

LIS SOLUTIONS SECURITY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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ANTITERRORISM

What is Terrorism? According to the FBI, terrorism can be broken down into two categories:

- ▶ **International terrorism:** Violent, criminal acts committed by individuals and/or groups who are inspired by, or associated with, designated foreign terrorist organizations or nations (state-sponsored).
- ▶ **Domestic terrorism:** Violent, criminal acts committed by individuals and/or groups to further ideological goals stemming from domestic influences, such as those of a political, religious, social, racial, or environmental nature.
- ▶ Any attempt to recruit personnel on behalf of a known or suspected international terrorist organization or for terrorist activities.
- ▶ Collecting intelligence, including information regarding installation security, on behalf of a known or suspected international terrorist organization.

Reportable International Terrorism Contacts, Activities, Indicators, and Behaviors include:

- ▶ Advocating violence, the threat of violence, or the use of force to achieve goals on behalf of a known or suspected international terrorist organization.
- ▶ Advocating support for a known or suspected international terrorist organizations or objectives.
- ▶ Procuring supplies and equipment, to include purchasing bomb making materials or obtaining information about the construction of explosives, on behalf of a known or suspected international terrorist organization.
- ▶ Contact, association, or connections to known or suspected international terrorists, including online, e-mail, and social networking contacts.
- ▶ Expressing an obligation to engage in violence in support of known or suspected international terrorism or inciting others to do the same.

Responsibilities and Reporting Requirements:

So, what should you do? LIS Solutions employees have the responsibility to keep our nation's secrets, sensitive and proprietary information protected for ourselves and our co-workers. Remember, "if you see something, say something." If you feel you are being solicited for information, prepare in advance.

Practice responses to possible questions concerning your duties. Never answer questions which make you feel uncomfortable. Without indicating that you are uncomfortable, change the conversation that might be too probing with respect to your duties, private life, and coworkers. Be observant!!! Take mental notes as much as possible about the person or persons who are asking questions. However, DO NOT probe for information.

When you find the opportunity to inquire further about the person, ask nonchalantly questions to get information. Be especially wary of questions about your personal information or colleagues. Provide non-descript

answers and leave the talking to someone else. Do practice good Operations Security. See the training link, OPSEC Awareness: <https://securityawareness.usalearning.gov/opsec/index.htm>

DO NOT leave sensitive documents or equipment unattended in cars, hotel rooms, or hotel safes. Keep unwanted material secured until it can be disposed of. Burn or shred paper and discs or other media. Do not use personal/commercial computers, or telephones, for sensitive or classified matters, especially at a foreign establishment. Take the battery out of cell phones before holding sensitive discussions and beware of being overheard in public. A good rule of thumb is to ask yourself "does anyone need to know the information? Or, is there a need to share the information?" We need to continue working toward establishing and maintaining dissemination and control procedures that balance need-to-know with the necessity of sharing classified information.



Reporting:

When it comes to defeating terrorism the phrase to remember is: "If you see something, say something." Report any suspicious or unexplained activity. Trust your instincts! Report potential indication of terror activities. Finally, it's NOT your job to investigate, but it is your responsibility to report it so authorities can. You can report suspicious activity to your security professionals at: security@lissol.com

News articles to read at your leisure:

- Bernbaum, Georgia. "Women in Law Enforcement Make Up a Growing Part of Antiterrorism Assistance Program DSS Articles." *Women in Law Enforcement Make Up a Growing Part of Antiterrorism Assistance Program*, U.S. Department of State, 26 Mar. 2024, <https://www.state.gov/women-in-law-enforcement-make-up-a-growing-part-of-antiterrorism-assistance-program/>.
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- "Terrorism." *What We Investigate*, FBI, <https://www.fbi.gov/investigate/terrorism>.