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As an Agency officer, Mr. Gabriel created, managed, and executed innovative operations in hostile areas to counter violent-extremism and promote credible voices in Islamic societies. He was a key architect and implementer of strategic engagement, collaboration, and de-confliction efforts across USG agencies to integrate global counter-terrorism strategic communications campaign after 9/11.

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