



# **DATA MANGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT TASK FORCE**

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## **IN BRIEF**

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May 2003

**CHAIR:**

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*Airports Council International*

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*US Department of State*

*US Department of Transportation designee:  
US Dept. of Homeland Security/ Transportation Security Administration*

- May 1-May 31: Extensive work done by information technology (IT) consultants from Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) and Office of the Executive Director regarding the IT work for the DMIA 2003 Report to Congress.
  - Focus on IT interoperability, data integration, biometrics, and related issues for border management systems across organizational lines.
- May 1- May 31: Ongoing coordination and cooperation with United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Indicator Technology (US VISIT) project team:
  - Office of the Executive Director's Chief Inspector, a member of US VISIT project team, continued involvement, contributions, and representation of Task Force issues at weekly meetings.
- May 1: DMIA Task Force site visit to San Ysidro and Otay Mesa Ports-of-Entry (POEs):
  - Fact-finding mission that viewed facilities and operations at the San Ysidro and Otay Mesa POEs and received briefings and demonstrations of land border (vehicle, pedestrian, and commercial) operations, facilities, and automated inspections projects from Directorate of Border and Transportation Security officials.
- Executive Director updates and ongoing coordination efforts:
  - May 5: Briefing for Jayson Ahearn, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations and Mary Neal, Associate Commissioner for Agricultural Quarantine Inspection (AQI), Bureau of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) regarding the Task Force mission, 2003 work, and coordination with CBP.
  - May 7: Meeting with senior members of the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) technical engineering group on coordination of IT efforts on behalf DMIA Task Force and LANL technical team.
  - May 12-13: Updates on IT issues and upcoming workshop and meetings with Director, Center for Homeland Security, and senior managers at LANL.
  - May 21: Briefing of DMIA Task Force to Under Secretary for Border and Transportation Security Asa Hutchison and senior staff officials on Task Force mission; 2002-2003 work; partnership between government and industry working toward joint solutions; and ongoing transition issues.