Toolkit encouraging communities, individuals, families, and pet owners to take action to make

emergency communications plans. This year's NPM theme is *Don't Wait. Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today.*

- On **August 4**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will be interviewed by José Díaz-Balart of MSNBC and Telemundo regarding CBP's use of force policy and related issues. Open press.
- From **August 4 to 6**, an NBC Nightly News/Today Show crew will be aboard Coast Guard Cutter ALEX HALEY to cover U.S. Coast Guard Arctic operations. NBC is working on a series of reports about the U.S. assuming chair of the Arctic Council. Open press.

#### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **July 30**, Joint Task Force – West Director Robert Harris and Customs and Border Protection Deputy Chief Ronald Vitiello (Office of Border Patrol) will testify before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee at a hearing on border violence. Open to the public.
- On **July 30**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Randolph Alles (Office of Air and Marine) will have a meet-and-greet with Senator Ron Johnson, chairman of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee. Closed press.
- From **July 30 to July 31**, Senate Appropriations Committee and House Appropriations Committee staff will observe joint Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers and Federal Emergency Management Agency active shooter training at the Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston, Alabama. Closed press.
- On **August 2 to August 7** Senate and House Appropriations Committee staff will visit various locations in Coast Guard District 17 in Florida. Closed press.
- On **August 3**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a roundtable discussion with staff from the House Homeland Security Committee in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **August 3**, representatives from the Customs and Border Protection Office of Information and Technology and the CBP Office of Field Operations will brief staff from the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency regarding modernization of the Treasury Enforcement Communications System. Closed press.
- On **August 4**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter V. Neffenger will attend a meet and greet with Senator Charles Schumer. Closed press.
- On **August 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Director of Office of Cyber and Infrastructure Analysis Brandon Wales will participate in a classified briefing on section 9 list with Senator Nelson.
- From **August 4 to 5**, the U.S. Coast Guard will meet with Senators Feinstein and Boxer in Coast Guard District 11 in California. Closed press.
- On **August 5 to 7**, the House Natural Resources Committee staff will visit various locations in Coast Guard District 17 in Alaska. Closed press.
- On **August 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Human Smuggling and Trafficking Unit Chief John J. Morris will join with DHS Blue Campaign officials to provide a briefing to minority staff of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary. The briefing will present Blue Campaign and HSI efforts to combat human trafficking. Closed press.
- On **August 6**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Executive Associate Director Peter T. Edge will meet with Senator Ron

Johnson, Chairman of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee to discuss HSI's investigative priorities and transnational criminal investigative units. Closed press.

- On **August 11 to 15**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senator Nelson at various locations in Alaska. Closed press.
- On **August 11 to 12**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Representative Kilmer's staff at various locations in Washington. The U.S. Coast Guard will also host Representative Kilmer's staff at a CGC HAMILTON reception Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **June 26**, Kevin Wadlow, a journalist with the Florida Keys Keynoter in Tavernier, Florida, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) a copy of the final report pertaining to the December 2011 sinking of GET WET. (Case Number USCG 2015-CGFO-02309.)
- On **July 1**, Jesse Barron, a journalist with VICE in Brooklyn, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) a copy of the Alien File for the late Jose De Jesus Deniz-Sahagun. (Case Number USCIS COW2015000575.)
- On **July 4**, Elizabeth McLaughlin, a reporter with ABC News in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to deportation and detainer requests regarding Francisco Sanchez, who allegedly murdered a San Francisco woman. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-87755.)
- On **July 6**, Will Greenlee, a reporter with the Treasure Coast Newspapers in Stuart, Florida, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to an incident on July 4, 2015, in which the USCG provided aid to a sailboat in the Bahamas. (Case Number USCG 2015-CGFO-02356.)
- On **July 6**, Tess Boyer, an intern with Greenpeace in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to Noble Drilling LLC's compliance with its 2014 plea agreement with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Alaska regarding the creation of a comprehensive Environmental Compliance Plan for the 2015 Arctic drilling season. (Case Number USCG 2015-CGFO-02362.)
- On **July 7**, Aaron Nelsen, a reporter with the San Antonio Express-News in Mission, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) data pertaining to the number of criminal aliens detained for fiscal years 2010 through 2015 (year to date) for crimes committed in nine South Texas counties, including the types of crimes and frequency. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-87979.)
- On **July 8**, Megan Jula, a reporter with The Arizona Republic in Phoenix, Arizona, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to various evaluation reports of the Eloy Detention Center in Eloy, Arizona. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-88080.)
- On **July 8**, Paul Ingram, a reporter with the Tucson Sentinel in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of the 2013 report generated by ICE's Health Services Corps regarding its review of the policies at Eloy Detention Center following two suicides. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-88100.)
- On **July 8**, Jonah Lamb, a reporter with the San Francisco Examiner in San Francisco, California, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the following

records pertaining to San Francisco's sanctuary law: (1) records of communications between ICE officials and San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee and/or his staff; (2) meetings between the mayor and ICE officials; and (3) records of communications between ICE officials and the San Francisco Sheriff's Department and other city officials from 2013 through the present. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-88112.)

- On **July 8**, Nick Wilson, a reporter with The Tribune in San Luis Obispo, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to a boating accident off the coast of Morro Bay on July 4, 2015. (Case Number USCG 2015-CGFO-02388.)
- On **July 9**, Perla Trevizo, a reporter with the Arizona Daily Star in Tucson, Arizona, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the number and share of family units apprehended at the southern border during the months of May, June, July, and August 2014 and released with a notice to appear before an immigration officer at their final destination who showed up for their scheduled first, second, and third appointments. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-87731.)
- On **July 10**, Beryl Lipton, a representative with Muckrock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to requests for approval of enforcement actions at sensitive locations. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-87913.)
- On **July 10**, Lauren Zumbach, a representative with the Chicago Tribune in Chicago, Illinois, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to a boating accident on the Cal-Sag Channel on June 20, 2014. (Case Number USCG 2015-CGFO-02411.)
- On **July 13**, Rick Jervis, a representative with USA Today, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the number of inland oil spills in Texas from 2010 through the present. (Case Number USCG 2015-CGFO-02419.)
- On **July 14**, Brittany Hughes, a reporter with CNS News in Reston, Virginia, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the ICE Declined Detainer Outcome Report released by the Center for Immigration Studies. (Case Number ICE 2015-ICFO-88166.)
- On **July 14**, Jesse Barron, a journalist with VICE in Brooklyn, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to any application for asylum by the late Jose De Jesus Deniz-Sahagun. (Case Number USCIS COW2015000602.)
- On **July 14**, Julie Smyth, a correspondent with the Associated Press in Columbus, Ohio, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) data pertaining to H1-B visa applications on the Chicago-based Concept Schools for the Secondary Schools sector from 2010 through the present. (Case Number USCIS COW2015000608.)
- On **July 16**, Karen Gadbois, a writer with The Lens in New Orleans, Louisiana, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to FEMA Survey photo sheets regarding properties demolished in New Orleans from September 2006 through December 2014. (Case Number FEMA 2015-FEFO-00544.)
- On **July 20**, William Robinson, a representative with the Daily Mail in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector

General (OIG) records pertaining to investigations of DHS employees accused of misusing their government credit cards from 2011 through the present. (Case Number OIG 2015-210.)

- On **July 21**, Sam Pearson, a reporter with Greenwire in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records pertaining to waivers from DHS Sensitive Systems Policy Directive 4300A, for all DHS officials, regarding the use of web-based e-mail from work computers; and (2) internal reviews of DHS's use of these waivers. (Case Number 2015-HQFO-00604.)
- On **July 22**, Adam Buran, a representative with PoliRoots in Gaithersburg, Maryland, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to relations and communications through the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center, between I&A and the Hacking Team. (Case Number I&A 2015-IAFO-00194.)

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **July 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Venice, California, 416 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to: (1) protests in Ferguson, Missouri; (2) the shooting death of Michael Brown; and (3) the pending grand jury decision in the case against Ferguson Police Officer Darren Wilson. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, 6, 7(C), 7(E), and 7(F). (Case Number NPPD 2015-NPFO-00061.)
- On **July 17**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Tina Jensen, a reporter with *KRQU News 13* in Albuquerque, New Mexico, two pages of records pertaining to illegal items seized from the Albuquerque International Airport in 2014. These records were released in full. (Case Number TSA 2015-TSFO-00107.)
- On **July 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Sarah Mehta, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, 92 pages of records consisting of policies and legal guidance pertaining to expedited removal orders as well as voluntary returns, or administrative orders of removal. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E). (Case Number CBP-2014-014310.)
- On **July 17**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Aaron Nelsen, a reporter with the *San Antonio Express-News* in Mission, Texas, one page of records containing the number of criminal aliens apprehended in the Rio Grande Valley sector of Border Patrol for fiscal years 2013 through 2015 (year to date). These records were released in full. (Case Number CBP-2015-040255.)
- On **July 20**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Maria Sacchetti, a reporter with the *Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, 10 pages of records pertaining to the late Ibragim Todashev. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, 7(C), and 7(E). (Case Number CBP-2015-039659.)
- On **July 21**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Michel Marizco, a producer with *KVOA News 4* in Tucson, Arizona, 141 pages of records pertaining to the death of U.S. Border Patrol agent Robert Rosas, Jr. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E). (Case Number CBP-2013-011531.)

- On **July 22**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Omar Jadwat, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, 113 pages of records pertaining to the Juvenile Referral Program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 2, 6, and 7(C). (Case Number CBP-2015-007191.)
- On **July 22**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Sharon Machlis, an editor with *Computerworld* in Framingham, Massachusetts, one Excel spreadsheet containing data pertaining to H-1B applications filed for fiscal years 2014 through 2015 (first quarter). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6. (Case Number USCIS COW2015000114.)



## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- In **September** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and the U.S. Department of State are tentatively scheduled to announce that all available employment-based visas for Fiscal Year 2016 have been issued. Closed press.
- In **September or October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is tentatively scheduled to announce the Fiscal Year 2016 cap for the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands-Only Transitional Worker program. Closed press.
- On **October 1**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will meet with the League of United Latin American Citizens National Immigration Taskforce to discuss policy priorities and an overview of the Ombudsman case assistance process. Closed press.
- In **October 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is tentatively scheduled to implement phase II for the I-730 (Refugee/Asylee Relative Petition) adjudication process change. Phase I, implemented and completed in April 2014, applied to beneficiaries living in China only. Phase II will apply to beneficiaries living in other countries that have USCIS field offices. Closed press.
- On **October 3**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is tentatively scheduled to participate in a special naturalization ceremony at Glen Echo Park in Glen Echo, MD., to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Glen Echo elected officials may be invited. Open press.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish a Proposed Rule: “Retention of EB-1, EB-2, and EB-3 Immigrant Workers and Program Improvements Affecting Highly Skilled H-1B Alien Workers.” The rule proposes to amend regulations to provide stability and job flexibility for beneficiaries of approved employment-based immigrant visa petitions while they wait to become lawful permanent residents and to conform USCIS regulations with the American Competitiveness in the Twenty-First Century Act of 2000 (as amended by the Twenty-First Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act) and the American Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act of 1998.
- In **October** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will publish a new form, I-131A, Application for Travel Document (Carrier Evidence), to allow lawful permanent residents to request a travel permit (transportation letter or boarding foil) at a U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **September 20**, there are **614,759** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 2 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2015, a total of **30,560,459** queries have been run through the system. On average, **1,366** employers register each week.

## Cybersecurity:

- On **September 28**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division (CSD) Program Manager Vincent Sritapan will host CSD's National Conversation "A Trusted Cyber Future" in San Antonio, TX. Closed press.
- On **September 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on NPPD's role in cybersecurity at the Public Sector Partners 2015 Cyber Security Symposium, in Sacramento, CA. Open press.
- On **September 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a webinar discussion on cybersecurity awareness and DHS resources for stakeholders as part of the National Association of Counties National Cybersecurity Awareness Month Webinar. Closed press.
- On **October 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity awareness at the NASA National Cyber Security Awareness Month employee event, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion on cooperation, interdependencies and challenges in cybersecurity at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Cybersecurity Summit, in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will participate in a panel discussion on the risk landscape to critical water systems at the National Association of Water Companies Annual Conference, in Scottsdale, AZ. Closed press.
- On **October 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on cyber threat information sharing at the Council of Governors Working Session, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on understanding evolving and emerging threats to improve terrorism prevention at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Homeland Security Week, in Arlington, VA. Open press.
- On **October 9**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for IP Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on securing the cyber ecosystem at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Homeland Security Week, in Arlington, VA. Open press.

## Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **September 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will have a general SVTC meeting with Admiral Gortney of NORTHCOM. Closed press.
- On **September 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will have a general meeting with Department of Defense Secretary Carter at the Pentagon. Closed press.

- On **September 28**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a Cyber Roundtable at the Pentagon to discuss opportunities to improve coordination on cyber security issues. Closed press.
- On **September 29**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York, NY with the Vice President to participate in the United Nations General Assembly Leaders' Summit on Countering ISIL and Violent Extremism.
- On **September 30**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Theresa May, United Kingdom Home Secretary. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in the Washington Ideas Conversation event with Andrea Mitchell. Open press.
- From **October 1 to 2**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Laredo, Texas and Mexico City, Mexico. On October 1 in Laredo, he will meet with Mexico's Secretary of Finance and Public Credit Luis Videgaray Caso and sign a Memorandum of Understanding formally launching the cargo pre-inspection program at Laredo International Airport as part of a ribbon-cutting ceremony hosted by the City of Laredo. He will then travel to Mexico City where he will participate in a dinner hosted by Mexico's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and will meet with Mexico's Secretary of Government Osorio Chong.
- On **October 7**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give remarks at the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute 2015 Public Policy Conference. Open press.
- On **October 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify in front of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee for a threats hearing. Open press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **September 28**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas deliver the keynote address at the Airlines for America Summit. Open Press.
- On **September 29**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will participate in the Homeland Security Advisory Council meeting. Close Press.
- From **October 6 to 7**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will travel to New York, NY to participate in a naturalization ceremony at the Lower East Side Tenement Museum. Open Press.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **September 28**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will meet with Colonel General Nazarenko Viktor Oleksandrovych, Head of the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine to discuss current challenges and best practices. Closed press.
- On **September 28**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will speak to a delegation from the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 28**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will be the keynote speaker at the National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America's 2015 Government Affairs Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **September 28**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Thomas Engle, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Transportation Affairs, at State Department Headquarters in Washington, DC, to discuss preclearance operations and expansion. Closed press.

- From **September 28 to October 1**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will attend and deliver the keynote on October 1<sup>st</sup> for the National Emergency Management Association (NEMA) Annual Policy and Leadership Forum in Miami, FL. Open press.
- On **September 29**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will be speaking at the A4A Board meeting. Open press.
- On **September 29**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with representatives from the San Diego Association of Governments and the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to discuss port operations in the region. Closed press.
- On **September 29**, Private Sector Office Assistant Secretary Raul Perales will meet with Boeing CEO Dennis Muilenburg regarding the Department's ongoing work with Boeing on aviation cyber security. Closed Press.
- On **September 29**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend a reception hosted by the National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **September 29**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will speak to a Closed Session of the Homeland Security Advisory Council. Closed press.
- From **September 29 to 30**, the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Deputy Assistant Secretary Alaina Clark will participate in the National Emergency Management Association Annual meeting in Miami, FL. Closed Press.
- On **September 30**, Intergovernmental Affairs Assistant Secretary McNamara will meet with the Commissioner for the Chicago Department of Aviation. Closed Press.
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña will provide remarks at the 2015 Criminal Chiefs' Conference at the National Advocacy Center in Columbia, SC. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend a DoD-DHS Capability Development Working Group meeting at the Pentagon in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will meet with U.S. Ambassador to Costa Rica Fitz Haney to discuss Global Entry and possibly port security. Closed press.
- On **October 4**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Craig Fugate will attend the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Memorial Service in Emmitsburg, MD. Open press.
- On **October 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Michel will travel to Valparaiso, Chile, as part of the Secretary Kerry-led U.S. delegation to the Our Ocean 2015 Conference. Open press.
- From **October 5 to October 10**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in the U.S.–Singapore Law Enforcement Homeland Security & Safety Cooperation Dialogue in Singapore. Closed press.
- From **October 5 to October 9**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will conduct site visits and meet with airline representatives and U.K. government officials in London, England, to discuss preclearance expansion. Closed press.

- On **October 6**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Zukunft will provide keynote remarks at the World Maritime Day conference in Linthicum, MD. Open press.
- On **October 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will meet with Dr. Miguel Basáñez Ebergenyi, Mexican Ambassador to the United States, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 8**, U.S. Coast Guard Admiral Zukunft will provide remarks at the Coast Guard Foundation Dinner in New York City. Open press.
- On **October 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez may deliver remarks at the Syrian American Medical Society's 2<sup>nd</sup> National Symposium in Washington, DC. Open press.
- From **October 8 to 9**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will be providing remarks to North Eastern University students on DHS opportunities. Closed press.
- On **October 9**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver keynote remarks at the Liaison Officers Association 25th Anniversary Dinner at Bolling Air Force Base. The audience will include law enforcement personnel from across federal, state, and local government. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **September 28**, the Washington Examiner Reporter is scheduled to publish an interview by Jacqueline Klimas with U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft about Arctic issues.
- On **September 29**, the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, Admiral Paul Zukunft will do an interview with Craig Collins from Faircount Media for the 2016 edition of Coast Guard Outlook magazine.
- On **October 7**, the Partnership for Public Service will hold the Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals Gala in Washington, D.C. DHS finalists include John Price (S&T), John Wagner (CBP), and Kevin Hannes and the FEMA Operation Precious Cargo Team (FEMA), introduced by Chuck Todd of NBC News.
- **October** is designated as National Cyber Security Awareness Month, a DHS-led initiative to increase the public's awareness of the importance of individual cybersecurity.

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **September 27**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IX staff will participate in a Preparedness Fair hosted by U.S. Representative Judy Chu in Arcadia, CA. Open press.
- On **September 28**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance and Mitigation Roy Wright will meet with Representative Don Donovan to discuss the National Flood Insurance Program and proposed amendment to H. R. 3456, the Flood Insurance Mitigation and Policyholder Protection Act. Closed press.
- On **September 28**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees regarding CBP's organizational realignment. Closed press.
- On **September 29**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will testify about the status of covert testing to the Senate Appropriations Committee, Homeland Security Subcommittee. Open press.

- On **September 29**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Assistant Administrator/Director Roderick Allison will represent TSA at a Federal Bureau of Investigation briefing before the House Committee on Homeland Security – Transportation Subcommittee. Closed press.
- On **September 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Ron Clark will participate in a meet and greet with Bonnie Watson-Coleman, House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency. Closed press.
- On **September 29**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Deputy Director Brasure will brief the Office of Management and Budget on the fiscal year 2017 budget submission. Closed press.
- On **September 30**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a Large Oil Spill brief for the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard. Closed press.
- On **October 1**, representatives of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) are scheduled to present testimony before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and The National Interest. The testimony is in response to an invitation letter from Senator Jeff Sessions of Alabama, Chairman of the Subcommittee, to USCIS. Barbara L. Strack, Chief of the Refugee Affairs Division at the Refugee, Asylum, and International Operations Directorate, and Matt Emrich, Deputy Associate Director of the Fraud Detection and National Security Directorate, are scheduled to represent USCIS. Open press.
- On **October 1**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Cybersecurity and Communications National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center Operations Director John Felker will participate in a meet and greet with Senate Appropriations Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **October 2**, representatives from the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade and the CBP Office of Trade Relations will participate in a monthly meeting with staff from the House Ways and Means Committee. Closed press.
- On **October 2**, representatives from the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade and the CBP Office of Trade Relations will participate in a monthly meeting with staff from the Senate Finance Committee. Closed press.
- On **October 2**, Rear Admiral Jones of the U.S. Coast Guard will meet with House Committee on Homeland Security majority staff. Closed press.
- On **October 5**, Office of Operations Coordination (OPS) Deputy Director Frank DiFalco and OPS Chief of Staff Todd Heinz will meet with Brendan Shields, Staff Director for the House Committee on Homeland Security to discuss OPS Activities. Closed press.
- From **October 5 to 9**, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will travel to Fargo, Bismarck, and Dickinson, North Dakota to meet with various state, local, and non-governmental stakeholders to discuss the Blue Campaign’s anti-trafficking efforts in North Dakota. Senator Heidi Heitkamp is expected to join Chairwoman Odom in Bismarck, North Dakota on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Closed press.
- On **October 6**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will meet with Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee Chairman Ron Johnson to provide an update on the transformation of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis, the way ahead for the coming year, and discuss the status of pending authorization and appropriations bills. Closed press.

- On **October 7**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will provide a classified border threat briefing to House Appropriations Committee members and staff. Closed press.
- On **October 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding, Deputy Under Secretary Ron Clark, and Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will testify at a hearing entitled, “Examining the Mission, Structure, and Reorganization Effort of the National Protection and Programs Directorate” before the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **September 10**, John Tran, a counsel with the Electronic Privacy Information Center in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to the European Union-United States Umbrella Agreement regarding the data protection framework for law enforcement cooperation.
- On **September 10**, Gary Baum, a writer with *The Hollywood Reporter* in Los Angeles, California, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) data pertaining to the average processing times of O-1A, O-1B, E-2, H-1B, H-1C, H-2A, I, P-1A, P-1B, and R-1 applications processed by USCIS in 2003, 2008, 2013, and 2014.
- On **September 11**, Joshua Eaton, an independent journalist in Somerville, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) a copy of e-mails to, from, and/or maintained by Special Officer Greg Squire of the Homeland Security Investigations field office in Boston, Massachusetts, pertaining to the Tor relay at the Kilton Library in Lebanon, New Hampshire, from June 1, 2015, through September 11, 2015.
- On **September 11**, Joshua Eaton, an independent journalist in Somerville, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records of communications from the Homeland Security Investigations field office in Boston, Massachusetts, pertaining to the Library Freedom Project, from June 1, 2015, through September 11, 2015.
- On **September 11**, Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to contract number HSBP1015P00387.
- On **September 14**, Omar Jadwat, a representative with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to the Juvenile Referral Program.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 10**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Navideh Forghani, a reporter with *KNXV* in Phoenix, Arizona, three pages of records containing of statistical data pertaining to the number of non-Mexican nationals apprehended at the southern border for the last three years. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **September 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration (USCIS) released to Ben Briscoe, a journalist with *WFMY-YV* in Greensboro, North Carolina, 1,287 pages of records consisting of all reports filed over the past three years pertaining to the Appalachian EB-5



Regional Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 4, and 6.

- On **September 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 808 pages of records consisting of the Alien File for the late Konrads Kalejsin. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 10**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 742 pages of records consisting of the Alien File for the late Karlis Detlavs. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **September 14**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Michael Kunzelman, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 79 pages of records consisting of a listing of FEMA's efforts to recoup disaster assistance funding that it provided to individuals following Hurricane Sandy in 2012. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **September 15**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) released to Jeremy Thomas, a reporter with the *Bay Area News Group* in Oakland, California, 10 pages of records consisting of a report titled, "Catastrophic Bioterrorism Scenarios: Response Architectures and Technology Implications, March 2006." Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **September 15**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jennifer Newell, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in San Francisco, California, 3,442 pages of records consisting of policies and practices pertaining to governing the referral of cases for criminal prosecution under 8 U.S.C. § 1326 for individuals subject to reinstatement of removal who are eligible or who have requested a reasonable fear interview. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 16**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ben Briscoe, a reporter with *WFMY-TV* in Greensboro, North Carolina, 1,623 pages of records pertaining to North Carolina Growth Regional Center, LLC. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 4, and 6.
- On **September 16**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Rick Jervis, a reporter with *USA Today* in Austin, Texas, one page of records pertaining to the number of inland oil spills in Texas from 2010 through 2015. These records were released in full.
- On **September 16**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to DaShawn Brown, a reporter with *Live 5 News* in Charleston, South Carolina, 80 pages of records consisting of a case report, photographs, log sheets, and checklists pertaining to the rescue of four brothers off the Charleston Coast. These records were released in full.
- On **September 16**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to payments made to the company Ashley Madison and/or AMDB in the amount of \$49 or above for costs incurred by DHS employees or officials using government-issued credit cards from January 1, 2013, through August 26, 2015.

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **October 12**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will publish a new form, I-131A, Application for Travel Document (Carrier Evidence), to allow lawful permanent residents to request a travel permit at a U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate. Open press.
- In **October**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish a Proposed Rule: “Retention of EB-1, EB-2, and EB-3 Immigrant Workers and Program Improvements Affecting Highly Skilled H-1B Alien Workers.” This Rule proposes to amend regulations to provide stability and job flexibility for beneficiaries of approved employment-based immigrant visa petitions while they wait to become lawful permanent residents. Open press.
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#### Cybersecurity:

- On **October 6**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Program Manager Dan Massey will present “Government and Industry Collaboration on Cyber” at the 2015 SAE Commercial Vehicle Engineering Congress. Open press.
- On **October 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion on cooperation, interdependencies and challenges in cybersecurity, at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Cybersecurity Summit, in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will participate in a panel discussion on the risk landscape to critical water systems, at the National Association of Water Companies Annual Conference, in Scottsdale, AZ. Closed press.
- On **October 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on cyber threat information sharing, at the Council of Governors Working Session, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on end-user cybersecurity, as part of the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center monthly cybersecurity webinar for state and local stakeholders. Closed press.
- On **October 8**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on understanding evolving and emerging threats to improve terrorism prevention, at the Institute for Defense and Government Advancement 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Homeland Security Week, in Arlington, VA. Open press.

- On **October 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on how to stay safe online, at the National Cyber Security Awareness Month Week 3 Keystone Event, in Los Angeles, CA. Open press.
- On **October 14**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on strengthening information sharing with the private sector, at the Department of Homeland Security Office of Intelligence & Analysis New York Corporate Security Symposium, in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **October 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on cybersecurity challenges, at the Executive Mosaic Fall 2015 Cyber Security Summit, in McLean, VA. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **October 7**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give remarks at the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute 2015 Public Policy Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify in front of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee for a threats hearing. Open press.
- On **October 13**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the Association of the U.S. Army Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend a dinner honoring Lars Gert Lose, Ambassador of Denmark, hosted by Ambassador Bernstein. Closed press.
- On **October 15**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Dearborn, Michigan to participate in a roundtable meeting with diverse community leaders and a special community event for youth in the Dearborn area. Closed press.

##### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **October 5**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a roundtable discussion at the New America Cybersecurity Initiative Business Policy Roundtable. Closed press.
- From **October 6 to 7**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will travel to New York City to deliver the keynote address at the Lower East Side Tenement Museum Naturalization Ceremony, and is tentatively scheduled to speak at Columbia College. Open press.

##### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **October 4**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate will attend the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Memorial Service, and dedicate a conference room in the memory of U.S. Fire Administration Deputy Administrator Glenn A. Gaines. Open press.
- From **October 5 to 6**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant, Vice Admiral Charles Michel will travel to Valparaiso, Chile as a member of a 18- person U.S. Delegation led by Department of State, Secretary John Kerry for the Our Ocean Conference. Controlled press.

- From **October 5 to 9**, Blue Campaign Chair Maria Odom will travel to Fargo, Bismarck, and Dickinson, ND to meet with various state, local, and non-governmental stakeholders to discuss the Blue Campaign's anti-trafficking efforts in North Dakota. Senator Heidi Heitkamp is expected to join Chairwoman Odom in Bismarck. Closed press.
- From **October 5 to October 9**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with airline representatives and U.K. government officials in London, England, to discuss preclearance expansion. Closed press.
- From **October 5 to October 10**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in the U.S.–Singapore Law Enforcement Homeland Security & Safety Cooperation Dialogue in Singapore. Closed press.
- On **October 6**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate, and Sweden's Civil Contingencies Agency Director General Helena Lindberg will co-chair a panel discussion on Extreme Space Weather at the Embassy of Sweden during the Swedish American Space Symposium in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 7**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Deputy Administrator Joseph Nimmich will make introductory remarks, and participate in an "Impact-based Decision Support Services for Emergency Preparedness and Management" panel at the National Weather Service 2015 Fall Strategy Meeting. Closed press.
- On **October 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will meet with Dr. Miguel Basáñez Ebergényi, Mexican Ambassador to the United States, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will deliver remarks at the Syrian American Medical Society's 2<sup>nd</sup> National Symposium in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 10**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will deliver the keynote speech at the Pacific Council on International Policy. Closed Press.
- On **October 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will visit the Sioux Falls South Dakota Rotary Club and give keynote remarks. Open Press.
- On **October 13**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Ricardo Treviño Chapa, Mexico's Customs Administrator-General, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will engage with Chicago Federal Air Marshals and United Airlines leadership. Closed press.
- On **October 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will be the keynote speaker at the HIAS Convention, which will be held in Philadelphia, PA. Open press.
- On **October 14**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will attend the NSTC Committee on Homeland & National Security. Closed press.
- From **October 14 to October 15**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the opening of the newly constructed international concourse building at William P. Hobby Airport in Houston, TX. Open press.
- On **October 15**, Private Sector Office Assistant Secretary Perales will join a Round Table hosted by the U.S. International Trade Commission in Washington, DC. Closed Press.
- From **October 15 to 16**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña and Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will

participate in the U.S.-Mexico Security Cooperation Group in Mexico City, Mexico to discuss high-level security issues, including counter-narcotics cooperation, money laundering and illicit finance, arms trafficking, and cyber security. Closed press.

- On **October 17**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver the keynote address at the 2015 Western Cargo Conference hosted by the Pacific Coast Council of Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders Association in Palm Springs, CA. Open press.
- From **October 18 to October 21**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with local officials in Tokyo, Japan, to discuss preclearance expansion. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- **October** is designated as National Cyber Security Awareness Month, a DHS-led initiative to increase the public's awareness of the importance of individual cybersecurity.

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- During the **week of October 5**, Office of Operations Coordination (OPS) Deputy Director Frank DiFalco and OPS Chief of Staff Todd Heinz will meet with Brendan Shields, Staff Director for the House Committee on Homeland Security to discuss OPS Activities. Closed press.
- On **October 6**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) representative Cassandra Camp will give a tour of the TSA Systems Integration Facility to staff from the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Closed press.
- On **October 7**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Enforcement and Removal Operations, Salt Lake City Field Office Director Daniel Bible will provide Representative Chris Stewart's staff with a briefing on operations and responsibilities. Closed press.
- On **October 7**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding, Deputy Under Secretary Ron Clark, and Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will testify at a hearing before the House Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies. Open press.
- On **October 7**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance and Mitigation Roy Wright will meet with members of the New York House delegation in Washington, DC to discuss the Sandy Claims Review Taskforce process, and National Flood Insurance Program issues. Closed press.
- On **October 7**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance and Mitigation Roy Wright will meet with members of the New Jersey House delegation in Washington, DC to discuss the Sandy Claims Review Taskforce process, and National Flood Insurance Program issues. Closed press.
- On **October 7**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance and Mitigation Roy Wright will discuss the Sandy Claims Review Taskforce process and the National Flood Insurance Program issues with members of New York and New Jersey Senate delegations in Washington, DC. Closed press.

- On **October 8**, U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Paul Thomas, Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, will testify in front of the House Committee on Homeland Security's Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security. Open press.
- On **October 8**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a briefing for the House Committee on Homeland Security on Cybersecurity at Ports. Closed press.
- On **October 8**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Recovery Office Assistant Administrator Alex Amparo will meet with Representative Billy Long to discuss a follow-up request by Mercy Health for reimbursement of Hazard Mitigation funding under Section 406 of the Stafford Act following Joplin, Missouri Tornadoes of 2011. Closed press.
- On **October 13**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) representative Marisa Maola will give New York City regional district staff a briefing about TSA Airport Operations and Casework. Closed press.
- From **October 13 to 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard majority staff in various locations in Coast Guard District 8. Closed press.
- From **October 13 to 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the House Appropriations Committee in various locations in Coast Guard District 8. Closed press.
- From **October 14 to 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard minority staff in various locations in Coast Guard District 7. Closed press.
- On **October 15**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) representative Robert Allison will give Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island district staff a briefing about TSA Airport Operations and Casework. Closed press.
- On **October 16**, Senator Nelson will attend the U.S. Coast Guard's Fast Response Cutter commissioning ceremony in San Juan, PR. Open press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **September 17**, Rafael Cabrera, a journalist with *Aristegui Noticias* in Hidalgo, Mexico, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to asylum requests for the late Elena Garro and Helena Paz Garro.
- On **September 17**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to President Obama and any companions on their August 2015 trip to Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts.
- On **September 18**, Talal Ansari, a reporter with *Buzz Feed News* in New York, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to complaints filed using the Misconduct Allegation Form pertaining to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) from January 1, 2008, through August 31, 2015, containing the following words or variations: (1) confidential human sources; (2) informant or informants; (3) Federal Bureau of Investigation; and (4) the Controlled Application Review and Resolution Program.
- On **September 18**, Christopher McDaniel, a reporter with *Buzz Feed News* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the following records from January 1, 2015, through September 18, 2015: (1) records pertaining to HarrisPharma;

(2) records pertaining to Chris Harris; and (3) various records of correspondence pertaining to the importation of execution drugs.

- On **September 20**, Roque Planas, a reporter with the *Huffington Post* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the country of origin for the immigrant detainee population housed at the Stewart Detention Center in Georgia, for the last two years.
- On **September 21**, Elly Yu, a representative with *WABE* in Atlanta, Georgia, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the incident report and results of an investigation regarding a detainee disturbance at the Stewart Detention Center in Georgia on September 3, 2015, that led to a lockdown.
- On **September 21**, Rodrigo Martinez, a reporter with *Mundo Latino* in Charlotte, North Carolina, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the number of deportations under the Priority Enforcement Program in Charlotte/Mecklenburg jail and the classifications according to the priority levels.
- On **September 21**, Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to the Moral Action for Climate Justice Rally on the National Mall in Washington, DC, on September 24, 2015.
- On **September 22**, Ellen Nakashima, a reporter with *The Washington Post* in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to queries sent to the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center by the Baltimore field office of ICE's Enforcement and Removal Operations branch.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 16**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Dorothy Scheeline, a representative with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, three pages of records consisting of a correspondence log for Senator Mark Kirk (R-IL). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, 23 pages of records pertaining to monitoring open source articles and reporting on facilities as part of NPPD's Outreach and Engagement Strategy and Implementation Plan for Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(F).
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Milton Valencia, a reporter with the *Boston Globe* in Boston, Massachusetts, one page of records consisting of the costs incurred by the Federal Protective Services for the trial of Dzhokhar Tsarnaev in the U.S. District Court in Boston, Massachusetts. These records were released in full.
- On **September 17**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Christian Spencer, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, five pages of records consisting of copies of photographs taken of activists at the courthouse in St Louis, Missouri. These records were released in full.



- On **September 17**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Mark Howard, an editor with the *Florida Trend* in St. Petersburg, Florida, 1,601 pages of records consisting of correspondence between USCIS and the following: (1) MedPro and/or MedPro Healthcare Staffing; and (2) the ITrace Foundation pertaining to I-129 petitions and H-1B visas. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 21**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in New York, New York, 782 pages of records contained in the Alien File for the late Nikolaus Schiffer. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **September 21**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Eileen Sullivan, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, 1,001 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to the attempted bombing of a flight on December 25, 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 22**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ben Briscoe, a reporter with *WFMY* in Greensboro, North Carolina, 426 pages of records pertaining to the Atlantic Regional Center for Foreign Investment, LLC. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **September 22**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ben Briscoe, a reporter with *WFMY* in Greensboro, North Carolina, 472 pages of records pertaining to the Carolina EB-5 RPT Regional Center, LLC. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
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- On **September 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 81 pages of records pertaining to communication regarding the influx of undocumented unaccompanied minors and others into the U.S. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **September 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Ian Mandel, an individual in Alexandria, Virginia, 16 pages of records consisting of e-mails from the “@clinton.senate.gov” e-mail extension from January 3, 2001, through January 21, 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **September 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Rachael Bale, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, one page of records pertaining to allegations of sexual abuse or sexual assault at U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) facilities. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **October 19**, Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez, and U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor will participate in a special naturalization ceremony in Brooklyn, NY. Open press.
- On **October 22**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will present at the Invest in the USA (IIUSA) EB-5 Conference in Dallas, TX to discuss the Ombudsman policy priorities, 2015 Annual Report, and employment based immigration issues. Closed press.
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#### Cybersecurity:

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### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **October 13**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will deliver remarks at the Association of the U.S. Army Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Laredo, TX to attend the opening ceremony of the Cargo Pre-Inspection Facility and meet with Secretary Videgaray. Open press.
- From **October 14 to 15**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Mexico City, Mexico to attend meetings with government officials and the President of Mexico. Closed press.

- On **October 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York, NY to attend a 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary naturalization ceremony, and attend a NASDAQ ceremony to ring the bell for National Cybersecurity Awareness Month. Open press.
- On **October 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify in front of the House Committee on Homeland Security for a hearing on threats to the homeland. Open press.
- On **October 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give remarks at the Homeland Security Academic Advisory Council Meeting. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend a reception honoring General Kelly, hosted by Juan Carlos Pinzon, the Ambassador of Columbia. Closed press.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **October 14** Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will speak at an engagement for a book launching, *Guide for CEOs on Cybersecurity Risk Management*. Open Press.
- On **October 18**, Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will participate in a special naturalization ceremony in New York, NY. Open press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **October 8 to 15**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will travel to the University of Texas Brownsville for a speaking engagement,. Open/Closed press.
- On **October 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will visit the Sioux Falls South Dakota Rotary Club and give keynote remarks. Open Press.
- On **October 13**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will meet with United Airlines CEO Oscar Munoz in Chicago at United Airlines' Headquarters. Closed press.
- On **October 13**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Deputy Administrator Joseph Nimmich will participate on a Homeland Defense/Homeland Security: The Army-DHS Partnership panel at the Association of the United States Army Annual Meeting and Exposition. Closed press.
- On **October 13**, Chief Procurement Officer Soraya Correa will participate in a roundtable discussion with senior executives in government contracting regarding DHS procurement and acquisitions at the Washington Executive Federal Acquisition Council Roundtable in Vienna, VA. Closed press.
- On **October 13**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Mayor Oscar Leeser of El Paso, TX, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **October 13 to 14**, Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) Deputy Under Secretary Robert P. Griffin will lead an S&T delegation to Madrid, Spain. The delegation will meet with Embassy staff, tour the Border Command and Barajas Airport, and visit the Instituto Tecnológico la Marañosa. Closed press.
- On **October 14**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will be the keynote speaker at the Pipeline Forum in Potomac, MD. Closed press.
- On **October 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will visit Philadelphia, PA, where he will deliver the keynote address at the Hias Convention and

administer the Oath of Allegiance at a naturalization event at City Hall at which Mayor Michael Nutter will be the keynote speaker. Both events open press.

- From **October 14 to 15**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Administrator Craig Fugate will attend a meeting of the Central United States Earthquake Consortium Closed press.
- From **October 14 to 15**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the opening of the newly constructed international concourse building at William P. Hobby Airport in Houston, TX. Open press.
- On **October 15**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will give opening remarks at the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty Annual Symposium. Closed press.
- On **October 15**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will be a guest speaker at the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's annual Multi-Cultural Leadership Training Event in Metairie, Louisiana. Closed Press.
- From **October 15 to 16**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Protection and National Preparedness Deputy Administrator Tim Manning will meet with Australia Northern Territory Emergency Service Director Andrew Warton in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 16**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña will participate in the U.S.-Mexico Security Cooperation Group in Mexico City, Mexico. Closed press.
- On **October 16**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Thomas Engle, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Transportation Affairs, at State Department Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to discuss preclearance operations and expansion. Closed press.
- From **October 16 to 23**, Office of Policy Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Dr. Brodi Kotila will be on travel to London to meet with UK officials on CVE related topics. Closed press.
- On **October 17**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver the keynote address at the 2015 Western Cargo Conference hosted by the Pacific Coast Council of Customs Brokers and Freight Forwarders Association in Palm Springs, CA. Open press.
- From **October 18 to 21**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with local officials in Tokyo, Japan, to discuss preclearance expansion. Closed press.
- From **October 18 to 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador and Panama in his role as the Chairman of The Interdiction Committee. Closed press.
- On **October 21**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Norbert Drude, President of the German Customs Investigation Bureau, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **October 23 to 26**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the 122<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Association of Chiefs of Police Conference and Expo in Chicago, IL. Open press.

#### Items of Note

#### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **October 13**, an Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office of Public Affairs representative will escort Gary Tarpinian, owner and executive producer of television production company MorningStar Entertainment, on a visit to New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport. Open press.
- On **October 13**, Chief Procurement Officer Soraya Correa has a media interview with the Partnership for Public Service on the Department's Procurement Innovation Lab. The interview will be published in a future Partnership for Public Service report.
- On **October 14**, Federal Emergency Management Administration Office of Disability Integration and Coordination Director Marcie Roth will participate in an interview with the Chicago Lighthouse for People Who are Blind or Visually Impaired's Chicagoland Radio Information Service to discuss emergency preparedness resources available to people with disabilities.
- On **October 19**, Washington Post reporter Ashley Halsey will tour the Freedom Center in Herndon, VA. During his tour he will be briefed on the Transportation Security Operation Center and is scheduled to interview Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger.

*Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **October 12**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will tour Sioux Falls Airport with Senator John Thune. Open Press.
- On **October 13**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) representative Marisa Maola will give New York City regional district staff a briefing about TSA Airport Operations and Casework. Closed press.
- From **October 13 to 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard majority staff in various locations in Coast Guard District 8. Closed press.
- From **October 13 to 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the House Appropriations Committee in various locations in Coast Guard District 8. Closed press.
- On **October 14**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) will brief staff of the Senate Special Committee on Aging on ICE HSI's investigations combating Jamaican Lottery Scams. This briefing, which was requested by committee staff, will be provided by Associate Deputy Assistant Director Kevin Abar from ICE HSI's Financial, Narcotics and Special Operations Division. Closed press.
- From **October 14 to 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard minority staff in various locations in Coast Guard District 7. Closed press.
- On **October 15**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) representative Robert Allison will give Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island district staff a briefing about TSA Airport Operations and Casework. Closed press.
- On **October 15**, staff from the House Committee on Homeland Security – Transportation Subcommittee will visit the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Federal Air Marshal Service Washington Field Office in Chantilly, VA; the TSA checkpoint at Washington-Dulles International Airport, and the Transportation Security Operations Center in Herndon, VA. Closed press.
- From **October 15 to 16**, House Appropriations Committee, Homeland Security Subcommittee Clerk Valerie Baldwin, and members Christopher Romig and Darek Newby

will meet with the representatives from the U.S. Coast Guard and FEMA Region VI senior staff in New Orleans, LA. Closed press.

- On **October 16**, Senator Nelson will attend the Fast Response Cutter commissioning ceremony in San Juan, PR. Open press.
- On **October 16**, Office of Operations Coordination (OPS) Deputy Director Frank DiFalco and OPS Chief of Staff Todd Heinz will meet with Brendan Shields, Staff Director for the House Committee on Homeland Security to discuss OPS Activities. Closed press.
- On **October 20**, Senator Booker will attend the Service Academy Fair in New Brunswick, NJ. Open press.
- On **October 20**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will brief the Senate Appropriations Committee staff on the nuclear threat. Closed press.
- On **October 21**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief Brendan Shields, staff director of the House Homeland Security Committee, regarding CBP's organizational realignment. Closed press.
- On **October 21**, Law Enforcement Policy will provide a briefing to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Information Technology Subcommittee to discuss law enforcement's use of IMSI-catcher devices and cell-site simulators. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Linda Jacksta will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, at a hearing on hiring and retention benefits for remote areas. Open press.
- On **October 23**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff in Key West, Florida in Coast Guard District 7. Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **September 24**, Courtney Streett, a journalist with *CBS News* in New York, New York, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to General Services Administration auctions of FEMA travel trailers and mobile homes that were sent to the Gulf of Mexico in response to Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.
- On **September 24**, Cynthia Wise, an editor with *KING5 News* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the safety of the vehicles in Ride the Ducks of Seattle. (Case Number USCG 2015-CGFO-03138.)
- On **September 24**, Tina Patel, a reporter with *Q13 Fox News* in Seattle, Washington, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the most recent inspection for DUCK #6 in Ride the Ducks of Seattle.
- On **September 25**, Ryan Mulvey, a counsel with Cause of Action in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to any report or response to Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI) regarding his June 23, 2015 request of the Inspectors General of the Executive Branch departments and agencies to examine compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the extent to which political appointees may be involved in the process.
- On **September 25**, John Tran, a counsel with the Electronic Privacy Information Center in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records pertaining to the Priority Enforcement Program: (1) records prepared or sent by the DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) since November 20, 2014; (2)

records prepared or sent by the Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs; and (3) records of communications between DHS and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office and local officials in Los Angeles.

- On **September 25**, Jake Cox, a research analyst with America Rising in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of communications between former Nevada Attorney General Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV) and the following offices: (1) the Office of Public Affairs (OPA); (2) the Office of Legislative Affairs (OLA); and the Office of the Executive Secretary (ESEC) from January 1, 2007, through January 1, 2014.
- On **September 28**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with *VICE News* in Beverly Hills, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to Pope Francis's visit to the U.S., including threats and/or related protests.
- On **September 29**, Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to contract number HSBP1011P01065.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **September 24**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Audrey Singer, a senior fellow with the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC, four Excel spreadsheets containing data pertaining to each individual who requested Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival or requested a renewal via the I-821D form. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **September 24**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Josh Gerstein, a reporter with *Politico* in Arlington, Virginia, three pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to contact between the Office of Government Ethics and members of the White House staff regarding ethics. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5 and 6.
- On **September 24**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Nicholas Riccardi, a writer with the *Associated Press* in Denver, Colorado, 34 pages of records consisting of correspondence between DHS and the Office of Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) as listed in the DHS correspondence log: (1) correspondence dated August 1, 2011, regarding a constituent who has a construction contract with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) (ID #917307); (2) correspondence dated December 9, 2011, regarding a group of Cuban Americans with concerns regarding Cuban immigration (ID#932245); (3) correspondence dated December 22, 2011, seeking assistance for Haitian families (ID# 932734); (4) correspondence dated January 10, 2012, on behalf of a constituent requesting U.S. citizenship (ID#935029); (5) correspondence dated August 28, 2012, on behalf of a constituent requesting permanent id (ID#957251); (6) correspondence dated September 25, 2012, regarding humanitarian admission (ID#962819); and (7) correspondence dated March 14, 2013, regarding immigration reform/E2 treaty reform investor visa holders (ID#976487). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **September 24**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Torya Bey, a secretary with The Moorish Science Temple of America in Chicago, Illinois, one page of records consisting of a copy of Secretary Jeh Johnson's Oath of Office. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.



- On **September 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, 10 pages of records consisting of correspondence pertaining to the following workflows: (1) 1075824 for Congressman Rob Bishop (R-UT); and (2) 1069681 for Senator Thad Cochran (R-MS).
- On **September 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, eight pages of records consisting of correspondence from the following members of Congress: (1) Congressman Jason Chaffetz (R-UT); (2) Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI); and (3) Congressman Bennie Thompson (D-MS). These records were released in full.
- On **September 25**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Alicia Caldwell, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, 23 pages of records consisting of e-mails to or from James Tomsheck, former Assistant Commissioner, Office of Internal Affairs regarding requests for extended security clearances for outgoing Department of Homeland Security (DHS) personnel from January 1, 2013, through May 1, 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 2, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California 24 pages of records pertaining to the use of unauthorized monitoring of communication used by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 2, 5, 6, 7(C), 7(D), and 7(E).
- On **September 28**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Susanne Arani, an attorney with the Council on American-Islamic Relations in San Diego, California, a no records determination in response to her request seeking records pertaining to the processing of individuals seeking entry admission at the San Ysidro Port of Entry.
- On **September 28**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Matthew Mosk, a producer with *ABC News* in Washington, DC, 232 pages of records consisting of correspondence between United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), Department of Homeland Security (DHS) officials, and members of Congress or their staff pertaining to: (1) The City of New Orleans Regional Center; (2) Noble Out Reach; (3) Noble Reach-NOLA LLC; (4) American Logistics Regional Center; (5) American Logistics International; (6) SLS Hotels; and (7) American Dream Fund Regional Center from January 1, 2009, through the October 2, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On **September 28**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Patricia Alulema, a researcher with *CBS News* in New York, New York, 149 pages of records consisting of complaint forms and a spreadsheet listing allegations by undocumented immigrants regarding deaths, sexual abuse, and mistreatment from 2012 through 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 2, 6, 7(A), 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 29**, 015, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Danielle Lipsman, a research associate with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, 27 pages of records consisting of correspondence between DHS and Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI) associated with specific workflows. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

- On **September 29**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Eric Chaloux, a reporter with *KSTP-TV* in St. Paul, Minneapolis, 166 pages of records consisting of the number of traveler claims made for stolen/missing items from checked baggage at Minneapolis-St Paul Airport, claims paid out by TSA for the items, and the number of TSA workers fired for theft from January 1, 2014, through April 30, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **September 29**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Brian Michael, a representative with *KOMO* in Seattle, Washington, 53 pages of records consisting of activity summaries, checklists, inspections, and e-mails pertaining to the vessels POLAR PIONEER and NOBLE DISCOVERER in May 2015. These records were released in full.
- On **September 29**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Chris Woodard, a reporter with *KOIN 6 News* in Portland, Oregon, one page of records consisting of a permit pertaining to the August 1, 2015 Red Bull Flutag event on the Willamette River in Portland, Oregon. These records were released in full.
- On **September 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Carroll, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, one Excel spreadsheet containing data pertaining to sexual assaults in ICE custody for fiscal years 2008 through 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(A), and 7(C).
- On **September 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Leticia Espinosa, a reporter with *Hoy* in Chicago, Illinois, 55 pages of records pertaining to I-9 audits in Illinois for the last three years. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Susan Carroll, a reporter with the *Houston Chronicle* in Houston, Texas, 77 pages of records pertaining to the death of ICE detainee Pablo Ortiz-Matamoros. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Meredith Stewart, a representative with the Southern Poverty Law Center in New Orleans, Louisiana, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data on ICE detainers issued in Louisiana. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Meaghan Tribe, a student with Northwestern University in Chicago, Illinois, 489 pages of records and four Excel spreadsheets pertaining to the housing, transportation, and removal of juveniles in ICE custody. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Joanne Faryon, a reporter with *inewsourc*e in San Diego, California, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data pertaining to ICE detainees at the San Diego Contract Detention Facility. These records were released in full.
- On **September 29**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Faulk, a reporter with the *Yakima Herald-Tribune* in Yakima, Washington, statistical data pertaining to tracking bracelets issued under the Alternatives to Detention program in Washington State. These records were released in full.

- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jill Replogle, a reporter with *KPBS San Diego News* in San Diego, California, 643 pages of records pertaining to Friends of Adelanto Detainees, Friends of Orange County Detainees, CIVIC, SOLACE, and community visitation programs. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Evans, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, 401 pages of records pertaining to the apprehension, processing, and detention of hundreds of unaccompanied minor Mexican and Central American migrants by U.S. immigration officials in June 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jessica Karp, a reporter with the National Day Laborer Organizing Network in Los Angeles, California, 742 pages of records pertaining to deportation and removal proceedings. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Penn Bullock, a reporter with *Rolling Stone* in Brooklyn, New York, 414 pages of records pertaining to Operation Mayan Jaguar. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), 7(E), and 7(F).
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Molly Hennessy-Fiske, a reporter with the *Los Angeles Times* in Houston, Texas, 119 pages of records pertaining to a report of abuse at the Karnes Residential Center in Karnes City, Texas, on or about February 9, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Alicia Caldwell, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to individuals arrested during Project Wildfire. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 30**, 2015, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Janet Roberts, an editor with *Thomson Reuters News* in New York, New York, eight Excel spreadsheets pertaining to student and exchange visitor visas. These records were released in full.
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 971 pages of records pertaining to communications between ICE officials regarding Enforcement and Removal Operations and Immigration Enforcement Agent's career path, pay reform, and duties. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Beryl Lipton, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, six pages of records pertaining to the pilot study of GPS-enabled ankle bracelets. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **September 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to David Noriega, a reporter with *Buzz Feed News* in New York, New York, one Excel spreadsheet containing a listing of criminal convictions for individuals taken into custody during the ICE

sweep of criminal aliens conducted in Southern California on August 31, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **September 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, 29 pages of records pertaining to the following congressional correspondence workflow control numbers: (1) 23192 and 199060 for former Senator Hillary Clinton (D-NY); (2) 752712; (3) 756111; (4) 774296; (5) 827539; (6) 847233; (7) 942749; (8) 949831; (9) 951084; (10) 951900; (11) 955075; (12) 962568; and (13) 964205. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **September 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Sean Dunagan, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, four pages of records consisting of Frequently Asked Questions for Unaccompanied Alien Children. These records were released in full.
- On **September 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Rachel Bale, a researcher with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, and Bob Ortega, a reporter with *The Arizona Republic* in Phoenix, Arizona, 60 pages of records consisting of complaint narratives on closed investigations involving U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), 7(D), 7(E), and 7(F).
- On **September 30**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Betsy Lawrence, Director of Liaison with the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, DC, six pages of records consisting of statistical data pertaining to Form G-28I, Notice of Appearance as Attorney in Matters outside the Geographical Confines of the United States for each USCIS field office where petitions or applications were filed for fiscal years 2011 through 2014. These records were released in full.
- On **September 30**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Brittany Hughes, a reporter with *CNS News* in Reston, Virginia, eight pages of records consisting of a copy of the lease agreement between USCIS and the General Services Administration for the facility rented by USCIS at 2200 Crystal Drive in Arlington, Virginia. These records were released in full.
- On **September 30**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Astrid Galvan, a correspondent with the *Associated Press* in Tucson, Arizona, one page of records containing statistical data pertaining to the total number of Deferred Action of Childhood Arrivals enrollees whose Employment Authorization Document expired even after the enrollee applied for renewal, from August 1, 2012, through July 14, 2015. These records were released in full.
- On **September 30**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Joanna Kao, a representative with *Al Jazeera America* in New York, New York, one compact disk pertaining to naturalization applications filed under the Immigration and Naturalization Act Sections 328/329 and those not filed under the Act since fiscal year 2001. These records were released in full.
- On **September 30**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to James Luhn, a news director with *WCBD-TV* in Charleston, South Carolina, three pages of records consisting of a list of items reported missing by passengers from checked and carry-on

luggage at Charleston Airport from 2010 through 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

- On **September 30**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Patrick Terpstra, a producer with *Cox Media Group* in Washington, DC, 425 pages of records consisting of complaints sent to TSA by passengers at Orlando International Airport from January 1, 2014, through July 21, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- From **October 17 to 18**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Immigration Law Analysts Stephanie Fast and Anna Priddy will present at the Iraqi Refugee Assistance Project Student Summit in New York, NY to discuss refugee resettlement issues. Closed press.
- On **October 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will travel to Brooklyn, NY, where he will participate in a special naturalization ceremony at the United States Courthouse, meet with the office of Brooklyn District Attorney Ken Thompson, and participate in a stakeholder engagement at the Brooklyn Public Library. Open and closed press.
- On **October 19 to 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña will tour the U.S.-Mexico border and will engage with local citizens and community advocates in McAllen, TX. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will present at the IIUSA EB-5 Conference in Dallas, TX to discuss the Ombudsman policy priorities, 2015 Annual Report, and employment based immigration issues. Closed press.
- From **October 27 to 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel H. Ragsdale will participate in a panel discussion on human trafficking at the Santa Marta Group Trafficking Conference in Madrid, Spain. Open press.
- From **October 28 to 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah R. Saldaña will provide keynote remarks at the U.S.-Canada Border Conference Advisory Board in Detroit, MI and will also engage with local citizens and community advocates. Open press.
- **October or November (tentative)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) plans to publish a Proposed Rule: “Retention of EB-1, EB-2, and EB-3 Immigrant Workers and Program Improvements Affecting Highly Skilled H-1B Alien Workers.” The Rule proposes to amend regulations to provide stability and job flexibility for beneficiaries of approved employment-based immigrant visa petitions while they wait to become lawful permanent residents and to conform USCIS regulations with the American Competitiveness in the Twenty-First Century Act of 2000 (as amended by the Twenty-First Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act) and the American Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act of 1998. Open press.
- In **October or November (tentative)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will publish and release in 13 languages the updated version of “Welcome to the United States: A Guide for New Immigrants.” This is an update to the existing guide published on [uscis.gov](http://uscis.gov). Streamlined communications materials pending. Open press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 12**, there are **618,302** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 2 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2016, a total of **947,430** queries have been run through the system, with an average of **829** employers registering each week.

## **Cybersecurity:**

- On **October 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on the Department's vision for cybersecurity at the NASDAQ luncheon in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **October 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on infrastructure development, at the Critical Five annual meeting, in New Zealand. Closed press.
- On **October 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on cybersecurity policy and government resources, at the Association for Financial Professionals Annual Conference, in Denver, CO. Open press.
- On **October 20**, Office of Management Chief Information Security Officer Jeff Eisensmith will participate as a panelist discussing Continuous Diagnostic Mitigation implementation, cybersecurity threats, and risk management at the Cybersecurity Nexus™ 2015 North America Conference in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on the roles of the public and the private sectors on protecting data, at the Committee for Economic Development Fall Policy Conference, in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **October 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on the impact of computers on business and economics, at the Georgia Tech College of Computing Symposium on the Future of Computing, in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **October 26**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on privacy and dangers in using social media, as part of the Information Security Awareness Webinar for Monsanto employees. Closed press.
- On **October 27**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on threats in cyberspace and how companies can work with the government on cybersecurity, at the Holmes Report Global Public Relations Summit, in Bal Harbour, FL. Open press.
- On **October 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on the evolving nature of cyber threats, at the 2015 Georgia Tech Cyber Security Summit, in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **October 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Ron Clark will deliver remarks on public-private partnerships and information sharing, at the Dominion National Energy Security Summit, in Richmond, VA. Press TBD.
- On **October 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on cybersecurity initiatives at the Department and the future of public-private collaboration, at the Internet Security Alliance Fall Board of Directors Meeting, in Washington, DC. Closed press.



## Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

### Principal Schedules

#### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **October 19**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to New York City, NY to participate in a special naturalization ceremony with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez and U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor at the United States Courthouse. He will also ring the closing bell at NASDAQ. Open press.
- On **October 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will testify in front of the House Committee on Homeland Security during a hearing on threats. Open press.
- On **October 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give remarks at the Homeland Security Academic Advisory Council Meeting. Open press.
- On **October 21**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with General Kelly of SOUTHCOM through SVTC to discuss general issues. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend a reception honoring General Kelly hosted by Juan Carlos Pinzon, the Ambassador of Columbia. Closed press.
- On **October 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a VTC with Herriman High School's government class. Local media will be present.
- On **October 25**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend the Kuwait-America Foundation UNHCR Gala Dinner at the Kuwait Ambassador's residence. Closed press.
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### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **October 18**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will participate in a Naturalization Ceremony in New York City, NY. Open Press.
- On **October 20**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will meet with Department of State Deputy Secretary Higginbottom to discuss refugee process reform. Closed Press.
- On **October 21**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas will conduct a meet-and-greet with Secure Community Network Board Chairman Michael Siegal. Closed Press.
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- On **October 27**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will travel to Detroit, MI to speak at a Chamber of Commerce event and meet with Cargill's Chief Financial Officer. Open Press.

### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **October 16 to October 21**, Office of Policy Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Dr. Brodi Kotila, will travel to the United Kingdom (UK) to meet with UK officials to learn about their Countering Violent Extremism program and meet with the Deputy Prime Minister of the UK Home Office. Closed press.
- From **October 18 to October 21**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Caroline Kennedy, the U.S. Ambassador to Japan; Hiroshi Inoue, Director-General of the Japan Immigration Bureau; Yoshinobu Sato, Director-General of the Civil Aviation Bureau; Koji Tomita, Director-General of the North American Affairs Bureau; Nobuhisa Sagawa, Director-General of the Customs and Tariff Bureau; and representatives of Narita International Airport in Tokyo, Japan, to discuss preclearance expansion. Closed press.
- From **October 18 to 23**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador and Panama as the Chair of The Interdiction Committee. Closed press.
- On **October 19**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Protection and National Preparedness Deputy Administrator Tim Manning will join participants from the InterAction Disaster Risk Reduction Working Group, American Red Cross, and Global Disaster Preparedness Center in a panel discussion on the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction during International Disaster Risk Reduction Day. Open press.
- On **October 21**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Norbert Drude, President of the German Customs Investigation Bureau, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **October 21**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Office of Response and Recovery Associate Administrator Beth Zimmerman will meet with City of New Orleans officials to discuss road and infrastructure issues. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will participate in a meeting with Department of Justice Deputy Assistant Attorney General Bruce Swartz to discuss INTERPOL Operational Priorities and Interdepartmental Funding. Closed press.

- On **October 22**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong will attend the Major Cities Chiefs Association Intelligence Commanders Group in Chicago, IL. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Brenda Smith will speak at a meeting of the North American Steel Trade Committee in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **October 22 to 24**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Fong will participate in the Association of State Criminal Investigative Agencies Fall Conference in Chicago, IL. Open and closed press.
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- From **October 26 to October 28**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will visit Dublin, Ireland, where he will take part in, and deliver remarks at the AVSEC World Conference. Open press.
- On **October 28**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator Mark Hatfield will speak to the Regional Airline Association Board of Directors. Closed press.
- On **October 28**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to Chicago, IL to meet with the assembly of High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Directors. Closed press.
- From **October 28 to 29**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will participate in the Weapons of Mass Destruction and Terrorism Senior Leader Seminar at USSOCOM in Tampa, FL. Closed press.

- On **October 29**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend a public meeting of the 14th Term Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for CBP in Washington, DC. Open press.
- From **October 29 to 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to New London, CT for the Arctic Coast Guard Forum. Open press.
- On **October 30**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with John Laughter, Senior Vice-President – Corporate Safety, Security and Compliance for Delta Air Lines. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **October 20**, Office of Management Chief Human Capital Officer Catherine Emerson will have a media interview with USA Today on the Department’s recruiting efforts and opportunities for growth.
- On **October 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will interview with the CBS Evening News for a news report on increased Coast Guard drug interdictions.

##### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **October 19**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region VII Administrator Beth Freeman and regional staff will provide a brief on National Flood Insurance Program issues and an update on the ongoing Flood Insurance Study to House Financial Services Chairman of the Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, Representative Blaine Luetkemeyer and Lake of the Ozarks officials. Closed press.
- On **October 20**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Immigration Policy Mary Giovagnoli will lead a briefing for House and Senate appropriators on data integration efforts as a follow up to an April briefing. Closed press.
- On **October 20**, staff from the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation will tour Customs and Border Protection and Coast Guard operations at the port of Baltimore, MD. Closed press.
- On **October 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will conduct a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center for House Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on NSA and Cybersecurity Chairman Lynn Westmoreland and Ranking Member Jim Hines. Closed press.
- On **October 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and NPPD Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will conduct a briefing on automated indicator sharing, for Senator Tom Carper. Closed press.
- On **October 20**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cyber and Infrastructure Analysis Director Brandon Wales and National Infrastructure Simulation and Analysis Center Program Manager Craig Gordon will conduct a briefing on the Soo Locks, for the staff of Representative Marcy Kaptur. Closed press.
- On **October 20**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will brief the Senate Appropriations Committee staff on the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture. Closed press.
- On **October 21**, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration Deputy Associate Administrator Roy Wright will discuss the National Flood Insurance Program and California floodplain issues with Representative John Garamendi. Closed press.

- On **October 21**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief Brendan Shields, staff director of the House Homeland Security Committee, regarding CBP's organizational realignment. Closed press.
- On **October 21**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology (USST) Reginald Brothers will pay a courtesy visit to Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson, Ranking Member of the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology. Closed press.
- On **October 21**, Office of Policy Threat Prevention and Security Assistant Secretary Seth Stodder will testify in front of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Information Technology. Closed press.
- On **October 21**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will discuss issues affecting Idaho industries with the Idaho congressional delegation. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate will testify at the House Committee on Homeland Security's Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications hearing. Open press.
- On **October 22**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Linda Jacksta (Office of Human Resources Management) will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, at a hearing on hiring and retention benefits for remote areas. Open press.
- On **October 22**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will brief the Committee on Homeland Security on the Global Nuclear Detection Architecture Node Chart. Closed press.
- On **October 23**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff in Key West, Florida in Coast Guard District 7. Closed press.
- On **October 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Associate Deputy Assistant Director for International Operations Alexis Torres will join the U.S. Department of State to brief staff of Representative Albio Sires and staff of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere. Closed press.
- On **October 26**, Representative Courtney will visit the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT. Open press.
- On **October 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Stosz will meet with Senator Cantwell's staff. Closed press.
- On **October 27**, the U.S. Coast Guard will testify at a hearing on the Arctic for the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Open press.
- On **October 27**, a U.S. Coast Guard representative and Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will testify in a joint hearing before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure's Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation and the House Committee of Homeland Security's Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security. Open press.
- On **October 27**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Todd Owen (Office of Field Operations) will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, at a hearing entitled "Prevention of and Response to the Arrival of a Dirty Bomb at a U.S. Port." DNDO and USCG have also been invited to testify. Open press.

- On **October 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Response Policy Rear Admiral Peter Brown will testify at a hearing held by the House Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation Subcommittee.
- On **October 28**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a Joint Task Force brief for the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Admiral Ray will meet individually with Senators Murray and Murkowski, Representatives Defazio, Garamendi, Hunter and Gabbard. Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 1**, David Noriega, a reporter with *Buzz Feed News* in New York, New York, requested from U.S Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the individuals taken into ICE custody during the sweep of criminal aliens conducted in Southern California from August 23, 2015, through August 26, 2015.
- On **October 1**, James Hill, a journalist with *ABC News* in Chicago, Illinois, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records in which former President Bill Clinton signed off on his USSS protection from January 20, 2001, through December 31, 2005.
- On **October 1**, James Hill, a journalist with *ABC News* in Chicago, Illinois, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to USSS personnel, on the detail of former President Bill Clinton, surveying the island of Little Saint James, the private estate of Jeffrey Epstein from January 20, 2001, through December 31, 2005.
- On **October 1**, Andrea Noble, a reporter with *The Washington Times* in Washington, DC, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to investigations into allegations of misconduct for the Federal Air Marshal Service from January 1, 2011, through October 1, 2015.
- On **October 1**, Amy Forliti, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Minneapolis, Minnesota, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to the personnel file of a named employee and an investigation into allegations the employee sent inappropriate images to a female employee.
- On **October 1**, Amy Forliti, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Minneapolis, Minnesota, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to the investigation into bonuses awarded to two Transportation Security Administration (TSA) employees.
- On **October 2**, Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to reports provided to Secretary Jeh Johnson, his staff, or other component leadership regarding the preparation for, implementation of, and data reflecting the numbers of those apprehended, removed, returned, or otherwise repatriated by any component of DHS.
- On **October 2**, , Susan Long, Co-director with the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse in Syracuse, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records pertaining to actions taken and data collected by the Office of Immigration Statistics in response to Secretary Jeh Johnson’s direction to “create the capability to collect, maintain, and report to the Secretary data reflecting the numbers of those apprehended, removed, returned, or otherwise repatriated by any component of DHS.”

- On **October 5**, Thomas Jones, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, requested from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC), U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of correspondence between Congressman Todd Young (R-IN) and the aforementioned pertaining to: (1) policy, legislation, or regulations; (2) recommendations for executive branch positions or appointments; or (3) support or opposition to federal funding for programs, projects, or companies.
- On **October 5**, Andrea Fuller, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) data pertaining to the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System.
- On **October 5**, Jordan Schachtel, a correspondent with *Breitbart News* in Arlington, Virginia, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) records pertaining to whether FEMA or the Chief Freedom of Information Act Officer were consulted in developing the Freedom of Information Act Reform Bill sponsored by Congressman Jason Chaffetz (R-UT).
- On **October 5**, Anthony Ronzio, a representative with the *Bangor Daily News* in Bangor, Maine, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the annual inspection reports for EL FARO for the last five years.
- On **October 5**, David Hodges, a reporter with *NBC-2 News* in Naples, Florida, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to inspection reports for EL FARO since 2012.
- On **October 5**, Stephanie Whiteside, a representative with *Al Jazeera*, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records pertaining to EL FARO: (1) the SOLAS Cargo Ship Safety Radio Certificate issued on January 27, 2015; (2) the Certificate of Documentation issued on September 20, 2014; and (3) the Certificate of Inspection and its amendment issued on February 22, 2011.
- On **October 5**, Tom Winter, a reporter with *NBC News* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records pertaining to EL FARO: (1) violation notices; (2) ship plans, designs, or modifications; (3) the Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate; and (4) the Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate.
- On **October 6**, Edward McAllister, a correspondent with *Reuters* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to ships travelling from the port of Jacksonville, Florida to San Juan, Puerto Rico from 8 am on September 29, 2015, through 8 am on October 1, 2014, and October 1, 2015.
- On **October 6**, Ken Amaro, a representative with *First Coast News* in Jacksonville, Florida, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to inspection reports for EL FARO for the last three to five years.
- On **October 6**, Samantha Manning, a reporter with *Action News Jacksonville* in Jacksonville, Florida, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to the most recent inspection report for EL FARO.
- On **October 6**, Paige Kelton, a special projects manager with *Action News Jacksonville* in Jacksonville, Florida, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records of communications between the USCG and EL FARO from September 29, 2015, through October 1, 2015.
- On **October 6**, Lorenzo Ferrigno, a producer with *CNN* in New York, New York, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records of correspondence from EL FARO



since its last route through the present, including an e-mail between EL FARO's captain and TOTE Maritime indicating he was aware of an incoming storm, had a plan, and briefed the crew.

- On **October 6**, Emily Sides, a reporter with *The Monitor* in McAllen, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the amount of drugs CBP seized through specific Ports of Entry in Texas in fiscal years 2013 through 2014.
- On **October 6**, Amy Forliti, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Minneapolis, Minnesota, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to an investigation into allegations a named employee viewed inappropriate websites from a government computer from 2008 through 2010.
- On **October 7**, Sabrina Parke, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to Patrisse Cullors, co-founder of the National Black Lives Matter movement.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 1**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) released to Hope Yen, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Washington, DC, 206 pages of records pertaining to the Homeland Security Studies and Analysis Institute's report regarding the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(F).
- On **October 6**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, 12 pages of records pertaining to the secondary screening and questioning by CBP employees, officials, and contractors of an airline passenger at the Montreal, Canada airport on or about July 14, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **October 7**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Megan O'Matz, a reporter with the *Sun Sentinel* in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, three Excel spreadsheets containing statistical data pertaining to Cuban Nationals from 2009 through 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **October 7**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Jack Nicas, a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal* in Chicago, Illinois, two surveillance video discs pertaining to a nine-year-old boy getting through a security checkpoint at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport without a ticket on October 2, 2013. These records were released in full.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **October 19**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Immigration Law Analyst Stephanie Fast will meet and discuss refugee resettlement issues with Tibet House and Episcopal Migration Ministries in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **October 22**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will present at the Invest in the USA EB-5 Conference in Dallas, TX. Closed press.
- In **October (tentative)**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce the Fiscal Year 2016 cap for the CW-1 (Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands-Only Transitional Worker) program. Closed press.
- On **November 2**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Maria Odom will present at the South Carolina Law Enforcement Victim Advocate Conference to discuss an overview of Blue Campaign in Myrtle Beach, SC. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **October 19**, there are **619,408** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 2 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2016, a total of **1,621,329** queries have been run through the system, with an average of **932** employers registering each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **October 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on the evolving nature of cyber threats, at the 2015 Georgia Tech Cyber Security Summit, in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **October 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary Ron Clark will deliver remarks on public-private partnerships and information sharing, at the Dominion National Energy Security Summit, in Richmond, VA. Press TBD.
- On **October 28**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on threats in cyberspace and how companies can work with the government on cybersecurity, at the Holmes Report Global Public Relations Summit, in Bal Harbour, FL. Open press.
- On **October 29**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on cybersecurity initiatives at DHS and the future of public-private collaboration, at the Internet Security Alliance Fall Board of Directors Meeting, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **November 2**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on security for Global Navigation Satellite Systems, at the International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems, in Boulder, CO. Closed press.
- On **November 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on challenges in critical infrastructure protection, at the Evercore International Strategy and Investment Annual Tech Change Conference, in Washington, DC. Closed press.

- On **November 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on cyber risk management, at the Women Corporate Directors Forum, in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **November 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will discuss DHS resources available to energy sector companies, at the 2015 American International Group Energy Client Summit, in Austin, TX. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on information sharing, at the Chief Information Security Officer Dinner, in Washington, DC. Closed press.

#### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

##### Principal Schedules

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- On **November 4**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will provide keynote remarks at the Council on Foreign Relations Symposium “Improving Cybersecurity in a Connected World.” Open press.
- On **November 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give remarks at the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Colorado Springs, CO to visit NORTHCOM and address cadets at the U.S. Airforce Academy. Closed press.
- On **November 7**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Simi Valley, CA to speak at the Raegan National Defense Forum. Open press.

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- On **October 26**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with Ambassador Mirpuri, Embassy of the Republic of Singapore. Closed press.
- On **October 26**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Vice Admiral Charles Michel will travel to Kingsland, GA for a dedication ceremony in recognition of the First Coast Guard Community. Open Press.
- On **October 26**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will participate in the inaugural meeting of the Border Infrastructure Prioritization Council at the EEOB. Closed press.
- On **October 26**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong will join Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas for a meeting with the Law Enforcement Immigration Task Force. Closed press.

- On **October 26**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend a Capability Development Working Group meeting at the Pentagon. Closed press.
- From **October 26 to 27**, the Office of Academic Engagement Executive Director Lauren Kielsmeier will conduct the October 2015 National Seminar and Tabletop Exercise for Institutions of Higher Education at Indiana University in Indianapolis, IN. Closed Press.
- From **October 26 to 27**, Office of Policy's Visa Waiver Program (VWP) Office will meet with the Chilean Government to discuss areas of improvement on VWP compliance. Closed press.
- From **October 26 to October 28**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will visit Dublin, Ireland, where he will take part in, and deliver remarks at the AVSEC World Conference. Open press.
- From **October 26 to 30**, Deputy Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske, Immigration and Customs Enforcement Director Sarah Saldana, and Assistant Secretary for International Affairs/Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will speak at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual U.S.–Canada Border Conference hosted by Clarion Events in Detroit, MI. Open press.
- On **October 27**, Office of Health Affairs Dr. Brinsfield will speak at the Association of State & Tribal Health Officers (ASTHO) Public Health Preparedness meeting. Closed press.
- From **October 27 to 31**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Deputy Director Daniel H. Ragsdale will participate in a panel discussion on human trafficking at the Santa Marta Group Trafficking Conference in Madrid, Spain. The Santa Marta Group, endorsed and supported by Pope Francis, is an international alliance of police chiefs and bishops from around the world working together with civil society to eradicate human trafficking and modern day slavery. Police chiefs, senior law enforcement officers and representatives from nearly 30 countries from all continents will attend. Open press.
- On **October 28**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to Chicago, IL to meet with the assembly of the National High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Directors. Closed press.
- On **October 28**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Vice Admiral Charles Michel will speak at the Consortium for Ocean Leadership. Open press.
- On **October 28**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will participate in the Weapons of Mass Destruction and Terrorism Senior Leader Seminar at U.S. Special Operations Command in Tampa, FL. Closed Press.
- On **October 28**, Transportation Security Administration Deputy Administrator Mark Hatfield will speak to the Regional Airline Association Board of Directors. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, Office of State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong will participate on a panel at the Immigration Law and Police Conference at the Georgetown Law Center in Washington, DC. Open and Closed press.
- On **October 29**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will attend a public meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> Term Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations for CBP in Washington, D.C. Open press.
- From **October 29 to 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will travel to New London, CT for the Arctic Coast Guard Forum. Press status TBD.
- From **October 29 to November 9**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will be on official travel to Kigali, Rwanda to participate in the INTERPOL General Assembly. Closed press.

- On **October 30**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with John Laughter, Senior Vice-President – Corporate Safety, Security and Compliance for Delta Air Lines. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers Director Connie Patrick will co-host, along with U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner Gil Kerlikowske and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Acting Director Thomas Brandon, a National Capital Region Law Enforcement Forum in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **November 2**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Khalid Al-Seif, Director-General of Kuwait Customs, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **November 2 to 3**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a U.S. – U.K. Global Entry press event alongside Matthew Barzun, the U.S. Ambassador to the United Kingdom, and Sir Charles Montgomery, Director-General of the U.K. Border Force, at the World Travel Market Conference in London, England. Open press.
- On **November 3**, Vice Commandant Vice Admiral Michel will testify before the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Open press
- On **November 4**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver remarks at the CBP East Coast Trade Symposium in Baltimore, MD. While in Baltimore, Commissioner Kerlikowske will meet with Ricardo Treviño Chapa, Mexico’s Customs Administrator-General. Symposium, open press; meeting, closed press.
- On **November 4**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will attend the Armed Forces YMCA 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Angels of the Battlefield gala. Open press.
- From **November 4 to November 6**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will travel to New York, NY, to meet with industry leaders regarding surface transportation security. Meetings include the New York New Jersey Port Authority, the New York Police Department and the leadership of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director León Rodríguez will participate in the Ombudsman’s Annual Conference at the National Archives in Washington DC. Closed press.
- On **November 5**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver the keynote address at the Air Cargo and SeaCargo Americas 13<sup>th</sup> International Conference and Exhibition hosted by Miami-Dade County, Miami International Airport, and Port Miami in Miami, FL. Open press.
- From **November 9 to 10**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Vice Admiral Charles Michel will travel to San Diego, CA to speak at the Blue Tech & Blue Economy Summit. Open press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **October 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will interview with the CBS Evening News for a news report on increased Coast Guard drug interdictions. Open press.

- On **October 28**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host a public teleconference on consular returns with a focus on employment-based immigration petitions. Open press.
- On **November 5**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman will host its Fifth Annual Conference which will focus on trends in family, humanitarian, and employment-based immigration. Open press.
- On **November 11**, television show “Jay Leno’s Garage” is tentatively scheduled to air a segment on CNBC regarding the role United States Secret Service (USSS) mechanics perform in vehicle preparation and maintenance for domestic and foreign travel of the President and Vice President. The project was completed in April 2015 with filming at USSS garages. USSS Special Services Division Special Agent In Charge John Ryan and USSS Rowley Training Center Assistant to the Special Agent in Charge James Florio were interviewed. Closed press.
- In **early November (TBD)**, Canada’s “16x9” with Carolyn Jarvis will be airing an interview with United States Secret Service (USSS) Assistant Special Agent in Charge Ari Baranoff. The interview was recorded at USSS headquarters in August 2015. Ms. Jarvis will notify the USSS Public Affairs Office of the date once determined. Closed press.

#### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **October 27**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Todd Owen (Office of Field Operations) will testify before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, at a hearing entitled “Prevention of and Response to the Arrival of a Dirty Bomb at a U.S. Port.” Open press.
- On **October 27**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez, along with Assistant Secretary of State for Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Anne Richard, will testify before the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa on Syrian Refugees. Open press.
- On **October 27**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will testify before the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology to inform the Committee’s reauthorization of the Science and Technology Directorate. Open press.
- On **October 27**, the U.S. Coast Guard will testify at a hearing on Dirty Bombs for the House Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation and the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Open press.
- On **October 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Assistant Commandant for Response Policy Rear Admiral Peter J. Brown will testify before the House Coast Guard & Maritime Transportation Subcommittee. Open press.
- On **October 27**, United States Secret Service Director Joseph Clancy will testify before a Joint Hearing with the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight & Management Efficiency & the Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs & Federal Management. Open press.
- On **October 27**, a U.S. Coast Guard Representative and Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will testify in a joint hearing entitled “Prevention of and Response to the Arrival of a Dirty Bomb at a U.S. Port” before the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure’s Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation. Open press.
- On **October 28**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Assistant Commissioner Linda Jacksta (Office of Human Resources Management) and CBP Chief Financial Officer Jaye



Williams (Office of Administration) will brief staff from the House and Senate Appropriations Committees regarding CBP's budget execution and hiring initiatives. Closed press.

- On **October 28**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a Joint Task Force brief for the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief House and Senate Appropriations Committee staff in Elizabeth City, North Carolina in Coast Guard District 5. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, Transportation Security Administration (TSA) Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service Assistant Administrator/Director Roderick Allison will represent TSA at a Federal Bureau of Investigation briefing before the Committee on Homeland Security – Transportation Subcommittee. The briefing will be about current and past investigations involving airport/airport employees, and the actions being taken to address this type of potential misconduct. Closed press.
- On **October 29**, the United States Secret Service will participate in a House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Non Traditional Aviation Threats Working Group briefing at the Secret level requested by Chairman Chaffetz and Ranking member Cummings. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, representatives from the U.S. Border Patrol will brief staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the Capability Gap Analysis Process. Closed press.
- On **October 30**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner Ana Hinojosa (Office of International Trade) will provide a trade overview briefing for staff from the Senate Finance Committee and trade legislative assistants from several Member offices. Closed press.
- On **November 2**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with Congressman Bill Huizenga. Closed press.
- On **November 4**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Assistant Commissioner John Wagner (Office of Field Operations) will testify before the House Homeland Security Committee, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, at a hearing on public-private partnerships. Open press.
- On **November 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Office of Emergency Communications (OEC) Communications Portfolio Management Branch Chief Joanne Sechrest will conduct a briefing on OEC Priority Services programs, for Senate Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the Senate Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries & Coast Guard staff at the National Capitol Regional Air Defense Facility in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **November 6**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at a field hearing in Phoenix, AZ, regarding heroin interdiction. Open press.

#### Legal

##### *FOIA Requests*

- On October 8, J.K. Trotter, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records

pertaining to formal complaints regarding the conduct of TSA personnel at San Francisco International Airport from July 25, 2015, through August 1, 2015.

- On October 8, Mariano Castillo, a digital writer and editor with *CNN* in Atlanta, Georgia, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) the following records pertaining to EL FARO: (1) the Statement of Fact issued on January 29, 2011; and (2) the Class Certificate issued on August 17, 2015.
- On October 9, Jay Root, a reporter with the *Texas Tribune* in Austin, Texas, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to criminal aliens who were convicted of crimes of violence and/or sex offenses and who were placed in a non-custodial setting from January 1, 2009, through the present.
- On October 10, David Iaconangelo, a journalist with the Stabile Center for Investigative Journalism in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the number of individuals arrested nationally over the past three fiscal years during home raids conducted by ICE's Enforcement and Removal Operations unit, broken down by fiscal year and field office.
- On October 10, David Iaconangelo, a journalist with the Stabile Center for Investigative Journalism in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) the number of distinct Form I-247N requests and Form I-247D requests filed by ICE, broken down by fiscal year and field office, since the use of the forms began.
- On October 12, David Iaconangelo, a journalist with the Stabile Center for Investigative Journalism in Brooklyn, New York, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to the number of detainees transferred between ICE detention centers for fiscal years 2014 through 2015.
- On October 13, Matthew Artz, a reporter with the *Oakland Tribune* in Oakland, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the decision to locate the Centralized Examination Station to a facility at 1700 20th Street, Oakland, California, including correspondence from Thomas Henderson or Congresswoman Barbara Lee (D-CA) or her staff.
- On October 14, Patrick Michels, a reporter with *The Texas Observer* in Austin, Texas, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) an overview of all investigations recorded by DHS-OIG in Laredo, Brownsville, and McAllen, Texas, excluding the supporting narrative, from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2007, and from December 9, 2014, through October 13, 2015; and (2) the Report of Investigation plus exhibits for seven U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) investigations.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On October 7, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued to William Marshall, an investigator with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, a full denial in response to his request seeking records pertaining to the June 5, 2015 incident near Laredo, Texas in which Mexican drug traffickers reportedly fired on a CBP helicopter, forcing it to make an emergency landing. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(A).
- On October 8, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Jake Cox, a research analyst with America Rising in Arlington, Virginia, nine pages of records

consisting of communications the DHS Office of Public Affairs (OPA) received from former Nevada Attorney General Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV). These records were released in full.

- On October 8, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Martha Bellisle, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Seattle, Washington, one page of records containing monthly totals for passengers who used PreCheck at various airports. These records were released in full.
- On October 8, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Heather Castillo, an individual, 44 pages of records consisting of letters and completion reports pertaining to the cleanup effort as a result of the April 10, 2010 BP Oil Spill. These records were released in full.
- On October 9, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Shalin Gala, a specialist with People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals in Norfolk, Virginia, 16 pages of records pertaining to contract number HSCG84-10-P-DOT797 regarding Tactical Combat Casualty Care Training and Live Tissue Training. These records were released in full.
- On October 9, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Sarah Mehta, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, New York, 124 pages of records pertaining to expedited removals and voluntary returns. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On October 14, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Forrest Carr, a representative with *PowerTalk 1210 Tucson* in Tucson, Arizona, 105 pages of records consisting of e-mails, the Secretary's Briefing Book for July 22, 2014, talking points, correspondence, and questions and answers pertaining to unaccompanied alien children. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, and 6.
- On October 14, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) released to Ryan Mulvey, a counsel with Cause of Action in Washington, DC, 102 pages of records consisting of correspondence and publicly available reports pertaining to the June 23, 2015 request by Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI) to the Inspectors General of the Executive Branch departments and agencies to examine compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the extent to which political appointees may be involved in the process. These records were released in full.
- On October 14, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Sidney Leng, a reporter with *Foreign Policy* in Washington, DC, two Excel spreadsheets containing statistical data pertaining to Chinese students issued F-1 visas from 2013 through the present. These records were released in full.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **November 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will host a national webinar on T and U visas and the Violence Against Women Act for community-based organizations and social service agencies and advocates. Closed press.
- In **November** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will announce via the Federal Register the 84 countries eligible to participate in the H-2A and H-2B visa programs for 2016. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 9**, there are **622,955** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 2 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2016, a total of **3,728,920** queries have been run through the system, with an average of **1,129** employers registering each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **November 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on the importance of public-private partnerships in cybersecurity, at the DHS Secure and Resilient Cyber Ecosystem Workshop, in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- From **November 16 to 20**, Science and Technology Directorate Cyber Security Division Director Douglas Maughan and Program Manager Daniel Massey will participate in a panel discussion at the Australia Centre for Cyber Security (ACCS) Annual Conference. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Phyllis Schneck will participate in a panel discussion on developments in cybersecurity, at the New York County District Attorney's Office Financial Crimes and Cybersecurity Symposium, in New York, NY. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding and NPPD Assistant Secretary Caitlin Durkovich will discuss cybersecurity and resilience for the nation's grid, as part of GridEx III, in McLean, VA. Closed press.
- On **November 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on NPPD's role in protecting the nation's critical infrastructure, at the Government Accountability Office Homeland Security and Justice Speaker Series, in Washington, DC. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **November 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will host a VTC with Yukon High School's Advanced Placement Government class. Closed press.

- On **November 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Craig Floyd, Chairman of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund to discuss the possibility of building the first ever National Law Enforcement Museum, as requested by Mr. Floyd. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give the keynote remarks at CyberCon 2015, hosted by the Federal Times. Open press.
- On **November 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a State Department/Defense Department Lines of Effort discussion at the Pentagon. Closed press.
- On **November 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will have a routine SVTC with NORTHCOM Admiral Gortney. Closed press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **November 16**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard. Closed Press.
- On **November 17**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Ranking Member Bennie Thompson. Closed Press.
- On **November 18**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Senator Durbin and Senator Flake. Closed Press.
- On **November 19**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Senator Carper. Closed Press.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **November 16**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Michael Ferrence, Executive Director of the Major County Sheriffs' Association, in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **November 16**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will speak to the Maritime Risk Symposium at the Steven's Institute in Hoboken, NJ. Open press.
- From **November 16 to November 24**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will take part in a Law Enforcement Exchange Program delegation of senior law enforcement executives to Israel. Closed press.
- On **November 17**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will deliver the keynote address at the 68<sup>th</sup> Business Aviation Convention & Exhibition hosted by the National Business Aviation Association in Las Vegas, NV. Open press.
- On **November 17**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia is expected to participate in a panel discussion "Benefits and Challenges of Radiation Detection" at a bilateral meeting in London, United Kingdom. Closed Press.
- On **November 18**, Under Secretary for Science and Technology Reginald Brothers will lead a delegation from the Science and Technology Directorate to Canada for the annual bilateral meeting. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will participate in a panel discussion on criminology and police reform at the American Society of Criminology 2015 Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **November 18 to 19**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will attend the DOD Strategic Studies Seminar at Quantico and the Secretary of Defense Senior Leadership Conference at the Pentagon. Closed press.

- On **November 19**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will attend a lunch event hosted by U.S. Ambassador Henry Ensher along with other senior representatives from International Atomic Energy Agency Member States. Closed Press.
- On **November 19**, Chief Information Officer Luke McCormack will be the keynote speaker at the Vision Federal Market Forecast Conference in Falls Church, VA. Open press.
- On **November 19**, Deputy Under Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer Chip Fulghum will be the keynote speakers at the Association of Government Accountants (Coastal Georgia Chapter) Second Annual Professional Development Training Symposium in Brunswick, GA. Closed press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant, Vice Admiral Charles Michel will attend the Coast Guard Foundation board meeting and keynote the Salute to the Seventh District dinner. Open press.
- On **November 19**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will meet with International Atomic Energy Agency officials in Vienna, Austria. Closed Press.
- On **November 19**, United States Secret Service (USSS) Director Joseph P. Clancy will brief the Secretary's Homeland Security Advisory Council on USSS organizational changes during the Homeland Security Advisory Committee's bi-weekly conference call. Closed press.
- From **November 19 to 20**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Deputy Administrator Joseph Nimmich will attend a briefing by Federal Coordinating Officer Gary Stanley on the recovery efforts of the Oglala Sioux Tribe at the Pine Ridge Reservation. Mr. Nimmich will visit the reservation on November 20 and meet with FEMA Tribal Coordinating Officer Dell Brewer and Oglala Sioux President John Yellow Bird Steele in Pine Ridge Reservation, SD. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with a group of Ambassadors to the United States from the nations of Central America. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske is tentatively scheduled to meet with a delegation from South Africa's Revenue Service, to include Commissioner Thomas Mayone, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **November 23 to 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will speak at the 29<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the International Maritime Organization in London. Open press.
- On **November 24**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Christopher Lu, Deputy Secretary of Labor, at Department of Labor Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **November 29 to 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with senior Saudi Government officials in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **November 16**, NBC affiliate KSNV is expected to broadcast a story on the Office of Law Enforcement/Federal Air Marshal Service (OLE/FAMS) mission and contribution to the National Security apparatus. The piece will feature the Las Vegas Field Office and anchor/reporter Jessica Moore will tour of the facility and discuss the OLE/FAMS mission. Open press.

### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **November 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a National Security Cutter Maintenance/Spare Parts brief for the House Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee. Closed press.
- On **November 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Michel will testify before the House Foreign Affairs Committee.
- On **November 17**, the U.S. Coast Guard will testify at a hearing on the Arctic for the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Open press.
- On **November 17**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a Joint Task Force brief for the House Committee on Homeland Security. Closed press.
- On **November 17**, Transportation Security Administration representative Carolyn Dorgham will testify before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security in a hearing on the Screening Partnership Program. Open press.
- On **November 17**, United States Secret Service Director Joseph P. Clancy will testify before a Joint Hearing with the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight & Management Efficiency & the Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs & Federal Management. Open press.
- On **November 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs (ICE) subject matter experts will brief Members and staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security on the Joint Task Forces and the Southern Border and Approaches Campaign. Closed press.
- On **November 17**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner Todd Owen (Office of Field Operations) will testify before the Senate Drug Caucus at a hearing on drug interdictions along the Southwest border. Open press.
- On **November 17**, Vice Admiral William Lee will meet with Senator Nelson at the Hart Office Building. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Captain Gregory Prestidge will meet with Senator Booker at the Hart Office Building and with Representative LoBiondo at the Rayburn Office Building. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief Senator Cochran's staff at the National Capitol Regional Air Defense Facility. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Grant Programs Directorate staff will brief Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs staff on the State Homeland Security Grant Program and the Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Program. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration staff will meet with staff from the office of Representative Dennis Ross to discuss flood insurance privatization and reinsurance. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IV staff will host a general Mitigation Overview Webinar for Congressional staff from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and Mississippi in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.
- On **November 18**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IV staff will host a general Mitigation Overview Webinar for Region IV Congressional staff from Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee in Atlanta, GA. Closed press.



- On **November 18 and 20**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers staff detailed to Department of Homeland Security headquarters as a training advisor to the Blue Campaign will participate in a meet and greet with Blue Campaign Steering Committee Chair Maria Odom and Representative Sam Farr, and the Senate Caucus to End Human Trafficking. Closed press
- On **November 19**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) representatives will testify before the U.S. House of Representatives' Judiciary Committee regarding Syrian refugees. Open press.
- On **November 19**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) staff from the Cyber Crimes Center will brief staff of Representative Don Beyer on child sex trafficking, ICE HSI's investigative success in this area, and the online classified advertising website backpage.com. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations will assist Blue Campaign in conducting a human trafficking awareness training event for staff of the Senate Caucus to End Human Trafficking. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the Senate Appropriations Staff at the National Security Agency and U.S. Cyber Command. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will have a meet-and-greet with Representative Patrick Tiberi, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Trade. Closed press.
- On **November 20**, Transportation Security Administration representative Paul Leyh will give a compliance overview to the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff. Closed press.
- On **November 23**, Federal Emergency Management Agency National Preparedness Directorate Assistant Administrator Corey Gruber and Office of Response and Recovery (ORR) Senior Advisor Blair McDonald will brief Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff on an overview of the ORR Realignment. Closed press.
- On **November 23**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at a field hearing in Phoenix, AZ, regarding heroin interdictions. Open press.
- On **November 23**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Federal Protective Service (FPS) Deputy Director for Resource Management Ricci Mulligan will conduct a briefing on FPS' funding model, for House Committee on Homeland Security staff.
- On **November 24**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team Director Ann Barron-DiCamillo will conduct a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center, for House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform minority staff.

### 30 Day Look-ahead

- From **November 30 to December 4**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will travel to the Dominican Republic and Aruba to discuss preclearance expansion with government officials.
- From **December 6 to 9**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the 74<sup>th</sup> Session of the World Customs Organization (WCO) Policy Commission in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **October 29**, Andrew Becker, a reporter with the *Center for Investigative Reporting* in Emeryville, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to CBP contract PR 20084890 and PR 20084187.
- On **October 29**, Amy Forliti, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Minneapolis, Minnesota, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to an investigation regarding a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) employee accused of sending inappropriate images to a female employee.
- On **October 30**, Justin McCarthy, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Secret Service (USSS) records pertaining to the use of U.S. Government funds to provide security and/or other services to President Obama and any companions on their October 2015 trip to San Diego, California.
- On **October 30**, Elizabeth Jordan, an attorney with The Door's Legal Services Center in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to border patrol guidelines and policies issued by CBP to the Casa Grande Border Patrol Station in Arizona regarding the transport, escort, and detention of child immigrant detainees.
- On **November 3**, Todd Spangler, a reporter with the *Detroit Free Press* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD) records pertaining to the closure of Poe Lock in Sault Ste Marie, Michigan.
- On **November 3**, Sam Pearson, a reporter with *Greenwire* in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence pertaining to specific workflows in the congressional correspondence logs for the following members of Congress: (1) Senator Joni Ernst (R-IA); (2) Congressman Steny Hoyer (D-MD); (3) Congressman Bennie Thompson (D-MS); (4) Senator Richard Blumenthal (D-CT); (5) Congressman Jason Chaffetz (R-UT); (6) Senator Harry Reid (D-NV); (7) Congressman Bill Shuster (R-PA); (8) Congressman Randy Forbes (R-VA); (9) Congressman Scott Perry (R-PA); (10) Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI); and (11) Senator Ben Sasse (R-NE).
- On **November 4**, John Cotter, a representative with American Bridge 21st Century in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence between staff in the office of Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) and several named DHS employees from January 3, 2011, through November 4, 2015.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **October 30**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Lauren Barich, a research associate with the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee in Washington, DC, 109 pages of records consisting of correspondence between DHS and Senator Richard Burr (R-NC) from January 1, 2005, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **October 30**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Satnam Chahal, an editor with the *Tribune Media Group LLC* in Milpitas, California, two pages of records containing the number of deaths and Indian deaths on the southern border for fiscal years

2013 through 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).

- On **October 30**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ben Briscoe, a reporter with *WFMY-TV* in Greensboro, North Carolina, 381 pages of records pertaining to the North Carolina Center for Foreign Investment. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **October 30**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Betsy Lawrence, Director of Liaison with the American Immigration Lawyers Association in Washington, DC, 1,221 pages of records consisting of standard operating procedures and guidance pertaining to the adjudication of H-1B (Form I-129) nonimmigrant petitions. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **October 30**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Amy Taxin, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Tustin, California, 16 pages of records consisting of the following: (1) data pertaining to asylum applications received from unaccompanied alien children classified as recent arrivals, from January 1, 2014, through July 29, 2015, including the outcomes of the applications at the asylum office; and (2) data pertaining to the number of asylum applications received from unaccompanied alien children not classified as recent arrivals from January 1, 2008, through July 29, 2015, including the outcomes of the applications at the asylum office. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 3**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Martha Mendoza, a reporter with the *Associated Press* in Santa Cruz, California, 26 pages of records pertaining to perimeter security breaches at all Category X airports from 2004 through 2009. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, and 7(C).
- On **November 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Ginger Thompson, a reporter with *The New York Times* in New York, New York, 156 pages of records pertaining to ICE's decision to suspend removals of Haitian criminal aliens in the wake of the 2010 earthquake, and the subsequent decision to resume removals to Haiti in 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jason Cherkis, a reporter with the *Huffington Post* in Washington, DC, 25 pages of records consisting of communications between ICE and the office of Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **November 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Fernanda Echavarri, a reporter with *Arizona Public Media* in Tucson, Arizona, one Excel spreadsheet containing statistical data pertaining to the removal of parents who claim to have U.S.-born children for fiscal years 2013 through 2015. These records were released in full.
- On **November 4**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Vincent Renda, an individual in Tacoma, Washington, 52 pages of records consisting of communications between ICE and the Congressional delegation from Washington State pertaining to the Northwest Detention Center. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).

- On **November 4**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) issued to Thomas Jones, an individual in Edgewater, Maryland, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records of correspondence between FLETC and Congressman Todd Young (R-IN).

## Department of Homeland Security Weekly Cabinet Report

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **November 23**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will release communications materials regarding the U.S. Government Accountability Office's anticipated report on its review of how USCIS addresses asylum fraud. Closed press.
- On **November 24**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and the U.S. Department of State will host a stakeholder engagement in Washington, DC, regarding the transition of refugees' information going into the electronic Form I-94, Arrival/Departure Record. Closed press.
- On **November 30**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will travel to Erbil, Iraq, to conduct a site visit, meet with Department of State staff, and observe Syrian refugee interviews. Closed press.
- On **December 1**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will deliver remarks at the DC Jewish Community Center Fences. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 16**, there are **624,105** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 2 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2016, a total of **4,443,946** queries have been run through the system, with an average of **1,134** employers registering each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **November 30**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on NPPD's role in protecting the nation's critical infrastructure, at the Government Accountability Office Homeland Security and Justice Speaker Series, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on public-private partnerships and information sharing, at the DC CIO Executive Summit, in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 4**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will participate in a panel discussion on what governors need to know about cybersecurity, at the Western Governors' Association (WGA) Winter Meeting, in Las Vegas, NV. Press TBD.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **November 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with Mike Karn, President of the Coalition of Airline Pilots Association to discuss aviation security. Closed press.
- On **November 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a State Department/Defense Department Lines of Effort discussion at the Pentagon. Closed press.

- On **November 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will have a routine SVTC with NORTHCOM Admiral Gortney. Closed press.
- On **November 23**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will have a short media engagement on aviation security at DCA before getting on a flight to Newark for the holiday. Open press.
- On **December 1**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in the China/Cyber dialogue. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to Camp David with appointees from the Department. Closed press.
- On **December 4**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will meet with John Chen, the Executive Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Blackberry to discuss cybersecurity. Closed press.
- On **December 5**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in the Trilateral Commission Discussion at the 2015 North American Regional Meeting.

#### *Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **November 23**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Asian American stakeholders to discuss DACA. Closed Press.

#### *Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **November 16 to November 24**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will take part in a Law Enforcement Exchange Program delegation of senior law enforcement executives to Israel to study methods and observe techniques used in preventing and reacting to acts of terrorism. Closed press.
- On **November 23**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will meet with partners from the Canadian Security Intelligence Service to discuss respective agency roles and responsibilities, engagement priorities, and current issues of mutual concern. Closed press.
- From **November 23 to 24**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will participate in the annual U.S.-China Joint Liaison Group on Law Enforcement Cooperation. Closed press.
- From **November 23 to 27**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will speak at the 29th Assembly of the International Maritime Organization in London. Open Press.
- On **November 24**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Miguel Basañez, Mexico's Ambassador to the United States. Closed press.
- On **November 24**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Christopher Lu, Deputy Secretary of Labor, at Department of Labor Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **November 29 to 30**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with senior Saudi Government officials in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Closed press.
- On **November 30**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will attend an Intelligence Community (IC) Executive Committee Small Group meeting with the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), Directors of the Central Intelligence Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency, National Reconnaissance Office, National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Under Secretary for Defense Intelligence to discuss implementation of the IC Information Technology Enterprise including IC element responsibilities and fiscal year 2016/2017 funding needed to meet the schedule proposed earlier this year by the DNI. Closed press.

- From **November 30 to December 4**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will travel to the Dominican Republic and Aruba to discuss preclearance expansion with government officials. Closed press.
- On **December 1**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will meet with the Netherlands Ambassador Henne Schuwer to discuss an asylum case that was raised at the JHA Ministerial meeting on November 13, as well as the Visa Waiver Program and the ratification of the Prevention and Combating Serious Crimes agreement. Closed press.
- On **December 2 to 4**, Deputy Assistant Secretary Alaina Clark and National Association Director Victor de Leon will travel to Colorado Springs for the National Association of Counties Safe and Secure Counties Symposium. Deputy Assistant Secretary Clark will provide remarks to the Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee. Closed Press.
- On **December 4**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver a keynote speech at the Defense Intelligence Agency's International Intelligence Fellows Program. Closed press.
- From **November 30 to December 5**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will be in Israel to engage with his Israeli counterparts on surface and aviation security strategies. Closed Press.
- On **December 1**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Senator Bill Cassidy to discuss CBP enforcement of the Jones Act and related issues. Closed press.
- From **December 1 to 2**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with senior Bahraini officials and U.S. Coast Guard personnel in Manama, Bahrain. Closed Press.
- On **December 3**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet for breakfast with Senator Roger Wicker. Closed Press.
- On **December 4**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will be briefed by staff from the Government Accountability Office regarding the preliminary findings of their audit of CBP's International Air Prescreening Programs at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **December 6 to 9**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the 74th Session of the World Customs Organization Policy Commission in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. Closed press.
- On **December 8**, Office of Operations Coordination Director and DHS Continuity Coordinator Richard Chávez will give the keynote address, during a two-day workshop on Emergency Planning in Washington DC. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **November 23**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Los Angeles Acting Assistant Special Agent in Charge Eliza Jeronimo will be interviewed by CNN en Español for a story about how ICE HSI is harnessing emerging cyber technology to identify and bring child sex predators to justice. Open press.
- On **November 23**, four defendants will be sentenced in federal court in Washington, DC for the murder of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations Special Agent Jaime Zapata. Open press.

- In **November**, USA TODAY will publish Suzanne Wright's interview of Deborah Leben, United States Secret Service Supervisory Forensic Scientist, discussing the role of the USSS Forensic Services Division and possible career opportunities within the USSS Forensic Services Division. This article will be part of USA TODAY's Special Issue on Homeland Security.
- In **November**, the United States Secret Service (USSS) Office of Strategic Intelligence and Information will announce the completion and release of a USSS National Threat Assessment Center study: Attacks on Federal Targets.

#### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **November 19**, Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers staff detailed to Department of Homeland Security headquarters as a training advisor to the Blue Campaign will participate in a Blue Campaign overview briefing for staff for Representative Don Beyer. Closed press.
- On **November 23**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will testify before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee at a field hearing in Phoenix, AZ. Open press.
- On **November 23**, Customs and Border Protection Chief Michael Fisher will brief staff from the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding the state of the border. Closed press.
- On **November 23**, the Office of the Citizenship and Immigration Services Ombudsman Chief of Casework, Allison Posner, will meet with Congressman Don Beyer's Office to discuss constituent concerns on immigration benefits issues and an overview of the Ombudsman's case assistance process. Closed press.
- On **November 24**, Transportation Security Administration representative Eric Sarandrea will brief Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee staff on the Federal Air Marshal Service's Concept of Operations and Field Office Metrics Reports. Closed press.
- On **November 25**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, Acting Special Agent in Charge Kevin Kelly, will meet with Senator Cory Booker and staff in Newark, NJ. Closed press.
- On **November 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations senior leadership will brief majority staff of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on the Department's implementation of changes to ICE policy regarding family detention. Closed press.
- On **November 30**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Recovery Directorate Assistant Administrator Alex Amparo will meet with Representative John Mica to discuss the second appeal determination for the city of Lake Mary, FL following Hurricane Charley. Location: Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **December 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations Executive Associate Director Thomas Homan will testify before the Senate Committee on the Judiciary in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **December 2**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Baltimore Special Agent in Charge Andre Watson will provide Senator Ben Cardin with an overview of ICE HSI responsibilities and operations in Maryland. Closed press.



- From **December 2 to 4**, staff from the Senate Finance Committee and trade staff from various Member offices will tour Customs and Border Protection operations in San Diego and Los Angeles/Long Beach, CA. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, Admiral Zukunft will have breakfast with Senator Wicker at the Senate dining room. Closed Press.
- On **December 3**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Federal Protective Service (FPS) Director Eric Patterson will testify on the FPS vehicle fleet, before the Committee on Homeland Security Subcommittee on Oversight and Government Efficiency.
- On **December 3**, staff from the House Homeland Security Committee and the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee will tour Customs and Border Protection operations at Dulles International Airport with special emphasis on the Biometric Air Exit Experiment. Closed press.
- On **December 3**, Deputy Chief Readiness Support Officer Tom Chaleki will appear before the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, to discuss DHS vehicle fleet management. Open press.
- On **December 4**, representatives from the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade and the CBP Office of Trade Relations will participate in a monthly meeting with staff from the House Ways and Means Committee. Closed press.
- On **December 4**, representatives from the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade and the CBP Office of Trade Relations will participate in a monthly meeting with staff from the Senate Finance Committee. Closed press.

### 30 Day Look-ahead

- On **December 8 to 9**, Private Sector Office Assistant Secretary Perales will join the U.S. Chamber of Commerce for the U.S.-Mexico CEO Dialogue in Mexico City. Portions open and closed press.
- From **December 10 to 11**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend a 21st Century Border Executive Steering Committee meeting in Mexico City, Mexico.
- From **December 13 to 18**, Customs and Border Protection Assistant Commissioner David Glawe will observe preclearance operations in Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- On **December 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the Senate Appropriations Staff on U.S. Coast Guard operating expenses. Closed press.
- On **January 8 to 10**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the Senate Appropriations Staff on Coast Guard Cutter STRATTON from San Diego to Alameda, CA. Closed Press.

### Legal

#### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 5**, Michele McKenzie, a representative with the Federal Defenders of San Diego, Inc. in San Diego, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) complaints of sexual or discriminatory harassment by federal officers at the San Ysidro, Otay Mesa, or Calexico Ports of Entry, Border Patrol stations, or any detention facilities in the Southern District of California since 2010; (2) pending or resolved investigations pertaining to the

aforementioned complaints; and (3) OIG policies pertaining to handling complaints of sexual or discriminatory harassment by federal officers.

- On **November 5**, David Gotfredson, a producer with CBS News 8 in San Diego, California, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to contracts and training at Covert Canyon, a private camp in San Diego County.
- On **November 6**, Ed Pilkington, a reporter with The Guardian in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to Operation Rescue Angels as it was carried out in Honduras, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Mexico from January 1, 2014, through the present.
- On **November 9**, Lee Fang, a journalist with The Intercept in San Francisco, California, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) a copy of e-mails between CBP employees and individuals associated with Elbit Systems from July 1, 2006, through November 3, 2015.
- On **November 10**, Clifford Karchmer, a representative with The Richardson Center in Silver Spring, Maryland, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records pertaining to the subject of errors in the entry of name and identification data in the TECS database; and (2) records pertaining to similar errors in names and identification data used by the National Targeting Center.
- On **November 10**, Angela Daughtry, a reporter with the News-Leader in Fernandina Beach, Florida, requested from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) a copy of an emergency plan for the Port of Fernandina in Nassau County, Florida.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Satinder Singh, a representative with the American Civil Liberties Union of Texas in Houston, Texas, 674 pages of records pertaining to Joe Corley Detention Facility policies and procedures regarding the treatment of detainees. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Michael Bott, a representative with NBC Bay Area in San Jose, California, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to firearms lost or stolen from ICE or its agents since January 1, 2005. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 5**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ben Briscoe, a reporter with WFMY-TV in Greensboro, North Carolina, 378 pages of records pertaining to the North Carolina Center for Foreign Investment. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.
- On **November 5**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Eileen Sullivan, a reporter with the Associated Press in Washington, DC, 24 pages of records consisting of correspondence logs pertaining to Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) from January 1, 2011, through the present. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 5**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Sanjay Bhatt, a reporter with the Seattle Times in Seattle, Washington, 982 pages of records consisting of correspondence between USCIS and the following current and former members of Congress pertaining to the EB-5 program since 2009: (1) Senator Patty Murray

(D-WA); (2) Senator Maria Cantwell (D-WA); (3) Congresswoman Suzan Delbene (D-WA); (4) Congressman Rick Larsen (D-WA); (5) Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-WA); (6) Congressman Dan Newhouse (R-WA); (7) Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA); (8) Congressman Derek Kilmer (D-WA); (9) Congressman Jim McDermott (D-WA); (10) Congressman David Reichert (R-WA); (11) Congressman Adam Smith (D-WA); (12) Congressman Denny Heck (D-WA); (13) Congressman Jay Inslee (D-WA); and (14) Congressman Richard “Doc” Hastings (R-WA). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4 and 6.

- On **November 5**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Joseph Morton, an individual in Washington, DC, 21 pages of records consisting of correspondence over the past five years between USCIS and members of Congress regarding EB-5 applications. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **November 5**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Amy Forliti, a reporter with the Associated Press in Minneapolis, Minnesota, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to an investigation regarding a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) employee. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(C).
- On **November 6**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Scott Mayerowitz, a reporter with the Associated Press in New York, New York, 341 pages of records consisting of throughput data at each airport from March 1, 2014, through March 20, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 3.
- On **November 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to John Harden, a reporter with the Houston Chronicle in Houston, Texas, one page of records pertaining to the amount of methamphetamine seized by the U.S. Border Patrol for the past 10 years. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **November 9**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Jayson Chesler, a reporter with News21 in Phoenix, Arizona, one page of records pertaining to the amount of marijuana seized in each Southwest Border Sector for fiscal years 1993 through 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(E).
- On **November 9**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Jesse Franzblau, a representative with The National Security Archive in Washington, DC, five pages of records containing clips from the Mexican Press pertaining to the visit of former U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Director John Morton to Mexico from November 29, 2009, through December 1, 2009, to meet with Mexico’s Secretary of Defense, Attorney General, Minister of Public Safety, and Head of the Center for Investigations and National Security. These records were released in full.
- On **November 10**, the United States Coast Guard (USCG) released to Michael Kunzleman, a reporter with the Associated Press in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 236 pages of records consisting of e-mails pertaining to a Taylor Energy Company-owned platform that toppled during Hurricane Ivan in 2004. These records were released in full.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **December 8**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will deliver remarks at a national stakeholder engagement in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will participate in a plenary panel during the National Immigrant Integration Conference in Brooklyn, NY. Open press.
- From **December 14 to 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will attend the mini Full Round of the Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum, and Refugees (IGC) in Geneva, Switzerland. Closed press.
- On **December 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will be the keynote speaker at the Federal Government Interagency Language Access Working Group in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **November 30**, there are **625,836** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 2 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2016, a total of **5,604,766** queries have been run through the system, with an average of 1,081 employers registering each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **December 14**, Chief Information Security Officer Jeff Eisensmith will participate in a panel discussion regarding cybersecurity challenges and opportunities at the American Council for Technology-Industry Advisory Council's program, "Cybersecurity – Closing the Gaps in Federal Cyber Infrastructure," in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on DHS' short- and long-term priorities in infrastructure protection and ways the private sector can help in these efforts, at the Homeland Security Dialogue Forum, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C) Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on CS&C's mission, priorities and future efforts, at the CS&C Industry Day, in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **December 17**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C) Phyllis Schneck will deliver remarks on CS&C's mission, priorities and future efforts, at the CS&C Industry Day, in Washington, DC. Open press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

##### *Secretary Johnson*

- On **December 7**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a discussion on the evolving terrorist threat at the Defense one Leadership Series Event. Open press.

- On **December 8**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a Cyber Discussion with Department of Defense Secretary Carter. Closed press.
- From **December 9 to 10**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will travel to London, England for the G6+1 Summit. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give opening remarks at the Federal Advisory Committee Inaugural Meeting. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a SVTC with General Kelly of SOUTHCOM. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a SVTC with Admiral Gortney of NORTHCOM. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a community engagement listening session on U.S. based violent extremism. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a CVE listening session organized by the Office of Civil rights and Civil Liberties with diverse community leaders in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **December 8**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with Smithsonian Secretary David Skorton to discuss opportunities for citizenship naturalization ceremonies. Closed Press.
- On **December 10**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will meet with the Center for American Progress to discuss key priorities impacting LGBT people and those living with HIV. Closed Press.
- On **December 14**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will have an introductory meeting with Terry Cunningham, International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) President and IACP Executive Director Vince Talucci. Closed Press.
- On **December 15**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will deliver congratulatory remarks for the celebration of the 224th Anniversary of the Bill of Rights. Open Press.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- From **December 6 to 8**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend the 74th Session of the World Customs Organization Policy Commission in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. While in Punta Cana, the Commissioner will also meet with several of his international counterparts, to include the Directors-General of Customs of the Dominican Republic, Malaysia, Ghana, and Chile, as well as the Director-General of the European Commission's Taxation and Customs Union. In addition, Commissioner Kerlikowske will participate in a signing ceremony for a Mutual Recognition Agreement of Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) programs alongside Fernando Fernández, Director-General of Dominican Republic Customs, and James Brewster, the U.S. Ambassador to the Dominican Republic. Meetings, closed press; signing ceremony, open press.
- On **December 7**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will meet with Australian Ambassador to the United States Mr. Kim Beazley, to discuss implications of the Paris attacks and the evolving European situation on the United States and Australian threat environments. Closed press.
- On **December 8**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will deliver keynote remarks at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's High Level Risk Forum in Washington, DC on the major threats facing countries and how

these are likely to change over time. Assistant Secretary for Policy Alan Bersin will immediately follow to provide keynote remarks on how senior leaders use threat information to inform policy and decisions. Closed Press.

- On **December 8**, Office of Operations Coordination Director and DHS Continuity Coordinator Richard Chávez will give the keynote address, Executive Perspectives on Implementing Continuity of Operations (COOP) in the Federal Government, during a two-day workshop on COOP and Emergency Planning in Washington DC. Closed press.
- On **December 8**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Dr. Philipp Ackermann, Deputy Chief of Mission of the German Embassy, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **December 8**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Björn Lyrvall, Sweden's Ambassador to the United States, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **December 8**, Office for State and Local Law Enforcement Assistant Secretary Heather Fong will join Office of Intelligence & Analysis Under Secretary Frank Taylor at a meeting with representatives from the Major Cities Chiefs Association and Major County Sheriffs' Association to discuss phase two of the development of the Criminal Intelligence Enterprise, which includes the creation of a governance structure and a CIE strategy and implementation plan. Closed Press.
- On **December 8**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will host a meeting with a Norwegian Delegation where he will meet with Norwegian Ministry of Justice and Public Security State Secretary Tor Saglie. Closed press.
- On **December 8**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will meet with the Homeland Security Chairmen of the Major Cities Chiefs Association (MCCA) and Major County Sheriffs' Association, and the MCCA's Criminal Intelligence Enterprise (CIE) Intelligence Commander Steering Committee members to discuss and agree upon a CIE governance structure, strategy, and implementation plan. Closed press.
- From **December 8 to 10**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will travel to London, England to meet with various counterterrorism officials to discuss the current threat environment and the recent Paris attacks. Closed press.
- On **December 9**, Assistant Secretary McNamara will participate in the Office of Academic Engagement's event with 25 graduate students from the University of Denver's Josef Korbel School of International Studies. The meeting will also feature presentations from the Office of Intelligence and Analysis and Blue Campaign. Closed Press.
- On **December 9**, U.S. Coast Guard Commandant, Admiral Paul Zukunft will attend the Gulf of Guinea Maritime Security Dialogue at the U.S. Naval Academy. Closed press.
- On **December 9**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will participate in the Gulf of Guinea Maritime Security Dialogue in Annapolis, MD. Closed press.
- From **December 9 to 10**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend a 21st Century Border Executive Steering Committee meeting in Mexico City, Mexico. While in Mexico City, the Commissioner will also meet with Arely Gómez González, Mexico's Attorney General, and Enrique Galindo, Mexico's Federal Police Commissioner. Closed press.

- From **December 9 to 10**, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Craig Fugate, and other senior leadership, will attend the Fifth Annual Building Resilience through Public-Private Partnerships Conference in New Orleans, LA. Open Press.
- On **December 10**, Acting Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Kurt Reuther will deliver keynote remarks at the Law Enforcement-Homeland Security Forum and Technology Exposition on Integrated Intelligence, Partnerships, and Technology for National Security in Chantilly, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 10**, Brazilian Delegate Major General João Batista Bezerra Leonel Filho as well as several other Brazilian Delegates will visit the Office of Operations Coordination to tour the National Operations Center (NOC) and receive briefings on the NOC and Special Events. Closed press.
- On **December 10**, Federal Emergency Management Agency Administrator Fugate will deliver the keynote address at the Fifth Annual Building Resilience through Public-Private Partnerships Conference in New Orleans, LA. Open press.
- From **December 10 to 11**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will travel to Brussels and will be the keynote speaker and guest of honor of the Transatlantic Policy Network. On December 11, Assistant Secretary Bersin will travel to The Hague, Netherlands to visit Europol, and receive briefings on critical DHS assistance to French and Belgian authorities following the November 13 terrorist attacks in Paris and subsequent arrests in Paris and Belgium. Closed press.
- On **December 11**, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration Deputy Associate Administrator Roy Wright will deliver the closing keynote address at the 8th Annual HAZUS (U.S. Hazards) User Conference in Atlanta, GA. Open press.
- On **December 11**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will tour the Mexican Custom Service's Targeting Center and Training Academy facilities in Querétaro, Mexico. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with Admiral Soberon, CNO- SEMAR. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Charles Michel will meet with Senior Staff at AFRICOM and EUCOM in Stuttgart, Germany. Closed Press.
- On **December 15**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will give the keynote address at the Navy League breakfast. Open press.
- On **December 15**, Assistant Secretary McNamara will kick off two working sessions with academia discussing campus resilience briefing and testing for an online Campus Resilience enhancement System (CaRES), which is part of the larger Campus Resilience Program for institutions of higher education to integrate resilience technology with emergency preparedness plans. Closed Press.
- On **December 15 to 16**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Charles Michel will meet with U.S. Ambassador to Turkey, Turkish Coast Guard Commander, and senior Turkish Coast Guard officials in Ankara and Istanbul, Turkey. Closed Press.
- On **December 16**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will deliver remarks at the Naval Studies Board. Closed press.
- On **December 17**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Terrence Cunningham, President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.

- On **December 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Charles Michel will meet with Sixth Fleet leadership in Naples, Italy. Closed Press.
- On **December 18**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with NTSB Chairman Chris Hart. Closed press.
- On **December 18**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Charles Michel will meet with Armed Forces of Malta officials. Closed Press.

#### Items of Note

##### *Expected Press Stories*

- On **December 8**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of Public Affairs will coordinate with ICE Enforcement and Removal Operations Phoenix to facilitate an interview by the Associated Press of two Palestinian detainees housed at ICE's Florence Detention Center in Florence, AZ. Open press.
- On **December 8**, the Partnership for Public Service will release the 2015 Best Places to Work rankings.
- From **December 13 to 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez and other administration officials will participate in a plenary panel during the National Immigrant Integration Conference in Brooklyn, NY. Other agency leaders will also participate. The Task Force on New Americans' status report to President Obama will be released around the same time as this conference. Open press.
- On **December 15**, following a press release from the Office of Personnel Management, DHS will make an external announcement regarding the nine DHS senior executives selected for the prestigious Presidential Rank Awards.

#### 30 Day Look-ahead

- On **December 21**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will conduct a site visit at John F. Kennedy International Airport and take part in media events in New York, NY.
- On **December 25**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will conduct a site visit at Los Angeles International Airport in Los Angeles, CA.
- On **January 11**, Israeli Minister of Public Security Gilad Erdan will visit the Office of Operations Coordination to tour the National Operations Center (NOC) and receive a briefing on the NOC. Closed press.
- On **January 27**, Admiral Zukunft and numerous Coast Guard members will attend the FINEST HOURS movie screening with various Congressional Staff at the Uptown Theater in Washington DC. Closed press.
- On **January 29**, Vice Admiral Michel will serve as the Presiding Officer at the CGC NAPIER Commissioning Ceremony in San Juan, Puerto Rico, where Whip Majority Scalise's wife, Jennifer Scalise will serve as the Sponsor.

#### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **December 8**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a Maritime Transportation System Cyber Security brief for the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee. Closed press.



- On **December 8**, Transportation Security Administration representative Joseph Terrell will testify about Last Point of Departure to the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security. Open press.
- On **December 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will provide testimony before the House Judiciary Committee regarding USCIS agency oversight. Open press.
- On **December 9**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Director León Rodríguez will provide testimony before the House Homeland Security Committee regarding refugee screening. Open press.
- On **December 9**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will attend a meet and greet with Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee. Closed press.
- On **December 9**, Transportation Security Administration representative Craig Lynes will brief House Committee on Homeland Security Members on Security Directives and Emergency Amendments. Closed press.
- On **December 9**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will attend a meet and greet with Rep. Adam Schiff. Closed press.
- On **December 10**, Transportation Security Administration representatives Karen Shelton-Waters and Julie Scanlon will brief House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Transportation Security staff on TSA's Organizational Structure. Closed press.
- On **December 10**, Office of Policy Deputy Assistant Secretary Kelli Ann Burriesci will participate in a hearing with the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on the Visa Waiver Program, and Biometric Exit. DAS Burriesci will be joined by Janice Kephart, CEO of Secure Identity & Biometric Association. Closed press.
- On **December 10**, Departmental GAO-OIG Liaison Office Director Jim Crumacker will testify before the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to discuss the latitude Federal agencies have in addressing recommendations made by the General Accountability Office and from Inspector Generals. Open press.
- On **December 11**, representatives from the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade and the CBP Office of Trade Relations will participate in a monthly meeting with staff from the House Ways and Means Committee. Closed press.
- On **December 11**, representatives from the Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Office of International Trade and the CBP Office of Trade Relations will participate in a monthly meeting with staff from the Senate Finance Committee. Closed press.
- On **December 11**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team Director Ann Barron-DiCamillo will conduct a tour of the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center, for House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform minority staff. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis Francis X. Taylor will provide a DHS Intelligence Enterprise overview briefing to staff from the House Homeland Security Committee. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the Senate Appropriations Staff at the National Security Agency and U.S. Cyber Command. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a Coast Guard operating expenses brief for the Senate Appropriations Committee. Closed press.

- On **December 17**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team Chief of Operations Monica Maher will conduct a briefing on aviation cybersecurity, for Senate Committee on Appropriations staff. Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 12**, Ryan Mulvey, a counsel with Cause of Action in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records: (1) records of correspondence between former DHS General Counsel Ivan Fong and former White House Counsel Gregory Craig from April 1, 2009, through January 3, 2010; and (2) guidance prepared by the DHS Office of the General Counsel and/or the DHS Privacy Office pertaining to the Office of White House Counsel's review of agency records from April 15, 2009, through November 12, 2015.
- On **November 12**, Marian Hennessy-Fiske, a writer with the Los Angeles Times in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to CBP employees arrested on corruption-related charges for fiscal years 2005 through 2015.
- On **November 12**, Marian Hennessy-Fiske, a writer with the Los Angeles Times in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to polygraph screening summaries for CBP applicants who had significant admissions from 2013 through the present.
- On **November 13**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with VICE News in Venice, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to final actions for investigations closed in 2015 regarding United States Secret Service (USSS) employees.
- On **November 18**, Marian Hennessy-Fiske, a writer with the Los Angeles Times in Houston, Texas, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the number of apprehensions by sector, nationality, family units, and unaccompanied minors.

### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 12**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to William Marshall, a representative with Judicial Watch in Washington, DC, a no records determination in response to his request seeking records pertaining to United Nations involvement in the recent influx of illegal aliens crossing the U.S. Southwest border from January 1, 2014, through July 31, 2014.
- On **November 13**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Dave Hendricks, a reporter with the Corpus Christi Caller-Times in Corpus Christi, Texas, one page of records consisting of a memorandum that was distributed to prospective Border Patrol agents at the CBP Border Patrol Academy in 2013 pertaining to administratively uncontrollable overtime. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(C).
- On **November 16**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Scott Friedman, a reporter with NBC 5 in Fort Worth, Texas, 135 pages of records consisting of canine training forms and data pertaining to the use of explosives detection canines provided through the National Canine Program run by TSA Office of Security Operations for 16

airports from January 1, 2013, through June 10, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3 and 6.

- On **November 16**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to John Maines, a reporter with the Sun Sentinel in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, one spreadsheet containing data pertaining to applications for permanent residency under the Cuban Adjustment Act for fiscal years 2000 through 2015 (June). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 16**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ilan Ben-Meir, a representative with BuzzFeed News in New York, New York, 82 pages of records consisting of naturalization records pertaining to the late Emilia Cruz, the paternal grandmother of Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 16**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ilan Ben-Meir, a representative with BuzzFeed News in New York, New York, 52 pages of records consisting of naturalization records pertaining to the late Rafael Cruz, the paternal grandfather of Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 16**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Randy Herschaft, a reporter with the Associated Press in New York, New York, 103 pages of records contained in the Alien File for the late Nicholas Siwicki. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **November 16**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Alexandra Singer, a researcher with Ark Media in Brooklyn, New York, 157 pages of records contained in the Alien File for the late Julia Lin (also known as Ming Hui Tsang). Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6 and 7(E).
- On **November 17**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released to Stephan Tetreault, a reporter with the Las Vegas Review-Journal in Las Vegas, Nevada, one Excel spreadsheet containing a list of Nonprofit Security Grants awarded in fiscal year 2015. These records were released in full.

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### Announcements - Presidential Priorities

#### Immigration:

- On **December 14**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director León Rodríguez will deliver keynote remarks during a plenary session at the National Immigrant Integration Conference (NIIC) in Brooklyn, NY. Open press.
- From **December 14 to 16**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Deputy Director Lori Scialabba will attend the mini Full Round of the Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum, and Refugees (IGC) in Geneva, Switzerland. Closed press.
- On **December 18**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director León Rodríguez will be the keynote speaker at the Federal Government Interagency Language Access Working Group in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- **E-Verify Update:** As of **December 7**, there are **626,984** employers registered for E-Verify, representing more than 2 million hiring sites. Thus far in Fiscal Year 2016, a total of **6,258,697** queries have been run through the system, with an average of 1,091 employers registering each week.

#### Cybersecurity:

- On **December 14**, Chief Information Security Officer Jeff Eisensmith will participate in a panel discussion regarding cybersecurity challenges and opportunities at the American Council for Technology-Industry Advisory Council's program, "Cybersecurity – Closing the Gaps in Federal Cyber Infrastructure," in Arlington, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection Caitlin Durkovich will deliver remarks on DHS' short- and long-term priorities in infrastructure protection and ways the private sector can help in these efforts, at the Homeland Security Dialogue Forum, in Washington, DC. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Deputy Under Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C) Phyllis Schneck and Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C) Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on CS&C's mission, priorities and future efforts in Washington, DC. Open press.
- On **January 5**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Under Secretary Suzanne Spaulding will deliver remarks on cyber threats and data protection, at the CES Government Annual Policy Forum, in Las Vegas, NV. Closed press.
- On **January 6**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity and Communications Andy Ozment will deliver remarks on information security challenges in 2016, at the NewsCorp Executive Forum, in Las Vegas, NV. Closed press.

### Announcements - Department/Agency Priorities

#### Principal Schedules

*Secretary Johnson*

- On **December 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will give opening remarks at the Federal Advisory Committee Inaugural Meeting. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a SVTC with General Kelly of SOUTHCOM. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will participate in a SVTC with Admiral Gortney of NORTHCOM. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will attend a U.S.-Mexico dinner in honor of Claudia Ruiz-Massieu, the Minister of Foreign Relations for the state of Mexico. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, Secretary Jeh Johnson has an interview with Pam Brown of CNN. Open press.
- From **December 18 to January 3**, Secretary Jeh Johnson will be on personal leave. Closed press.

*Deputy Secretary Mayorkas*

- On **December 14**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will have an introductory meeting with Terry Cunningham, International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) President and IACP Executive Director Vince Talucci. Closed Press.
- On **December 15**, Deputy Secretary Mayorkas will deliver congratulatory remarks for the celebration of the 224th Anniversary of the Bill of Rights. Open Press.

*Other Principals and Priority Schedules*

- On **December 14**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with Admiral Soberon, Chief of the Mexican Navy. Closed press.
- On **December 14**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Charles Michel will meet with Senior Staff at AFRICOM and EUCOM in Stuttgart, Germany. Closed Press.
- On **December 14**, Customs and Border Protection Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Dr. Philipp Ackermann, Deputy Chief of Mission of the German Embassy, at the German Embassy in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- From **December 14 to 17**, Office of Policy's Visa Waiver Program office will participate in a site visit to Greece to assess progress made by Greece on the issue which resulted in its current one-year Provisional Status, and determine its next designation. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will give the keynote address at the Navy League of the United States breakfast. Open press.
- On **December 15**, Assistant Secretary Phil McNamara will participate in a Council of Governors call with Governors and staff providing an update on refugee screening. The Department of Defense will also provide an update on the budget and other pending homeland defense activities prior to the February 2016 Winter Meeting. Closed Press.
- On **December 15**, Assistant Secretary McNamara will kick off two working sessions with academia discussing campus resilience briefing and testing for an online Campus Resilience enhancement System (CaRES), which is part of the larger Campus Resilience Program for institutions of higher education to integrate resilience technology with emergency preparedness plans. Closed Press.

- From **December 15 to 16**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Charles Michel will meet with U.S. Ambassador to Turkey, Turkish Coast Guard Commander, and senior Turkish Coast Guard officials in Ankara and Istanbul, Turkey. Closed Press.
- On **December 16**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will deliver remarks at the Naval Studies Board. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will attend the 240<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Navy Chaplain Corps on Capitol Hill. Closed press.
- On **December 17**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Charles Michel will meet with Sixth Fleet leadership in Naples, Italy. Closed Press.
- On **December 17**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with Terrence Cunningham, President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, at CBP Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Closed press.
- On **December 17**, United States Secret Service Director Joseph Clancy will hold an interagency (National Park Service) meeting on the E Street Fencing project. Closed press.
- From **December 15 to 17**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Director Gowadia will travel to the National Nuclear Security Site in Nevada. Closed Press.
- On **December 18**, Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Paul Zukunft will meet with National Transportation Safety Board Chairman Chris Hart. Closed press.
- On **December 18**, U.S. Coast Guard Vice Commandant Charles Michel will meet with Armed Forces of Malta officials and lecture at IMO's International Maritime Law Institute. Closed Press.
- On **December 18**, Deputy Assistant Secretary Clark and State Coordinator Kim Johnson will join Ted Sobel Principal Director; Director, State Issued ID Support (REAL ID), to provide a briefing to the Governors' DC Office and National Governors Association on the status of the REAL ID program. Closed Press.
- On **December 21**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will conduct a site visit at John F. Kennedy International Airport and take part in media interviews in New York, NY. Open press.
- On **December 21**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will meet with the Greek Ambassador. Meeting topics and agenda are not confirmed at this time. Closed press.
- From **December 21 to 22**, Transportation Security Administration Administrator Peter Neffenger will travel to Louisville, KY to visit the UPS Operations Center to observe screening operations. Closed press.
- On **December 22**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will meet with Nicholas Rasmussen, Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, in McLean, VA. Closed press.
- On **December 22**, Office of Policy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Chief Diplomatic Officer Alan Bersin will meet with the Korean Ambassador. Meeting topics and agenda are not confirmed at this time. Closed press.
- On **January 7**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will meet with former Ambassador Henry Crumpton, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Crumpton Group. Closed press.

#### Items of Note

### *Expected Press Stories*

- From December **13 to 15**, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services will participate in the National Immigrant Integration Conference in Brooklyn, NY. On December 14, Director León Rodríguez will deliver keynote remarks for a plenary panel in which other Administration officials will participate. The Task Force on New Americans' status report to President Obama is tentatively scheduled to be released around the same time as this conference. Open press.
- During the week of **December 14** U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will release communications associated with the White House Task Force on New Americans' status report to President Obama. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, the United States Secret Service will participate in granting a Make a Wish request for a little girl from Upper Marlboro, MD. While only local media will be involved in the documentation of this wish, the White House will be involved. Press will be limited to local Fox 5.
- From **December 14 to 17**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of Public Affairs New York will host and facilitate a film crew at John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, NY. The crew will be filming in support of a documentary series on border security involving ICE Homeland Security Investigations and U.S. Customs and Border Protection. The public release date is unknown at this point. Open press
- On **January 5**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Tampa personnel will participate in an interview in Tampa, FL with a CBS/FOX network affiliate regarding the use of technology in ICE HSI's investigations involving child exploitation. Open press.

### 30 Day Look-ahead

- On **January 11**, Israeli Minister of Public Security Gilad Erdan will visit the Office of Operations Coordination to tour the National Operations Center (NOC) and receive a briefing on the NOC. Closed press.
- On **January 13**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will attend a public meeting of the Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations (COAC) for CBP in New Orleans, LA.

### *Congressional Briefings/Testimony*

- On **December 14**, representatives from Customs and Border Protection Air and Marine Operations will brief staff from the office of Senator Heidi Heitkamp on the Unmanned Aircraft Systems program. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, a representative from the Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations will participate in a briefing for staff from the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security regarding DHS's strategic and tactical responses following the Paris attacks. DHS-I&A, DHS-Policy, USCIS, TSA, and OCP will also participate. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the Senate Appropriations Committee Staff at the National Security Agency and U.S. Cyber Command. Closed press.
- On **December 15**, representatives from Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Border Patrol, will take part in a briefing for staff from the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental

Affairs Committee regarding Operation Streamline and the Consequence Delivery System. The Department of Justice will lead the briefing. Closed press.

- On **December 15**, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office Deputy Director Brasure is expected to provide the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office 101 brief for the new House Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies Subcommittee staffer. Closed Press.
- On **December 16**, Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Deputy Commissioner Kevin McAleenan will brief Representatives Linda Sánchez, Judy Chu, Raúl Grijalva, Keith Ellison, and Gwen Moore on CBP guidelines to prevent racial profiling. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, the U.S. Coast Guard will conduct a Coast Guard operating expenses brief for the Senate Appropriations Committee. Closed press.
- On **December 16**, Chief Human Capital Officer Catherine Emerson, Acting Executive Director for Human Capital Policy and Programs Nimesh Patel, and Executive Director for the CyberSkills Management Support Initiative Renee Forney will meet with the staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency to provide an update on time-to-hire, employee engagement, and the CyberSkills Management Support Initiative. Closed press.
- On **December 17**, Chief Procurement Officer Soraya Correa will provide a general update briefing to the staff of the House Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency. Closed press.
- On **December 17**, National Protection and Programs Directorate Office of Cybersecurity and Communications Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team Chief of Operations Monica Maher will conduct a briefing on aviation cybersecurity, for Senate Committee on Appropriations staff.
- On **January 6**, Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske will have a meet-and-greet with Representative Patrick Tiberi, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Trade. [*Rescheduled from November 20.*] Closed press.
- From **January 8 to 10**, the U.S. Coast Guard will brief the Senate Appropriations Committee Staff underway on Coast Guard Cutter STRATTON from San Diego to Alameda, CA. Closed press.

## Legal

### *FOIA Requests*

- On **November 19**, Parick Terpstra, a producer with Cox Media Group in Washington, DC, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records pertaining to pending Syrian refugee applications from November 20, 2014, through November 20, 2015.
- On **November 19**, Patrick Terpstra, a producer with Cox Media Group in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) records of correspondence to and from Secretary Jeh Johnson that include the keywords “REAL ID” from January 1, 2015, through November 19, 2015.
- On **November 20**, Joseph Tanfani, a reporter with the Los Angeles Times in Washington, DC, requested from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) records pertaining to reports of potential civil rights violations regarding the operations of ICE Enforcement and



Removal Operations received by the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) from January 1, 2013, through November 20, 2015.

- On **November 20**, Ian Duncan, a reporter with The Baltimore Sun in Baltimore, Maryland, requested from the United States Coast Guard (USCG) records pertaining to e-mailed notifications by users of manned and unmanned submersible vehicles sent to Sector Baltimore from January 1, 2014, through November 20, 2015.
- On **November 24**, and November 27, Tyler Lykins, a representative with the Democratic National Committee in Washington, DC, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC), and the DHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) the following records: (1) records of communication with Governor John Kasich (R-OH) or his offices from 1978 through the present; and (2) Freedom of Information Act requests pertaining to Governor Kasich.
- On **November 24**, Rob Barry, a reporter with The Wall Street Journal in New York, New York, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining to the number of Reports of International Transportation of Currency or Monetary Instruments collected and/or received by CBP for each port code for each year from January 1, 2000, through November 24, 2015.
- On **November 24**, Kristen Gordon, a freelance writer in Albertville, Minneapolis, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) the number of arrests made on the U.S. Canadian Border in 2014.
- On **November 24**, Caroline Graham, an editor with Mail on Sunday in Los Angeles, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) records pertaining to a named individual. (Case Number OIG 2016-039.)
- On **November 25**, Cindy Clayton, a reporter with The Virginian-Pilot in Norfolk, Virginia, requested from the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) records pertaining to guns found at security checkpoints at Norfolk International Airport from January 1, 2015, through November 17, 2015.
- On **November 27**, Rebekah Sanders, a reporter with The Arizona Republic in Phoenix, Arizona, requested from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) records of congressional correspondence pertaining to Central Arizona Regional Center's PhoenixMart project from January 10, 2010, through November 27, 2015.
- On **November 30**, Jason Leopold, a reporter with VICE News in Beverly Hills, California, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) records pertaining to Planned Parenthood from July 1, 2014, through November 30, 2015.
- On **December 1**, Aaron Gordon, a writer with VICE Sports in Brooklyn, New York, requested from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) the following records pertaining to emergency preparedness for large sporting events such as the Super Bowl: (1) records regarding security assessments and training for state and local law enforcement, local hotels, and others to help them identify potential risks; (2) records regarding the deployment of Mobile Detection Deployment Units; and (3) records regarding the deployment of BioWatch detectors to provide public health officials with a warning in the event of a biological agent release.
- On **December 1**, Jasper Craven, a representative with MuckRock News in Boston, Massachusetts, requested from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) records pertaining

to drug seizures at the Canadian border crossings in Vermont from January 1, 2012, through December 1, 2015.

#### *FOIA Releases*

- On **November 19**, and November 30, 2015, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) issued to Scott MacFarlane, a reporter with NBC 4 in Washington, DC, no records determinations in response to his request seeking records pertaining to usage of Appraised Value Offer/or Home Sale Services for Senior Executive Service level employees from 2013 through 2015 (year to date).
- On **November 19**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ken Bensinger, a reporter with BuzzFeed News in Los Angeles, California, 32 pages of records consisting of Forms I-129 and certified lists of employees filed by Pure Forest LLC. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3 and 6.
- On **November 19**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ken Bensinger, a reporter with BuzzFeed News in Los Angeles, California, 49 pages of records consisting of Forms I-129 and certified lists of employees filed by L.T. West. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ken Bensinger, a reporter with BuzzFeed News in Los Angeles, California, 498 pages of records consisting of Forms I-129 and certified lists of employees filed by Guidry's Catfish Inc. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Ken Bensinger, a reporter with BuzzFeed News in Los Angeles, California, one page of records consisting of Forms 129 and certified lists of employees filed by Express Forestry Service. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3 and 6.
- On **November 20**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Jesse Barron, a journalist with VICE News in Brooklyn, New York, 149 pages of records consisting of the Alien File for the late Jose De Jesus Deniz Sahagun. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 20**, the Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers (FLETC) released to Nicholas Riccardi, a writer with the Associated Press in Denver, Colorado, one page of records consisting of correspondence between FLETC and the Office of Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) regarding a constituent who has a construction contract with FLETC. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.
- On **November 23**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) released to Corinne Reilly, a reporter with The Virginian-Pilot in Norfolk, Virginia, and Brock Vergakis, an individual in Norfolk, Virginia, 242 pages of records consisting of e-mails sent to or from DHS employee Marsha Catron pertaining to Jeffrey Savage, the Transportation Worker Identification Credential program, or the Department of the Navy. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, and 7(C).
- On **November 24**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Stephen Davis, a reporter with Fox6 News in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, five pages of records consisting

of a listing and number of occurrences of contraband/prohibited items surrendered to TSA at General Mitchell International Airport from 2013 through 2015. These records were released in full.

- On **November 25**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Cale Ottens, a reporter with the Los Angeles Business Journal in Los Angeles, California, 1,046 pages of records pertaining to the M&D Regional Center, LLC. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 4, and 6.
- On **November 25**, the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) released to Tim Novak, a reporter with the Chicago Sun Times in Chicago, Illinois, 715 pages of records pertaining to the Freedom Partners Regional Center, LLC. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 4, and 6.
- On **November 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Amy Forliti, a reporter with the Associated Press in Minneapolis, Minnesota, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to the investigation into bonuses awarded to two Transportation Security Administration (TSA) employees. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(C).
- On **November 25**, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Inspector General (OIG) issued to Caroline Graham, an editor with Mail on Sunday in Los Angeles, California, a full denial in response to her request seeking records pertaining to a named individual. These records were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 7(C).
- On **November 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Dennis Ahearn, an attorney with Ahearn Phillips, LLP in Fredericksburg, Virginia, 2,566 pages of records consisting of the business calendars for former Executive Assistant Director Radha Sekar and Laura Hertz for fiscal years 2012 and 2013. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Frank Gaffney, a representative with the Center for Security Policy in Washington, DC, 10 pages of records pertaining to the Council on American-Islamic Relations. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Matt Mendez, a representative with ABC 10 News in San Diego, California, one Excel spreadsheet pertaining to employees who were investigated for bribery, embezzlement, espionage, and smuggling from September 23, 2014, through September 23, 2015. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Jessica Ray, a representative with the Center for Immigration Studies in Washington, DC, 282 pages of records containing the names of private companies who contract with ICE to provide detention facilities, the number of beds under the contract, and the text of all Student and Exchange Visitor Information System I-17 appellate decisions since October 1, 2011. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 4, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **November 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Matt Schroeder, a reporter with Small Arms Survey in Geneva, Switzerland, 125 pages of records pertaining to Operation Bayou Run. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), 7(E), and 7(F).

- On **November 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Raymond Downs, a reporter with the Broward/Palm Beach New Times in Miami, Florida, two Excel spreadsheets containing statistical data on detainees who died in ICE custody in 2014 and 2015 and statistical data on the total number of ICE detainees, by country of origin. These records were released in full.
- On **November 30**, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) released to Brian Rosenthal, a reporter with the Houston Chronicle in Houston, Texas, 34 pages of records pertaining to an investigation of Evolution Armor Systems, Inc. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **December 1**, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) released to Emily Rueb, a reporter with The New York Times in New York, New York, 29 pages of records pertaining to the illegal import of lesser seed finches. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemptions 3, 6, 7(C), and 7(E).
- On **December 2**, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released to Vivian Hughbanks, a representative with The Hill in Washington, DC, 19 pages of records consisting of Questions for the Record from January 1, 2014, through July 31, 2014. Portions of the release were withheld pursuant to Freedom of Information Act Exemption 6.