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ANTITERRORISM AWARENESS MONTH



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August is Antiterrorism Awareness Month, and this is an important opportunity for everyone to increase their understanding and knowledge regarding extremism, terrorism, insider threats, cybersecurity threats, vulnerabilities, and other risks. The threat to U.S. National Security is becoming increasingly more dynamic and complex. Adversaries are looking for new ways to target or destroy their enemies, such as the U.S., for political, ideological, or religious purposes.

WHAT IS ANTITERRORISM?

Antiterrorism is the defense measure taken to detect, deter, and defend against potential or actual terrorist plans or acts.

RECOGNIZING TERRORISM

- **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.



HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF

It is important to protect yourself both online and in-person, and to report any suspicious activity you may encounter. Here are a few ways to stay protected:

- Remain aware of your surroundings.
- Refrain from oversharing personal information.
- Say something if you see something. The insular nature of today's violent extremists makes them difficult for law enforcement to identify and disrupt before an attack. Many times, a person's family or friends may be the first to notice a concerning change in behavior that may indicate a person is mobilizing to violence.



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RECOGNIZING EXTREMISM

A religious, social, or political belief system that exist substantially outside of belief systems more broadly accepted in society. Extreme ideologies often seek radical changes in the nature of government, religion or society. Extremism can also be used to refer to the radical wings of broader movements, such as the anti-abortion movement or the environmental movement. Some of the factors that can lead to extremism are triggering events, terrorist belief systems, identity processes, connections with other violent extremists on social networks or offline, violent extremist belief systems and narratives, group dynamics, and grievances.

Extremism is so easy. You've got your position, and that's it. It doesn't take much thought. And when you go far enough to the right you meet the same idiots coming around from the left. (Interview, Time Magazine, February 20, 2005)

-Clint Eastwood

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AWARENESS OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY ADJUDICATIVE GUIDELINES:

(What adjudications are based on by the DoD CAF)

1. Allegiance to the United States
2. Foreign Influence
3. Foreign Preferences
4. Sexual Behavior
5. Personal Conduct
6. Financial Considerations
7. Alcohol Consumption
8. Drug Involvement and Substance Misuse
9. Psychological Considerations
10. Criminal Conduct
11. Handling Protected Information
12. Outside Activities
13. Use of Information Technology

LIS PROTOCOLS FOR CYBER TERRORISM EDUCATION AND REPORTING

LIS Security provides the most up-to-date Cyber Awareness Challenge training for ALL employees to complete. Also, LIS employees receive newsletters and email blasts that contain education, training, and awareness materials relating to cyber risks, vulnerabilities, and threats. Each employee is required to report cyber security threats. Any potential suspected threat of cyber terrorism or extremism is to be reported to the LIS Security Professionals at: security@lissol.com.

Remember, that you are the first line of defense when dealing with Terrorism and Extremism. We may not be able to stop the threat of Terrorism or Extremism, but we can mitigate the damages of it. Knowing how to identify, report, and be aware of these threats can save yourself from harm and to others around you. LIS Security encourages you to practice exceptional situational awareness. Finally, remember to not associate with acts of extremism that would question or go against the U.S. Government or allegiance to the United States.

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