

APPENDIX II: METHODOLOGY AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

This report is the product of a series of face-to-face meetings, phone calls, and online conversations among members of the Experts Committee on Preventing Mass Violence from May through September 2016. We drew on the knowledge and experience of current and former officials, academics, think-tank experts, and nongovernmental organization leaders. We have sought to build on the important work of the bipartisan Genocide Prevention Task Force, whose 2008 report remains an essential reference and touchstone for those seeking to construct an effective and successful atrocity prevention architecture. We have benefitted from the findings of a number of studies and reviews of U.S. government initiatives to date, as well from discussions with many of those most closely involved in the development of the GPTF, the establishment of the Atrocities Prevention Board, and subsequent governmental atrocity prevention and response initiatives.

The recommendations in this report are derived from our own deliberations, suggestions made in multiple other studies, and specific proposals drawn directly from other reports. We have sought to cite the original sources whenever possible. That said, we do not claim to speak for those whose recommendations we embrace, and acknowledge that any errors or omissions are our own.

Members of the Experts Committee participated in their personal capacities independent of their institutional affiliations, which are listed in their biographies for identification purposes only.

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