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Brigadier General (retired) Gregory J. Touhill is the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Cybersecurity Operations and Programs in the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C) within the National Protections and Programs Directorate (NPPD) of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), where he focuses on the development and implementation of operational programs designed to protect our government networks and critical infrastructure systems.

General Touhill retired from the United States Air Force in July 2013 after a distinguished career culminating as the Chief Information Officer and Director of Command, Control, Communications, and Cyber Systems at U.S. Transportation Command—one of the nation's 10 combatant commands. As the Senior Cyberspace Operations officer, he led the command's cyberspace defense mission and oversaw a \$500 million information technology portfolio.

General Touhill is a highly experienced combat leader who commanded at the wing, group, and squadron level. Prior to his assignment at United States Transportation Command, he was the United States Defense Attaché to Kuwait, where he coordinated a new long-term bilateral defense agreement that enabled U.S. forces to withdraw from Iraq through Kuwait. As commander of the 81st Training Wing, he established the Air Force's Cyberspace Operations training programs and led the \$1 billion rebuilding of Keesler AFB, Miss., after Hurricane Katrina. The Air Force's only three-time winner of the Communications-Computer System Professional Achievement Award, General Touhill was the recipient of the 2006 Air Force Science and Engineering Achievement Award for his work leading the team that created the life-saving Radio-Over-Internet Protocol Network (RIPRNET) supporting convoy operations in Iraq, for which he was also awarded the Bronze Star medal.

General Touhill is a distinguished graduate of the Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, and the Advanced Communications Officer Training school, where he received the Webb Award as the top graduate. He also is a graduate of the Air War College, the Armed Forces Staff College, the Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government Senior Executive Fellows program, and the University of North Carolina's Logistics and Technology Program for Executives.

General Touhill was previously an adjunct instructor and staff member of Washington University in the St. Louis College of Engineering and Applied Science graduate program in Cybersecurity and Information Systems Management. He is the co-author of *Commercialization of Innovative Technologies, Bringing Good Ideas to the Marketplace* and the upcoming *Cybersecurity for Executives, A Practical Guide* (John A. Wiley & Sons). He maintains the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), Certified Acquisition Professional in Information Technology and Program Management, and the American College of Corporate Directors Professional Director certifications.