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Hi (b) (6),

Thank you, again, for your willingness to serve as the point of contact at the Northern California Regional Intelligence Center. Hopefully our conference call answered whatever questions you may have had about the goals of the study, and the overall study design. We've prepared a number of documents, which I've attached, to assist with site visit management and recruitment. These include the one page study introduction, a notional site visit agenda, and types of functional areas that we think are important to include in the focus groups and in-depth interviews.

As we mentioned, we are looking to conduct focus groups and interviews with two groups: those personnel internal to the fusion center and local law enforcement officers external to the fusion center. For interviews, we think it is important to speak with those individuals who can provide a higher level perspective of what is needed in terms of information and training on violent extremism. For focus groups, we really would like to get the perspectives of those who have participated in the trainings or receive and develop information about violent extremism. We recognize that in some locations there may have been few or no opportunities to receive training on CVE, and we anticipate moderating a focus group where only a few participants (or no participants) may have received specific CVE-related training. The number of in-depth interviews will vary from site to site, depending on the size of the fusion center. The attached document, "Types of Functional Areas for Fusion Centers," should provide some guidance on determining possible participants for the study.

We're prepared to recruit participants both for interviews and focus groups, though given your position at the center, we thought it would be helpful if you could provide a list of individuals at the center with whom you think it would be important to speak. If you think it appropriate, we are more than prepared to reach out to these individuals and set up times to speak with them. Please let us know what your preferences are in terms of recruitment, as we certainly do not want to add to your already busy work schedule.

I know in our call you mentioned a conference room in the fusion center where we could conduct in-depth interviews. Since we held our pilot focus group in a conference room at a fusion center, we would be more than happy to hold the focus group there as well, space permitting. If the conference room is not large enough, there are a number of focus group facilities in the Bay area where we could hold the focus group.

In terms of recruitment for the local law enforcement, we would find it useful to have a list of points of contact in the local law enforcement agencies, as well as an introduction from you. Currently, we had thought to include the Oakland Police Department, the Alameda County Sheriff's Department,

and the San Francisco Police Department, with about three participants from each agency. If you think it important to include other front line officers from different LE agencies, please let us know.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for your help and we look forward to working with you on the study.

Best wishes,

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