

Mark Johnson
Brief Professional Biography
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Mark Johnson, recent Chief of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), Open Source Center's (OSC) Map Services Center, directed the only center in the intelligence community focused solely on open source geospatial materials. He has now moved to the OSC corporate headquarters to manage partnerships with homeland security related components of the US, state and local governments.

In his new capacity, Mr. Johnson seeks to facilitate relationships that will leverage all forms of openly available intelligence to result in national security insights, actions, and impact. Open source intelligence includes: geographic, textual, broadcast, video, database, and web site information. BLOGs, special interest communities, alternative reality environments, and many more emerging media, such as the “VGI” phenomenon, are of high interest for use as valuable sources of intelligence: to provide analytical understanding, early warning, tip-off, and event detection and tracking.

Mr. Johnson is a professional geographer and intelligence officer whose 28 year federal career has centered on the use, collection, exploitation, and creation of open source geospatial information. Mr. Johnson's background is rich and varied—having worked in and out of federal service, not only as an intelligence officer and manager, but also as a city planner, IT project manager, and US Army officer.