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Dear (b) (6)

We are only two weeks away from the 2015 START Symposium, scheduled to take place on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 4:30 pm at the W Hotel in Washington, DC (515 15<sup>th</sup> St. NW).

The tentative agenda is as follows:

**8:00 – 9:00 am:** Registration, Introductions & Continental Breakfast

**9:00 – 9:15 am:** Welcome, DHS representative

**9:15 – 9:45 am:** Keynote address, Dr. Gary LaFree

**9:45 – 10:30 am:** Panel Discussion, Counterterrorism

- New Survey Methods Tracking Attitudes within American Subcultures, Dr. Sophia Moskalenko
- Comparing Failed, Foiled, Completed and Successful Terrorist Attacks, Dr. Martha Crenshaw
- Dynamics of Terrorism and Counterterrorism, Dr. Joseph Young

**10:45-2:30 pm:** Networking Stations

- Training in Risk and Crisis Communication (TRACC)
- Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) and Radicalization
- Unconventional Weapons and Technology (UWT)
- Training and Education
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Big, Allied and Dangerous (BAAD), a dataset on terrorist organizations over time
- The ICONS Project
- Terrorism and Extremist Violence in the United States (TEVUS) database
- Global Terrorism Database (GTD)
- Comparing Failed, Foiled, Completed and Successful Terrorist Attacks

**2:30-3:15 pm:** Panel Discussion, Extremist Organizations

- An Assessment of Boko Haram: Strengths, Vulnerabilities and Policy Options, Dr. Amy Pate
- ISIL: Branding, Leadership Culture and Lethal Attraction, Dr. Gina Ligon
- Emerging Technologies in Extremist Organizations, Dr. Gary Ackerman

**3:15-3:30 pm:** Break

**3:30-4:15 pm:** Panel Discussion, Individual Radicalization

- Profiles of Individual Radicalization in the United States (PIRUS), Dr. Gary LaFree
- Psychology of Terrorism and Terrorism Motivations, Dr. Anthony Lemieux
- Childhood Trauma and Adolescent Misconduct as Precursors to Violent Extremism, Dr. Peter Simi
- Deradicalization of Extremists, Dr. David Webber

**4:30 pm:** Closing Remarks

Refreshments and snacks will be served throughout the day, and the hotel is a short walk from the Metro Center (red line) and McPherson Sq. (orange, blue and silver lines) metro stops.

As always, thank you for your support of START and we look forward to seeing you next month!

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