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## GROUP ESTABLISHED TO SHARE CYBER THREAT INFORMATION WITH CAMPAIGNS

## U.S. CyberDome launches the political campaign information sharing and analysis organization (PC-ISAO)

WASHINGTON — As the presidential campaign season officially gets underway, and with the threat of foreign interference continuing to hang over the election, U.S. CyberDome, a 501(c)(4) organization, has created the first-ever platform to allow campaigns to share cyber threat information and improve cybersecurity without compromising campaigns' most closely-guarded secrets.

U.S. CyberDome is a non-partisan, not-for-profit organization that protects political campaigns from cyber and dis-information threats. Its proprietary technology provides campaigns with increased visibility and awareness of the cyberthreats they are facing.

"Today's campaigns are facing unprecedented threats from foreign actors seeking to create chaos and sow doubt in the integrity of our elections," said former Homeland Secretary **Jeh Johnson**, who serves as Chairman of U.S. CyberDome's Board of Advisors. "Information sharing is the only way to effectively combat this threat."

By creating the Political Campaign information sharing and analysis organization, or ISAO, U.S. CyberDome enables campaigns to collaborate on critical cybersecurity challenges without the fear that rival campaigns will obtain their sensitive, proprietary strategy documents.

Information sharing and analysis organizations, or ISAOs, were chartered through a U.S. Presidential Executive Order for *Promoting Private Sector Cybersecurity Information Sharing*. The Political Campaign ISAO was founded to help organizations that are often in need of outside cybersecurity support – political campaigns. Campaigns at all levels of United States federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial government are invited to participate.

"The PC-ISAO is a welcome and necessary non-partisan venue where technologists can share critical cybersecurity alerts and best practices," said former Homeland Secretary **Michael Chertoff**, who serves on the U.S. CyberDome Board of Advisors. "The PC-ISAO will play a central role in maintaining the integrity of our campaigns."

U.S. CyberDome is comprised of cybersecurity experts who have trained and practiced at the world's largest accredited computer forensics and incident response institute, the Defense Cyber Crime Center, as well as the U.S. Department of Defense and National Institute of Standards and Technology. The founders formed U.S. CyberDome to ensure all candidates have the confidence create the campaign infrastructure needed to compete in 21<sup>st</sup> century elections without fear of foreign interference.

U.S. CyberDome's bipartisan Board of Advisors is led by Chairman Jeh Johnson, who served as = Secretary of Homeland Security under President Obama, and includes advisors Michael Morell, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency; Lieutenant General James Clapper (ret.), former Director of National Intelligence; Michael Chertoff, former Homeland Security Secretary under President George W. Bush; Sherri W. Ramsay, former National Security Agency executive; Chuck Hagel, former Secretary of Defense; John M. McHugh, former Secretary of Army; Dr. Reggie Brothers, former Under Secretary for Science and Technology at the Department of Homeland Security; and Brigadier General Francis X. Taylor (ret.), who served as Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis at the Department of Homeland Security and is currently serving as the interim Executive Director of U.S. CyberDome.

"The nature of today's political campaigns create barriers for sharing cyber threat intelligence and collaborating on cybersecurity," said **Joseph Drissel**, one of U.S. CyberDome's founders, and former Acting Section Chief of the Intrusions Section at the Defense Cyber Crime Center's Defense Computer Forensics Laboratory. "Our non-profit facilitates fully anonymous cyber threat information sharing that makes everyone safer."

PC-ISAO member services are described at https://uscyberdome.com/isao.

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