



# NDIA/AIA Security Conference Clearance Reform – Industry

May 14, 2018



# Actions to Date

- ▶ **11 CEOs send letter to Senate/House Committees and Agency Executives – June 2017**
- ▶ **Meetings with Committee Professional Staffs**
- ▶ **NVTC and Industry convene an ad-hoc Industry Group of 6 Industry Associations and 16 Companies – CEOs, CSOs, and Government Relations personnel – Oct 2017**
- ▶ **PAC Principals & CEOs meeting – Nov 2017**
- ▶ **Senator Warner & NVTC Conference Call – Jan 2018**
  - ↳ **Mulvaney Letter (Funding)**
- ▶ **Industry formulates Security Clearance Reform Campaign Plan – Jan 2018**
  - ↳ **PAC Tiger Team**
- ▶ **Industry CEOs meet with Bill Evanina (results of workforce study) – Jan 2018**
- ▶ **GAO High Risk List**
- ▶ **CSIS Roundtable – Feb 2018 – Follow-up – April 2018**
- ▶ **Industry testimony at SSCI open hearing – Mar 2018**
- ▶ **President’s Management Agenda – Mar 2018**
- ▶ **“Trusted Workforce 2.0 Meeting” – March 2018**
  - ↳ **Tiger Team**
- ▶ **PDDNI Gordon & CEOs meeting – April 2018**
- ▶ **OSD/CEOs Meeting – April 2018**
- ▶ **ODNI briefing to consolidated Oversight Committee’s Professional Staff – May 2018**

# CEO Letter

- ▶ The backlog and increasing time delays
  - National Security Issue
  - Mission impacts and economic costs
- ▶ Lack of true reciprocity
- ▶ Lack of uniform standards to determine trust
- ▶ Recommendations
  - CE replaces scheduled PRs
  - Funding/IT Modernization/Process Reengineering
  - Reciprocity
  - Single Govt. Standard for determining Trust
  - Harmonize Clearance and Insider Threat efforts

# Industry Clearance Reform Campaign

## INTERMEDIATE OBJECTIVES TO ACHIEVING GOALS

- ▶ **Congressional advocacy and oversight**
- ▶ **IRTPA timeline performance goals** to drive reduction of backlog
- ▶ **Adequate funding** for investigative and adjudicative capacity, visibly displayed and designated as a special Congressional interest item.
- ▶ **Reciprocity and mobility** with change in policy, procedures, legislation, and better execution –
- ▶ **Continuous Evaluation (CE)** and replace scheduled Periodic Reinvestigations with risk-based reinvestigation
- ▶ Speed adoption of **automation and modern IT** in investigations
- ▶ **Information sharing** between Government and Industry
- ▶ Dramatically raise the **public profile** of the issue, putting sustained pressure on both Congress and Executive Branch to fix the security clearance problem.

# President's Management Agenda

- ▶ Security Clearance, Suitability/Fitness and Credentialing Reform one of 14 agenda items
  
- ▶ Goal -- *“A Federal workforce entrusted to protect Government information and property and to promote a safe and secure work environment, sustained by an enhanced risk management approach”*
  
- ▶ Goal Leaders -- 4 PAC Principals
  - ↙ Four “Sub goals”:
    - ← Trusted workforce
    - ← Modern policies and processes
    - ← Secure and Modern IT
    - ← Continuous Performance Improvement

# CEOs - PDDNI Meeting

- ▶ Work toward significant backlog reduction over the next 12 months
- ▶ Work toward significant reduction in initial clearance and onboarding times, to include the contractor community
- ▶ Commitment to including time in performance tracking
- ▶ Agreement to get legal teams working on uniform standards/application of current regulations, where feasible.
- ▶ Agreement to review accessibility to flagged information for industry, where feasible (Information Sharing)
- ▶ Focus on bringing new talent into the workforce and utilizing AI to improve the clearance process.
- ▶ Review FIS changes that have increased field work
- ▶ Direct reciprocity from DNI level where feasible (SEAD 7)

## Bottom Line – Speed and Efficiency of:

*Time to Onboard*

*Time to Transfer*

*Time to Terminate*

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