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James C. Harris is the Assistant Director of the Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), Countering Transnational Organized Crime efforts. In this position he develops and executes strategies aimed at disrupting and dismantling criminal networks and works alongside policymakers to improve laws and regulations that strengthen HSI's efforts in combating transnational organized crime.

Prior to this assignment, Mr. Harris served as the Director of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Center for Countering Human Trafficking (CCHT). The CCHT is a DHS-wide effort to advance counter human trafficking law enforcement operations, protect victims, and enhance prevention efforts by aligning DHS's capabilities and expertise.

Mr. Harris has also served as Special Agent in Charge of HSI Baltimore and Deputy Special Agent in Charge of HSI Detroit and Ohio field offices. Director Harris has extensive expertise in public safety, financial, national security, and human trafficking investigations, which has made him a highly effective executive within HSI.

Mr. Harris has served as the Chief of Staff to the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deputy Director, and subsequently Deputy Chief of Staff to the ICE Director, the Division Chief/Deputy Director of the Export Enforcement Coordination Center, an HSI Assistant Special Agent in Charge for the National Capital Region, and an Associate Deputy Assistant Director, specializing in investigative services that are vital to the investigations conducted by over 6,500 special agents and intelligence officers.

Mr. Harris began his career in law enforcement in 2003 as a special agent with the U.S. Customs Service in Seattle, Washington. He holds a Master of Public Administration from the University of Pennsylvania, a Master of Business Administration from George Mason University, and an undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Cincinnati.