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Kevin Clement is the Executive Director, Strategic Partnerships at the University of Houston's College of Technology. In this capacity, he serves as the Director of the Security and Strategic Trade Management Academy; Director of the annual Port of the Future Conference; and Co-Chair of the 2021 Maritime Risk Symposium. During his tenure at the College of Technology, he was Project Lead in development of a Unified Regional Response to a Complex Coordinated Attack for the South East Texas Regional Planning Commission.

A Homeland Security and Emergency Management professional, Clement is a retired Army lieutenant colonel with over 23 years of active service. He has worked extensively in the areas of homeland security, emergency management, operations and planning, organizational management, and policy development. Mr. Clement has significant expertise in strategic and operational planning, anti-terrorism and border security operations, critical infrastructure security and resilience, and continuity of operations. He was a member of the first Department of Defense Anti-Terrorism Task Force.

Mr. Clement is the former Director, Emergency Management Group for Abrams Learning and Information Systems, (ALIS). While at ALIS, he authored the Texas Border Security Operations Plan (Operation Border Star 2010), supporting regional plans, Common Operating Procedures for its Joint Operations and Intelligence Centers, and operational plans for a variety of law enforcement operations and homeland security initiatives under the purview of the Texas Rangers.

Prior to his arrival at the University of Houston, Clement served in the Texas Office of Homeland Security, where he authored the Texas Critical Infrastructure Protection and Resiliency Plan (TISR), it's accompanying Action Plan, and Texas' Guide to Critical Infrastructure Working Groups. He led the 2013-2016 Continuity of Operations (COOP)

planning and exercise initiative for Texas state agencies. He was the driving force behind joint DHS-Texas pilot programs to operationalize the Resilience Implementation Process, the development of Critical Supply Chain (Oil and Natural Gas) Workshops; and the design of a template for Regional Disaster Resilience Action Plans. He led the Texas initiative to revise and enact the new Bomb-Making Materials Awareness Program (BMAP) and the implementation of the Multi-Jurisdiction IED Security Planning Program in Texas municipalities. He initiated and led development of the state's Preventive Radiological and Nuclear Detection Program and facilitated the Texas Nuclear Sector Working Group.

Mr. Clement has served on the Department of Homeland Security's State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Government Coordinating Council (SLTTGCC) (2013-2016) where he served as Chair of the Regional Initiatives Committee and on its Executive Committee.

Mr. Clement is a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy with graduate degrees in National Security and Strategic Studies (U. S. Naval War College) and International Relations (Salve Regina University). An accomplished trainer and planner, he is a Certified Emergency Manager (CEM), and a FEMA Master Continuity Practitioner.