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### ANNEX 3

## Address by the Chairman of the IBSSA Board of Directors to the XXV. Congress of the IBSSA

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*Dear IBSSA Members,  
Esteemed Leaders, and Distinguished Guests,*

*I bring you greetings from the United States of America.*

*As Chairman of the IBSSA Board of Directors, I look forward each year to the networking and innovation presented at our unique Congressional gathering.*

*It is from these activities in which you will participate over the next few days, that our global influence will radiate for the next year, as you take this valuable knowledge, and these critical messages, back to your professional sectors across the globe.*

*We also recognize that IBSSA is more than just one annual meeting. For over 30 years, at the direction of Sir George Popper – President of IBSSA, our organization has served as a guiding beacon of standards in geographical areas where safety and security practitioners often had little to no support. And it is over the past 30 years, that we have seen change. A positive change, because of the IBSSA, around the world.*

*This week, you have master teachers and experienced experts who are stepping forward with the best-of-the-best in tactics and techniques to share with you during the 2-day special training.*

*This week, you have access to your fellow security professionals with whom to network.*

*And this week, we return to the ancestral home of our beloved organization.*

*Please, get everything you can from these next few days. Do not let a moment go unfulfilled. Then take this information across the world and continue to plant your seeds of success for our industry.*

*On a personal note, I would like to commend Lady Erika Macsári and her team for yet another successful international Congress. I will miss all of you this week. While I am on a protection assignment in Mexico, my thoughts remain in Budapest with you.*

*Stay safe. And until next year my friends and colleagues, I wish you well.*

*Regards,*

*Karl L. de la Guerra  
Chairman of the Board of Directors*