

# THE SOUFAN CENTER

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **THE SOUFAN CENTER WELCOMES NEW BOARD MEMBER**

*Former Special Assistant to the President Col. Chris Costa (Ret) joins The Soufan Center Board of Directors*

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**(New York, New York – September 26, 2023)** The Soufan Center announces the appointment of a new member to its Board of Directors: Former Special Assistant to the President, Colonel Chris Costa (Ret). Founded in 2017 by former FBI Special Agent Ali Soufan, The Soufan Center offers research, analysis, and strategic dialogue on foreign policy challenges.

In welcoming the new appointee, Michael Masters, President of the Board at The Soufan Center noted, “As the threat environment becomes increasingly complex and diverse, the need for trusted voices and validated research to inform the national and international security discourse is critical. Colonel Costa brings a wealth of experience to our Board, underpinned by an unwavering commitment to peace and security issues. We warmly welcome him to our team.”

Col. Costa presently serves as the Executive Director of the International Spy Museum and is a 34-year veteran of the U.S. Department of Defense. Previously, he served 25 years in the United States Army working in counterintelligence, human intelligence and with special operations forces in Central America, Europe, and throughout the Middle East, among other roles and deployments. Most recently, he served as the Special Assistant to the President & Senior Director for Counterterrorism at the National Security Council.

“I am delighted to be joining TSC’s Board of Directors and I am excited for this next chapter,” said Col. Costa on his appointment. “The work of The Soufan Center has proven to be extremely valuable to policymakers and practitioners. Above all, TSC has contributed in-depth and timely research that is crucial for informing decision-makers operating within an increasingly complex security environment.”

## **ABOUT THE SOUFAN CENTER (TSC)**

[The Soufan Center](http://thesoufancenter.org/) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to serving as a resource and forum for research, analysis, and strategic dialogue related to global security issues and emergent threats.

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