

Secretary

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20528



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Mr. Don L. Rondeau

Dear Mr. Rondeau:

I wanted to congratulate you on being named Homeland Security Executive of the Year 2004-2005 by the International Association for Counterterrorism and Security Professionals. I am pleased to join your family, friends, and colleagues as you are recognized for your important efforts to secure our country.

As the Director of the Information and Analysis Center for the Highway Watch Program, you play a critical role in mitigating and preventing terrorist attacks by enhancing the coordination between the public and private sectors. The Department of Homeland Security, as well as other Federal, State and local agencies, rely on your dedicated efforts to gather, analyze, and communicate information that can directly affect the security of our country. Homeland security in the 21st century is about the integration of our Nation, and I appreciate your contributions to this important mission.

Again, congratulations on receiving this distinguished recognition, and thank you for your leadership and commitment to protecting America.

With appreciation and best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Ridge". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Tom Ridge