

Statement by Secretary Napolitano on President Obama's Intent to Nominate Rafael Borrás as Under Secretary for Management



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"The President announced yesterday his intent to nominate Rafael Borrás as Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Under Secretary for Management. Rafael brings a long career in both government and the private sector to DHS as a city management official, federal government senior executive and business manager.

He has more than 25 years of experience in budget and financial management, information technology, procurement and human services—preparing him well for overseeing the Department's finance, human capital, facilities, information technology, procurement and security offices.

In his new role, Rafael will lead efforts to promote and establish greater efficiency and transparency while playing an integral role in unifying the Department and its many components," said DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano.

Biography

Borrás has served as Vice President of Construction Services for the URS Corporation's Mid-Atlantic Region and claims services since 2000. Previously, Borrás managed 1,500 employees as Regional Administrator for the General Services Administration's Mid-Atlantic Region, where he led real estate services, supply and procurement, and IT services to federal agencies, from 1997-2000.

Borrás was Deputy Assistant Secretary at the U.S. Department of Commerce from 1994-1997, where he was responsible for the department's finances, personnel, IT, acquisition and grants—including 375 employees and a \$3.8 billion budget. Before joining the federal government, Borrás was Deputy City Manager and Commissioner of Human Services for the City of New Rochelle, N.Y., from 1993-1994; Deputy City Manager for the City of Hartford, Conn., in 1991 and 1993; Director of Communications at the International City/County Management Association from 1985-1991; and Administrative Officer for Miami Dade County, Fla., from 1982-1985.

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