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Statement on Intelligence Reform Progress and Priorities

The following statement was released by Chad Kolton, Director of Public Affairs for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence:

"The Intelligence Community has strengthened the quality of intelligence provided to policy-makers through initiatives like the DNI's Mission Managers concept. Among the most experienced seniors in the Intelligence Community (IC), Mission Managers have highly developed analytical and collection management skills and they focus on the topics of highest interest to our policy-makers. The Mission Manager approach allows the IC to have focused efforts on identifying collection gaps and addressing resources to cover those gaps to ensure analysts have the required information to support policy decision makers. One of new DNI Mike McConnell's top priorities is to build on initiatives like Mission Managers by improving penetration of our hardest intelligence targets."

Additional information about real progress made on intelligence reform is available at the ODNI website (http://www.dni.gov/press_releases/20070105_release.pdf).

Additional information about Director of National Intelligence Mike McConnell's intelligence reform priorities is also available at the ODNI website (http://www.dni.gov/speeches/20070220_speech.pdf).

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