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In implementing our national security strategy, we will actively work to bring the hope of democracy, development, free markets, and free and fair trade to every corner of the world.
At the Department of Justice and the U.S. Attorney's Office in New Jersey, Mike has built an impressive record of cutting through red tape, and moving large organizations into action. He has worked cooperatively with federal, state, and local law enforcement – and he will always be a friend to America's first responders.
Under the direction of Secretary Tom Ridge, the Department of Homeland Security has improved airline security, enhanced the protection of our borders and ports of entry, and taken vital steps to safeguard the nation's critical infrastructure. And thanks to the skill and dedication of our homeland security personnel, the American people are safer.
In the days after September the 11th, Mike helped trace the terrorist attacks to the al-Qaida network. He understood immediately that the purpose of the war on terror is to prevent attacks before they occur. His energy and intellect put him at the center of many vital homeland security improvements, especially increased information sharing within the FBI.
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Good morning. I am pleased to announce my nomination of Judge Michael Chertoff to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

Mike Chertoff is one of the most talented and experienced public servants of his generation. In his stellar career, he has been a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit ... Assistant Attorney General of the United States ... the United States Attorney for New Jersey ... a federal prosecutor in New York City ... and a law clerk to Supreme Court Justice William Brennan. He has been confirmed by the Senate three times. In all of his roles, Mike has shown a deep commitment to the cause of justice, and an unwavering determination to protect the American people.

Mike has also been a key leader in the war on terror. On September 11th, 2001, he was managing the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice, an 800-person operation devoted to enforcing our Nation’s criminal laws. In the days after September the 11th, Mike helped trace the terrorist attacks to the al-Qaida network. He understood immediately that the purpose of the war on terror is to prevent attacks before they occur. His energy and intellect put him at the center of many vital homeland security improvements, especially increased information sharing within the FBI and with state and local officials. He has faced countless challenging decisions, and has helped to protect his fellow Americans while protecting their civil liberties.

I am grateful that Judge Chertoff has agreed to bring his exceptional judgment and integrity to an urgent new responsibility. I am confident that he will be a strong, effective leader for the Department of Homeland Security.

Two years ago, we created this new Department to ensure a comprehensive, unified effort to protect the American people against new dangers. Since that time, the employees of the department have carried out the largest reorganization of the government in a half-century. Under the direction of Secretary Tom Ridge, the Department of Homeland Security has improved airline security, enhanced the protection of our
borders and ports of entry, and taken vital steps to safeguard the nation's critical infrastructure. And thanks Tom Ridge has the gratitude of our entire Nation. Thanks to his leadership – and to the skill and dedication of our homeland security personnel – the American people are safer.

The Department of Homeland Security will also continue working to reduce the nation's vulnerabilities to weapons of mass destruction and cyberterrorism. We are engaged in a daily mission to prepare effective responses to any future attack ... and to closely coordinate homeland security efforts with state and local officials. Our Nation is still at war – and focused, decisive actions on the home front are critical to winning that war.

When Mike is confirmed by the Senate, the Department of Homeland Security will be led by a practical organizer, a skilled manager, and a brilliant thinker. As head of the Department of Justice Criminal Division and the U.S. Attorney's Office in New Jersey, Mike has built an impressive record of cutting through red tape, and moving large organizations into action. He has worked cooperatively with federal, state, and local law enforcement – and he will always be a friend to America's first responders.

Mike is also a decent man, and a public servant of the highest character. As an attorney, he has prosecuted organized crime and corporate fraud ... stood against racial profiling ... and worked with the NAACP legal defense fund to represent poor inmates on death row. He has earned the respect of lawyers of many backgrounds, and of politicians on both sides of the aisle.

This is the third time I have asked Mike to serve our Nation, and I am grateful he has agreed. I am also grateful to Mike's wife, Meryl, and their children for joining us today. I urge the Senate to promptly confirm this outstanding nominee as America's second Secretary of Homeland Security. Congratulations, Mike.
Sir:

We will have the cards for the Dept. of Homeland Security announcement ready for you by about 7:15 a.m. in the morning.

Brett Kavanaugh