Overview of the DoD-DHS Capability Development Working Group (CDWG)

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DoD Homeland Defense Strategy

- “To succeed, DoD will need a systematic approach to ensure close cooperation with the DHS..., Nurturing new collaborative research, development, experimentation, test and acquisition opportunities with DHS, while avoiding duplication of effort in these areas.”

CDWG established June 07

- DoD – Under Secretary for Acquisition Technology and Logistics - USD(AT&L)
- DHS – Under Secretary for Management
- DHS – Under Secretary for S&T

Serve as senior-level cooperation forum

- Engage provider communities on areas of mutual DoD-DHS interest
- Seek best use of resources, avoid duplication
- Promote further cooperation as needed
- Support/inform policy, planning, decision-making
- Does not replace other mechanisms
Structure for the DoD-DHS CDWG

DoD - DHS CDWG

Senior Steering Committee

Exec Sec (DoD)

Chairs
- USD(AT&L)
- US/M (DHS)
- U/S S&T (DHS)

Members
- ASD(HD&ASA)
- CDR NORTHCOM
- Joint Staff, J-8
- Chief, NGB
- U/S Intelligence and Analysis (DHS)

- SES/GO/FO level
- Same organizations, plus PAE, AT&L functional leads
- Review issues, provide guidance on enhancing collaboration, prioritize, and prepare for CDWG

CDWG Meetings

SSG Meetings

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How the DoD-DHS CDWG Works

- Leadership determines topics

- Subject matter expert (SME) is identified from each Department

- DoD and DHS SMEs lead discussion of investments/activities in their area
  - Also discuss areas where cooperation already exists and where more might be helpful

- Provide guidance as appropriate and assigns follow-up actions

Areas Addressed Over Last Year