

# Treasury Names New Financial Intelligence Director

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Today, Andrea Gacki was appointed as the Director of the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN), our nation's financial intelligence unit. Gacki replaces Himamauli Das who served as acting director during the last two years.

Transparency International U.S. (TI US) Executive Director Gary Kalman issued the following statement:

This is a critical role in a bureau that is charged with safeguarding the U.S. financial system from abuse by corrupt officials, criminal networks and terrorist organizations. FinCEN is the first line of defense; collecting, analyzing and disseminating financial intelligence that is needed to prevent sanctions evasion and the laundering of illicit funds. Moving from an acting to appointed director will allow agency leadership to provide clearer direction.

Director Gacki comes with a firm understanding of the national security threats presented by illicit finance and a track record of using financial intelligence to ensure accountability for rogue actors. She also comes to the position with an increasingly rare bipartisan resume which we hope will help to maintain and grow the kind of across-the-political-spectrum support we have seen on recent bills to fight money laundering through the U.S. financial system.

The continuing efforts to enforce sanctions against Russian oligarchs, track illicit drug proceeds from China and elsewhere and seize assets of corrupt autocrats in faltering democracies, create a challenging environment for FinCEN and its new leader. Bipartisan congressional support for new and better tools to fight money laundering means a series of important rulemakings that will, no doubt, be at the top of her list. Given her background and wealth of experience, we are encouraged that Director Gacki will be able to meet those challenges.

We look forward to working with Director Gacki and encourage her to reach out and engage all stakeholders in this important fight.

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