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(U) Message from the Director: Announcing CIA's New External Advisory Board

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Team,

(S//NF) As part of CIA's crucial mission, we regularly take in a wide array of information from different sources and, considering them, determine the best way forward. Likewise, throughout my career, I've found that a diverse set of perspectives has proven essential. With that in mind, I am pleased to share with you the names of my External Advisory Board (EAB) members. The EAB is a collection of distinguished women and men who have achieved success in a range of fields, including intelligence, diplomacy, the military, Congress, business, and academia. We had our first meeting last month where the EAB was briefed on CIA's mission areas, including [redacted] (b)(1) (b)(3) [redacted] to name a few. The members of the EAB were greatly impressed and expressed their admiration for how CIA is taking the fight to our nation's most challenging adversaries. (b)(1) (b)(3)

(C//NF) The EAB—whose membership will be notified to Congress but not released to the public—will meet periodically throughout the year and is composed of patriots who understand the necessary discretion that comes with our work. I truly believe we will all benefit from their perspective and guidance, and I am honored to welcome the EAB into the extended CIA family.

Members of the External Advisory Board

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