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**MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

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**SUBJECT:** *Regional Coalitions: Public-Private Partnerships for the Financial Services Sector*

The Financial and Banking Information Infrastructure Committee (FBIIC)<sup>1</sup> and the Financial Services Sector Coordinating Council for Critical Infrastructure Protection and Homeland Security (FSSCC)<sup>2</sup> jointly issued an informational brochure titled, *Regional Coalitions: Public-Private Partnerships for the Financial Services Sector*.

The regional coalitions are voluntary organizations formed to achieve the common goal of facilitating the recovery of the financial services sector following a natural disaster or man-made attack. The coalitions are open to all members of the financial services sector.

The brochure outlines the benefits of joining a regional coalition, including the ability to network with strategic partners within other critical sectors. It also includes a list of the existing regional coalitions and provides contact information should you be interested in finding out more about them, joining one, or starting one in your area.

An electronic version of the brochure is available on the OTS website at [Business Continuity Planning](#).

If you have any questions, please contact the FBIIC via e-mail at [fbiic@do.treas.gov](mailto:fbiic@do.treas.gov).

<sup>1</sup> The Financial and Banking Information Infrastructure Committee (FBIIC) is chartered under the President's Working Group on Financial Markets, and is charged with improving coordination and communication among financial regulators, enhancing the resiliency of the financial sector, and promoting the public/private partnership. Treasury's Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions chairs the committee.

<sup>2</sup> The Financial Services Sector Coordinating Council for Critical Infrastructure Protection and Homeland Security is a group of private-sector firms and financial trade associations that works to help reinforce the financial services sector's resilience against terrorist attacks and other threats to the nation's financial infrastructure. The FSSCC works with the Department of Treasury while also serving under the overall guidance of the Department for Homeland Security.