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Terrorist Intent

...bring the battle here
Biometrics: An Invaluable DoD Capability

• Every day, DoD collects and searches biometrics from adversaries across the globe.

• Every day, we use the data to find, track, capture, and neutralize threats against the United States.

• Every day, biometrics are used across the full spectrum of military operations, including installation access, identity screening, and intelligence, to protect U.S. interests and assets.

Our Goal: Anyone, Anywhere, Any Time
Across Government Workspace

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“Provide for the exchange of biometric and contextual data…”

- POLICY
- PRIVACY
- LEGAL
- STANDARDS
- TECHNOLOGY
DoD’s Biometric Tenets

• Our biometric intelligence and data are only valuable when the United States and our allies use it.

• We must continue to extend our reach to the encounter – wherever that edge may be.

• To deny enemy anonymity, we must make our biometric intelligence pervasive, authoritative, and actionable in every theater of operations.
Defense in Depth

“This is the age of every Soldier as a sensor”  MG John Custer
Leverage Federation

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The Outcome:

Point of Encounter
- Military operations
- Screening
- Access Control
- Law Enforcement

GO/NO GO: A fully developed decision based on all available biometric datasets
Our Challenges

- Interoperability and standards
- Better, faster, stronger?
- The will to impact outcomes
  - Organization
  - Technology
  - Policy
- Information Sharing
Working with Industry

- Articulate our current and future requirements to industry; continue to engage with industry to solve our challenges.

- Invest in appropriate biometric S&T and R&D for the way ahead.

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