There is an ongoing concern that those individuals who intend to impair our way of life, through disrupting our economy, or by inflicting physical or psychological suffering, continue to plot against us; anyone can become a victim of their activity. This concern exists not just for international terrorists, but for those that are home grown as well.

With each day, we learn of new tools and tactics these individuals may use in order to advance their plans. They may utilize our personal assets, or assets found within our communities, in order to acquire certain materials, skills, or knowledge necessary to the success of their criminal intentions.

We have the opportunity to identify these individuals before they inflict damage. When they conduct themselves in ways that do not match the usual pattern of activity found within our daily lives, they stand out from others.

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Report Any Suspicious Activity to the New York State Terrorism Tips Hotline at

1-866-SAFE-NYS
1-866-723-3697
ACROSS NEW YORK STATE

1-888-NYC-SAFE
1-888-692-7233
IN NEW YORK CITY

New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services
Office of Counter Terrorism
www.dhsses.ny.gov
Harriman State Office Campus
1220 Washington Avenue
Building 7A
Albany, NY 12242
TERRORIST GROUPS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO...

- Establish cells and operations within the United States.
- Be diverse and encompass members of different cultures.
- Engage in criminal entrepreneurship for funding purposes.
- Counterfeit money for funding purposes ($100 bills and $50 bills are the most common).
- Smuggle and traffic drugs through various means including personal vehicles, tractor trailers, motorcycles, small private planes, small boats, snowmobiles and sleds.
- Engage in illegal liquor and cigarette trade.
- Illegally purchase and trade weapons.
- Utilize the internet to promote their mission, network with those people who believe in their cause, and gain new members.

**Early recognition and reporting of potential terrorist activity is the first line of defense against those who intend to harm the citizens of New York State and its assets.**

HOW YOU CAN HELP PREVENT TERRORISM

Know the Routines. Be alert as you go about your daily business. This will help you to learn the normal routines of your neighborhood, community and workplace. Understanding these routines will help you spot anything out of place.

Be aware of what is going on around you. Whether traveling, at work or at home, be on the lookout for suspicious activities. Learn to spot suspicious mail, packages, luggage abandoned in a crowded place like an office building, an airport, a school, or a shopping center.

Take what you hear seriously. If you hear or know of someone who has bragged or talked about plans to harm citizens in violent attacks or who claims membership in a terrorist organization, take them seriously and report it to law enforcement immediately.

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DESCRIBING SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR

- **WHO** did you observe?
- **WHAT** did you see? Be specific.
- **WHERE** did you see it?
- **WHEN** did you see it?
- **WHY** is it suspicious?

**IF YOU OBSERVE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY**

- **DO NOT** take direct action.
- **DO NOT** confront the individual.
- **DO NOT** reveal your suspicions.
- **DO** record as many details as possible.
- **DO** notify appropriate authorities as soon as possible.

HOW YOU CAN HELP PREVENT TERRORISM

1) **Surveillance:** Recording or monitoring activities, taking pictures, making drawings.

2) **Suspicious Questioning:** Attempts to gain information about operations, staffing, and security.

3) **Tests of Security:** Any attempts to measure reaction times to entering restricted areas.

4) **Funding:** Suspicious transactions involving large cash payments, deposits, withdrawals, or transfers of money; bulk cash smuggling; suspected financial fraud; sale of counterfeit goods; or misleading charities.

5) **Acquiring Supplies:** Obtaining explosives, weapons, uniforms, badges, credentials, etc.

6) **Suspicious Persons Out of Place:** This may include people who are in places they should not be, as well as people who do not fit in to the daily routine of your neighborhood or community.

7) **Dry or Trial Run:** Putting people into position and moving them around without actually committing a terrorist act.

8) **Deploying Assets:** People and supplies getting into position to commit the act.