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Jason M. Ladnier is the Director of the Office of Partnerships, Strategy, and Communications in the Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations (CSO) at the U.S. Department of State. Previously, he was previously the acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern, Western Hemisphere, and Europe and Eurasian Affairs in CSO. Mr. Ladnier has been with CSO and its predecessor, the Office of the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization (S/CRS), since 2006. He served as the Director of the Office of Analysis, Planning, Programs, and Learning and before that as the Director of the Office of Learning and Training. Mr. Ladnier was responsible for the establishment of a results-driven, learning culture at CSO. His offices provided technical support to CSO's country work, conducted evaluations, developed best practices, and offered professional development. He has overseen CSO work in countries across Africa as well as Washington-based strategic planning processes.

Mr. Ladnier represented CSO in the Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review and has taught strategic planning courses at the U.S. Foreign Service Institute. In 2008-2009, Mr. Ladnier served at Embassy Kabul where he co-led the development of the U.S. Integrated Civilian-Military Campaign Plan for Afghanistan and designed and implemented the early stages of the U.S. civilian increase for Afghanistan. Before coming to S/CRS, he was a Senior Associate with The Fund for Peace, where he spent six years focusing on policies for improving regional conflict management mechanisms, including early warning and peace and stability operations. Mr. Ladnier served on the team that created the annual Fragile State Index, published in Foreign Policy, and has worked in or led research missions to over 40 countries. He currently teaches part time at George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs.

Mr. Ladnier received his Bachelor's Degree from DePaul University and was a PhD candidate at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.