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Mr. Vaccaro previously served as the Director of the Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security in the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) from 2013-2019. In this position, Mr. Vaccaro was responsible for implementing BIS's defense trade, industrial base, and foreign investment programs. Mr. Vaccaro regularly represented Commerce on defense trade/conventional arms transfer policy, security cooperation, defense industrial base/economic security, foreign investment, and emergency preparedness issues at National Security Council and interagency meetings, and during engagements with Congress, foreign governments, trade associations, and industry.

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Mr. Vaccaro has been a member of the Senior Executive Service since 2013. While at Commerce, he received meritorious service awards for his role in implementing export control reform and for his contributions to emergency preparedness activities. Mr. Vaccaro holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and National Security Studies Program. Mr. Vaccaro is also a distinguished graduate of the National Defense University's Industrial College of the Armed Forces.