

Customs and Border Protection ask that you immediately report any potential terrorist related concerns to the appropriate law enforcement entities. U.S. Customs and Border Protection

(CBP) contact information is as follows:

- CBP 24 hr. notification for suspicious activity - (202)927-0425
- CBP / C-TPAT Headquarters Office - (202) 344-1180

As was recently stated by The Department of Homeland Security, credible reporting now indicates that Al Qaida is moving forward with plans to carry out a large-scale attack in the United States in an effort to disrupt our democratic process. Although we lack precise knowledge about time, place and method of the attack, the information is serious and credible.

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Periodically, government operations at the federal, state, and local levels may be adjusted to meet and address new terrorist threat conditions. In order to minimize the potential impact of these activities on your business operations, and to assist government efforts, we remind all C-TPAT participants to be diligent in the following areas:

- Ensure the accuracy, and timely submission, of all manifest information submitted to CBP for the review and clearance of cargo prior to arrival.
- Ensure the accuracy, and timely submission, of all entry documents submitted to CBP for clearance and release.
- Work closely with all partners throughout your supply chain (e.g. foreign shippers, carriers, forwarders, etc.) to ensure adherence to C-TPAT security procedures pertaining to the packing, loading, and sealing of all cargoes, containers, and/or conveyances.
- Communicate with foreign manufacturers and vendors to increase security awareness, diligence, and information sharing on critical operations in your key export areas that may be at risk for terrorist activity.
- Work closely with brokers, agents, and other service providers to report any anomalies in the movement of goods to the U.S.
- Be especially vigilant in screening any potential customers that request transportation and/or any other services involving unusual payment and/or delivery instructions.
- Communicate with foreign vendors, suppliers, and supply chain business partners to note any undue delays or unusual occurrences involving the movement of goods.

- Be mindful of U.S. State Department country alerts. These alerts are located on the U.S. State Department's web site under Travel and Living Abroad ? "Travel Warnings and Consular Information Sheets."

Thank you for your continued diligence and on-going support of C-TPAT.