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Mr. Zitz is a 31-year veteran of the Intelligence Community. His experience spans the missions of Army Intelligence, CIA, NGA, NSA, DHS, Secret Service, and the NRO. Mr. Zitz is known throughout the military, intelligence, homeland security and federal law enforcement communities as a visionary leader who possesses both the technical skill and political acumen required to move people, processes, and technology forward.

Mr. Zitz currently serves as Deputy Director of Mission Support for the NRO where he leads several hundred technical personnel deployed worldwide. His employees work directly with our nation's defense, intelligence, homeland security and law enforcement communities. He oversees a very large technology program designed to rapidly deliver technology solutions into the hands of action takers. At NRO, Mr. Zitz also serves as the Director's Senior Advisor for Geospatial Intelligence, and he directs the efforts of all the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) engineers and scientists embedded within NRO.

From 2007 - 2009, Mr. Zitz served as the Deputy Associate Director of the United States Secret Service, where he guided the transformation efforts needed to modernize the 145 year old law enforcement agency. He established the governance, technical foundation, and program rigor that led to Secret Service gaining the significant funding increases needed for improvements.

From 2006 – 2007, Mr. Zitz was Deputy Under Secretary of Preparedness at the Department of Homeland Security. He managed 1800 employees and oversaw \$3 billion dollars in programs. He guided the Department's preparedness work including Infrastructure Protection, National Communications, Cyber Security, State and Local Grants, Exercises and Assessments, Fire Administration, Ready.Gov, and the efforts of the Chief Medical Officer. Mr. Zitz served concurrent roles as Deputy Under Secretary, Principal Deputy Manager of the National Communications System (NCS), and Director of the National Cyber Security Division during his time at DHS. He provided the leadership required to closely link DHS and NSA cyber activities. He was also the driving force in DHS behind the establishment of a Secret Service-led, National Computer Forensics Institute in Hoover, Alabama which is a showcase for collaborative training of federal, state, and local law enforcement officials. Mr. Zitz co-chaired the DHS Geospatial, Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Executive Committee (GPEC), and established the foundation for geospatial-intelligence capabilities across DHS.

Mr. Zitz was one of only a few career (i.e., non-political appointee) members of Secretary Chertoff's senior leadership team, and was the first Deputy Under Secretary at DHS. He participated in the Department's rebuilding from the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, the thwarting a planned major terrorist attack on the United States, the planning for global pandemics, and the formation of the National Cyber Security Initiative.

From 2001 – 2005, Mr. Zitz led Research and Development (R&D) at NGA, and was a member of the agency's Executive Committee. He guided all the agency's transformation activities. He was the Intelligence Community's leading architect of a multi-intelligence (aka "Multi-INT") fusion approach to tasking, collection, processing, analysis, and dissemination of intelligence. His work has contributed to eliminating many of the terrorists who threatened our nation.

Prior to 2001, Mr. Zitz served in a variety of analytical, policy, budget, and technology roles, including counterterrorism support to the Army's Delta Force.