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DR. BOGDAN B. BOGDANOFF ACCEPTS PERMANENT APPOINTMENT

APPOINTED OPERATIONS OFFICER; COUNSEL OF RECORD DUTIES TRANSFERRED OUTSIDE THE INSTITUTE

The Institute for Environmental Systems Analysis announces that Dr. Bogdan B. Bogdanoff, Psy.D., D.D.S., DVM, PharmD, M.S., Esq., has accepted a permanent appointment as Operations Officer, effective immediately.

In this role, Dr. Bogdanoff will report directly to the Director and will support coordination of Institute operations across field programs, technical activities, special assignments, interdepartmental requirements, and other work that does not remain conveniently inside a single organizational box. The position formalizes duties that Dr. Bogdanoff has performed intermittently for some time and establishes a permanent institutional home for that work.

The Operations Officer will have no independent department attached to the title. The office is intended instead to assist the Director in resolving cross-functional problems, coordinating time-sensitive activity, reviewing operational readiness, and ensuring that unusual assignments have a responsible senior officer before personnel, equipment, or transportation are committed.

Dr. Bogdanoff has previously served the Institute in research, field-support, advisory, professional, and legal capacities. His permanent appointment reflects the increasing frequency with which those activities have required direct operational coordination rather than temporary assignment. Existing scientific and technical work involving Dr. Bogdanoff may continue where compatible with the new position.

Concurrent with this appointment, Dr. Bogdanoff has relinquished the position of Counsel of Record. The Institute has retained an outside law firm to provide continuing legal representation and counsel. The identity of the firm, terms of engagement, billing arrangements, and scope of any specific legal matters are not being released at this time.

The change is intended to separate operational responsibility from primary institutional legal representation. Dr. Bogdanoff's professional credentials remain unchanged, but he will no longer serve as the Institute's principal legal officer or routine approving authority for matters reserved to outside counsel.

The Institute expects the Operations Officer to work closely with Security, Intelligence and Counterintelligence, Aviation, field personnel, administrative staff, and other department chiefs as requirements arise. The office will also support continuity during periods when operations involve multiple sites, unusual logistics, or circumstances in which the originating department is not obvious until after the work has already begun.

No additional staffing announcement accompanies the appointment. Dr. Bogdanoff has been provided an office, a permanent line in the organizational roster, and authority appropriate to the position. Further internal guidance regarding routing, tasking, and operational coordination will be issued separately.

Director Howard Stonecipher welcomed the appointment and stated that formalizing the position should reduce the number of situations in which Dr. Bogdanoff is simultaneously present, useful, and administratively difficult to categorize.

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