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FSSO Workshop

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John Dinkelman has been at the U.S. Consulate in Nogales, Mexico, since summer 2007 as consul over U.S. and Mexican affairs for the northern half of the state of Sonora. Dinkelman joined the Foreign Service Institute orientation division in 2001, where he served as deputy A-100 coordinator until August 2005, when he became the course coordinator, having entered the Foreign Service with the 44th A-100 class in 1988 as an administrative generalist. His previous assignments have been to Ankara as human resources officer (2000–01), The Hague as supervisory GSO (1995–99), Majuro as regional administrative officer for Micronesia (1993–95), London as administrative staff assistant (1991–93), and Belgrade on a CON/GSO rotation (1989–91). A self-confessed “army brat,” Dinkelman was raised in many different places but claims none of them as his hometown. He graduated from Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, with degrees in business and Spanish. The FSI Language Test Unit maintains that he speaks Spanish, Serbo-Croatian, Dutch, and Turkish. Prior to joining the Department of State, Dinkelman worked for the Communications Systems Division of UNISYS in Salt Lake City. He and his wife, Liz, are the parents of three children.

