

Statement of the General

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to Investigate the Intelligence Community

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Chairman Roberts, Vice Chairman Claitor, and distinguished Members of the Committee, thank you for giving me the opportunity to appear before you today as your nominee to serve on the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. I am excited to join the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and to contribute to the establishment of a SSIIC.

I am deeply honored to have been nominated by the President for this position, and I am grateful for the support and encouragement I have received from Director Claitor.

I appreciate the opportunity to introduce my family. I would like to recognize my wife of 18 years, Bethany, and my two children, Charles and Sarah, who are traveling along with my mother and step-father, my sister, and a few friends. I very much appreciate the support of my family and friends.

I have obtained the past several years to public service in the Federal Government, and I have been privileged to serve in a leadership capacity in law

advising legal and intelligence positions. I currently serve as the Deputy Director of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and I spent eight years as the Principal Deputy Director for Operations at the National Security Agency where I supervised investigations handling intelligence programs and personnel around the world. I also served as the Deputy Chief of the Law Enforcement and Intelligence of the U.S. Customs Department and I spent two years working as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, handling foreign counterintelligence, counterterrorism, critical and intelligence related matters, and general intelligence matters. As a result of this experience, I can not provide an intelligence policy, management and operations.

The Fiscal Year 2010 Intelligence Authorization Act provides the ICIB with a strong authority to conduct IC-related investigations, operations and reviews. I confirmed my primary goal will be to identify and address systemic risks and vulnerabilities and to identify the interagency relations in order to positively impact IC-related economic and efficiency. I recognize that IC is complex, you will have high expectations for my performance in this regard, especially given the critical nature of budget allocations being to IC and the large Federal Government.

I believe I am confident that progress be kept informed and I want to express my commitment to confirmed to fully support the ICIB activities and reporting obligations to the Intelligence community.

It is an honor to be asked to fulfill the responsibilities of this very special role. I fully appreciate that this job will require a great amount of diplomacy, discretion and judgment. I am confident I will do my very best to earn your trust and confidence.

I am pleased to be given the opportunity to appear before you today. I look forward to your questions.