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F. Cartwright Weiland assumed his duties as Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) on May 22, 2026. In this crime and illicit drug trafficking abroad.

Previously, he served as Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs. Other professional roles include Senior Counsel on the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Foreign Affairs, Member of the State Department's Policy and Planning Staff, rapporteur for the U.S. Commission on Unalienable Rights, speechwriter for Secretary Michael Pompeo, and speechwriter for then-U.S. Senate Majority Whip John Cornyn.

Earlier in his career, Cart worked as a policy analyst for a state-level think tank, an attorney practicing regulatory litigation at a Texas law firm, and clerk for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. He is a graduate of Duke University (A.B.) and Harvard Law School (J.D.). Additionally, he has served as an adjunct professor at The Catholic University of America, and his writings have appeared in various newspapers and academic journals, including Foreign Policy, First Things, Fox News, and Telos. He speaks Spanish fluently.