



# Intelligence Officers Roles and Responsibilities

U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Intelligence Officers (IOs) are deployed across the nation to apply their intelligence skills at a local level, in collaboration with state, local, tribal, territorial and private sector (SLTTP) partners and the DHS Intelligence Enterprise (IE), to promote information sharing and assist the implementation and execution of the intelligence cycle. They are charged with the following:

- ◀ Provide national-level intelligence support to the National Network of Fusion Centers and other appropriate federal and SLTTP partners through assignments within designated fusion centers. The IOs serve as the DHS interface among fusion centers, DHS, and the Intelligence Community (as defined in 50 U.S.C. 401a) to facilitate intelligence and information sharing consistent with the law.
- ◀ Facilitate the management and implementation of the intelligence cycle in accordance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and authorities, and facilitate the identification and prevention of threats within the scope of DHS's authority, as defined generally by the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended, and Executive Order 12333, as amended.
- ◀ Support fusion center efforts to develop, implement, and execute Critical Operational Capabilities and Enabling Capabilities necessary to effectively execute the intelligence cycle. Facilitate DHS efforts to manage, track, and monitor fusion center execution of these capabilities via the annual assessment process.
- ◀ Facilitate fusion center engagement with federal and SLTTP partners in assigned areas of responsibility (AOR) to coordinate intelligence-related efforts and share information. Represent DHS/DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) in intelligence and information sharing engagements with key SLTTP officials, such as Governors, Mayors, and Homeland Security Advisors (HSAs), as well as federal entities, including JTTFs, FIGs, HIDTAs, RISS Centers, Domestic DNI Program, and other DHS field offices and their deployed personnel.
- ◀ Serve as the lead I&A representative and team lead for I&A personnel in their assigned area of responsibility, ensuring that efforts are coordinated and personnel comply with I&A policies and guidelines.

Intelligence Officers also perform many of the functions assigned to I&A by the *Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007*, including, but not limited to:

- ◀ Assist fusion centers and SLTTP partners in sharing intelligence and information to develop a comprehensive threat picture.
- ◀ Review relevant homeland security information from SLTTP partners to ensure appropriate sharing of that information to the Intelligence Community.
- ◀ Provide guidance for the production and dissemination of intelligence and information products to SLTTP partners, other fusion centers, and the federal government.
- ◀ Facilitate fusion center access to training, technical assistance, and exercises to regularly assess capabilities.
- ◀ Assist in the identification and reporting of all threats and hazards to homeland security, consistent with DHS authorities and mission.
- ◀ Facilitate access to specialized subject-matter expertise resident within both DHS and the Intelligence Community.
- ◀ Carry out such other duties as directed by the Secretary of Homeland Security.