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Special Agent Cote is currently the Executive Assistant Director (EAD) for Intelligence and Information Sharing. In this capacity he directs the activities conducted by NCIS to provide intelligence, analysis, and related products to better understand the terror, intelligence, cyber, and criminal threats posed to the Department of the Navy (DON) and meet priority intelligence requirements. He is responsible for the collection, analysis, exploitation, and sharing of criminal, counterintelligence, and terrorism information in direct support of NCIS operations and investigations along with directing the NCIS Global Engagement and Biometric Programs.

Special Agent Cote was promoted to Defense Intelligence Senior Level (DISL) in April 2014 and has 27 years of Federal Service.

In August 2012, Special Agent Cote was appointed the acting Command Information Officer (CIO) for NCIS. In this capacity he served as the principal advisor to the Director and executive staff for issues regarding information management and alignment of information technology (IT) investments to business priorities and assigned missions. In October 2010, Special Agent Cote was appointed to the position of Assistant Director (AD) for Information Technology, Deputy CIO where he directed the activities conducted by NCIS to plan, implement, and maintain the NCIS IT infrastructure necessary to accomplish the strategic mission of NCIS. In 2008, Special Agent Cote was assigned as the Deputy Assistant Director for Information Sharing where he managed a number of information sharing programs in concert with state, local, federal and tribal law enforcement agencies throughout the United States. From 2006 to 2008, Special Agent Cote served as the Special Agent-in-Charge of the Marine Corps West Field Office, Camp Pendleton, California. He directed all criminal, counter terrorism and criminal investigative operations in support of Marine Corps Installations West and the First Marine Expeditionary Force.

Special Agent Cote began his career with the NCIS in April 1987 at the NCIS Resident Agency (NCISRA) in Newport, RI (1987-1989, 1992-2000). He has served in a variety of organizational assignments and mission areas, both within the United States and overseas, including; Division Chief, Law Enforcement Information Exchange (LINX) Program Office, Washington, D.C.

(2006-2008), Special Assistant to the Deputy Director (2004-2006), and as Supervisory Special Agent NCISRA Okinawa, Japan (2000-2004).

Special Agent Cote earned his bachelors of science degree in health care administration and minor in communications from Stonehill College in Easton, MA.

Special Agent Cote was awarded Special Agent Credentials in 1987 and holds TS/SCI (with polygraph) security clearances. His professional affiliations include the International Chiefs of Police and the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association.