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STATEMENT BY U.S. SECRET SERVICE DIRECTOR RANDOLPH “TEX” ALLES

(Washington, D.C.) – **“I am extremely proud of the hard work performed by the men and women of the Secret Service. Their devotion to duty is unparalleled in federal law enforcement.**

The Secret Service has the funding it needs to meet all current mission requirements for the remainder of the fiscal year and compensate employees for overtime within statutory pay caps. The Secret Service estimates that roughly 1,100 employees will work overtime hours in excess of statutory pay caps during calendar year 2017. Our agency experienced a similar situation in calendar year 2016 that resulted in legislation that allowed Secret Service employees to exceed statutory caps on pay.

To remedy this ongoing and serious problem, the agency has worked closely with the Department of Homeland Security, the Administration, and the Congress over the past several months to find a legislative solution. As we work to ensure that employees are compensated for the hours they work, the Secret Service continues its rigorous hiring of special agents, Uniformed Division officers, and critical support staff to meet future mission requirements.

The law, Title 18 US Code 3056, details protection requirements for the President, Vice President and their immediate family members.

This issue is not one that can be attributed to the current Administration’s protection requirements alone, but rather has been an ongoing issue for nearly a decade due to an overall increase in operational tempo.”