John O. Brennan
Assistant to the President
For Homeland Security and Counterterrorism

Mr. Brennan has served as Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism since 20 January 2009. He also serves as Homeland Security Advisor and Deputy National Security Advisor for Counterterrorism.

Mr. Brennan served as President and CEO of The Analysis Corporation (TAC) in McLean, VA from November 2005 to January 2009. Prior to entering the private sector, Mr. Brennan had a distinguished 25-year career with the Central Intelligence Agency, serving in a variety of senior positions throughout the Intelligence Community. His last assignment was (interim) Director of the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC). Mr. Brennan was appointed to that position, with the approval of the President, by the Director of Central Intelligence in October 2004. He served as head of the NCTC until August 2005. Mr. Brennan also was the founding Director of NCTC's predecessor organization, the Terrorist Threat Integration Center (TTIC), serving in that capacity from 12 March 2003 until 6 December 2004.

Mr. Brennan began his career as an intelligence officer in 1980 with the Central Intelligence Agency's Directorate of Operations as a Career Trainee. After joining the Directorate of Intelligence in 1981, he served with the Department of State as a political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia from 1982 to 1984. From 1984 to 1989, he served in a variety of analytic assignments in the Office of Near Eastern and South Asian Analysis in the Directorate of Intelligence. Mr. Brennan was in charge of terrorism analysis in the DCI's Counterterrorist Center between 1990 and 1992, including during Desert Shield and Desert Storm. After a management position in the Office of Near Eastern and South Asian Analysis, Mr. Brennan served as the CIA's daily intelligence briefer at the White House in 1994 and 1995. Mr. Brennan was the Executive Assistant to then-DDCI George Tenet from 1995 to 1996, and he served as CIA Chief of Station in a major Middle Eastern capital 1996 to 1999. Mr. Brennan served as DCI Tenet's Chief of Staff from 1999 to 2001 and as Deputy Executive Director of the Central Intelligence Agency from March 2001 to March 2003.

In April 2007, Mr. Brennan was appointed Chairman of the Board of The Intelligence and National Security Alliance (INSA), a not-for-profit professional association of public and private sector leaders of the intelligence and national security communities. Mr. Brennan also serves on the Board of Directors of Global Strategies Group (North America) Inc, the parent company of TAC. He has appeared on television and radio programs as an analyst and commentator on national security affairs and has published articles on intelligence reform and terrorism matters.

Mr. Brennan is the recipient of numerous awards and commendations including the National Security Medal, the Distinguished Intelligence Medal, the Distinguished Career Intelligence Medal, the Director of Central Intelligence Director's Medal, and the Defense Intelligence Agency's Director's Award.

Mr. Brennan earned a BA in Political Science from Fordham University in 1977, including study at the American University of Cairo in 1975/1976. He received a MA in Government with a concentration in Middle Eastern Studies from the University of Texas at Austin in 1980.