

Luncheon with Selected Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC) Members**DECISION POINTS/ASKS:**

Discuss the importance of the Council, and how outside, independent input from individuals can be most helpful on issues the Secretary is particularly concerned with.

BACKGROUND:

- The HSAC is an organizationally independent advisory board of highly-distinguished leaders from state and local government, first responder communities, the private sector, and academia which provide you with recommendations and strategic guidance.
- This luncheon is the first you have had with smaller groups of HSAC members.
- You last met with the HSAC in person in New York City on February 3, 2010. Prior to that, you spoke to HSAC members via teleconference in December 2009 and in-person in Albuquerque, New Mexico in June 2009.
- On August 3, 2010, you outlined the next steps for the Countering Violent Extremism Working Group (CVE WG) at an event with Judge Webster and Chief Lanier at the Washington, DC Metropolitan Police Headquarters. Skip Williams was a member of the CVE WG. Judge Webster also attended the CVE WG meeting you spoke at in April 2010, while not being a member of the working group.
- Lydia Thomas chaired the Sustainability and Efficiency Task Force, which resulted in recommendations by the HSAC to you in February 2010 at the HSAC meeting in New York.
- Judge Webster chaired the Homeland Security Advisory System Task Force, whose work was finished in September 2009; he is the current chair of the Southwest Border Task Force, which has finalized a second report to the Committee that is pending HSAC deliberation.
- Dr. David served as a co-chair of the Quadrennial Review Advisory Committee, which gave input to the HSAC on the Quadrennial Homeland Security Review. The HSAC provided their recommendations to you in a May 2010 report. Skip Williams was also a member of QRAC.
- Congressman Lee Hamilton is currently co-chairing the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future with Brent Scowcroft. The President established the Commission to conduct a comprehensive review of policies for managing the back end of the nuclear fuel cycle, including all alternatives for the storage, processing, and disposal of civilian and defense used nuclear fuel, high-level waste, and materials derived from nuclear activities. He has not participated in any HSAC activities since his appointment last year.

PROGRAM:

12:00 pm	Arrival at luncheon
12:00 pm – 13:00 pm	Casual discussion
13:00 pm	Luncheon concludes

ANTICIPATED QUESTIONS:

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PARTICIPANTS:

Homeland Security Advisory Council Members

Judge William “Bill” Webster (Chair of HSAC), Retired Partner, Milbank, Tweed et al.

Dr. Ruth David, President and CEO, Analytic Services Inc.

The Honorable Lee Hamilton, Director, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Dr. Lydia Thomas, Trustee, Noblis, Inc.

Dr. John “Skip” Williams, Provost and Vice President for Health Affairs, The George Washington University

DHS

Secretary Napolitano

Becca Sharp, Executive Director, HSAC

PRESS PLAN: None, Closed Press

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Talking Points (Source: HSAC/Cohen)
- B. Bios (Source: HSAC)

Contact: (b)(6)