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- **National Strategy for Information Sharing**

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The introduction of this document states, "While improved information sharing has been an Administration priority since the September 11 attacks, this Strategy reflects the first time the Administration has articulated the full contours of its vision in a single document. Memorializing the Strategy in a single document not only provides information to others about the Administration's plans and outlook, but also guides our efforts as we continue to implement many programs and initiatives designed to advance and facilitate the sharing of terrorism-related information.

This Strategy will assist the Administration in ensuring that Federal, State, local and tribal government employees responsible for protecting our Nation from future attacks or responding should an attack occur understand the Administration's expectations and plans for achieving improvements in the gathering and sharing of information related to terrorism.

Accordingly, while this Strategy describes the vision that has guided the Administration for the past six years, it also sets forth our plan to build upon progress and establish a more integrated information sharing capability to ensure that those who need information to protect our Nation from terrorism will receive it and those who have that information will share it. We will improve interagency information sharing at the Federal level, while building information sharing bridges between the Federal Government and our non-Federal partners."

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