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Homeland Security and Terrorism Analysis Course

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*Terrorism and Organized Hate Crime:
Intelligence Gathering, Analysis and Investigations*



The Alpha Group

Professional Speakers and Trainers
Serving the Criminal Justice Community
We Turn Theory Into Practice™

The Program

Crime and intelligence analysts and law enforcement investigators traditionally analyze and investigate crimes against persons and property, and, depending upon the nature of the case at hand, seek to identify the linkages between people and organizations involved in organized crime, narcotics trafficking, political corruption, and other such conspiratorial activities. But following the events of September 11, 2001, the analytical function has expanded dramatically—and with the expansion has come a dilemma. Analysts and officers are now being enlisted to help their agencies in the fight against terrorism, yet few have had any training to equip them with the skills needed to determine even the existence of terrorist threats, let alone the ability to provide any meaningful recommendation on how to respond to them.

To be effective in the battle against terror, today's analysts and officers must be specifically trained to deal with new problems involving often previously unknown and shadowy figures whose objectives differ significantly from the traditional criminals we have come to know and understand. They must come to a knowledge of who the terrorists are, the groups and organizations they represent, and the motivations that drive them to commit their acts of mass violence. Moreover—and of vital importance—our analysts and investigators must learn how to identify and interpret the often subtle yet critical clues that indicate the possibility of an impending terrorist action, and be taught the analytical techniques to gather information and produce intelligence that truly enhances Homeland Security efforts.

This is a three-day (24 hour) “hands-on” program designed to give both new and experienced analysts, intelligence officers, investigators, police officers, and supervisory personnel the training they need to accomplish these objectives. In so doing, the course provides a framework for exploring the many issues involved in the analysis of terrorism and hate crimes with which all agencies must be familiar. At the same time, course participants learn how to identify the traits and structures of multiple forms of terrorism, how to recognize the indicators of an impending act of terrorism or mass violence, how to deter and prevent an attack, how to gather information, and how to transform information into intelligence products agency administrators can use to bolster community demands for safety and security.

You Should Attend If:

- You are a crime or intelligence analyst
- You are a Homeland Security professional or practitioner
- You supervise analytical personnel or analytical functions
- You are a first responder (police officer), intelligence officer, or investigator assigned to Intelligence, Homeland Security, or Terrorism Task Forces
- You are an experienced analyst, officer, investigator, or agency administrator with little or no understanding of—and a need to broaden your insight into—one of the world's most complex topics: Terrorism!

Regardless of your previous experience with terrorism or analytical methods, this course is for you. You can always do your job better when you apply fresh ideas and techniques. We've made sure our seminars give you exactly what you need to put you at your peak!

Here's What You Will Learn

This comprehensive course teaches you **HOW** to establish and effectively operate a Homeland Security program and **HOW** to develop an analytical approach to terrorism that **ALL** law enforcement agencies, regardless of size, can use to address matters of homeland security, terrorism, and hate crimes within their jurisdiction, region, state, or province. We'll demystify essential concepts involving:

Operational Issues

- **Law Enforcement's Involvement in the Exotic World of Terrorism and Organized Hate Groups**
- **The Homeland Security Advisory System: What It Is and How It Is Used**
- **It's Not A Luxury! The *Critical* Mission and Role of Crime and Intelligence Analysis in Terrorism and Homeland Security**
- **Overcoming the Barriers—What Stands in the Way of Effective Intelligence Analysis**
- **Determining What Needs to be Analyzed When Dealing with Homeland Security Concerns**
- **Who and What is the Threat? Understanding What Terrorism, Terrorist Activity, and Terrorists Are, and the Differences (Beyond the Obvious) Between Criminals and Terrorists**
- **Examples and Types of Terrorists and Terrorist Groups**
- **The 6 Forms of Terrorism and the *Crucial* Need to Recognize the Unique Aspect of Each**
- **Components of an Offender and/or Terrorist Profile**
- **How to Properly Use the Macro-Micro-Macro Continuum and Loop Effect**
- **Where Will They Strike? How to Assess the Threat and How to Identify Potential Targets**
- **Is It a Crime or an Indicator of an Impending Act of Terrorism? How to Identify Crime Report Clues that May Yield Information, Links, and Valuable Details**
- **The 4 Keys to Forestalling a Terrorist Attack! Deterrence, Prevention, Arrest, and Target Hardening**
- **GIS and Terrorism Analysis: How to Use Spatial Referencing and Analysis to Deal With Target Identification, Threat and Vulnerability Assessments, and Evacuation Concerns**
- **How to Gather Information, and the Role of First Responders in the Information Gathering Process**
- **How Do They Do It? Information That Can Be Used to Acquire or Develop a Group's Modus Operandi**
- **Analytical Factors and Variables to Consider for Turning Information into Intelligence**
- **How to Make Proper Notifications and Enhance Dissemination Techniques**

About Our Homeland Security

And Terrorism Analysis Program

Law enforcement officials send their sworn officers and civilian personnel to our Homeland Security and Terrorism Analysis training courses because of our proven ability to provide them with high-quality, performance-oriented training. Class exercises are based on real-world terrorism and hate crime problems analysts, officers, investigators, and agency administrators are expected to solve each day. As such, students return to their agencies with not only the knowledge of **what** they should do, but, more importantly, **how** they should do it. Skills are developed by instructors who are intimately familiar with the topic presented, and by the students' use of our **comprehensive, easy-to-understand course materials**. These elements contribute to the continued popularity of our Homeland Security and Terrorism Analysis training programs. Our success, however, comes from our achievement of one important goal: *We Turn Theory into Practice.*TM

What Others Say

About our Training

"The best concept I gained from this course is the one failure as a law enforcement community and as a government is the failure to address the early warning signs of domestic activity/organization of anti-American groups. This is an excellent program. Bring in managers—they need this!"

Manuel B. Pondekos
Florida Department of Law Enforcement

"This is an outstanding program! Street officers should have training in this field!"

Dave Schilt
Treasure Island Police Department

"I learned so much! Captain Ronczkowski did a great job of taking a lot of information and developing a class that was understandable and of use in day-to-day investigations."

Doug Templeton
Department of Justice Coordination

"The material was very well covered and the instructor made good use of audio and visual aids to enhance his presentation. Great handout material!"

Pete Francisco
St. Petersburg Police Department

"Thanks to the topics covered in this course, I have a better understanding of foreign and domestic terrorism. I was very pleased with this program and would love to be a part of any related courses."

John Wiseman
Indian Shores Police Department

"I fully enjoyed the entire program. It was well presented and the course materials are great! In short, it is excellent and I highly recommend it."

Tim Burns
Department of Justice Coordination

"Even though I was aware already, it is always a shock to see the amount of groups that are 'hiding out' in America just waiting for their 'cause.' As such, I particularly enjoyed the discussion on the history of terrorism. This program was very well presented."

Brian Cook
Pinellas Park Police Department

About Your Trainer



Michael R. Ronczkowski, M.P.A., began his law enforcement career in 1983 as a sworn police officer with the Miami-Dade Police Department in Miami, Florida. Having risen through the ranks, he continues to serve in an upper management capacity as a Captain within the organization. He is also an adjunct professor teaching courses on terrorism, analysis, and the criminal justice system at Florida Atlantic University.

A graduate of the FBI National Academy and recognized internationally for his analytical skills and crime mapping expertise, Mike has presented analytical material at numerous conferences and workshops for various international associations and the National Institute of Justice. He managed a county-wide analytical intelligence unit for over 8 years, has written analytical policy, procedures, and training protocols, and has developed analytical databases and information resources.

Captain Ronczkowski has also served as a certified Florida law enforcement instructor, field training officer, and supervisor of various criminal investigative units. For several years he also served with the FBI and U.S. Marshal's fugitive task forces. Mike is an authorized Environmental Systems Research Institute (ESRI) Instructor, and has taught crime mapping and analytical courses for the National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center.

Mike is the author of the textbook *Terrorism and Organized Hate Crime: Intelligence Gathering, Analysis, and Investigations*. He is also the coauthor of "The Robbery Clearinghouse: Successful Real-Time Intelligence Analysis" (Police Chief Magazine), and *Tactical/Investigative Analysis of Targeted Crimes* (Advanced Crime Mapping Topics, NIJ—Crime Mapping and Analysis Program).

About the Alpha Group

The Alpha Group is comprised of professional speakers, trainers, and researchers who provide their expertise and practical experience to criminal justice, public safety and victim service organizations. The organization is widely recognized for its ability to provide training in Homeland Security and Terrorism Analysis, Crime and Intelligence Analysis, Criminal Investigative Techniques, Statement Analysis and Interview and Interrogation Techniques, and other such unique areas of law enforcement. We also recognize that those who serve the public often have unique needs themselves. We, therefore, present a variety of management, supervisory, and interpersonal communications seminars. All of our skill-building programs address the personal needs of those—at all levels—who are employed in the public safety and victim service professions.

Earn Continuing Education Units (Optional)

Various state and local agencies such as colleges and universities as well as Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Boards may offer either continuing education or training units to Alpha Group course participants. Additionally, enrollment in Alpha Group programs may help you meet annual training requirements. Check with the training coordinator of your organization to determine your eligibility for these units.

Course Times

The course begins at 0800 on Monday, May 5, 2008 and concludes at 1200 on Wednesday, May 7, 2008.

Tuition Information

Tuition is \$450 per person for the three-day (24 hour) program of instruction. It also Includes:

- A copy of ***Terrorism and Organized Hate Crime: Intelligence Gathering, Analysis and Investigations***. This comprehensive textbook describes the different forms of terrorism, highlights the nature and objectives of specific terrorist organizations, details the means to identify the existence of impending terrorist activity, explains the methods by which to gather information, and demonstrates how to transform information into intelligence.
- A copy of the presentation ***“Homeland Security and Terrorism Analysis: An Approach for Law Enforcement.”*** This follow-along guide complements the textbook and provides an approach that all law enforcement agencies, regardless of size, can use to address matters of homeland security and terrorism analysis.
- A copy of the instructor’s CD loaded with the public domain and government publications referred to throughout the course. The CD also includes a “favorites” folder with a multitude of Internet links that can easily be added to your Internet browser. These links cover a wide range of topics that will further your understanding—and aid your investigation—of terrorism, homeland security, and organized hate groups.
- An impressive certificate of graduation that you will receive upon completion of the course.

PLEASE NOTE: Tuition does not include lodging, meals, transportation to and from the meeting site, parking, or items of a purely personal nature (pens, pencils, paper, etc.)

Registration Information

Reserve your set now! Mike Ronczkowski’s courses fill quickly and seating is limited. To register for the course, complete the registration form on the accompanying insert. Payment must be received no later than April, 18 2008. **Make checks or money orders payable to The Alpha Group.** Please send the registration form and your remittance to: Amy Whitmore, Virginia Fusion Center, 7700 Midlothian Turnpike, Richmond, VA 23235. You may also register by calling Amy at (804)674-2241, or by faxing your registration form to her at (804) 674-2983 email (preferred contact method) to Amy.Whitmore@vsp.virginia.gov . For credit card payments please call The Alpha Group at (909) 984-8291.

Substitutions and Cancellations

Anyone can substitute for you. If this becomes necessary, please call and let us know. If you need to cancel and you contact us no later than April 18, 2008, we’ll refund your tuition, less a \$25.00 per person processing fee. The tuition is non-refundable for any cancellations made after April 18, 2008. The Alpha Group reserves the right to substitute speakers should the featured presenter become incapacitated. In the unlikely event that the course is cancelled, the Alpha Group’s liability shall be limited solely to refunding of tuition payments.

Course Location and Hotel Accommodation Information

Please see the accompanying insert for course location and hotel accommodation information.

Is This Course Tax Deductible?

Skill-building and professional enhancement programs such as the Homeland Security and Terrorism Analysis Course are usually tax deductible. Check with your financial advisor to verify applicability of the tax law to your particular situation.

For Additional Information

If you have any questions or would like to receive additional information about the Homeland Security and Terrorism Analysis Course, please contact Steve Gottlieb, Executive Director of The Alpha Group, by telephone at (909) 984-8291, or by email at crimecrush@aol.com.



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