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Director Clapper Awards the National Intelligence Distinguished Public Service Medal

Washington, D.C. – Treasury Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence Stuart A. Levey received the National Intelligence Distinguished Public Service Medal from Director of National Intelligence James R. Clapper yesterday in a ceremony at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Director Clapper recognized Under Secretary Levey for his critical role in establishing the Treasury Department's Office of Intelligence and Analysis, and his tireless efforts which significantly impacted the flow of funds to terrorist and extremist groups around the world.

"Under Stuart Levey's leadership, the Treasury Department has become a fully integrated member of the Intelligence Community, which has greatly improved the U.S. Government's understanding of threat and illicit finance," Clapper said. "Stuart played a critical role spearheading the United States' efforts to sever the lines of support to terrorist organizations, proliferators of weapons of mass destruction and narcotics traffickers. By forging key partnerships and garnering critical international support, he was able to secure the designation of nearly 400 individuals and organizations under the Treasury Department's terrorism sanctions program. On behalf of the entire Intelligence Community, I want to thank Stuart for his nearly seven years of dedicated work that has greatly improved our national security."

"One highlight of my government service was the opportunity I had to work with and learn from the tremendous professionals of our Intelligence Community," Levey said. "Almost everything we did during my tenure at the Treasury depended on Treasury's Office of Intelligence and Analysis and other components of the Intelligence Community. Our country owes them a debt of gratitude for what they do every day."

Key Background

The National Intelligence Distinguished Public Service Medal is the highest award that can be granted to non-career Federal employees, private citizens or others who have performed distinguished service of exceptional significance to the Intelligence Community. The DNI established the award on Oct. 1, 2008, to acknowledge individuals who rendered extraordinary service at considerable personal sacrifice and who were motivated by patriotism, good citizenship or a sense of public responsibility.

The Director of National Intelligence leads intelligence integration across the 16 federal

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organizations that comprise the Intelligence Community. The DNI also manages the implementation of the National Intelligence Program. Additionally, the DNI serves as the principal adviser to the President and the National Security Council on intelligence issues related to national security.

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