PRIVACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES OVERSIGHT BOARD ANNOUNCES PANELISTS FOR UPCOMING PUBLIC FORUM

February 8th Forum to Examine Emerging Issues in Countering Terrorism and Protecting Civil Liberties

WASHINGTON, DC—The Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board has announced participants for its February 8, 2019 public forum, the first to be held by the Board since regaining a quorum late last year.

The upcoming forum is titled, “Countering Terrorism while Protecting Privacy and Civil Liberties: Where do We Stand in 2019?” It is scheduled for 10:00AM-12:00PM at the Ronald Reagan Building, Hemisphere Room (1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC).

At the event, the Board will hear from these experts:

- **Alexander Joel** – Chief, Office of Civil Liberties, Privacy and Transparency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence;
- **Chris Calabrese** – Vice President, Policy, Center for Democracy & Technology;
- **Carrie Cordero** – Senior Fellow and General Counsel, Center for a New American Security;
- **Alex Abdo** – Senior Staff Attorney, Knight First Amendment Institute at Columbia University;
- **Jason Matheny** – Commissioner on the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and former Director of the Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA) for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

In addition, members of the public will have an opportunity to offer comments and pose questions to the panelists.

The purpose of the forum, which is open to the public and members of the media, is for Board Members to hear from experts about current and emerging challenges related to the Board’s mission:
ensuring that efforts by the Executive Branch to protect the nation from terrorism appropriately safeguard privacy and civil liberties. The forum will inform the Board as it develops its agenda for 2019 and beyond.

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The PCLOB is an independent agency within the Executive Branch established by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007. The PCLOB’s mission is to ensure that the federal government’s efforts to prevent terrorism are balanced with the need to protect privacy and civil liberties. Current Board Members include Chairman Adam I. Klein and Board Members Jane E. Nitze and Edward W. Felten.

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