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Congressional Priority

(Rec'd via email) Advising that the White House held a three-day summit on Countering Violent Extremism (CVE), to discuss concrete steps the U.S. and its partners can take to develop community-oriented approached to counter hateful extremist ideologies that radicalize, recruit, or incite violence. The White House purposely did not invite the Director of the FBI. In the 9/11 Review Commission's 03/2015 report to the Director of the FBI, they found the FBI's CVE Office's "Fundamental law enforcement and intelligence responsibilities do not make it an appropriate vehicle for the social and prevention role in the CVE mission," and recommended that those responsibilities be transferred to DHS or other agencies. However, the FBI has started to pursue programs to expand its reach into America's classrooms. They are "developing a Web site designed to provide awareness about the dangers of violent extremist predators on the internet with input from students, educators, and community leaders" called "Don't be a Puppet." In an effort to increase transparency and gain a clearer understanding of the legal, civil liberties, privacy, and operational implications of the FBI's CVE activities, please provide the following information NLT 11/18/2015.

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