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UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY 74**

*United States Secret Service Special Agent discusses UN General Assembly security*

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**September 19, 2019** — The 74<sup>th</sup> session of the United Nations General Assembly is underway, and on the latest episode of “Prep Talk,” Patrick Freaney, assistant special agent in charge (ASAIC) of the Secret Service’s New York Field Office, discusses the comprehensive security measures implemented to protect world leaders and dignitaries during the annual session. Designated a National Special Security Event (NSSE) by the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, the Secret Service assumes the mandated role as the lead agency for the design and implementation of the UN General Assembly security plan.

The United Nations General Assembly is one of the six main organs of the United Nations, and gives its Member States a forum to discuss and work together on a range of international issues including peace, security, and admission of new members. During the episode, ASAIC Freaney highlights the efficacy of coordination amongst public safety agencies, emphasizing the importance of a robust unified public messaging system for high-level events.

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**Profile:**

**Patrick J. Freaney - Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAIC) – USSS – New York Field Office**

In May of 2019, ASAIC Freaney was assigned to the New York Field Office as the ASAIC of Investigations. In this role, ASAIC Freaney plans and executes the strategic vision of the Electronic Crimes Task Force and the Financial Crimes Task Force of the New York Field Office. Previously, ASAIC Freaney served as the ASAIC of Administration where he had direct oversight of NYC administrative operations to include maintaining fiscal responsibility of the office’s administrative budget and capital expenditures.

Prior to being promoted to the position of ASAIC, ASAIC Freaney held supervisory assignments as the Resident Agent in Charge (RAIC) of the White Plains Resident Office (WPN) and the Assistant to the Special Agent in Charge (ATSAIC) of the New York Field Office. As the RAIC of WPN, he was responsible for principal oversight of all investigative, protective and administrative matters for six counties (Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Orange, Dutchess and Sullivan). While assigned as an ATSAIC, he oversaw both the Protection Squad as well as the Protective Operations Squad. During his tenure as the ATSAIC of the Protection Squad, ASAIC

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Freaney was tasked as the NSSE Coordinator for the 70<sup>th</sup> Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Prior to his supervisory assignments, ASAIC Freaney was assigned to the Presidential Protective Division for Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama and served as an Assistant Team Leader on the Counter Assault Team.

ASAIC Freaney began his law enforcement career as a trooper with the New York State Police following his graduation from Siena College with a bachelor's degree in History. ASAIC Freaney is a graduate of the Key Executive Leadership Program of American University and the Executive Leaders Program of the Naval Postgraduate School.

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