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FEDERAL

1. Details emerge of Va. Tech rampage (AP, 17 Apr 2007)

BLACKSBURG, VA. - Janitor Gene Cole was cleaning bathrooms on the first floor of Virginia Tech's Norris Hall when a colleague told him there had been a shooting on campus. We have to evacuate, the colleague said. Cole headed for the second floor to look for a co-worker. As he walked down the hall, he saw a shape on the floor — a student, covered in blood, his body jerking. Then, from a door about 20 feet away, the black-clad gunman burst out. Gripping the gun in both hands, the man assumed a police stance and began firing. "He's going to kill me! He's going to kill me!" the 52-year-old Cole screamed as he spun and sprinted down the hall, a half-dozen bullets whizzing by his head.

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http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/2007-04-17-day-of-hell_N.htm

2. FBI Warns of Copycat Attacks (The Wall Street Journal, 16 Apr 2007)

After a school shooting, watch out for copycats. That's the message from the Federal Bureau of Investigation behavioral analyst who wrote the FBI's main assessment of school shootings in the late 1990s. The FBI today recycled the "threat assessment" and a fall interview with the author, Supervisory Special Agent Mary Ellen O'Toole, today after a gunman killed 32 in a spree at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Va. Watch out, she says, because, "We do believe a copycat effect takes place after these events." Her advice: "Be aware of people's moods. Don't depend just on how they answer the question, 'How are you doing?'" Most school shootings are planned, she says, so watch for signs: buying weapons and ammunition, target practice, suicide or other letters. "People who act out violently don't wake up one morning and snap," O'Toole says. "There are clues." But she cautions, "There is no typical school shooter," so all threats

should be taken seriously, and in the end, "There may not be a single thing that can be done to prevent a mission-oriented person from committing an act of violence."

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<http://blogs.wsj.com/washwire/2007/04/16/more-to-come/>

3. NORAD plans capital area alert exercise (UPI, 17 Apr 2007)

The U.S. armed forces are taking steps to ensure that air defenses around the U.S. capital remain at peak readiness. The North American Aerospace Defense Command, or NORAD, announced Monday that its Continental United States NORAD Region, or CONR, will carry out an alert exercise comprised of training flights called Exercise Falcon Virgo 07-07 late Wednesday night through early Thursday morning in the National Capital Region of Washington, D.C. "This exercise comprises a series of training flights held in coordination with the Federal Aviation Administration, the National Capital Region Command Center, the Joint Air Defense Operations Center, Cheyenne Mountain Directorate, CONUS NORAD Region (CONR), Eastern Air Defense Sector, Western Air Defense Sector, Civil Air Patrol and the U.S. Coast Guard Rotary Wing Air Intercept," NORAD said in a statement.

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4. Major preparedness exercise slated for May (US Northern Command, 11 Apr 2007)

The Department of Defense in cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security, the Canadian Department of National Defence (Canada Command) and multiple state and local officials will conduct a major preparedness exercise from April 30 to May 18.

Major events will take place in New England, Indiana, Alaska and adjacent waters and along the Western U.S. – Canadian border.

Ardent Sentry-Northern Edge 07 is a Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (CJCS) directed, U.S. Northern Command (USNORTHCOM) sponsored Homeland Defense (HLD) and Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) exercise.

The Homeland Security Council has designated Ardent Sentry and associated exercises (Northern Edge, Vigilant Guard, 2007 National Hurricane Preparedness Exercise, Blue Flag, Positive Response and Alaska Shield) as a national level exercise for 2007. This exercise will be the largest and most complex exercise undertaken by USNORTHCOM.

The exercise will include a hurricane scenario, the 2007 National Hurricane Preparedness Exercise, in the northeastern United States. Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine and New York as well as the Federal Emergency Management Agency will be involved in the event. Most activity will be centered in the Providence, R.I., area.

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<http://www.northcom.mil/News/2007/041107.html>

5. U.S. citizen charged with plotting terror attacks (AP, 12 Apr 2007)

A federal grand jury indicted a U.S. citizen on charges of joining al-Qaida and conspiring to bomb European tourist resorts and U.S. government facilities and military bases overseas. The investigation of Christopher Paul, 43, of Columbus, spanned four years, three continents and at least eight countries, FBI agent Tim Murphy said Thursday. Paul trained with al-Qaida in the early 1990s, according to the indictment issued Wednesday. It says he told al-Qaida members in Pakistan and Afghanistan that he was dedicated to committing violent jihad.

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<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/18073689/>

6. Panel votes to require agencies to report data mining activities (By Michael Posner, CongressDaily, 13 Apr 2007)

After a six-week delay, the Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday approved legislation to require federal agencies to report to Congress on details of any data mining programs they have to harvest travel or other information that could lead to terrorists. By a voice vote, the panel approved and sent the bill (S. 236) to the Senate. For six weeks, the committee put off action on the measure while staff members wrangled behind closed doors on fine points of the measure. A similar bill (S. 4) that emerged from the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee passed the Senate as part of the so-called 9/11 bill. During hearings, Senate Judiciary Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., said, "We learned that the federal government's use of data mainlining technology has exploded in recent years."

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http://www.govexec.com/story_page.cfm?articleid=36608&dcn=e_gvet

7. Port security 'porous': Senate report (hfxnews.ca, 12 Apr 2007)

A massive operation to search for hundreds of suspected stowaways aboard a Halifax-bound container ship came less than a month after a high-level report critical of port security. The Standing Senate Committee on National Security and Defence issued an update on security issues at Canada's seaports on March 22. The report is critical of security at seaports, including the Port of Halifax. The report questioned why border officers examine only a fraction of inbound cargo and said security forces are ill-prepared and understaffed. The report focused on drug smuggling by organized crime and the threat of terrorist attacks on seaports.

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<http://www.hfxnews.ca/index.cfm?sid=22305&sc=89>

8. TSA indicates port ID system may not be ready by July (By Chris Strohm, CongressDaily, 13 Apr 2007)

A top Homeland Security Department official could not assure lawmakers Thursday that a congressional deadline will be met to begin issuing secure identification cards to U.S. port workers, increasing concerns on Capitol Hill that delays and mismanagement continue to plague the program. The department also does not have an exact estimate for how many port employees will have to get the transportation worker identification credential. Under a major maritime security bill signed into law last fall, the

Transportation Security Administration is required to begin enrolling workers in the TWIC program at the 10 highest risk ports by July 1. "As of today, we do not have even the most basic deployment schedule," Senate Commerce Chairman Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, said during a hearing.

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9. The FBI's terrorism trade-off Focus on national security after 9/11 means that the agency has turned its back on thousands of white-collar crimes (Paul Shukovsky, Tracy Johnson And Daniel Lathrop, Seattle Post-Intelligencer, 11 Apr 2007)

Thousands of white-collar criminals across the country are no longer being prosecuted in federal court -- and, in many cases, not at all -- leaving a trail of frustrated victims and potentially billions of dollars in fraud and theft losses. It is the untold story of the Bush administration's massive restructuring of the FBI after the terrorism attacks of 9/11. Five-and-a-half years later, the White House and the Justice Department have failed to replace at least 2,400 agents transferred to counterterrorism squads, leaving far fewer agents on the trail of identity thieves, con artists, hatemongers and other criminals. Two successive attorneys general have rejected the FBI's pleas for reinforcements behind closed doors.

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http://seattlepi.nwsourc.com/national/311046_fbiterror11.html

10. DHS official pushes launch of new nuclear detectors (By Jon Fox, Global Security Newswire, 13 Apr 2007)

NEW YORK - Heartened by recent test results in Nevada, the director of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office said Wednesday he expects to recommend next-generation nuclear detectors be cleared for deployment in July. The detection office, a division within the Homeland Security Department, is about halfway through a test run of new radiation detection technology at the New York Container Terminal in Staten Island. The equipment scans seagoing containers to detect and identify radioactive material. The detectors have already undergone testing at the Energy Department's Nevada Test Site.

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11. Security officials seek lessons from Iraq's chlorine attacks (By Chris Strohm, CongressDaily, 12 Apr 2007)

Homeland Security Department officials are ramping up their efforts to prevent attacks that involve deadly chemicals, especially because insurgents in Iraq have increased their use of bombs laced with chlorine gas. "We see the use of chlorine gas and perhaps other lethal chemicals being used in attacks in Iraq [by] insurgents over there," Bob Stephan, the Homeland Security Department's assistant secretary for infrastructure protection, told members of the National Infrastructure Advisory Council Tuesday. "We are literally analyzing the living daylight out of these attacks -- the people that are executing them, the agents that are used, the methods that are being used to detonate them and the impacts that they are having," he added. "And we are building lessons learned and case studies as these attacks continue to evolve."

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http://www.govexec.com/story_page.cfm?articleid=36580&dcn=e_gvet

12. The Plague As A Weapon? (Medical News Today, 11 Apr 2007)

The possibility of bubonic plague and pneumonic plague being used as bioterrorism agents is discussed in an article published in *The Lancet*. Professor Mike Prentice, of University College, Cork, Ireland, and Dr Lila Rahalison, of Institut Pasteur, Madagascar, did a comprehensive review of the genetic makeup of the plague, its transmission vectors, and potential use as a biological weapon. They also look at a number of historical outbreaks of the disease, including the Black Death.

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<http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/medicalnews.php?newsid=67390>

13. U.S. Government Notifies Bavarian Nordic of Intent to Acquire 20 Million Doses of IMVAMUNE(R) Smallpox Vaccine (PRNewswire, 16 Apr 2007)

Denmark - While the Principal Terms of the Agreement Have Been Reached, the Contract is Currently Being Finalized. Following a competitive RFP process, Bavarian Nordic has received notification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that it intends to procure 20 million doses of the company's third-generation IMVAMUNE(R) smallpox vaccine for the strategic national stockpile. Under the framework of the contract Bavarian Nordic must register IMVAMUNE(R) for healthy people and extend the license to people who are immune-compromised.

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http://www.earthtimes.org/articles/show/news_press_release.89471.shtml

14. Sniffing Out Danger - TSA Has 15 Highly Trained Dogs On Payroll To Find Bombs, Explosives At Airport (The Journal & Topics Newspapers, 11 Apr 2007)

In an era of increased airport security, the Transportation Safety Administration (TSA) has increasingly employed the use of highly-trained bomb-sniffing dogs at O'Hare International Airport and other transportation hubs around the country. Through the TSA's National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program, there are 15 TSA canine teams, which consist of a dog and a Chicago Police officer, between O'Hare and Midway airports. There are also six assigned to CTA rail lines. The dogs are trained specifically to detect only bombs, not other materials such as drugs, said Lara Uselding, a TSA spokesperson. Each canine team undergoes 10 weeks of intensive training at the TSA Explosives Detection Canine Handler Course at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX.

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<http://www.journal-topics.com/business/07/biz070411.1.html>

15. TSA turns to behavior detection to spot trouble at airports (GovExec.com, 15 Apr 2007)

As her name might suggest, Maureen O'Sullivan is from New York, and she likes cops. And yet, the University of San Francisco psychology professor will be the first to tell you that police officers are not very good judges of whether a person is lying, at least compared to Secret Service agents. O'Sullivan, who is finishing a four-year study on the kinds of people who can accurately tell lies from truth, is one of the many researchers in a

field called behavior detection. It involves reading people's nonverbal cues to make informed guesses about their mental or emotional state. The research she and others have been performing has caught the attention of Transportation Security Administration chief Kip Hawley, who is looking to increase the use of behavior detection as a tool for airport security. In 2003, TSA launched its Screening of Passengers by Observation Technique program, or SPOT, which trains officers to scan airport crowds, looking for body language that could signal malevolent intent. TSA says it will expand the program to the highest risk airports by the end of this year.

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<http://www.govexec.com/features/0407-15/0407-15na1.htm>

16. Canadian Emergency preparedness group calls for plan integration (HazMat Management, 16 Apr 2007)

The Toronto chapter of the Disaster Recovery Information Exchange (DRIE Toronto) plans to begin an in-depth exercise aimed at increasing Toronto's disaster awareness while calling on major industry and public sector officials to work together with the intent of integrating various business continuity plans. The group is calling for a wide-scale Toronto Incident Management Exercise (TIME) to be conducted in the Greater Toronto Area in 2008. TIME will first research large-scale readiness exercises conducted in other jurisdictions, analyzing business, infrastructure, and government interdependencies.

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<http://hazmatmag.com/issues/ISArticle.asp?id=67820&issue=04162007>

17. Britain stops using 'war on terror' phrase - Expression makes militants feel too important, minister says (NBC World Blog, 16 Apr 2007)

LONDON - The British government has stopped using the phrase "war on terror" to refer to the struggle against political and religious violence, according to a Cabinet minister's prepared remarks for a Monday speech. International Development Secretary Hilary Benn, a rising star of the governing Labour Party, says in a speech prepared for delivery in New York that the expression popularized by President Bush after the Sept. 11 attacks strengthens terrorists by making them feel part of a bigger struggle.

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<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/18133506>

STATE AND LOCAL NEWS

18. Threats Rattle Schools in 7 States (AP, 17 Apr 2007)

AUSTIN, Texas - Campus threats forced lock-downs and evacuations at universities and grade schools in seven states on Tuesday, a day after a Virginia Tech student's shooting rampage killed 33 people. One threat in Louisiana directly mentioned the massacre in Virginia, while others were reports of suspicious activity in Texas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, North Dakota, South Dakota and Michigan.

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19. AL: Invisibility and intelligence - Keen eye only part of police sniper's job (Tuscaloosa News, 16 Apr 2007)

TUSCALOOSA - Buford Boone scanned the wood line with his binoculars, and stopped. "There he is," Boone said, directing an instructor to walk to the man hidden from view. He tagged the man with orange surveyor's tape. "What got him was his ghillie suit," Boone said, turning to his students. "Shredded burlap does not exist in the wild." Boone saw what most people couldn't see: A man dressed in very effective camouflage pointing a high-powered rifle at him. "A lot of guys get upset when I find them," Boone said. "They don't realize I've done this 800 times." Boone, a supervisory special agent for the FBI, spent last week training sniper/observers from law enforcement agencies around the state at the Tuscaloosa Police Department's firing range.

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<http://www.tuscaloosanews.com/article/20070416/NEWS/704160321/1007>

20. CA: Officials say Schools can thwart shootings - Local districts learn about preparation at workshop (Sign on San Diego, 13 Apr 2007)

SAN DIEGO – While school shootings are rare, schools must be ready to prevent them, federal officials told about 200 members of law enforcement and educators in San Diego yesterday. "What's important is prevention," Georgeann Rooney, a specialist at the Secret Service's National Threat Assessment Center, told participants. Rooney focused on a 2002 federal study of 37 school shootings and attacks from 1974 to 2000, including the 1999 Columbine High School massacre in Colorado that left 15 dead. Shootings at San Diego County's Santana and Granite Hills high schools happened in 2001 and were not included in the study. While the study said there is no accurate profile of students who engage in targeted violence at schools, it noted that many said they felt bullied, persecuted or injured by others before the attacks. In the Santana High incident, Charles "Andy" Williams complained about being bullied before he went on a shooting rampage at the Santee campus, leaving two dead and 13 wounded.

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<http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/education/20070413-9999-1m13safe.html>

21. CA: Nuclear watchdog says analysis of attack risk insufficient as facility takes step toward opening (Inside Bay Area, 13 Apr 2007)

Federal authorities say the odds of a successful terrorist plot against a new biodefense lab in Livermore are too uncertain and remote to calculate, and that in any event the consequences of an attack or theft at the lab would be manageable. The National Nuclear Security Administration, ordered by a federal appeals court last year to weigh the risks of terrorist acts at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory's new biodefense research lab, reiterated Wednesday many of the same conclusions the agency cited to avoid analyzing terrorist threats in the first place. "NNSA believes the probability of a successful terrorist act at the LLNL BSL-3 Facility is very low, and it is not an event expected during the life of the facility," the agency said in its latest environmental study of the lab. "Intentional malevolent acts, such as terrorist acts, do not lend themselves to the type of probability analysis conducted in (environmental review) documents for accidents."

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http://www.insidebayarea.com/trivalleyherald/localnews/ci_5658959

22. CA: New Security Facility At Port Of Long Beach (The CalTrade Report, 16 Apr 2007)

LONG BEACH – The Port of Long Beach has started construction of a \$20 million Security Command and Control Center, a post-9/11 facility for the port's expanding Security Division and law enforcement partnership. The 25,000-square-foot facility will serve as the communications hub and headquarters for the Port of Long Beach Security Division and Harbor Patrol, and also house security units from the Long Beach Police Department and Port of Los Angeles. The three-story structure will also accommodate the US Coast Guard, US Customs and Border Protection (USCBP), and Marine Exchange during any emergency situation. The new facility is being funded by the Port of Long Beach and the US Department of Homeland Security, which contributed \$8.1 million toward the total cost.

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<http://www.caltradereport.com/eWebPages/page-two-1176816013.html>

23. CO: Re-2 examines safety issues - Report calls for districtwide crisis management system (Post Independent, 16 Apr 2007)

The rapid change and growth in Rifle spurred administration from the Garfield School District Re-2 to request a safety audit of the district in February. The audit covered conditions of existing facility and infrastructure issues, districtwide emergency plans and a better integration of external resources like police and fire department in emergency situations. The district is still awaiting a community assessment from the Public Relations division of the U.S. Department of Justice to address violence in the community and determine if it is an issue.

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<http://www.postindependent.com/article/20070416/VALLEYNEWS/104160018>

24. FL: Technician Held In Theft Of Data On Port Workers (The Tampa Tribune, 13 Apr 2007)

TAMPA - A computer technician at the Port of Tampa is accused of stealing employee information to apply for credit cards online, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement said Thursday. Daniel E. Glenn, 29, of Lakeland is charged with offense against intellectual property to defraud or obtain property, a second-degree felony, FDLE said. He was to be booked into Polk County Jail. He has no criminal record in Florida. Glenn's arrest stemmed from an investigation involving FDLE, the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office and the Port Authority.

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<http://www.tbo.com/news/metro/MGBTN5P0G0F.html>

25. GA: Valdosta State University Prepared for Emergency Situations (VSU, 16 Apr 2007)

VALDOSTA - As the nation watches news coverage of the Virginia Tech shooting, attention is turned to safety and crisis response on campuses everywhere. The administration at Valdosta State University is monitoring the situation and prepared for inquiries regarding this campus's preparedness. VSU has plans and policies in place for

response and management during a crisis, and many important players have participated in continuing education to further prepare for the event of an emergency. The most recent educational opportunity was a week long class titled “Incident Command Systems” held in early March, which was facilitated by the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Office of Domestic Preparedness and International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administration. Hosted at VSU, the class educated administrators and law enforcement personnel on key aspects of crisis management.

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<http://www.valdosta.edu/news/releases/emergency.041607/>

26. HI: Suspect found with forged IDs by TSA screener (The Maui News, 13 Apr 2007)

WAILUKU – The name on the duffel bag read Robert Folsom. But when a federal Transportation Security Administration screener looked through the bag March 29 at Lanai Airport, she found a Hawaii driver’s license with a different name. As she continued to examine the traveler’s belongings, she turned up 43 Hawaii driver’s licenses, each with photos of the same man but with 35 different names, addresses and Social Security numbers, said Deputy Prosecutor John Tam. When Lanai police caught up with the suspect the next morning as he attempted to flee through a bedroom window of a Lanai City residence, they learned his real name is Shane James Deighan, a 33-year-old Honolulu resident with a prior forgery conviction.

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<http://www.mauinews.com/story.aspx?id=29469>

27. IL: Des Plaines man guilty in spy trial (Daily Herald, 16 Apr 2007)

Des Plaines resident Sami Latchin was convicted today on five counts claiming he spied for Iraq as a “sleeper” agent for former dictator Saddam Hussein. Jurors deliberated for about two and a half hours this morning before finding Latchin, 59, guilty on all the charges against him, including unlawfully procuring U.S. citizenship by lying; conspiracy to act as an unregistered agent of Iraq; acting as an unregistered agent of Iraq; making false statements to the FBI; and engaging in unlawful business transactions with Iraq. Latchin was immediately taken into custody after the verdict was read.

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<http://www.dailyherald.com/story.asp?id=302420>

28. IN: Southern Indiana to host homeland defense exercise (The Journal Gazette, 17 Apr 2007)

Southern Indiana will host the first full-scale, live homeland defense preparedness exercise in the country May 10 to 18. The Muscatatuck Urban Training Center in Jennings County will play the role of Indianapolis following a nuclear detonation by a terrorist organization. “That is in my opinion the mother of all incidents,” said Earl Morgan, director of public safety for the city of Indianapolis. “What we can learn can and will become a model for the nation.” He said the nuclear simulation is for the size of a bomb that would level a 2 1/2-square-mile area. The response will be divided – first is an

exercise called Vigilant Guard focusing on the National Guard's role in responding to the disaster.

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<http://www.fortwayne.com/mld/journalgazette/17091064.htm>

29. KS: Federal reviewers to look at Kansas sites for biodefense lab (AP, 14 Apr 2007)

TOPEKA, Kan. — Federal officials will be in Kansas next week evaluating whether locations in Manhattan or Leavenworth would work as future homes for the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility. Seventeen locations in 11 states are vying for the \$450 million high-security laboratory set up to look for and fight potential threats to animal, plant and human health. Homeland security officials said Friday that reviewers would consider several factors in their decision, including whether there was already research in the area, that there was a large work force nearby, the local community supported the lab and whether local governments would share in the costs.

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30. NC: In light of Virginia Tech tragedy, Wake Forest reviews crisis plan, security measures (Wake Forest University News Service, 16 Apr 2007)

In light of the deadly shootings today (April 16) at Virginia Tech, Wake Forest University President Nathan O. Hatch has directed Wake Forest officials to review Wake Forest's own plan for responding to crises and the university's security measures in place to protect the campus community. In addition, officials at the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center have been checking on the status of students, faculty and staff involved with the joint Virginia Tech-Wake Forest University School of Biomedical Engineering and Sciences. Few details about the school were available to Wake Forest officials Monday afternoon, but they were able to verify that none of the school's students based at Wake Forest were on Virginia Tech's Blacksburg campus today. In a letter sent to Virginia Tech President Charles Steger today, Hatch said, "When the unimaginable happens, as it did on your campus today, our collective vulnerability looms large. Because of the special relationships that exist between our two universities—through our biomedical engineering program as well as our ACC competition—this tragedy weighs especially heavily on the hearts of Wake Foresters." Hatch also offered help from Wake Forest, including the services of counseling faculty and staff, some of whom worked in New York after 9/11 and in New Orleans in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

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<http://www.wfu.edu/news/release/2007.04.16.v.php>

31. TX: Officials praise Texas' progress on emergency system (By Kimberly Reeves, for National Journal's Technology Daily, 12 Apr 2007)

AUSTIN, Texas - Gov. Rick Perry on Wednesday touted his state's use of federal homeland security grants to meet the goals of seamless radio interoperability among local and state emergency responders. Joined here by local and federal officials, the Republican governor said those communication capabilities are critical along the Texas-

Mexico border, as well as in emergency situations such as last summer's Panhandle grass fires and the mass evacuations out of Houston during Hurricane Rita. The Texas Radio Coalition, chaired by Austin's Chief Information Officer Peter Collins, has been working with the state's 24 regional government councils over the last year to meet new communication standards.

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32. VA: Airport kiosk mails back prohibited items (Daily Progress, 16 Apr 2007)

With more than 185,000 passengers flying out of Charlottesville-Albemarle Airport each year, it is hardly surprising that more than few forget to empty their pockets of valuable - yet prohibited - items before entering the security gates. In an attempt to help forgetful travelers from having their prized possessions confiscated by TSA officials, the Charlottesville airport has started offering a service to mail home valuables from a kiosk next to its security gate. The kiosk, operated by CheckPoint Mailers Inc. of North Carolina, consists of a bomb-resistant container into which users drop plastic bags filled with their banned items.

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NARCO TRAFFICKING

33. CA: Raids Target South Los Angeles Drug Gang; 22 People Arrested (AP, 12 Apr 2007)

A two-year probe of a violent South Los Angeles street gang culminated Thursday with 22 arrests and seizures of drugs and guns in a series of raids. One neighborhood was evacuated while police used tear gas to drive a suspect out of a home. Those arrested were reputed members and associates of the Neighborhood Crips, authorities said. "They are a very violent street gang," said Susan Raichel of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. "They have been involved in numerous murders, numerous drive-by shootings." "Here you have armed drug dealers," she said. "They're just intimidating the neighborhood to maintain control of their turf."

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<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory?id=3035175>

34. WI: Cocaine tops Fox Valley drug threats (The Northwestern, 11 Apr 2007)

Although marijuana remains the drug of choice among illegal drug users in the Fox Valley area, but the residual impacts of cocaine and pharmaceutical use are more of a concern for law enforcement officials. The Lake Winnebago Area Metropolitan Enforcement Group ranked cocaine, pharmaceuticals and marijuana as the top three drug threats in the area in its annual drug threat assessment. Other drugs listed in the assessment include methamphetamine, heroin and "club drugs" like ecstasy and ketamine.

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35. Smugglers Filling Gap in Meth Lab Crackdown (Washington Post, 12 Apr 2007)

Several of the nation's top law enforcement officials said Thursday that an influx of methamphetamine from Mexico is overshadowing their recent success in curtailing homegrown meth labs and is fueling a crime wave caused by addicts who can stay awake for days. At a daylong conference devoted to the topic, attorneys general from Virginia, Maryland and six other states met to learn about the problem and share strategies for combating methamphetamine use and trafficking.

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CYBERTHREAT & THEFT

36. Owning the keys to the Internet (UPI, 12 Apr 2007)

The U.S. government is pressing ahead with plans to implement a new security regime for the basic architecture of the World Wide Web, despite unease in some corners of the international Internet management community. "This is the U.S. government stepping forward and showing leadership," Douglas Maughan, an official with the Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Directorate, told United Press International. At issue is the long-debated implementation of a new security system governing the Domain Name System, or DNS, the Internet architecture that directs surfers to the sites they want to visit. The DNS translates the familiar www Web page addresses known as URLs into the numerical Internet Protocol, or IP, codes which identify the servers hosting that page.

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37. Agencies' cybersecurity scores on the rise (GovExec.com, 13 Apr 2007)

The federal government's latest cybersecurity report card shows improvement in protecting electronic information, but the Homeland Security and Defense departments still earned dismal marks. The Justice Department jumped from a D last year to an A- on the new assessment, released Thursday by Rep. Tom Davis, R-Va., ranking member of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee. And the Housing and Urban Development Department jumped from a D+ to an A+. Overall, four agencies received an A+ this time, and another seven received a B or better.

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38. Glitch Gives Woman Access To Others' Turbo Tax Information - Flaw Could Lead To Identity Theft (NBC4, 9 Apr 2007)

WASHINGTON - Many people use Turbo Tax to help them file their taxes, but one woman discovered an error in the program that could cost users thousands of dollars and their identities. The woman discovered a key to the backdoor of some tax returns filed online through Turbo Tax. "I knew immediately how big this was," she said. "This is very, very bad." A Turbo Tax customer herself, the woman attempted to access some past filings and the route she took online opened returns for several others with the same last name but different first initials. She was able to access tax returns for Turbo Tax

customers she never met in different parts of the country. On her screen, she found everything needed for electronic filing from bank account to routing digits and Social Security numbers.

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<http://www.nbc4.com/money/11588165/detail.html>

TECHNOLOGY

39. New laser technique promises swift detection of bioterrorism agents (Princeton University, 13 Apr 2007)

A new laser technique allows for instant detection of bioterrorism agents, permitting tests that previously were cumbersome or impossible, according to a report in the April 13 issue of the journal Science. "We do our experiments 'on the fly,' so we can get a [reading] within a tiny fraction of a second," said Marlan Scully, the lead author of the paper. Scully, Distinguished Professor of Physics at Texas A&M University, holds a joint appointment at Princeton University's Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering. In the Science paper, Texas A&M and Princeton researchers report on using lasers to detect anthrax in less than a tenth of a second. "Our procedure can work for monitoring anthrax in the mail, but it can also scan the whole atmosphere," said Scully. Currently, anthrax tests require that suspicious substances be cultured in a lab, a time-consuming process.

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40. Nuke detector at Island port failed U.S. tests - Audits of device being tried here raise doubts about its effectiveness (Staten Island Advance, 12 Apr 2007)

New radiation detectors, now being tested at Staten Island's massive container terminal, are being billed as the next generation in port security that will reduce false alarms and speed commerce with no compromise in the capacity for flagging the ingredients for a dirty bomb. A U.S. official at the New York Container Port, Howland Hook, said yesterday that the tests are going well enough so that the units should be ready for use at all U.S. ports and borders later this year. However, federal audits -- including one released this week -- are raising questions about the effectiveness of the devices. Preliminary tests on the new devices conducted in 2005 showed one version of the system was able to detect highly enriched uranium concealed in cargo containers about 53 percent of the time -- far short of the federal government's goal for a 95-percent performance rate, the audit reports said.

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41. Compatibility dictates rollout of emergency responder, port IDs (By Aliya Sternstein, National Journal's Technology Daily, 13 Apr 2007)

Compatibility issues are dictating the rollout speed of ongoing, large-scale deployments of biometric identification cards for emergency responders and port workers, according to panelists who spoke Thursday at a government credentialing conference. One such "smart card" program coordinated by the Homeland Security Department is intended to

give federal, state, and county public-safety officials -- and recovery personnel -- quick access to government buildings in the event of a terrorist attack or other disaster. The concept was designed in part to eliminate the obstacles that threw off state and local emergency officials responding to the Sept. 11, 2001, attack on the Pentagon.

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42. General Dynamics wins \$5B U.S. deal - Contractor to provide wireless network linking 3 federal departments (Reuters, 17 Apr 2007)

WASHINGTON - General Dynamics Corp. won a contract Tuesday to build a new wireless network linking the Justice, Homeland Security and Treasury departments in a deal valued at around \$5 billion by industry analysts. The contract aims to create a secure communications network that would allow over 80,000 federal agents to transmit data and talk to each other throughout the United States and its territories. General Dynamics the No. 4 U.S. defense contractor beat out No. 1 contractor Lockheed Martin Corp for the highly coveted-contract. The two companies won a contract last June to demonstrate their proposals. Defense contractors like General Dynamics and Lockheed have increasingly moved into information technology and other government service contracts in recent years, hedging their bets against an expected decline in weapons spending in coming years.

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RESOURCES

43. Final Rule Sets Anti-Terrorism Standards for Chemical Facilities Nationwide (ThomasNet Industrial NewsRoom)

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) recently released federal regulations aimed at strengthening the security of chemical facilities nationwide. The final rule, issued April 2, establishes comprehensive risk-based performance standards for the nation's 15,000 chemical facilities, and gives plant operators flexibility in their choice of measures to meet the standards.

Chemical facilities fitting certain profiles will be required to complete a preliminary screening assessment to determine their level of risk. Those identified as high risk will be required to submit vulnerability assessments along with site security plans that address the perceived issues. In particular, the standards target perimeter security, facility access control, chemical theft and sabotage prevention.

The ruling follows a heated debate over proposed draft regulations issued last December that would have overridden state security measures, even in cases where the latter were more stringent. Under the final rule, only state measures that interfere with or hinder the DHS regulations will be pre-empted.

"The safety and security measures that we take need to be tough and balanced," said Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff. "We will significantly reduce

vulnerability at high-consequence chemical facilities, taking into account important efforts in certain states."

The rules go into effect in sixty days. DHS will implement the regulations in phases, focusing first on the facilities that pose the highest security risks. Using a four-tier system, DHS will assess each plant for the type and amount of chemicals present, as well as its proximity to large population centers. In addition, DHS will require all chemical plant workers to undergo a standard background check.

Failure to comply with the regulations could lead to penalties of up to \$25,000 per day, with the most egregious acts of noncompliance resulting in an order to cease operations.

The regulatory program is based on the Risk Analysis and Management for Critical Asset Protection (RAMCAP) Vulnerability Assessment Methodology, a framework developed by ANSI-accredited standards developer the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) as a broad methodology for determining the level of terrorist threat and vulnerability of all critical U.S. infrastructure sectors.

To view the final rule, please visit the DHS website.

OPPORTUNITIES

44. TSA Seeks Ideas on Passenger and Luggage System of Future (Port Security News, 16 Apr 2007)

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) last week issued a request for information (RFI) on the Federal Business Opportunities Web page seeking ideas from private technology on how to build an airline passenger and luggage tracking system of the future. TSA says that it wants to create a continuous system that can monitor passengers and bags during the full extent of their travels. It also wants the ability to continually confirm the identification of every airline passenger and link them to their checked and carry-on baggage at every step of their trip.

TSA spokeswoman Amy Kudwa said: "though TSA is conducting its own in-house research for the future of aviation security, we are also interested in the experience of private industry in similar environments, to determine what practical solutions may exist." The RFI is asking the private sector to suggest potential uses of biometrics, smart cards, radio frequency identification systems, video surveillance, document scanners and various other technologies to build the tracking system. Companies are being asked to draw on their business experiences in environments similar to those in the transportation system when they submit their concepts.

TSA will rate the technical suggestions based on their relevance to TSA's overall mission and its goals for the airport and transportation environments. It will not consider responses as offers that can be accepted by the government in the form of contracts.

45. General Dynamics Information Technology currently recruiting for Senior Military Intelligence Specialists

General Dynamics Information Technology is a top-tier IT integrator that provides information technology, systems engineering and professional services to customers in the defense, intelligence, homeland security, federal civil and commercial sectors. We are currently recruiting for Senior Military Intelligence Specialists for the following opportunities in Suffolk, VA:

Strategic Engagement Specialists: Manage/coordinate virtual concept development and prototype communities of interest. Plan/schedule events, establish agendas, produce briefings and demonstrations. Manage protocols for distinguished visitors.

Concept Developers/Writers: Develop highly advanced concepts to improve/harmonize/redefine current paradigms within the intelligence cycle. Position requires creative thinking, research techniques, and ability to prioritize, develop and present ideas effectively.

Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System (JCIDS) and DOD/IC Planning and Program Analysts: Produce intelligence concept and prototype DOTMLPF/Transformation change packages. Influence Future Resource and Programs of Record through POC, IPOM, MIB, QDR, JROC processes, among others.

Prototype Engineers: Develop and provide rapid prototypes of intelligence concepts and products. Engineer the development of new networks and architectures. Design event specifications, concept design modifications, identify and solve technical requirements pertaining to existing concepts and potential programs.

Intel Planners: Design and develop intelligence systems requirements, intelligence models and simulations support, and intelligence production. Establish MOAs, MOUs, and TTPs for the JICD&E events.

Minimum requirements include a Bachelor's degree (some positions require Master's degree) and at least 10 years experience in the intelligence field. Must possess an active TS/SCI clearance along with strong military intelligence background.

Forward resume to Tom Houston at thomas.houston@gdit.com or contact at 757-548-5500, ext.109.

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46. Agencies launch air traffic training for disabled veterans (GovExec.com, 12 Apr 2007)

Disabled veterans now are eligible for on-the-job training to become air traffic controllers or equipment repair technicians, the Federal Aviation Administration announced Tuesday. The program -- a joint effort by FAA and the Veterans Affairs Department -- enables eligible veterans to train for air traffic control and airway transportation systems

specialist positions. Participants also can take advantage of the VA vocational rehabilitation program, which provides counseling, independent living services and more to help disabled veterans move from military service to other suitable jobs. "America is indeed the land of opportunity, and we as a nation are compelled to give our veterans with disabilities every chance to prosper," said FAA Administrator Marion Blakey, in a statement. "These heroes deserve no less."

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47. AZ: County's bioterrorism attack drill needs volunteers for 'victims' (East Valley Tribune, 16 Apr 2007)

Hundreds of anthrax "victims" will line up to receive antibiotics at Cactus Shadows High School in north Scottsdale next month. Or they'll pretend to, at least — assuming enough volunteers sign up. The Maricopa County Department of Public Health Emergency Management is looking for at least 425 volunteers to help with the May 19 drill, which, including training and debriefing, is scheduled to last from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.. It's the first time the department of health will practice dispensing medications from a high school, a model it hopes to replicate at 100 sites around the county in the event of an actual bioterrorist attack, said Robert French, medical specialist with the department.

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<http://www.eastvalleytribune.com/story/87899>

48. TN: Classes will open eyes to terror threat - Assessment, response get emphasis for DeSoto officials (Commercial Appeal, 17 Apr 2007)

Managers and supervisors in public safety, public health, emergency management and governmental administration will participate in two Homeland Security classes on risks and threat assessment. "The classes are designed to take the rose-colored glasses off of some of our people and show them the real potential for a terrorist attack or incident," said Tim Curtis, deputy director of emergency management for DeSoto County government. The classes will be held at Fire Station 2 in Hernando May 15-17 and May 22-23.

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EVENTS

49. OK: Counterterrorism Meeting Planned For Oklahoma City (AP, 16 Apr 2007)

OKLAHOMA CITY - The delicate balance between fighting terrorism and maintaining the personal freedoms to which Americans are accustomed will be among the issues discussed Friday at a counterterrorism symposium scheduled in Oklahoma City. U.S. Attorney John Richter, the top federal prosecutor for the Western District of Oklahoma, will be the keynote speaker at the symposium titled "Congress' New -- and Future -- Law of Counterterrorism: Legislating Military Commissions, the Powers of Surveillance and the Role of the Courts in America's War on Terrorism." The event will be held at the Memorial Institute for the Prevention of Terrorism.

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<http://www.kotv.com/news/local/story/?id=125226>

50. PA: Wardens gather in Pittsburgh for training conference (Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, 11 Apr 2007)

Pittsburgh is playing host to prison wardens from throughout Pennsylvania and the nation, through Saturday. A three-day conference on corrections, at the Westin Hotel and Conference Center, is attracting members from the Pennsylvania Prison Wardens Association and the North American Association of Prison Wardens and Superintendents, county officials said today. While here, the prison administrators will spend time in training sessions and discuss intelligence operations. A day-long discussion will focus on prison radicalization - that is, whether prisons are being used to breed terrorists. Seventy-three exhibitors will display security hardware and technological items.

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http://www.pittsburghlive.com/x/pittsburghtrib/news/cityregion/s_502197.html

FULL REPORTS

51. Mission: Impossible? The Federal Bureau of Investigation is battling to transform itself in an age of technology and terrorism. It may be the toughest, most important change effort of our time (Fast Company, March 2007)

After Zalmay Azmi joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation as its chief information officer in 2004, he was understandably shocked to learn that the organization didn't have a centralized budget for information technology. That explained why he, the top technology officer for one of the world's best-known crime-fighting organizations, oversaw annual expenditures of exactly \$5,800. But that wasn't the half of it. Azmi's office is on the seventh floor of the J. Edgar Hoover Building in Washington, DC, the legendary concrete edifice that houses FBI headquarters. Half his space is outfitted with the standard appointments of an executive's workspace--an expansive wooden desk, bookshelves, plaques. The other half, however, is plastered with oversized charts packed with marker-scrawled graphics and workflow arrows. It has the unbuttoned, organic look of a rescue effort in progress--which is precisely what it is. More than five years after the 9/11 attacks spurred a top-to-bottom redesign of its mission and culture, the FBI is still battling to change itself--to adapt to the 21st-century world of technology and terrorism. It's not just a matter of installing computers, which in any case has proven far from simple. The FBI must address the way its people are hired, managed, and trained. It has to fix the way they communicate and the way decisions are made. It has to remedy a balky, hierarchical structure that sometimes thwarts local action. That is, the FBI must change nearly everything about itself. It could be among the most difficult organizational reinventions of our time. It's certainly among the most important: At stake is not quarterly profits and stock price, but the safety and security of America.

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<http://www.fastcompany.com/magazine/114/features-mission-impossible.html>

52. Internal Security for the FBI (Family Security Matters, By Jim Kouri, CPP, 12 Apr 2007)

Internal security is vital to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's efforts to protect the United States. As the agency responsible for counterintelligence, counter-terrorism, cyber, and major criminal investigations, the FBI is a high-priority target for virtually every hostile and many otherwise friendly intelligence services, terrorist organizations, criminal groups, and individuals with grievances against the US Government. The nature of the threat posed by these various groups and individuals is a function of their intent, and thus varies with the particular agenda of each. Criminal groups, for example, benefit from knowing specifics of ongoing investigations. Timely knowledge of who is under investigation, which communication lines are under surveillance, or who is providing information to the government can effectively cripple an ongoing case. Because of its high visibility as a well-known element of the US Government, many terrorist groups view the FBI as a desirable target for attack. Because of these threats, the director of the FBI took immediate action to consolidate and centralize management of security programs by placing responsibility and authority for all such programs under its relatively new security division.

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<http://www.familysecuritymatters.org/homeland.php?id=886511>

53. United States Mourns Shooting Deaths at Virginia Tech (By Stephen Kaufman, USINFO Staff Writer, 17 Apr 2007)

Washington - The shooting deaths of at least 30 individuals at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) April 16 was the worst such incident in U.S. history, causing grief and evoking expressions of condolence from across the country, as well as around the world.

State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said April 17 that the incident was “a terrible tragedy ... the likes of which we have not seen in this country ever before.”

Across the United States, flags were flown at half-staff as a sign of mourning, and President Bush joined university and Virginia state leaders at a convocation held on the university's campus, located in the city of Blacksburg, Virginia.

In remarks April 16, shortly after the shootings, President Bush said educational institutions "should be places of safety and sanctuary and learning.”

“When that sanctuary is violated, the impact is felt in every American classroom and every American community," Bush said.

Virginia Tech's president, Charles Steger, told the U.S. television network ABC April 17 that the university and its local community are in “a state of shock.”

“We are focusing on, one, trying to get a complete investigation and, secondly, trying to work with the families of the students who've been lost,” Steger said.

Virginia Tech, which is a Virginia state university, has 26,370 students, of which 457 are international students, according to the school's official Web site.

McCormack said he expects the United States to remain a popular destination for foreign students despite the tragedy. "It is a good environment for students to explore boundaries of knowledge [and] contribute to a body of knowledge in their given area of study."

McCormack assured prospective students and scholars that university, as well as local, state and federal officials, "do everything that they believe is prudent, everything that they can to ensure that the students are able to study and thrive in a safe environment."

He said the events in Blacksburg were unique and that he expects foreign students will continue to study in the United States.

McCormack would not comment on whether any overseas students or faculty had been victims of the attack, deferring to Virginia Tech or law enforcement officials who are leading the investigation to make any official announcements on the tragedy and those involved.

A State Department official who asked not to be identified said the American people have been "deeply moved" by international expressions of sympathy and said the American people "grieve at the loss to the world in lives and potential."

The official added that international students and scholars "are valued members of our higher education communities in the United States" and that those involved in international exchange programs "work to ensure the safety and well-being of all students and employees, both international and American."

According to the official, during the 2006 fiscal year, the United States issued nearly 274,000 F visas, used for academic students, and more than 300,000 J visas, which are used for both exchange visitors and students.

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54. Radiation Detection Testing Underway at Two Foreign Sea Ports (NNSA Public Affairs, 11 Apr 2007)

The departments of Homeland Security (DHS) and Energy (DOE) announced today that operational testing is underway in Honduras and Pakistan to strengthen global supply chain security by scanning shipping containers for nuclear or radiological materials before they are allowed to depart for the United States. The tests represent the initial phase of the Secure Freight Initiative announced Dec. 7, 2006, which involves the deployment of nuclear detection devices to six foreign ports.

"Terrorists and criminals use global shipping networks, and we are deploying multiple layers of advanced technology to counter their tactics," said Homeland Security Deputy Secretary Michael Jackson. "Secure Freight creates a global nuclear detection network with shippers, carriers and foreign allies, to head off the worst possible form of attack, a

nuclear or dirty bomb on our soil. We are deeply grateful to the governments of Honduras and Pakistan, as well as our other Secure Freight Initiative partners, for their strong leadership on this effort.”

“As we continue our partnership with DHS and our international allies, we continue to strengthen our national security. It is through this important work at foreign ports that we improve the overall security of the global maritime shipping network and hinder terrorists from smuggling in a nuclear device or dangerous material into a U.S. port,” said Thomas D'Agostino, DOE National Nuclear Security Administration acting head. “By teaming up with DHS in this important effort, NNSA is helping to bring our extensive overseas nuclear security and detection expertise to strengthen a key layer of our national defense.”

Secure Freight Initiative testing in Puerto Cortes, Honduras, started on April 2, 2007. Tests in Port Qasim, Pakistan, the first port to participate in Secure Freight Initiative, began in March of this year. Four other Secure Freight Initiative ports are expected to initiate tests this year. They are: Southampton in the United Kingdom; Salalah in Oman; Port of Singapore; and the Gamman Terminal at Port Busan in Korea.

Data gathered from overseas scanning of U.S. bound containers will be transmitted in near real-time to U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officers working in overseas ports and to the National Targeting Center. The data will be combined with other risk assessment information to improve analysis, targeting and scrutiny of high-risk containers. All alarms from radiation detection equipment will be resolved locally, and protocols are being developed with host governments that may include instructing carriers not to load a container until the risk is fully resolved.

DHS and DOE, through its National Nuclear Security Administration, will contribute roughly \$60 million to the Secure Freight Initiative for the installation of radiation detection devices and communications infrastructure that transmit data back to the United States. DOE will invest approximately \$4 million in Puerto Cortes for detection devices and an integrated communications system that links new assets with existing equipment.

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