

By The Chertoff Group

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The Chertoff Group, a global security advisory firm founded by [Michael Chertoff](#), former Secretary of the [U.S. Department of Homeland Security](#) (DHS), is pleased to announce the opening of a new office in [San Francisco](#).

Founded in 2009, The Chertoff Group provides consulting, business development, and merger and acquisition (M&A) advisory services for clients in the security, defense and government services industries.

"We are excited to be expanding our presence in [Silicon Valley](#) - the heart of innovation and home to so many truly transformative technologies," said

[Michael Chertoff](#), Chairman of The Chertoff Group. "This office will enable us to share our analysis and insight in the

[homeland security](#), defense and intelligence space with this unique community that is developing many of the critical technologies needed to confront today's global security challenges. Our team has helped an array of companies grow and meet their business objectives especially in the federal and international markets and we look forward to continuing this work on the West Coast."

[Brian White](#), Managing Director at The Chertoff Group, will oversee the San Francisco office and its continued growth throughout the region and in Asia. [Mr. White](#)

specializes in providing strategic advice on

[M&A activity](#)

as well as on issues relating to cyber security, border and supply chain security, and international

[homeland security](#)

matters.

"Despite an austere budget environment, there are great opportunities and significant need for

the public and private sector to work together to bring innovative technologies to the forefront," said [Brian White](#). "I am excited to lead this office and share our insight into what commercial off-the-shelf technologies and other immediate solutions are needed and will work to meet several critical [security requirements](#) for our nation's cyber defense effort and overall [homeland security](#)."

The Chertoff Group team includes former senior government officials and top level business executives including the former Secretary of [Department of Homeland Security](#), Director of the [Central Intelligence Agency](#) (CIA) and [National Security Agency](#) (NSA), senior research and acquisition officials with experience at Department of Defense and NSA, investment professionals who earned their experience at top global financial institutions, the former UK Home Secretary and the CEO of a multi-billion dollar UK defense company.

About The Chertoff Group

The Chertoff Group is a global security advisory firm that provides consulting, business development and merger and acquisition (M&A) advisory services for clients in the security, defense and government services industries. With decades of trusted leadership experience across both government and financial services, The Chertoff Group advises clients on how to manage their risk, protect against a broad array of threats and crises, and grow their business within a complex security market. In the last 18 months, The Chertoff Group has acted as a strategic advisor on several M&A transactions totaling more than \$2.7 billion on deal value. Headquartered in [Washington D.C.](#), the firm maintains offices in London, [New York](#) and San Francisco. For more information about The Chertoff Group, visit www.chertoffgroup.com