

# **DATA MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT ACT TASK FORCE**

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## **IN BRIEF**

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April 2002

CHAIR:  
*Attorney General  
Designee: US  
Immigration and  
Naturalization Service*

MEMBERS:  
*Air Transport  
Association*

*Airports Council  
International*

*American Association  
of Port Authorities*

*American Trucking  
Associations, Inc.*

*Border Trade Alliance*

*Canadian/American  
Border Trade Alliance*

*International Council of  
Cruise Lines*

*National Association of  
Counties*

*National Governors  
Association*

*Travel Industry  
Association of America*

*US Chamber of  
Commerce*

*US Department of  
Commerce*

*US Department of  
Justice*

*US Department of State*

*US Department of  
Transportation*

*US Department of  
Treasury*

- February 20, 2002: Kick-off session, formal public meeting:
  - Immigration and Naturalization Service Commissioner (INS) Ziglar addressed Task Force members and importance of its work to be done
  - Introduced appointed Task Force members
  - Outlined statutory requirements and the Task Force Charter
  
- March 5, 2002: Informational briefings Part 1:
  - Informational briefings by the INS, Department of State, U.S. Customs Service and others on general Ports-of-Entry (POEs) familiarization and overviews
  - Informational briefings by the Department of Justice on Federal Advisory Committee Act rules governing the operation of the Task Force
  - Formed sub-committee working groups to begin addressing entry/exit requirements and other issues:
    - Airport sub-committee
    - Northern Land Border sub-committee
    - Southern Land Border sub-committee
    - Seaport sub-committee
  
- April 2, 2002: Informational briefings, Part 2:
  - Continuation of informational briefings by INS and Task Force members on general POEs familiarization and overviews
  - Sub-committee meetings:
    - Northern and Southern Land Border combined initial meeting, gathering information, requirements, organization of sub-committees and discussed POEs and Entry/Exist issues
    - Airport initial meeting, similar discussion
    - Seaport initial meeting, similar discussion held March 28, 2002
    - All determined next steps and subsequent meetings to gather more information regarding each sub-committee's area of concern and begin addressing issues
  
- By April 30, 2002 all sub-committees will have met at least once, others more frequently through meetings and/or conference calls. Each sub-committee is addressing the issues facing their business environment (air, land, sea) discussing ideas about how to effectively implement an entry exit system. The Chair and Executive Director of the Task Force are providing guidance and coordinating all elements throughout this process, including coordinating with appropriate foreign governments.