

Better Know a Czar

White House-Deemed Czars (7 Confirmed)

1. Border Czar – Alan Bersin
2. Energy czar – Carol Browner \$172,200
3. Urban Czar – Adolfo Carrion, Jr. \$158,500
4. InfoTech/Information Czar – Vivek Kundra
5. Faith-Based Czar – Joshua DuBois \$98,000
6. Health Reform Czar – Nancy-Ann DeParle \$158,000
7. Stimulus Accountability Czar – Earl Devaney
8. Regulatory Czar – Cass Sunstein \$172,200
9. Drug czar – Gil Kerlikowske (C)
10. Guantanamo Closure Czar – Daniel Fried
11. Salary/Pay/Compensation Czar – Kenneth Feinberg
12. Non-Proliferation/WMD Czar – Gary Samore
13. Terrorism Czar – John Brennan \$172,200
14. New TARP Czar – Herb Allison (C)
15. Cyber Security Czar – **OPEN**
16. Technology Czar - Aneesh Chopra (C)
17. Car Czar – Ed Montgomery (Steve Rattner ?)
18. Economic Czar – Paul Volcker
19. Great Lakes Czar - Cameron Davis
20. Intelligence Czar - Dennis Blair (C)
21. Weather/Science Czar – John Holdren (C)
22. Green Jobs Czar – Van Jones
23. AIDS Czar – Jeffery Crowley \$102,000
- 24. California Water Czar - David Hayes (C)**
- 25. Domestic Violence Czar - Lynn Rosenthal**
- 26. TARP Oversight Czar - Elizabeth Warren**
- 27. Weapons Czar - Ashton Carter (C) dod**
- 28. Copyright Czar - OPEN**

(C) - Senate Confirmed Czars

Special Envoy Czars:

29. Mideast Peace Czar → George Mitchell
30. Af-Pak → Richard Holbrooke \$259,700/ office
31. Sudan Czar → J. Scott Gration
32. Southwest Asia Czar → Dennis Ross
33. Climate special → Todd Stern
34. Eurasian Energy → Richard Morningstar \$420,750/ office

****27 Un-Confirmed Czars** **34 Total Czars****

NEW? - Healthcare Insurance Czar (7/7/09)

- President Barack Obama's congressional allies want to create a powerful insurance commissioner to oversee medical plans nationwide. State regulators say it would duplicate what they do without better protecting consumers
- The health choices commissioner would head an independent agency, as envisioned in the 800-page draft bill released by House Democratic leaders. The Health Choices Administration would regulate a revamped insurance marketplace and be expected to deliver Obama's promise of affordable coverage for all.
- Decisions made in the commissioner's office would reverberate not just through insurance company boardrooms, but family kitchens as well.
- State regulators, who traditionally have overseen the industry, say a federal commissioner is unnecessary.
- "We have concerns that a federal commissioner would not provide adequate protection for our consumers, and that the bill as drafted duplicates functions that exist in states across the nation," said Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner Kim Holland.

History of American Czars:

George W. Bush

- Reports of 14 Czars over 8 years (or 96 months)

Ronald Reagan

- Reports of 3 Czars over 8 years (or 96 month)

Obama

- Reports of 34 Czars over 1/2 year (or 6 months)

At this rate, we will have:

272 czars in Obama's fist term (48 months)

544 czars if he lasts two terms (96 months)



Border Czar – Alan Bersin

Title: Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Special Rep for Border Affairs

Department: Dept. of Homeland Security - reports to the Secretary of the DHS

Appointment Date: April 15, 2009

Senate Confirmation: Required

Job Description:

- Will handle illegal immigration and drug violence issues along the Mexican-American border
- Will work with international officials and their counterparts in the U.S. and border states
- Issues of commerce and trade will also be under his jurisdiction

Resume:

- 1993 to 1998, Bersin was the Federal Prosecutor who led the government's crackdown on illegal immigrants at the California-Mexico border
- 1995-1998: Southwest border representative for the attorney general
- Was the former superintendent of San Diego City Schools (salary \$210,000)
- Past federal Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA)
- Former United States Attorney for the United States District Court for the Southern District of California, and former Attorney General's Southwest Border Representative
- Chairman of the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority
- Served under California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger as Secretary of Education for California
- Bersin was essentially a czar under President Clinton. However, this time his boss will be Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano

Achilles Heel:

- As border czar under Janet Reno in the mid-1990s, implemented "Operated Gatekeeper," which fortified the border closest to San Diego, but effectively only shifted illegal immigrant crossings east.
- Many immigrant advocacy groups have blamed his policies for causing increased border-crossing deaths



Energy Czar – Carol Browner

Title: Coordinator of Energy and Climate Policy

Department: Executive office of the President (\$172,000)

Appointment Date: December 15, 2008

Senate Confirmation: Not Required

Job Description:

- Her role seems to be that of an overseer –promoting smooth cooperation among the different energy and climate entities
- Goal is “to create jobs, achieve energy security and combat climate change, which requires integration among different agencies, cooperation between federal, state and local governments and partnership with the private sector” – President Obama

Resume:

- 1989-1991: served as Senator Al Gore's senior legislative aide
- 1991-1993: Secretary of FL Dept of Environmental Regulation
- 1993-2001: Administrator of the EPA (Longest serving administrator in the history of the EPA)
- In 1996, Browner led a campaign to have Congress reauthorize the Safe Drinking Water Act and spearheaded the Food Quality Protection Act, which modernized standards that govern pesticide use, one of the first environmental laws to specifically protect children's health.
- Insiders say Browner helped negotiate the deal between the EPA, the Transportation Department, California, and the car industry.
- Currently is a principal of former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's global strategy firm, the Albright Group - working in the areas of environmental protection, climate change and energy conservation and security

Achilles Heel:

- She was a member of Socialist International, and was one of the leaders of that groups "Commission for a Sustainable World Society."
- Socialist International, an umbrella group for many of the world's social democratic political parties such as Britain's Labor Party, says it supports socialism and is harshly critical of U.S. policies
- The commission believes that wealthy countries should shrink their economies to address climate change



Urban Czar – Adolfo Carrion, Jr.

Title: Deputy Assistant to the President and Director, Office of Urban Affairs

Department: White House Office of Urban Affairs Policy, Executive office of the President (\$158,500)

Appointment Date: February 20, 2009

Senate Confirmation: Not required

Job Description:

- Created to focus federal investment in cities; primary concerns will be job creation, housing and ensuring that federal money for urban America is effectively spent

Resume:

- Served as the 12th President of the Bronx (“Chief Executive of the Borough”) since 2001 and was re-elected in 2005. He stepped down from the Borough Presidency on March 1, 2009
- He was the highest ranking Latino elected official in the State of New York and also serves as the President of the National Association of Latino Elected Officials
- He worked for the New York City planning department and served as a New York City Council member
- Before taking public office he worked as a teacher in public schools and a minister
- Has focused much of his attention as a public official on housing. According to the Bronx borough president's office, at least 25,000 new housing units were been built in the borough his watch

Achilles Heel:

- On October 30, 2002 Bronx ACORN and the Community Collaborative to Improve District 9 Schools held a rally in the South Bronx with over 350 parents to demand qualified teachers, qualified principals, and a real partnership with the community.
- The rally was attended by a senior advisor to Schools Chancellor Joel Klein, the District Superintendent, the UFT's President of Elementary Schools, and State Assemblywoman Aurelia Greene, as well as representatives from Borough President Adolfo Carrion and Congressman Jose Serrano. Everyone present pledged their support.

- **Scandal** – Has been the subject of several investigations by the New York City Daily News and was suspected by an ethics watchdog group of participating in pay-to-play schemes
- Pocketed thousands of dollars in campaign cash from city developers whose projects he approved or funded with taxpayers' money
- He often received contributions just before or after he sponsored money for projects or approved important zoning changes, records show.
- Most donations were organized and well-timed. In one case, a developer became a Carrion fund-raiser two months before the borough president signed off on his project, raising more than \$6,000 in campaign cash. In another, eight Boricua College officials came up with \$8,000 on the same day for Carrion three weeks before the school filed plans to build a new tower. Carrion ultimately approved the project and sponsored millions in taxpayer funds for it.



InfoTech (Information) Czar – Vivek Kundra

Title: Federal Chief Information Officer of the White House

Department: Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive office of the President (not acting – FBI case)

Appointment Date: March 5, 2009 (White House Press Release)

Senate Confirmation: Not Required

Job Description:

- Directs the policy and strategic planning of federal information technology investments and is responsible for oversight of federal technology spending and technology
- Establishes and oversees enterprise architecture to ensure system interoperability and information sharing and ensure information security and privacy across the federal government.
- The CIO will also work closely with the Chief Technology Officer (Tech Czar) to advance the President's technology agenda
- Will serve as e-government administrator for the OMB
- Will work to ensure that the CIOs of federal agencies are advancing agendas that embrace open government, revolutionize technology in the public sector and "reject the view that the public sector has to lag behind the private sector."
- Kundra announced he is working on launching www.data.gov, which he said would "democratize" data possessed by the federal government

Resume:

- Served in Mayor Fenty's cabinet as the Chief Technology Officer for the District of Columbia, responsible for technology operations and strategy for 86 agencies
- He has been recognized among the top 25 CTO's in the country and as the 2008 IT Executive of the Year for his pioneering work to drive transparency, engage citizens and lower the cost of government operations.
- Before that, he served as Virginia's Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Technology in Governor Tim Kaine's cabinet
- As the DC's CTO, Kundra launched a Web site called the D.C. Data Catalog that published in feeds in real time from the district's government departments - everything from building permits to road kill pickups

- Garnered recognition for deploying hosted solutions like Google Apps; organized an open source software development contest called Apps for Democracy that challenged the district's citizens to develop mash-up applications from publicly available data; and released real-time data feeds on the district's Web portal
- Kundra also started a unique IT portfolio management model that tracks D.C. projects like investments in the stock market

Achilles Heel:

- **FBI Raid of former aids**
- One week after President Obama announced his new CIO of the United States, the FBI raided the office where Kundra formerly held the position of CTO and arrested Kundra's former CSO and another former employee, for massive fraud and bribes
- Kundra "infinitely stepped down" from position - reinstated March 17, 2009



Faith-Based Czar – Joshua DuBois

Title: Special Assistant to the President and Executive Director of the White House Office of Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships

Department: Office of Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, Executive Office of the President (\$98,000)

Appointment Date: February 5, 2009

Senate Confirmation: Not Required

Job Description:

- Obama has charged DuBois – who will lead a council of 25 influential religious and nonprofit leaders – with helping both faith-based and secular groups galvanize their communities by providing everything from social services to job training
- Expands George W. Bush’s mission
- Obama said the goal of the office "will not be to favor one religious group over another -- or even religious groups over secular groups. It will simply be to work on behalf of those organizations that want to work on behalf of our communities, and to do so without blurring the line our founders wisely drew between church and state."
- DuBois said that Obama will sign an executive order requiring his office to seek guidance from the attorney general on constitutional issues, including religious hiring

Resume:

- DuBois is a Pentecostal minister - Became an associate pastor at a Massachusetts church while still an undergraduate
- Holds a Masters Degree in International Affairs from Princeton and first became involved in political activism as a Boston University student in the wake of the Amadou Diallo controversy
- Served as director of religious affairs for Obama's Presidential campaign
- Worked as an aide to Rep. Rush Holt and served as a fellow in the office of Rep. Charles Rangel
- During Obama's presidential bid, DuBois rose to become national director of religious affairs, leading a team of up to eight campaign staffers and hundreds of volunteers



Health reform czar – Nancy-Ann DeParle

Title: Counselor to the President and Director of the White House Office of Health Reform

Department: Executive Office of the President (\$158,500)

Appointment Date: March 2, 2009

Senate Confirmation: Not Required

Job Description:

- “DeParle will be charged with never letting health care get off track”
- She will serve as the chief point person on health care reform in a White House and an administration brimming with health experts
- Reports to the president and Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel.
- Her office will be based in the Eisenhower Executive Office Building

Resume:

- 1997-2000: DeParle served in the Clinton Administration as Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA, now called CMS)
- A key health policy advisor to President Clinton, she ran Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP
- Before joining HHS, she served as Associate Director for Health & Personnel at OMB
- After leaving government in 2000, DeParle has been a fellow at the Institute of Politics at Harvard’s John F. Kennedy School of Government, a Senior Adviser to JP Morgan Partners LLC, a Commissioner of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC), a Senior Fellow at the Wharton School of Business of the University of Pennsylvania, a trustee of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and a member of the U.S. Government Accountability Office’s Comptroller General’s Advisory Council
- 2006-2008: she was a Managing Director at CCMP Capital, a private equity firm
- DeParle will join HHS Secretary Sebelius as key figures in Obama’s push to pass a comprehensive health care reform bill within a year



Stimulus Accountability Czar – Earl Devaney

Title: Chairman of the new Recovery Act Transparency and Accountability Board

Department: “The former Interior Department inspector general said he's still working out of his office at the department, since he still has no new office space, nor telephone lines” – The Washington Post

Appointment Date: February 23, 2009 by VP Biden

Senate Confirmation: possible?

Job Description:

- Devaney will work with Vice President Joe Biden to monitor for wasteful spending and issue periodic reports to the public.
- His reports to Obama are expected to be posted at the administration Web site devoted to the bill, Recovery.gov
- Obama has pledged the Recovery Act Transparency and Accountability Board to be an at-large body to oversee how the government spends billions allocated to help the flailing U.S. economy. Because there are dozens of agencies and departments involved, Obama wanted a central group to independently monitor where those funds are going.

Resume:

- Devaney began his career in law enforcement in 1968 as a Massachusetts police officer
- After graduating from Franklin and Marshall College in 1970 with a degree in Government, Devaney became a Special Agent with the United States Secret Service
- He served as the Special Agent-in-Charge of the Fraud Division until his retirement from the Secret Service in 1991, by which time he had gained international recognition as a white collar crime expert and was regularly sought by major media organizations
- Helped expose lobbyist Jack Abramoff's corruption at the Interior Department
- In addition to the Abramoff investigation, Devaney led a separate investigation into workers at the Minerals Management Service, part of the Interior Department
- During his tenure with the Secret Service, Mr. Devaney was the recipient of five U.S. Department of Treasury Special Achievement Awards, as well as numerous honors and awards from a wide variety of professional organizations.
- Worked as Head of Criminal Enforcement at the Environmental Protection Agency.

- Most recently was the inspector general at Interior

Achilles Heel:

- ABC reported 7/9/09 that the Maryland firm Smartronix has won what seems like an enormous \$18 million contract to re-design the Recovery.gov website. Approximately \$9.5 million would be spent by January in order to make "Recovery 2.0" out of the site that is at least supposed to track the spending of federal stimulus funds in detail
- Smartronix, a medium-sized Maryland-based firm (over 500 employees) founded in 1995, boasts a large number of government clients, mostly military
- According to FEC records, Smartronix president, Mohammed Javaid, vice president Alan Parris, and partner John Parris have together **given \$19,000 to House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer (D) since 1999**



Regulatory Czar – Cass Sunstein

Title: Director of the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs

Department: Office of Management and Budget

Appointment Date: April 20, 2009

Senate Confirmation: required

Job Description:

- He oversees regulations throughout the government, from the Environmental Protection Agency to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.
- Obama aides have said the job will be crucial as the new administration overhauls financial-services regulations, attempts to pass universal health care and tries to forge a new approach to controlling emissions of greenhouse gases
- Position will be use to reinstate government regulation

Resume:

- For 27 years, Sunstein taught at the University of Chicago Law School, where he continues to teach as the Harry Kalven Visiting Professor.
- Sunstein is currently Felix Frankfurter Professor of Law at Harvard Law School in constitutional law
- Harvard Law School Professor, scholar, administrative law, environmental law, and law and behavioral economics
- may be best known for advancing a field known as "law and behavioral economics" that seeks to shape law and policy around the way research shows people actually behave

Achilles Heel:

- Former colleague and long time friend of President Obama at Univ. of Chicago Law School
- Sunstein's views strike interest in those who support free will and freedom of speech. He believes that man is lazy, busy, and irrational and needs "assistance" in making better everyday decisions
- He argues that the masses at times do not know what is best for them and therefore need to be encouraged to listen to those such as himself for the proper decisions to be made
- He believes that the internet should be regulated in a way that opposing viewpoints should be offered on websites

- His beliefs suggest a communist mindset. He co-wrote a book entitled *Nudge* in which he discusses ways to channel humans into making decisions. While the decisions may seem better, it is opinionative nonetheless and attempting to control one's decision is unconstitutional.



Drug Czar – Gil Kerlikowske

Title: Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy

Department: White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP)

Appointment Date: March 11, 2009

Senate: Confirmed

Job Description:

- "Drug czar" will no longer have Cabinet-level status, but "will have a seat at the table when important decisions are being made ... and full access and a direct line to the president and vice president"
- He will coordinate all aspects of Federal drug control programs and implementation of the President's National Drug Control Strategy

Resume:

- He has spent nearly 30 years in law enforcement, including a stint as a narcotics officer and 8 years as Seattle's police chief, during which he downplayed the importance of arresting individuals for marijuana possession
- Served 9 yrs as Chief of Police for Seattle Police Dept.
- Previous positions include deputy director for the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services and president of the Major Cities Chiefs Association
- Administration seeks more moderate and likely more controversial, stance on the nation's drug problems. Likely to deal with drugs as a matter of public health rather than criminal justice alone, with treatment's role growing relative to incarceration

Achilles Heel:

- Wants to banish the idea that the U.S. is fighting "a war on drugs," a move that would underscore a shift favoring treatment over incarceration in trying to reduce illicit drug use
- Has a personal connection with this issue. His son has had legal problems with drugs and probation violations.



Guantanamo Closure Czar – Daniel Fried

Title: Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs

Department: US Dept of State

Appointment Date: March 14, 2009 appointed by Secretary of State Clinton

Job Description:

- Part of his new job will be negotiating the transfers of inmates from the U.S. naval facility at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to third world countries, mainly in Europe
- As Guantanamo envoy, Fried will be working with officials from the Pentagon and Justice Department as well as foreign governments on the specifics of closing the camp
- He also will work with the State Department's ambassador-at-large for war crimes, Clint Williamson, who has been leading negotiations on detainee transfers

Resume:

- Currently Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs at the Department of State, a post he has held since May 5, 2005
- Served as the U.S. Ambassador to Poland from November 1997 until May 2000
- Fried served on the staff of the National Security Council from 1993 until 1997, first as a Director and then as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Central and Eastern Europe
- Ambassador Fried was Principal Deputy Special Adviser to the Secretary of State for the New Independent States from May 2000 until January 2001
- Previously, Fried had served as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for European and Eurasian Affairs at the National Security Council since Jan 22, 2001
- At the White House, he was active in designing U.S. policy on Euro Atlantic security, including NATO enlargement and the Russia-NATO relationship

Achilles Heel:

- He lacks much personal involvement in the military



Salary/Compensation/Pay Czar – Kenneth Feinberg

Title: Special Master, TARP Executive Compensation

Department: Treasury Dept

Appointment Date: June 10, 2009

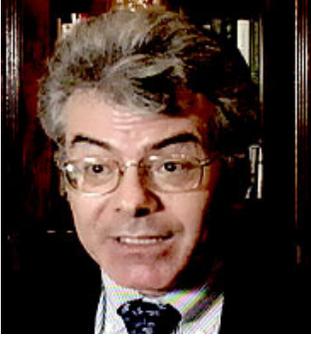
Job Description:

- Oversees the compensation of employees at seven companies – the AIG, Citigroup, Bank of America, GM, Chrysler and the financing arms of the two automakers
- He will have broad discretion to set the salaries and bonuses for their five most senior executives and their 20 most highly paid employees
- Will also have the right to review the compensation for the 100 most highly paid employees and any other executives
- For other financial institutions that have received federal assistance, he will play an advisory role in establishing the overall compensation structure, but without setting the exact level of pay
- Feinberg will also determine whether it would be in the public interest to force executives at companies receiving assistance who might have been overpaid – for example, if their pay was based on revenue and profit that turned out to be illusory – to return the money
- In weighing the appropriateness of the pay, he is to consider such criteria as the profitability of the company, the general marketplace for compensation, the ability of the company to repay their taxpayer loan and the extent to which the pay packages encourage excessive risk-taking

Resume:

- Washington, D.C. lawyer specializing in mediation and alternative dispute resolution
- Originally from Brockton, Massachusetts
- Bachelor of Arts from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst in 1967
- Law degree from the New York University School of Law in 1970
- He worked for 5 years as an administrative assistant and COS Sen. Ted Kennedy, and as a prosecutor for the U.S. Attorney General
- Also, served as special counsel to Sen. Edward Kennedy
- Before founding his own firm, The Feinberg Group, in 1993, he was a founding partner at the Washington office of Kaye Scholer LLP

- In 2004, the National Law Journal named him "Lawyer of the Year."
- Appointed Special Master of the U.S. Government's September 11th Victim Compensation Fund



Non-Proliferation/WMD Czar – Gary Samore

Title: Coordinator for the Prevention of WMD Proliferation and Terrorism

Department: National Security Council

Appointment Date: January 2009

Job Description:

- Serves as coordinator for the prevention of WMD proliferation and terrorism overseeing an office of as many as 10 people for President Obama's National Security Council
- This office elevates the arms control portfolio in the new Administration and the priority that President Barack Obama places on keeping WMD-related material and expertise out of terrorist hands and stopping the spread of such weapons, material, and knowledge to states that have not agreed to abide by nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons treaties

Resume:

- Veteran Arms Control Negotiator in the Clinton Administration
- Vice President at the Council on Foreign Relations, a New York-based non-partisan foreign policy think tank
- Formerly served as the National Security Council's senior director under President Clinton from 1996 to 2000
- Has had years of experience negotiating non-proliferation treaties and agreements with difficult countries like North Korea.
- As a State Department official, Samore helped negotiate the original 1994 agreement with North Korea



Terrorism Czar – John Brennan

Title: Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism

Department: Executive Office of the President (\$172,200)
Obama has merged the White House position with NSC staff to make it clear that Brennan reports to the President and not the NSC

Appointment Date: January 2009

Job Description:

- Top adviser on counterterrorism, a role that will give the CIA veteran a powerful voice on the government's use of security contractors and on other sensitive issues in which he recently has played a private-sector role
- One of Brennan's first tasks will be to examine whether most of the Homeland Security Council staff should be folded into the NSC

Resume:

- COS to then-CIA Director George J. Tenet from 1999 to 2001 and director of National Counterterrorism Center from 2004 to 2005
- Served as Obama's Intelligence Advisor during the 2008 presidential campaign

Achilles Heel:

- The firm Brennan heads, the Analysis Corp., and its corporate parent have earned millions of dollars over the past decade assisting several federal agencies and private firms on counterterrorism. Those oil and telecommunications firms have worked in countries beset by violence, including Mozambique, Liberia, Colombia and Pakistan -- all of which have been topics of intense policy debate in Washington.
- By appointing Brennan to a senior White House position not subject to Senate approval, Obama is also making him an influential adviser on the Middle East and on Iran, a topic on which Brennan has called for a sharp break with past U.S. policy
- Brennan has attracted personal criticism from human rights experts for defending the CIA's long-standing practice of forced renditions, or transfers, of terrorism suspects for interrogations, a position that forced the withdrawal in late November of his candidacy to head the CIA
- One of his employees, along with the help of two employees from another firm, is being accused of improperly looking at the passport files of presidential candidates including Barack Obama

and John McCain. The two employees of the other firm were promptly fired upon this news yet the employee of the Analysis Corporation, the firm that is headed by Brennan, was merely disciplined for his actions.



**New TARP Czar – Herb Allison Jr.
(Confirmed)**

Title: Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Stability

Department: Treasury Department

Appointment Date: Senate confirmation hearing was held June 4, 2009

Job Description:

- Advice and Consent Position
- Counselor to Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner
- He would oversee be the \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program, designed to aid the financial industry and stabilize the U.S. banking sector

Resume:

- Allison was appointed as President and Chief Executive Officer of Fannie Mae in September 2008 by Director James Lockhart of Federal Housing Finance Agency, as conservator of Fannie Mae
- He replaced Neel Kashkari from the Bush Administration
- Prior to being appointed to Fannie Mae, he was Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of TIAA-CREF from 2002 until his retirement in 2008
- Former Merrill Lynch investment banker
- Served as finance chief for John McCain's 2000 campaign for the Republican presidential nomination
- Served in Vietnam as a Navy officer
- Politically, Allison has shown himself to be bipartisan in his allegiances, contributing to both Democrats and Republicans, according to Federal Election Commission records

Cyber Security Czar – OPEN

Title:

Department:

Appointment Date: Position announced by Obama on May 30, 2009

Job Description:

- The cyber security office will orchestrate and integrate all cyber security policies for the government, the president said.
- It will work closely with the Office of Management and Budget to ensure agency budgets reflect those priorities and in the event of major cyber incident or attack, it will coordinate government response.
- The cyber security coordinator will be a member of the National Security staff and will serve on the president's National Economic Council.
- Though Obama has yet to define the exact role of that cyber czar, the position could elevate the top cyber security role from the Department of Homeland Security to the White House
- But whoever accepts that position will likely face a daunting job: taking the reins of the so-called "Cyber Initiative" signed by President Bush last January.
- The \$30 billion plan aims to stop the recent flood of intrusions of government and military networks by foreign cyberspies and to reinforce the digital protections on private sector systems like transportation, communications and the power grid.



Technology Czar - Aneesh Chopra

Title: Chief Technology Officer

Department: Executive

Appointment Date: April 18, 2009

Job Description:

- Aneesh and Jeffrey Zients, the newly appointed chief innovation officer, will work closely with our chief information officer, Vivek Kundra (Info Czar) who is responsible for setting technology policy across the government, and using technology to improve security, ensure transparency, and lower costs

Resume:

- Graduated with a Masters in Public Policy from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government in 1997
- Graduated with a B.A. from The Johns Hopkins University in 1994
- Most recently was Virginia's Fourth Secretary of Technology under Governor Tim Kaine
- He leads Virginia's strategy to effectively leverage technology in government reform, promotes innovation agenda, and fosters technology-related economic development with a special emphasis on entrepreneurship



Car Czar - Ed Montgomery

Title: Director of Recovery for Auto Communities and Workers

Department: Executive

Appointment Date:

Job Description:

- According to President Obama, the goal is to cut through the red tape and ensure that the full resources of our federal government are leveraged to assist the workers, communities, and regions that rely on our auto industry
- Works in conjunction with the Auto Task Force

Resume:

- Was the dean of the University of Maryland's College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Worked under Clinton as the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Labor

Achilles Heel:

- Has no experience in the automotive field

OR



Car Czar – Steve Rattner (resigned on 7/14)
replaced by Ron Bloom (right)

Title: Director of Auto Task Force

Department: Treasury Department

Appointment Date:



Job Description:

- Overseeing efforts to lift General Motors and Chrysler from bankruptcy

Resume:

- An investment banker

Achilles Heel:

- His departure from his post is coincidentally timed: there is a probe into his New York pension dealings
- Sources said ongoing federal and state investigations into pension-business kickbacks made it difficult for Rattner to remain in the job
- Attorney General Andrew Cuomo's office has been intensifying its scrutiny of Rattner and Quadrangle Group, the firm he co-founded, in recent weeks, an official familiar with the investigation said. But there is no indication charges are looming from Cuomo's office or the Securities and Exchange Commission, the source said.
- Links to the pension fund and Hank Morris, a top political consultant tied to the investigation, were exposed in February
- Rattner's investment firm, Quadrangle Group, won \$150 million in pension business in 2005 with the help of Morris, political guru to the disgraced former state Controller Alan Hevesi.
- Rattner will be replaced on the auto task force by Ron Bloom, an ex-steelworkers' union official.

Car Czar 1, 2, and 3 (and 4, 5, 6?) Who's at the Wheel?

Car Czar 1: Ed Montgomery - "Director of Recovery for Auto Communities and Workers"

- Was the dean of the University of Maryland's College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- Worked under Clinton as the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Labor
- "Goal to cut through red tape and ensure that the full resources of our federal government are leveraged to assist the workers, communities, and regions that rely on our auto industry" - Obama
- Works in conjunction with the Auto Task Force
- No experience in the automotive field

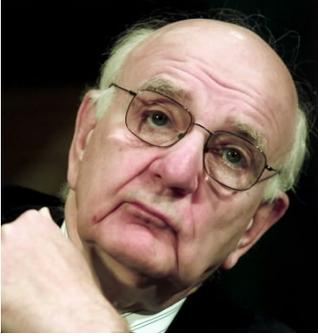
Car Czar 2: Steve Rattner - "Director of Auto Task Force" - Recently Resigned

- The former investment banker was chosen to oversee efforts to lift General Motors and Chrysler from bankruptcy
- He is leaving the post as a probe into his New York pension dealings heats up
- Sources said ongoing federal and state investigations into pension-business kickbacks made it difficult for Rattner to remain in the job

- Attorney General Andrew Cuomo's office has been intensifying its scrutiny of Rattner and Quadrangle Group, the firm he co-founded, in recent weeks, an official familiar with the investigation said. But there is no indication charges are looming from Cuomo's office or the Securities and Exchange Commission, the source said.
- Links to the pension fund and Hank Morris, a top political consultant tied to the investigation, were exposed in February
- Rattner's investment firm, Quadrangle Group, won \$150 million in pension business in 2005 with the help of Morris, political guru to the disgraced former state Controller Alan Hevesi.
- Rattner will be replaced on the auto task force by Ron Bloom, an ex-steelworkers' union official.

Car Czar 3: Ron Bloom- “Rattner Replacement”

- The Treasury Department is expected to bring in as a senior adviser to help handle the U.S. auto industry's restructuring. Rattner is a special assistant to the president of United Steelworkers union and a former investment banker.
- It was reported Sunday that the administration won't name a single “car czar” to help oversee the restructuring process as originally planned.
- Instead, President Barack Obama will support a new inter-agency task force to deal with the issue, according to senior administration officials.
- Bloom helped USW block Brazilian steel giant CSN's attempt to merge with Wheeling-Pitt by finding a more union-friendly bidder in Esmark — a Chicago company that was bought by Russia's OAO Severstal in 2008.



Economic Czar - Paul Volcker

Title: Chairman of the (new) Economic Recovery Advisory Board

Department: Treasury

Appointment Date: February 6, 2009

Job Description:

- Modeled on the Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board created by Eisenhower, the Board will provide an independent voice on economic issues and will be charged with offering independent advice to the President as he formulates and implements his plans for economic recovery
- The Economic Recovery Advisory Board will provide regular briefings to the President, Vice President and their economic team
- Established initially for a two-year term, after which the President will make a determination on whether to extend the work of the Board
- Will meet regularly and provide advice directly to the President on the programs to jump-start economic growth and facilitate economic stability
- Will focus on how the response to the short-run economic crisis is laying the groundwork for the reforms necessary for longer-run prosperity

Resume:

- He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree, summa cum laude, from Princeton in 1949, and a Master of Arts degree in political economy and government from the Harvard University Graduate School of Public Administration in 1951. From 1951 to 1952, he was Rotary Foundation Fellow at the London School of Economics
- In 1962, he joined the Treasury as Director of the Office of Financial Analysis, and in 1963 he was appointed Deputy Undersecretary for Monetary Affairs. In 1965, he rejoined Chase Manhattan as Vice President and Director of Forward Planning.
- From 1969 to 1974, he was Undersecretary of the Treasury for Monetary Affairs. His five-and-a-half-year tenure covered a period of rapid change in international and domestic financial affairs.

- After leaving the Treasury, Mr. Volcker became senior fellow at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University for the 1974-75 academic year
- He was named Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System by President Carter, and was sworn in on August 6, 1979. He served until August 11, 1987 (served under Carter and Reagan)



Great lakes Czar - Cameron Davis

Title: Lake Management Czar

Department: EPA, Department of Energy

Appointment Date: June 4, 2009.

Job Description:

- Appointed by Lisa Jackson, head of the Environmental Protection Agency
- He will coordinate efforts of several federal agencies working on the administration's Great Lakes project, which deals with issues such as invasive species, polluted harbors, sewage overflows and degraded wildlife habitat
- Obama's 2010 budget calls for \$475 million in new spending for lakes

Resume:

- Davis is president of the Alliance for the Great Lakes, a Chicago-based environmentalist group, one of many organizations that have pushed for a restoration program expected to cost more than \$20 billion.



Intelligence Czar - Admiral Dennis Blair

Title: Director of National Intelligence

Department:

Appointment Date: confirmed by the Senate to serve in the Obama administration as DNI on January 28, 2009

Job Description:

- Serves as the Head of the Intelligence Community (IC), overseeing and directing the implementation of the National Intelligence Program and acting as the principal advisor to the President, the National Security Council, and the Homeland Security Council for intelligence matters related to national security.
- Working together with the Principal Deputy DNI (PDDNI) and with the assistance of Mission Managers and four Deputy Directors, the Office of the DNI's goal is to effectively integrate foreign, military and domestic intelligence in defense of the homeland and of United States interests abroad

Resume:

- Third and current Director of National Intelligence and a retired United States Navy four-star admiral
- Admiral Blair is graduated from the US Naval Academy and holds a masters degree from Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar.
- Served as President and Chief Executive Officer of The Institute for Defense Analyses, a federally funded research and development center from November 2003 to September 2006.
- Served as Vice Admiral and Director of the Joint Staff and Associate Director of Central Intelligence for Military Support.
- He served as a Director of Tyco International Ltd. of Tyco International Finance S.A (alternate name is Topaz International Group SA) from March 2003 to February 2009.
- Previously, he served as Director of the Joint Staff in the Office of the Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, D.C.
- In May 2002, Admiral Blair retired from the U.S. Navy after serving as Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Pacific Command for three years.
- He has been Director of Iridium Satellite, LLC since July 26, 2007.
- He served as a Director of EDO Corporation from October 2002 to August 3, 2006

- Senior Fellow at the Institute for Defense Analyses, a research and development center (since October 2002).
- Holds the Omar Bradley Chair of Strategic Leadership at the Army War College and Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.
- Awarded the Defense Distinguished Service Medal four times, the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal twice, and received decorations from the governments of Japan, Thailand, Korea, Australia and Taiwan



Science Czar - John Holdren (Confirmed)

Title: Assistant to President Barack Obama for Science and Technology, Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, and Co-Chair of the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST)

Department: Executive

Appointment Date: March 20, 2009 – Senate Confirmed

Job Description:

- PCAST is an advisory group of the nation's leading scientists and engineers who will advise the President and Vice President and formulate policy in the many areas where understanding of science, technology, and innovation is key to strengthening our economy and forming policy that works for the American people.
- Whether it's the science to slow global warming; the technology to protect our troops and confront bioterror and weapons of mass destruction; the research to find life-saving cures; or the innovations to remake our industries and create twenty-first century jobs – today, more than ever before, science holds the key to our survival as a planet and our security and prosperity as a nation.

Resume:

- Holdren was previously the Teresa and John Heinz Professor of Environmental Policy at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and Director of the Science, Technology, and Public Policy Program at the School's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs
- Serves as co-chair of PCAST in addition to his duties as Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Executive Office of the President and Assistant to the President for Science and Technology.
- Prior to this appointment, Dr. Holdren was a Professor of Environmental Policy and Director of the Program on Science, Technology, and Public Policy at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.
- He also served concurrently as Professor of Environmental Science and Policy in Harvard's Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences and as Director of the independent, nonprofit Woods Hole Research Center.

- He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Engineering, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, as well as a former President of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and recipient of the MacArthur Foundation Prize Fellowship.

Achilles Heel:

- Holdren emphasized that "significant disruption of global climate by human activities is an observed fact, not just a theory or a prediction."
- He also argued that the term 'Global warming' is misleadingly mild. "It implies something uniform, gradual, and benign," he said, while "What is actually happening is non-uniform, rapid, and damaging."
- In 1986, Holdren made the declaration that global warming could cause the deaths of 1 billion people by 2020. During his confirmation hearing, he was asked if this was still true. Holdren responded that it is unlikely, but "I think it could happen, and the way it could happen is climate crosses a tipping point in which a catastrophic degree of climate change has severe impacts on global agriculture." Then asked skeptically, "One billion by 2020?" he responded, "It could."



Green Jobs Czar - Van Jones

Title: Special Advisor for Green Jobs, Enterprise and Innovation

Department: White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ)

Appointment Date: March 16, 2009 (White House Press Release)

Job Description:

- Jones will help shape and advance the Administration's energy and climate initiatives with a specific interest in improvements and opportunities for vulnerable communities
- Will work under White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Chair Nancy Sutley

Resume:

- He is an environmental advocate, a civil rights activist, an attorney, and an author. Formerly based in Oakland, California, Jones is the president and founder of Green for All, a national NGO dedicated to "building an inclusive green economy strong enough to lift people out of poverty."
- His first book, The Green Collar Economy, released on October 7, 2008, was a New York Times bestseller. Jones also founded the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights, a California NGO working for alternatives to violence and incarceration



AIDS Czar - Jeffrey Crowley

Title: Director of Office of National AIDS Policy

Department: Executive Office of the President (\$102,000)

Appointment Date:

Job Description:

- ONAP is tasked with coordinating the continuing efforts of the government to reduce the number of HIV infections across the United States.
- The office emphasizes prevention through wide-ranging education initiatives and also helps to coordinate the care and treatment of citizens with HIV/ AIDS.
- In addition, ONAP coordinates with international bodies to ensure that the fight against HIV/ AIDS is fully integrated around the world. The ONAP is part of the Executive Office of the President's Domestic Policy Council (DPC).

Resume:

- Jeffrey S. Crowley, MPH, is a Senior Research Scholar at Georgetown University's Health Policy Institute
- Crowley previously served as the Deputy Executive Director for Programs at the National Association of People with AIDS (NAPWA). While at NAPWA, he helped implement several key initiatives including The National HIV Testing Day Campaign and the Ryan White National Youth Conference
- Senior Research Scholar at Georgetown University's Health Policy Institute and a Senior Scholar at the O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, Georgetown University Law Center
- Crowley has spent the last fourteen years working to improve access to health and social services for people living with HIV/ AIDS, people with physical and mental disabilities, low-income individuals, and other vulnerable populations. His writings have been printed in numerous publications and journals and he has testified before various Congressional Committees and the Institute of Medicine on several occasions.
- His primary areas of expertise are Medicaid policy, including Medicaid prescription drug policies; Medicare policy; and consumer education and training
- Crowley received his Master of Public Health from the Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health, and his Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry from Kalamazoo College. He is also

an alumnus of the United States Peace Corps, where he served as a Volunteer/High School Science Teacher at the Nsongweni High School in Swaziland.



California Water Czar - David Hayes

Title: Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior

Department: Interior (Senate Confirmed)

Appointment Date: June 28, 2009 appointed by Interior Secretary Ken Salazar. Confirmed by Senate May 18, 2009

Job Description:

- Oversees delivery of extra water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta to farmers in certain districts south of the Delta
- Second highest ranking official at the Department, with statutory responsibility as the Chief Operating Officer to help lead a Department of 67,000 employees and an annual budget of approximately \$16 billion, including annual and permanent funding

Resume:

- Hayes served as the Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior from 1999 to 2001, during which time he played a lead role in helping introduce modern water management approaches in the West, settling long-standing Indian water and land disputes, and establishing new National Parks, including Great Sand Dunes National Park in Colorado
- Most recently, Hayes was a leader in President Obama's Transition Team, heading the agency review process for the Department of Energy, the Department of the Interior, the Department of Agriculture, and the Environmental Protection Agency.
- Hayes was a partner at Latham & Watkins, where he earned distinction as one of the nation's top natural resource lawyers. In 2007 and 2008, he was a consulting professor at Stanford University's Woods Institute for the Environment, where he led a project to find achievable and practical climate change policy solutions.
- Hayes graduated summa cum laude from the University of Notre Dame in 1975, received his J.D. from Stanford University in 1978, and was an editor of the Stanford Law Review. He currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Visitors for Stanford Law School. He and his wife, Elizabeth Haile Hayes, have three children, Katherine, Stephen, and Molly.



Afghanistan Czar - Richard Holbrooke

Title: Special Envoy for Afghanistan and Pakistan (Af-Pak)

Department: State

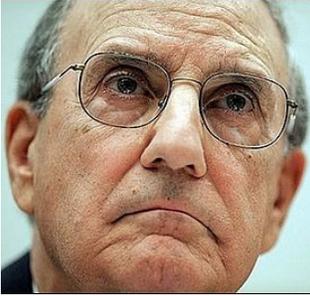
Appointment Date: January 2009 by Secretary of State Clinton and Vice President Biden

Job Description:

- Ambassador Holbrooke will face profound challenges unraveling the complex security and development issues facing Afghanistan and Pakistan, which Obama called “the central front in our enduring struggle against terrorism and extremism.”
- Helping Afghans rebuild their country will require much more than military forces, Holbrooke said, pledging to bring aid programs and other resources from across the U.S. government and channel them more effectively to meet the needs of communities on both sides of the Afghan-Pakistan border.

Resume:

- A top-ranking American diplomat, magazine editor, author, professor, Peace Corps official, and investment banker.
- Is the only person to have held the Assistant Secretary of State position for two different regions of the world (Asia from 1977–1981, and Europe from 1994–1996)
- Former U.S. representative to the United Nations who also negotiated the Dayton Accords to end the 1992–1995 Balkan Wars



Middle-East Peace Czar - George Mitchell

Title: American special envoy to the Middle East

Department: State

Appointment Date: January 2009 by Secretary of State Clinton and Vice President Biden

Job Description:

- The United States will “actively and aggressively” seek a lasting peace between Israel and the Palestinians, as well as Israel and its Arab neighbors, Obama said, starting with a “durable and sustainable” cease-fire in the Gaza Strip following a three-week Israeli offensive aimed at stopping rocket attacks on Israeli communities.

Resume:

- George John Mitchell, Jr., GBE (born August 20, 1933 in Waterville, Maine)
- Mitchell was a Democratic United States Senator who served as the Senate Majority Leader from 1989 to 1995
- Best known for brokering a peace treaty between Roman Catholics and Protestants after 800 years of conflict in Northern Ireland under the 1998 Good Friday Accord
- Mitchell also brought his experiences in Northern Ireland to a commission of experts studying escalating Israeli-Palestinian violence. The report that resulted in 2001 was dubbed “the Mitchell Report.”
- He is the Chancellor of Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland and was the main investigator in both Mitchell Reports
- He was chairman of The Walt Disney Company from March 2004 until January 2007, and was chairman of the international law firm DLA Piper at the time of his appointment as special envoy.



Sudan Czar - J. Scott Gration

Title: Special Envoy to Sudan

Department: State

Appointment Date: March 18, 2009 by Secretary of State Clinton

Job Description:

- Policy advisor to President Barack Obama
- Vision: A Sudan that is politically stable, economically prosperous, and at peace with its own people and neighbors.
- Mission: The United States, in concert with the international community, will:
 1. Support full implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, including holding credible national elections in 2009 and a credible referendum in 2011
 2. Facilitate a political agreement that stops the violence in Darfur, including cross-border violence with Chad, and allows the return of displaced persons to their home areas, and
 3. Promote regional engagement that effectively counters terrorism and supports stability.

Resume:

- Jonathan Scott Gration is a retired Major General of the United States Air Force



Mideast Policy Czar - Dennis Ross

Title: Special Adviser for the Persian Gulf and Southwest Asia

Department: State

Appointment Date: February 2009 by Secretary of State Clinton

Job Description:

- Special Adviser for the Persian Gulf and Southwest Asia (which includes Iran)
- As Special Adviser he will provide to the Secretary and Senior State Department officials strategic advice and perspective on the region;
- Offer assessments and also act to ensure effective policy integration throughout the region;
- Coordinate with senior officials in the development and formulation of new policy approaches;
- Participate, at the request of the Secretary, in inter-agency activities related to the region.

Resume:

- American diplomat and author.
- Served as the Director of Policy Planning in the State Department under President George H. W. Bush
- Served as the special Middle East coordinator under President Bill Clinton



Climate Czar - Todd Stern

Title: Special Envoy for Climate Change

Department: State

Appointment Date: January 26, 2009, Secretary of State Clinton appointed Stern to be a special envoy for climate change

Job Description:

- The Special Envoy will serve as a principal advisor on international climate policy and strategy
- He will be the Administration's chief climate negotiator. He will be leading our efforts with United Nation's negotiations and processes involving a smaller set of countries and bilateral sessions
- Because the main cause of climate change is the burning of fossil fuel and because the solution rests with our ability to shift the global economy from a high to a low carbon energy base, the Envoy will be a lead participant in the development of climate and clean energy policy
- He will participate in all energy-related policy discussions that, across our government, can have an impact on carbon emissions, and will be looking for opportunities to forge working alliances.

Resume:

- Was Assistant to the President and Staff Secretary in the White House from 1993 to 1998
- Acted as the senior White House negotiator at the Kyoto Protocol and Buenos Aires negotiations



Eurasian Energy Czar – Richard Morningstar

Title: Special Envoy for Eurasian Energy

Department: State

Appointment Date: Secretary of State Clinton

Job Description:

- Ambassador Morningstar and his staff will support the United States' energy goals in the Eurasian region.
- He will work on key energy issues relating to Europe, Russia, Ukraine, Turkey, Central Asia and the Caucasus.
- He will provide the Secretary with strategic advice on policy issues relating to development, transit, and distribution of energy resources in Eurasia.

Resume:

- He received a B.A., magna cum laude, from Harvard and a J.D. from Stanford Law School. Adjunct Lecturer in Public Policy at Harvard
- Former U.S. Ambassador to the European Union
- Mr. Morningstar joined the law firm of Peabody and Brown (now Nixon and Peabody) upon graduation from law school in 1970 and remained with that firm through 1981
- He then joined Costar Corporation as President and Chief Executive Officer and became Chairman of the Board of that corporation in 1990
- From 1993 to 1995, he served as Senior Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporations (OPIC)
- in 1995, he became an Ambassador and Special Advisor to the President and Secretary of State on Assistance for the New Independent States of the former Soviet Union
- In 1998, he became Special Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Caspian Basin Energy Diplomacy
- In 1999, Mr. Morningstar was appointed U.S. Ambassador to the European Union

- Ambassador Morningstar **and his staff** will support the United States' energy goals in the Eurasian region," said Wood in announcing the appointment.

- "He will work on key energy issues relating to Europe, Russia, Ukraine, Turkey, Central Asia and the Caucasus," he added.
- A former ambassador to the European Union, Morningstar was a special adviser to Clinton's husband, former President Bill Clinton, on Caspian Basin energy diplomacy. He is currently a public policy lecturer at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.
- Morningstar joins a string of other senior U.S. diplomats appointed special envoys in the Obama administration, covering topics from the Middle East to climate change and Afghanistan and Pakistan. (Reporting by Sue Fleming; Editing by Eric Walsh)

Special Envoy Budget: Congressional Budget Justification—FY10
<http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/123413.pdf>

Office of the Secretary: \$8,310,000, including 32 Positions These funds will support top level negotiations by the Under Secretary for Economic, Energy and Agricultural Affairs; the Under Secretary for Democracy and Global Affairs; and the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security to secure international support for U.S. foreign policy goals and initiatives. Funds will support activities such as climate negotiations; Northern Ireland talks; democracy promotion; and outreach on trafficking in persons, refugee, and human rights issues. Domestic outreach is also required to engage industry and non-governmental partners in support of our international climate policy and other foreign policy objectives. **The new positions of Special Envoy for Nuclear Nonproliferation and Special Advisor to the Secretary for Biofuels also require increases in FY 2010. Resources requested will also support positions to support the Secretary of State's new strategies for engaging Iran; new approaches to achieving peace in the Middle East; and to support the President's new strategy on Afghanistan and Pakistan**

Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs: \$1,683,000, including 4 Positions

The work of the Bureau of Economic, Energy, and Business Affairs (EEB) lies at the critical nexus of economic prosperity and national security; advancing progress in one contributes to progress in the other. In the current global environment, threats to national security emanate from countries that are marginalized from the global economy. While numerous USG agencies are involved in some aspect of international economic engagement, EEB builds coherence and synergies involving the full range of policies that promote U.S. economic goals. **This increase in resources will support the Office of the Special Envoy for Eurasian Energy Diplomacy to carry out its vital mission of working to get new energy sources into global markets. Most of the work of the Eurasian Energy Office involves high level foreign negotiations, thus the bulk of the required funding is for travel.** Funds will also support the growing Business Facilitation and Investment Funds program, which enables overseas posts without a Commercial Service presence to support U.S. businesses. This program will focus on strategic regional training programs and IT improvements, as well as support trade capacity building, investment promotion, business climate seminars, and trade shows. Four positions are required to enhance policy support within the Office of Eurasian Energy Diplomacy,