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Here is the most recent message from yesterday. Thank you.

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**From:** Walls, Erin  
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Good morning,

I am circling back to see if OPA has reviewed the executive summary and if there are any edits.

Many thanks,  
Erin

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**From:** Walls, Erin  
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OPA,

In accordance with FACA guidelines, the HSAC is required to have an executive summary for the public portions of our full Council meetings. What you see below is a portion of our summary from the transcription service we brought in to capture the remarks. I have pasted their summary of the Secretary's remarks from the public session of our January 21 meeting and two other short sections where he is mentioned. Can someone from your team review this and let us know if you have any edits or concerns? The final version will be posted on the HSAC website.

Many thanks!  
Erin

**Welcome by HSAC Leadership and Swearing-In of New Council Members**

William Webster, Chair of the HSAC, called the open session of the meeting to order at 1:23 p.m. The members present introduced themselves. Chair Webster thanked Sarah Morgenthau, HSAC Executive Director, for her efforts in support of the Council.

Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson administered the oath of office to the newly appointed HSAC members Michael Nutter and Christian Marrone.

### **Remarks by Secretary Jeh Johnson**

Secretary Johnson thanked Executive Director Morgenthau for bringing this exemplary group of citizens together as part of this important advisory council. Secretary Johnson thanked HSAC Vice-Chair Bill Bratton, Police Commissioner for the New York City Police Department, for inviting him to speak at the recent New York City Police Academy graduation in late December.

Secretary Johnson said there is much left to accomplish in this final year of the Obama Administration, and expressed his intention to follow through on his remaining objectives for the Department. The principal priority for senior management is to leave the Department in better shape than when the team arrived, so it functions more efficiently, and more effectively in delivering its homeland security services for the American people. As part of this process, DHS leadership continues to institutionalize the principles of the "Unity of Effort" initiative. DHS is working to reform the hiring, acquisition and budget processes, with the ultimate goal of raising the level of employee satisfaction.

Counterterrorism remains a cornerstone mission of the Department. There is a new environment when it comes to the global terrorism threat, which includes not only terrorist-directed attacks, but terrorist-inspired attacks. These threats call for a whole-of-government response, including military, law enforcement, and robust intelligence gathering and sharing efforts. These efforts extend to the private sector as well, and DHS is very active in this arena. In recent months, DHS has enhanced the Federal Protective Service presence at federal offices around the country. In addition, DHS is currently reforming and strengthening the Visa Waiver Program security processes.

Last month, DHS established the Office for Community Partnerships as part of its efforts in Countering Violent Extremism (CVE). The White House announced this month the creation of an interagency CVE Task Force, in which DHS plans to be deeply involved. DHS is very active in community outreach to complement these efforts. Last week Secretary Johnson visited Dearborn, Michigan to meet with the community there.

Secretary Johnson also discussed recent efforts related to aviation security, including enhancing overseas pre-clearance reviews. DHS recently revised its National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) to include a new intermediate message to better inform the public about the threat environment. It is also focused on cybersecurity threats, and expanding and enhancing information-sharing efforts both across the federal government and private sector entities. The EINSTEIN 3-Accelerated (E3A) monitoring and intrusion prevention program is now live and available for use by all federal agencies. Currently about half of the federal government is covered by E3A and DHS will continue to work to expand coverage.

On the immigration and border security front, DHS awaits the Supreme Court ruling on the *Texas v. United States* case which bears heavily on the Department's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. DHS has reframed and focused its priorities for removal on convicted criminals and those apprehended at the border. DHS is viewing the ongoing events in Central America as a refugee problem

and must be handled like one. The Secretary of State has called for a regional solution and approach to the problem. Meanwhile, DHS is obligated to enforce U.S. law consistent with U.S. priorities, not least of which is border security.

Secretary Johnson closed his remarks by lauding the quiet, day-to-day efforts of DHS employees in ensuring the safety of the American people. Executive Director Morgenthau thanked Secretary Johnson for his remarks and opened the floor for HSAC subcommittee updates.

### Public Comment

Executive Director Morgenthau opened the floor for public comments; however, there were no comments from members of the public.

Member Nutter thanked the Secretary for his efforts in engaging with local communities throughout his tenure, and particularly thanked the Department for their help in Philadelphia during the visit of Pope Francis.

Member Acevedo reminded the Council that the threat from right wing extremists domestically is just as real as the threat from Islamic extremism. Secretary Johnson agreed and noted that CVE, by definition, is not solely focused on one religion. Member Goldenberg seconded Member Acevedo's remarks and noted the importance of online sites in right wing extremist communities, not only in America but worldwide.

Member Norris thanked the HSAC and DHS for acknowledging the unique government-to-government obligations and relationships between the federal government and tribal governments.

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