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Memorandum

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SUBJECT: **Delegation of Authority to Conduct Certain Law Enforcement Activities Including, But Not Limited to, Accessing Internet and Publicly Available Social Media Content Using a Fictitious Account or Identity**

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me under Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Delegation Number 15002, *Delegation to the Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services to Conduct Certain Law Enforcement Activities*, and subject to my oversight, direction, and guidance, I hereby delegate to the Associate Director for Fraud Detection and National Security and to the Chief of the Office of Security and Integrity the authority to conduct law enforcement activities including, but not limited to, accessing internet and publicly available social media content using a fictitious account or identity. This authority may be exercised in matters under the jurisdiction of their respective directorate or office, to protect the national security and public safety.

The authority delegated herein may only be exercised by properly trained and authorized officers or employees of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services¹ within or officially detailed to the Fraud Detection and National Security Directorate or to the Office of Security and Integrity. Any exercise of this authority as it relates to the use of social media must also be in compliance with an approved Social Media Operational Use Template and any additional policy or guidance requirements permitting the use of a fictitious account or identity. Any law enforcement activities will be conducted in a manner consistent with the Reservations set forth in DHS Delegation Number 0150.1 and consistent with the Department's obligations to protect privacy and civil rights and civil liberties.

¹ See 5 U.S.C. § 2104, and 5 U.S.C. § 2105(a). The terms officer and employee do not include contractor personnel. See also 8 U.S.C. § 1357 and 8 CFR § 1.2.