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Office of Biometric Identity Management

Overview

The Office of Biometric Identity Management (OBIM) supports the Department of Homeland Security's responsibility to protect the nation by providing biometric identification services that help federal, state, and local government decision makers accurately identify the people they encounter and determine whether those people pose a risk to the United States. OBIM supplies the technology for collecting and storing biometric data, provides analysis, updates its watchlist, and ensures the integrity of the data.

OBIM was created in March, 2013, replacing the United States Visitor and Immigration Status Indicator Technology (US-VISIT) and streamlining operations.

Vision

A more secure nation through advanced biometric identification, information sharing, and analysis.

Guiding Principles

- Enhance the security of our citizens and visitors
- Facilitate legitimate travel and trade
- Ensure the integrity of the immigration system
- Protect the privacy of our visitors

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