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Basic Threat Assessment/Threat Management

This class will deal with topics common to threat assessment professionals. This class is meant to supplement your methods of assessing and managing the threats, and is not meant as a replacement of methods that may already work for you or methods that you may have learned from prior training courses, organizations, or other threat assessment professionals. A portion of the class has been tailored towards judicial protection and elected officials

Asian Gang Trends

The class will be geared towards current Asian crime trends seen and enforced in the San Gabriel Valley / Los Angeles county area. Focus will be on massage parlor activities and enforcement, extortion activity having overseas ties, underground economy and how it thrives in the immigrant community, and current activities involving human trafficking. Portions of the class will dedicated towards experiences and successes in the programs I've developed and been involved in over the years working in a primarily Asian community

Investigating Social Networking Sites

This course utilizes a live Internet connection with a computer / projector to present and demonstrate tools for researching and collecting data about persons of interest to investigations. Investigators can utilize advanced Google operators to focus the lens of investigative research. Beyond the basic query of the Google index, investigators will learn how to search for specific domains, file types, archived records of websites changes, search within individual websites and more. Introducing alternate search engines, this course demonstrates specialized tools for searching multiple engines, organizing the results into useful groupings, and facilitating web analysis. This course demonstrates common social networks and highlights networks of key importance to Asian gang investigators such as jaiku. Participants will also learn how to search social networks, blogs, and micro blogs like twitter, tumbler and more.

Street Gang Disruption / Dismantlement

This class will provide instruction on the scope and role of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) in criminal street gang disruption and dismantlement. This will include a discussion of the agency's structure and its statutory authorities. In addition, the class will provide instruction on basic immigration law and the deportation process. Lastly, this course will cover the specific enforcement strategies employed by HSI in criminal street gang enforcement efforts, as well as the support that ICE can provide to State and Local agencies.

Narcoterrorism – Drug Cartel Violence

This presentation was developed primarily for US local-state-federal South West Border officers. The class will review cross-border blowback from Mexican law enforcement members' involvement in transnational kidnap/homicide activities, DTO traffickers, and independent drug violators' operations. The class will also touch upon the use of domestic Hispanic gangs being

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used as DTO enforcers; military tactics used, and battles with Mexican government forces. The US/Mexico border from Texas to California is discussed based on open source media. Impact on US regional communities' will be briefly reviewed. [Warning: Some of the material to be presented is graphic in content.]

Street Terrorism: Asian Gangs In LA County

This class will provide the attendees with an overview of active Asian gangs in the Los Angeles County. It will familiarize the attendees with current Asian gang trends, specifically pertaining to up-to-date gang and narcotic case-studies, along with various Asian gang signs/symbols that law enforcement to be aware of, and the latest investigative resources and point of contacts.

Asset Forfeiture

The class shall review the asset forfeiture program of the United States Postal Inspection service. The USPIIS asset forfeiture team investigates and ultimately seizes items that utilize the US Postal Service. They seize those money parcels and property through the course of their investigations. The majority of the seizures are Express Mail parcels containing proceeds of narcotic sales.

Triad Society in Hong Kong

The Organized Crime and Triad Bureau is responsible for the investigation of the most serious major crimes, requiring an extremely high degree of expertise. Focusing on triads and organized criminals, the Bureau will endeavor to pin down the senior members of triad groups or organized criminal syndicates and to attack their financial sources. To this end, long term and large scale operations, sometimes in the form of undercover, are mounted for in-depth infiltration and investigation.

Interpol 101

INTERPOL Washington, a component of the U.S. Department of Justice, is the U.S. representative agency to INTERPOL, a global network connecting law enforcement in 188 member countries that enables real-time criminal information exchange and provides access to various databases with criminal investigative information from around the world. In this course, attendees will learn about current INTERPOL initiatives in the areas of terrorism, gangs, and organized crime, and what resources and tools INTERPOL has available to law enforcement officers to support and leverage criminal investigations.

Gang Prosecution Techniques

The goal of this course is to provide investigators, prosecutors, and probation and corrections personnel with the knowledge and tools to proactively "attack" and "dismantle" organized criminal gangs, Drug Cartels and terrorist organizations using a multi-agency, multijurisdictional approach. The course highlights specialized investigative techniques and concepts that have been

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used to successfully dismantle criminal organizations that were previously unstoppable by traditional law enforcement techniques. Emphasis is placed upon disrupting, and dismantling the organization. Effective legal strategies such as the Racketeer Influence and Corrupt Organization Act (RICO) and gang enhancement statutes will be highlighted. In conjunction with this, Violent Crimes in Aid of Racketeering (VCAR), Conspiracy cases, and Hobbs Act elements are discussed as a means to disrupt and dismantle the organization.

Exporting Dope Money: Trade – Based Money Laundering Of Narcotic Proceeds

The class will cover large - scale investigations of international methamphetamine and cocaine trafficking, that resulted in the seizure of several million dollars in narcotics and narcotics proceeds. A case review will outline strategy that includes the use of federal search warrants and wiretap investigations. During the course of that investigation resulted with the indictment of over 100 defendants for narcotics trafficking and money laundering charges.

Hidden Weapons

In law enforcement, officers have to contend with a variety of weapons. The gun and knife being the most commonly encountered weapon. They must also content with the disguised or hidden weapon, such as a tear gas wristwatch or a belt buckle knife. Over the years, the California Legislature has tried to establish a list of illegal weapons under Penal Code 12020 and 653k. It is not hard to see why the list continues to grow, when you open up a hunting catalog and find a belt buckle knife. Try to envision that the purpose for a belt buckle knife, in the catalog, was so you would be able to go hunting, sneak up on a bird or deer and to stab it without the animal being aware they were in danger by recognizing it as a weapon. As such, the California Legislature has recognized some weapons as being meant for the use against humans. Unfortunately, just as fast as the Legislature can add a weapon to the list of illegal weapons, so can a person or manufacturer find a way to rename or vary the weapon to bypass the description and to avoid prosecution. This was seen with the ballistic knife, now being sold as the ballistic baton. The Legislature apparently knew that weapons varied, new ones would be developed, and generic terms might not describe the instrument that was sought to be outlawed. This was evident when they outlawed concealed dirks or daggers. They did not define what exactly constituted the description of a dirk or dagger. It's now been left to the courts to decide, if the questioned instrument is an illegally concealed dirk or dagger. Over the years the courts have argued and have tried to set a standard for the description of a dirk or dagger. It was known that a dirk or dagger was used as an offensive and defensive weapon, but the courts also recognized that an edged instrument might also be a legal tool or cutting device, such as a kitchen knife or a pair of scissors.

Counterfeit Cigarette Smuggling and Related Crimes

This presentation will provide an overview of the illicit trafficking of counterfeit and other forms of illegal cigarettes, and also includes discussions as to organized criminal groups and financial crimes associated with these crimes. Training will be conducted to assist investigators in the identification of both counterfeit and other forms of contraband cigarettes. PM USA is the largest cigarette manufacturer in the United States and Marlboro is its top-selling brand. Learn how counterfeiters and other criminal groups engage in the illegal trade of counterfeit and

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contraband Marlboro. Law enforcement and regulatory agencies have the authority to enforce laws related to contraband cigarette trafficking, and PM USA/Altria Client Services can be a resource to help support enforcement efforts.

Eurasian Organized Crime

This class will provide the attendees with an overview of Eurasian organized crime and trends. It will familiarize the attendees with current trends, up-to-date intelligence, and various crime signs/symbols that law enforcement should be aware of. The class will review past cases, the latest investigative resources, and point of contacts.

Asian Organized Crime in New Jersey

In the past 15 - 20 years, Chinese nationals have traveled from China to the South Pacific Islands to work in U.S. factories. As workers in U.S. territories, they were assigned Social Security Numbers beginning with the digits "586". Upon completion of their employment they returned to China. Then, either by theft or by sale, the worker's social security cards landed in the hands of Chinese or Korean brokers. The cards were sent overseas and sold to Korean and Chinese brokers throughout the US on the black market. These brokers began selling the "586" identities of these Chinese workers knowing the original owners would not be in the United States to claim their identities. Korean newspapers advertised schemes related to the "586" socials as many brokers perfected endless financial schemes that proved extremely lucrative. In the spring of 2008, a triple homicide occurred in Northern New Jersey. One of the victims engaged in the "586" identity theft scheme. The Bergen County Prosecutors Office led the murder investigation and gathered information about the most successful brokers in the Northern New Jersey area. In January 2009, the FBI opened the Golden Brokers case as a cross program Asian Organized Crime/White Collar Fraud investigation.

Evolution of Radical Islam

This class will provide the attendees with an overview of the evolution of Radical Islam. It will familiarize the attendees with current trends, up-to-date intelligence, various terminology, and tactics used by radicals. The class will provide real world experience insight into the terrorist mindset and extremism. From boots on the ground in Afghanistan to the streets in the US, Radical Islam operatives can strike without warning.

Money Laundering / Bulk Cash Smuggling

The National Bulk Cash Smuggling Center (BCSC) is an analytical and tactical intelligence center developed to identify, disrupt, and dismantle criminal organizations engaged in bulk cash smuggling to move their illicit funds. It is a 24/7 operation, co-located with the ICE Law Enforcement Support Center which allows Federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, as well as worldwide partners to have a single, central source of information and support relative to the illegal movement of bulk currency. The center is designed to provide real time intelligence to a law enforcement officer during a roadside motor vehicle stop involving bulk currency. When an officer stops a vehicle and encounters bulk currency, a "trap" or "hide", or other suspicious activity, the officer roadside calls the Bulk Cash Smuggling Center and provides the

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identifying information on the subject and vehicle in question. The information provided is queried through multiple databases, which includes information on most recent border crossings, immigration status, previous seizures or violations, and direct points of contact for investigations related to the subject. All relevant information is provided to the officer while roadside in hopes of utilizing that information in furtherance of a criminal case. All investigative information, post seizure analysis, and coordination would be conducted through the local fusion center. If necessary, the BCSC will contact the local ICE office and request that an ICE agent respond to assist with the seizure or any other operational support.

Asian Gang ID Theft

This class will introduce attendees to the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and the USPIS funded Identity Theft Economic Crimes (ITEC) Task Force and types of fraud schemes they investigate. The presentation will illustrate the relationship between Asian Gangs and Identity Theft. The instructor shall define the elements of the violations and present a case study. The speaker/presenter will discuss the complexity of the case, investigation process and steps taken to arrest the suspect(s) involved.

Korean Criminal Street Gangs

The class shall provide information about the Korean Criminal Street Gangs in Los Angeles and Orange County in California. The class will discuss the different types of Korean gangs which impacts law enforcement agencies in California specifically Los Angeles and Orange County. Investigative steps and skills to identify Korean gangs and associates will be shared. Current information of Korean Criminal Street Gangs operating out of “Korea Town” in Los Angeles and Orange counties will be provided.

Reloadable Prepaid Access Cards

This presentation is designed to familiarize the audience with a major open loop, reloadable prepaid debit card program manager, Green Dot Corporation, and the steps it takes to guard against, identify and report possible money laundering. Green Dot will describe the key AML risk “choke points” it has identified, and the specific actions it is taking to mitigate those risks both for its reloadable card product as well as a primary reload vehicle product, its MoneyPak product. Green Dot also will describe the pending (or published) FinCEN AML regulations governing program managers for prepaid access providers and sellers of prepaid access.

Treasury Executive Office for Asset Forfeiture

This presentation will expose the attendees about what TEOAF and asset forfeiture has to offer local law enforcement in the way of overtime reimbursement, equitable sharing funding that goes directly to their department budget, the allowable uses for equitably shared funds, and how to apply for these funds.

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Terrorism

The US faces a threat from the forces of international and domesticated terror. Law enforcement personnel need to understand terrorism. This course is designed to offer proactive information to help combat the terrorists and their threats. Attendees will be exposed to typical terrorist ideologies, modus operandi, tactics, and trends. Case studies of previous acts of terrorism will be discussed to illustrate lessons learned.

Law Enforcement – Explosive Field Analysis

This presentation will explain how simple readily available items can be turned into home made explosive and detonators by terrorists and organized crime syndicates. It discusses the difficulties in recognizing clues to explosive manufacture in scenarios confronting detectives and law enforcement search teams. The workshop will identify and explain simple and reliable methodology and tools for detection and identification of commercial, military and home-made explosives (HME) using techniques in current use by forensics specialists in post-blast investigations, law enforcement and military groups in attack-the-network (ATK) operations, and by security guards screening personnel, passengers, and vehicles for evidence of explosives.

Wildlife Smuggling and Asian Organized Crime

Wildlife smuggling is a multi-billion dollar business and growing. The illegal wildlife trade has perpetuated due to growing demands for wildlife used as medicinal, food sources, collectors of rare and exotic animals and cultural purposes. This course will highlight some of the notable cases involving the illegal commercialization of wildlife involving Asian organized groups throughout the US and internationally.

Response to Hazardous Devices

This presentation will share information on identifying and the handling of explosives. We shall discuss the setting up of perimeters, evacuations, and the request for paramedics. The injuries caused by explosive cause severe trauma, such types of injuries from Blast Pressure, Shrapnel, Fire, and environmental damage to the surroundings are shared. A review of explosive laws is discussed. Case studies of previous explosive device will be shared.