

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

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MEMBER / OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Congressman Louie Gohmert

2. a. Name of accompanying relative: _____ or None

b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____

3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 5/7/17 Return: 5/13/17

b. Dates at personal expense: _____ or None

4. Departure city: Dallas, TX Destination: Tel Aviv Return city: Dallas, TX

5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Advanced Security Training Institute (ASTI)

6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): Met with and learned from some of most preeminent experts on terrorism, its sources, its preventions, protections, and responses. Met also with Israeli Knesset members, & gov't department leaders; had presentations on security, with questions & answers. Also had hands on security training. All extremely helpful.

7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box):

- a. a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
- b. the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
- c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; **and**
- d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.

8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda. (Signify that statement is true by checking box):

b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER: 

DATE: 5/24/17

**U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics**

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. ***A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.*** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): (ASTI) Advanced Security Training Institute

2. Travel Destination(s): Israel

3. Date of Departure: Sunday May 7th 2017 Date of Return: Saturday May 13th 2017

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Congressman Louie Gohmert
(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

| | Total Transportation Expenses | Total Lodging Expenses | Total Meal Expenses | Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description) |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---|
| Traveler | Air 4,651 Bus 650 | 1,335 | 500 | |
| Accompanying Relative | | | | |

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box):

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: *Yisroel Stefansky*

Name: Yisroel Stefansky Title: President

Organization: (ASTI) Advanced Security Training Institute

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box):

Address: 1437 E15th Street Brooklyn N.Y. 11230

Telephone number: 917.803.0694

Email Address: ys@asti-edu.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Congressman Louie Gohmert
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): Advanced Security Training Institute (ASTI)
3. Travel destination(s): Tel Aviv, Israel
4. a. Date of departure 5/7/17 Date of return: 5/13/17
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? Yes No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? Yes No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: _____
(2) Relationship to traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: Yes No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? Yes No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: Yes No
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.

This trip will be invaluable to me as Vice-Chair of the Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security Subcommittee

Observing and learning from the manner in which our allies and friends in Israel train for and confront elements

seeking to do harm to our nation and our security. The training sessions in so many aspects of national security will provide

remarkable insights and assistance as our subcommittee provides oversight, legislative direction, and guidance to our own

9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? Yes No

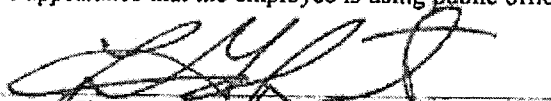
national defense.

10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:
TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:**

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: 04/04/2017



Signature of Employing Member

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): _____
(ASTI) Advanced Security Training Institute
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box):
3. Check only one: I represent that:
 - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip or
 - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds or.
 - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):
Congressman Louie Gohmert He was chosen because he represents TX State, and his on the Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security committee
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
6. Date of departure: Friday 5/7/17 Date of return: Saturday 5/13/17
7. a. City of departure: Dallas, TX
b. Destination(s): Tel Aviv, Israel
c. City of return: Dallas TX
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: or
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: or
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. Check one of the following:
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: or
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights:
If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box):

11. Check one:

a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box): *or*

b. N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

1. (ASTI) Advanced Security Training Institute a U.S. 501(c)3 that provides educational training trips to Israel under Homeland Security-guidelines for First Responders within police, fire, special forces, and federal agencies, as well as domestic training. ASTI and has been utilized by various agencies such as the FBI, Secret Service, CIA, and Department of Defense, as well as different departments within States that focus on Emergency Management Services and First Response. Further information can be found about ASTI under the website, www.asti-edu.org.

2. ASTI role is to lead the trip, and help develop a regional preparedness plan within public and private sector to respond to natural disasters, terrorist events, and industrial accidents and learn from and work with Israeli counterparts

13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.

a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (Specify: _____)

b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (Specify: _____)

c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

N/A

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

15. I represent that either (check one of the following):

a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: *or*

b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation:

If "b" is checked:

1) Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
Breakfast is included in the room rate.

2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
The educational training is rooted in Israel's preparedness, detection and response of critical infrastructure, and that of the private and public sectors in the face of mass casualty incidents including terror, weather and industrial events.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel name: Dan Panorama City: Jerusalem Cost per night: \$237

Reason(s) for selecting: Availability and location to training sites

Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____

Reason(s) for selecting: _____

Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____

Reason(s) for selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

| <input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates | Total <i>Transportation</i> Expenses per Participant | Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses per Participant | Total <i>Meal</i> Expenses per Participant |
|---|---|---|--|
| For each Member, Officer, or employee | \$4900\5K business class airfare \$650 Ground transportation | \$1,422 | \$500 |
| For each accompanying relative | N/A | | |

| | <i>Other</i> Expenses (dollar amount per item) | Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.) |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| For each Member, Officer, or employee | NA | |
| For each accompanying relative | N/A | |

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19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. *or*
 b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Name: Yisroel Stefansky

Title: President

Organization: Advanced Security Training Institute

Address: 1437 E15th Street Brooklyn NY 11230

Telephone number: 917.803.0694

Email address: ys@asti-edu.org

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May 4, 2017

The Honorable Louie B. Gohmert
U.S. House of Representatives
2243 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel,¹ scheduled for May 7 to 13, 2017, sponsored by Advanced Security Training Institute.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$390] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments filed with the Committee, and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

¹ We note that the U.S. Department of State (State Department) has issued a travel warning concerning travel to Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza, available at <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings/israel-travel-warning.html>. You may wish to contact the State Department regarding the safety of your proposed trip.

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If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Susan W. Brooks
Chairwoman



Theodore E. Deutch
Ranking Member

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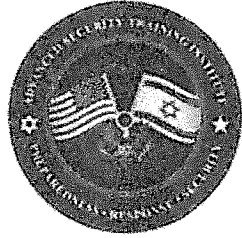
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Counter-Terrorism Detection, Prevention, and Response Immersion Course

This document contains an overview of the lectures, immersive site visits, and activities experienced by participants in the May 2017 *Counter-Terrorism Detection, Prevention, and Response* course. The intent of the course was to convey the tactics and strategies developed and used in Israel to address terror incidents, allowing participants to adapt their new skills for use in their home jurisdictions.

Day 1:

- **Lecture: History of Israel** This session provided information on key points in the history of that land and region that exists as the state of Israel. This information provided context for participants to understand historic conflicts, rulers, and battles that shaped the political and security situation as it exists today. The lecturer paid specific attention to the 1947 United Nations (UN) Partition Plan, declaration of Israeli independence, 1948 Arab-Israeli War, 1967 Six-Day War, and current day contested territories.
- **Lecture: Terrorist Explosive Devices and Tactics** This session provided information on terroristic and criminal use of improvised explosive devices (IED) in Israel. The lecturer described the components of an IED and types of explosive material commonly used in IEDs. A segment of this lecture focused on person-borne improvised explosive device (PBIED). These suicide bombers use bags, vests, belts, pants or other innocent looking objects to transport explosive devices for detonation. The lecturer also discussed the importance of public awareness and intelligence/information sharing.
- **Lecture: Cyber, Terror, and Social Networks - The Dark Side of Technology** This session addressed the main trends in terrorist online activity, including the use of social media networks and hidden or dark networks. Terrorist organizations use file distribution applications, visible and hidden websites (e.g., blogs, forums), social networks, and communication applications (e.g. WhatsApp) for the purposes of propaganda, training, recruiting, funding, executing cyber attacks, intelligence gathering, etc. The lecturer also discussed ISIS trends and activities on the web.
- **Lecture: Crisis Media Management - Counter Terror Approach** This session focused on the ability to use the media as a multiplier as part of response operations. The lecturer stressed the importance of understanding the sensitive issues in your community to gather intelligence, as well as the need to feed the media with information during a response. The lecturer wrote a book titled



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Terrorist Suicide Bombings: Attack Interdiction, Mitigation, and Response. The link to electronically review the book is:

<https://books.google.com/books?id=4a3MBOAAQBAJ&pg=PA266&lpg=PA266&dq=Terrorist+suicide+bombers+Kleiman&source=bl&ots=eI8nOL1kUY&sig=6txgZc59Nu1ssKaUIPdR8evxJF8&hl=en&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwjP7YSSkvvTAhUls1QKHXYDfMQ6AEINTAD#v=onepage&q=Terrorist%20suicide%20bombers%20Kleiman&f=false>

Day 2:

- **Series of lectures on the security situation in Israel** While in transit to various site visits, two veteran Israeli Security Agency members provided a series of lectures throughout the day on numerous topics related to Israel, the security situation, and terrorist incidents. Topics for the May 8 discussions included:
 - population demographics for Jewish, Arab, and others within Israel and the contested territories.
 - UN Decision 181 (proposed division of Israel into Jewish State and Arab State)
 - Six-Day War
 - Oslo I Accords/Oslo II Accords
 - Islamic Fanatical/Radical Movements
 - Obstacles to peace
 - Security situation in Ashdod, XX, and Sderot
 - The history and security situation in Gaza
- **Site visit: Magen David Adom (MDA) Tactics and Procedures** MDA is the Israeli emergency medical services (EMS) agency. Participants traveled to Ashdod to visit an MDA dispatch center. The lecturer provides information on operations and logistics required to coordinate the activities of the more than 15,000 volunteers and 2000 paid staff across the country. MDA is also the only supplier of blood services in Israel. Participants were able to view dispatch technology and operations as they occurred.
- **Site visit: Port of Ashdod - Protection of Transportation Assets** Participants traveled to the Port of Ashdod for a discussion of terror threats to transportation assets. Participants viewed multiple security components including biometric and automated gate systems, a smart fence, camera surveillance systems, the use of defender-class boats for patrol of the port from the water, biometric screening of crew members, and the use of drones.



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- **Site visit: Rutenberg Power Station - Protection of Critical Infrastructure** The Rutenberg Power Station is located in Ashkelon, less than 5 km from Gaza. The power station is the target of repeated rocket and terror attacks. Numerous tunnels from Gaza have also been found in the vicinity of Rutenberg. Participants learned about the security components being used to prevent and mitigate attacks on the power station.
- **Site visit: City of Sderot** Sderot is the city located closest to Gaza and is targeted in many rocket attacks. Participants viewed stockpiles of exploded rockets launched from Gaza into Sderot, as well as shelters available throughout the city to protect civilians. These shelters include playground equipment that serve as bomb shelters in schools and parks.
- **Lecture: The State of Relations between Israel and Its Neighbors** This session provided information on the relationships with Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, and Egypt, nomadic Bedoin tribes within Israel, Gaza, the West Bank area of Judea and Sumeria, and the division within Jerusalem.
- **Lecture: The Muslim Mindset** This session provided an assessment of behaviors and motivations of Muslim Arabs in the Middle East from the prospective of former Israeli Security Agency members.

Day 3: Congressman Gohmert first day.

- **Series of lectures on the security situation in Israel** While in transit to various site visits, two veteran Israeli Security Agency members provided a series of lectures throughout the day on numerous topics related to Israel, the security situation, and terrorist incidents. Topics for the May 9 discussions included:
 - Old Jerusalem demographics
 - The partition of the West Bank
 - The security, political, and religious value of the Jordan Valley
 - The origin of suicide bomber attacks in Israel
 - Extended lectures on the history of Israel
 - The Sykes/Picot Agreement partitioning segments of the Middle East into British and French spheres of influence
 - The history and internal conflicts in Islam
 - Expanded discussions of the Yom Kippur war
- **Site visit: Jordan River Baptism Site** Participants traveled to the Jorder River Baptism Site. This historic religious site is located on the border with Jordan,



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sharing baptism facilities. The span of the Jordan River at this site is less than 20 feet, posing unique security challenges.

- **Site visit: Triangle Border** This border is the boundary between Israel, Syria, & Jordan. Lecturers provided information on the impact of the war in Syria on Israel, the expansion of ISIS into Syria and Jordan. Lecturers provided information on the security situation in the Golan Heights, and implications for Jewish settlements in the area.
- **Site visit: Valley of Tears** The Valley of Tears is battle site from Yom Kippur War where significantly outnumbered Israeli forces held off attackers until reinforcements could arrive after 4 days. Participants were able to explore a maintained Israeli Defense Force (IDF) bunker. The visit highlighted the difficulties in defending territory given the proximity of countries that have been actively hostile to Israel. Lecturers also provided a review of international/UN participation in the security situation.
- **Site visit: The Dead Sea** Participants were able to visit and swim in the Dead Sea, learning about the security challenges of protecting this site visited by travelers from within Israel and throughout the world.

Day 4:

- **Series of lectures on the security situation in Israel** While in transit to various site visits, two veteran Israeli Security Agency members provided a series of lectures throughout the day on numerous topics related to Israel, the security situation, and terrorist incidents. Topics for the May 10 discussions included:
 - The Knesset
- **Site visit: Knesset** The Knesset is the legislature of Israel. A guided tour provided information on the structure and composition of the Knesset. Participants subsequently attended private meetings with 3 members of Israeli parliament (Yehuda Glick, Amir Ohana, and Tzipi Hotovely). The Knesset members provided their unique perspectives on the security situation in Israel and answered questions from ASTI participants.
- **Site visit: Israeli National Security Council** Participants visited the office of the Prime Minister and attended a private meeting with Israel's National Security Director, Etan Ben David (sp?). Mr. David provided information on the challenges of terrorism in Israel, Hezbollah and Hamas, counter-tunnel challenges, and the importance of learning from terror attacks in other countries. Participants were able to ask questions of Mr. David related to counter-terrorism policies.



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- **Lecture/Site visit: Military Court of Judea and Sumeria** Lt Col Menachem Lieberman provided a presentation on the military court and the prosecution of suspects of those accused of security or criminal offenses in the West Bank. The site visit included in-court viewing of proceedings against a man charged with using social media as part of a terrorist organization.
- **Lecture: IED Trends** This section focused on IED trends exclusive of PBIEDs (addressed previously). The presenter discussed sources for explosive material, including unexploded ordnance (UXO) and the process necessary to create a homemade explosive materials as detailed in widely-distributed publications and internet-based videos. Participants also learned about camouflaging IEDs and anticipated upcoming threats and trends (including vehicle borne IEDs (VBIED), drones as a delivery mechanism
- **Lecture: Social Networks as a Source of Inspiration** This session focused on the importance of monitoring content of social media networks to identify sites/videos/forums, etc. being used to inspire hatred against the Jewish population and potential suicide bombers. Participants watched 2 videos made for children that encourage violence against Jewish persons. The lecturer also provided Facebook posts showing the progression of radical ideology by a young man that killed a 13 year-old Jewish girl.

Day 5:

- **Site visit: Hadassah Hospital** Participants visited Hadassah Hospital to review the readiness and capabilities for mass casualty readiness, including trauma-specific emergency room spaces and intensive care units, plans for surge of facilities and staff, preparedness drills, and the need for trans-cultural nursing. The visit included a presentation by Dr. Asaf Kedar (sp?) Terrorism Related to Mass Casualty Events in Israel. Dr. Kedar discussed the increase in vehicle assaults and knife attacks in recent year.
- **Site visit: Check Point between Israel and West Bank** Participants visited a check point in Jerusalem where inhabitants from the West Bank cross into Jerusalem. Part of the visit included a tour of a main control center where Israeli border forces review an extensive surveillance camera outputs at all times. During the tour, participants saw an incident where two youths touched the fence and caused a sensor hit. The border forces maintained surveillance on the two.
- **Site visit/Lecture: Special Patrol Unit** The tactics and procedures of the Special Patrol Unit are similar to SWAT teams in the United States. The Special Patrol Unit is divided into motorcycle units and team-based squadrons. Unit members



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demonstrated non-lethal and lethal weapons and capabilities. A unit member also provided a briefing on motives of a terrorist, operational parameters, suspicious signs and behaviors.

- **Lecture: Islam in the US** This session focused on known radical Islamic groups in the United States. The lecturer discussed challenges for law enforcement, including the need to listen to people in their own language, in order to assess the level of support for radical Islamic organization.
- **Site visit: Jerusalem Fire Department** Participants visited a fire station in Jerusalem. Firefighters discussed the need for different cultures to work together to identify and mitigate threats within the city. Participants were able to explore ladder trucks and a CBRNE apparatus.
- **Lecture: Israeli Security Agencies** This session provided a description of the agencies that work together for intelligence collection activities within Israel, focusing on the Israel Security Agency. Participants learned about the separate expertise required for field officers and interrogators. The presentation included discussion of identifying, developing, and running sources.

Day 6:

- **Series of lectures on the security situation in Israel** While in transit to various site visits, two veteran Israeli Security Agency members provided a series of lectures throughout the day on numerous topics related to Israel, the security situation, and terrorist incidents. Topics for the May 12 discussions included:
 - Hebron
 - Dome of the Rock/Temple Mount
- **Activity: Caliber 3** Participants visited Caliber 3, a special academy for counterterrorism and security training. Participants viewed an active shooter response demonstration and joined in analysis of security operations during the demonstration and viewed active shooter response demonstration. Following the demonstration, completed the Basic Combat Shooting course and learned procedures for response operations. As part of the course, participants worked individually and in teams to neutralize threats in a training setting.
- **Site visit: City of Hebron** Hebron is located in an Arab-controlled area of the West Bank. There are protected Jewish settlements in the city that is 97% Arab and 3% Jewish, creating significant security issues. Hebron contains archeological sites that are important to the Jewish faith, as well as the Tomb of the Fathers which has significance for Christians, Jews, and Muslims



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- **Site visit: Old City of Jerusalem and Western Wall** Participants visited religious sites in the Old City of Jerusalem to understand security issues related to Dome of the Rock and terrorist incidents in Old City of Jerusalem. These sites have been frequent targets of terrorist attacks.



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Austin Regional Intelligence Center 2017 Homeland Security Counter-Terrorism Prevention and Response Immersion Project Course Agenda

Day 1

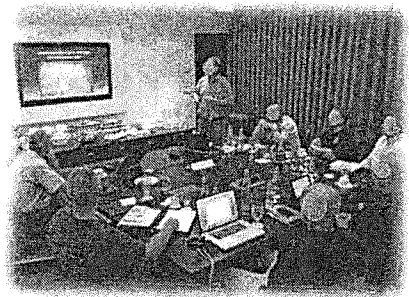
Travel Day – Depart from your local airport

Day 2

17:50 Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv, Israel

18:30 Airport pick up

19:00 Check-in: Hotel Herods Tel Aviv



Day 3

Classroom: At the hotel

08:00 - 09:00 Breakfast

09:00 - 09:15 Break

09:15 - 11:00 Class Israel: History/Geography

11:15 - 13:00 Class Israel Security Agency the Value of Human Intelligence

Presenters: Include historians, intelligence experts and police experts.

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:10 - 16:00 Class 3: The Bomb Squad-The role of EOD

16:00 - 16:15 Break

16:15 - 17:30 Class Public Relations Strategies During and Emergency.

18:30 Dinner

Day 4

Site Visits

07:00 - 8:15 Breakfast

08:30 - Bus Departs

10:30 - 12:00 City of Sderot

12:00 - 13:00 Break



13:00 - 15:00 Port Security

- Attendee participants will have access to Israel's marine/port and electric

Infrastructure sites.

- Improvised Explosive Devices (IED): Prevention techniques
- Alerts and Alarms: The role of the public
- Checkpoint security: planning and execution
- Highway IED mitigation efforts
- Suicide bomber prevention techniques
- Israel's electric grid
- Marine and Port Security
- Coastal Defense
- Water-Borne VBIED's
- Vessel Security

17:00 Back to hotel

18:00 - 19:00 Dinner

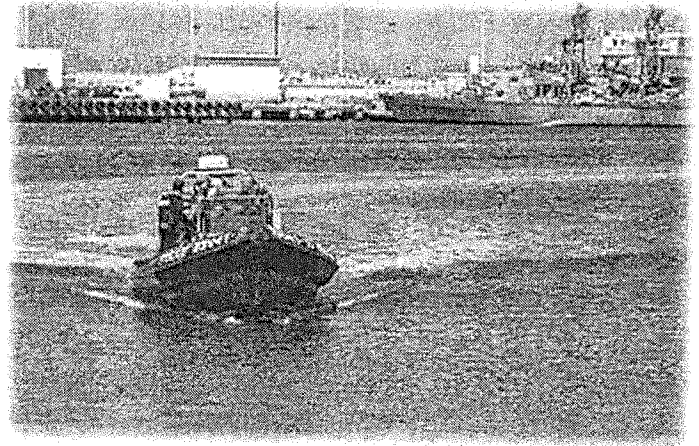
Day 5

Site Visits: Transportation Security

07:00 - 8:15 Breakfast

08:30 - Bus Departs

09:30 - 16:00 Ben Gurion Airport – Security Department



Attendee participants will have access to Israel's major critical airport and rail system, and oil infrastructure.

The focus of this training day will be:

- Transit security in a high threat environment
- CBRNE Measures
- Public and private sector IED and CBRNE awareness efforts
- Critical infrastructure protection
- Transit security in a high threat environment-the general public
 - Airport security/protection (Ben Gurion Airport)
- Israel's rail system
- Gas supply and distribution
- Physical Security Measures
- Electronic Security Systems
- Israeli Cyber Security



18:00 Check- in to hotel: Leonardo Plaza hotel Jerusalem

Day 6

Knesset Site Visit

07:00 - 8:15 Breakfast

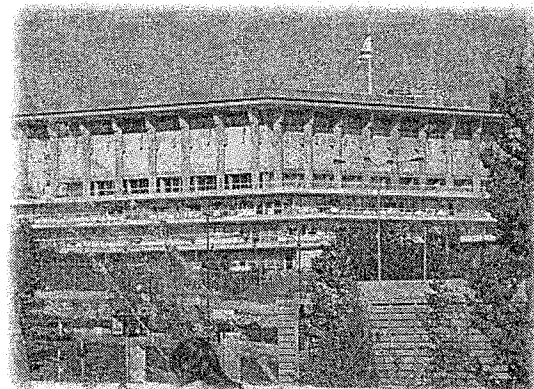
08:30 Bus Departs

09:00 - 16:00 Knesset

- The Knesset, Israel's main governmental body, is one of Israel's most critical pieces of infrastructure, both for symbolic status and continuity of operations.

The focus of this training day will include:

- Government Infrastructure Protocols
- IED prevention techniques and response
- Protecting high profile targets
- Threat management policy
- Meetings with Israeli Knesset Members



Day 7

Hospital and First Responders

07:00 - 8:15 Breakfast

08:30 - Bus Departs

09:00 - 12:00 Police: Bomb Squad (EOD)

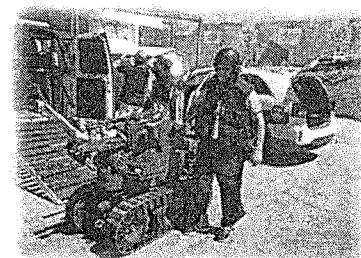
11:00 - 12:30 Haddasa Hospital

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

14:00 - 16:00 Magen David Adom (MDA) - MDA and its team of trained volunteer and professional medical responders provide the entire nation's pre-hospital emergency needs, including medical, disaster, ambulance and blood services. The MDA National Blood Services Center, located in Ramat Gan, provides 100% of the blood requirements of the IDF and 95% of the blood needs for Israeli hospitals and the general population.

The focus of this training day will be:

- First responder tactics and protocols
- Commercial Security and Police Integration
- Current Terrorist Trends & Tactics
- Coordinated Response during a Mass Casualty Incident
- Protection of Mass Casualty & High Profile Targets
- Counter Terrorist Intelligence From "TIP To TAKEDOWN"



Day 8
Main City - Jerusalem

07:00 - 8:15 Breakfast
08:30 - Bus Departs
09:00 - 15:00 Old City of Jerusalem



- The Old City of Jerusalem presents an incredibly complex environment for counter-terrorism detection and response. There are varied populations representing numerous religions and contentious factions within a very small geographic area of control.

The focus of this training day will include:

- Protection and response of religious sites
- Soft Target Protection Security - Jerusalem Mall Perimeter/Buffer Zone
- Overall Counter-Terrorism Security With Focus On CBRNE
- The Bomb squad unit Old City Jerusalem
- Meeting with Jerusalem Mayor and city council members

18:30 Shabbat dinner

21:00 Bus leaving for Airport for return flight

