



TERRORISM MITIGATION

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Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Regional Municipality of Peel Police Services Board that the requirements set out in this document shall form part of the Board Policies and the Chief of Police is hereby directed to comply with these requirements in his/her administration and operation of the Peel Regional Police.

1. Subject

The guiding principles under which the Chief of Police is to establish procedures and processes with respect to terrorism mitigation.

2. Specific Definitions

“**mitigation**” – actions that prevent or reduce the impact of a terrorist threat or incident;

“**Provincial Counter-Terrorism Plan**” – released in 2003, the plan enhances Ontario’s ability to respond to terrorist incidents or threats through a coordinated and integrated action plan that includes partnerships with federal, provincial and local governments, the justice sector, law enforcement agencies, public safety agencies and international law enforcement;

“**Security Offences Act (SOA)**” – federal legislation that addresses police jurisdiction with respect to an offence under any law of Canada that constitutes a threat to the security of Canada and/or in which the victim of the offence is an ‘internationally protected person’;

“**terrorism**” – a criminal act that poses a threat to local, provincial, national or multi-national security.

3. Policy Requirements

It is the policy of the Board with respect to terrorism mitigation that the Chief of Police will:

- a. Ensure complete compliance with legislative and constitutional requirements, and recognized legal principles;
- b. Ensure members act with full respect for human dignity and according to professional standards of skill, integrity and accountability;
- c. Maintain both officer and public safety as a priority;
- d. Ensure members are provided with general information and resource material on terrorism with the goal of increasing awareness including definitions that can be found in federal legislation as outlined in the *Provincial Counter-Terrorism Plan*;
- e. Develop and maintain procedures that are consistent with the most recent version of the *Provincial Counter-Terrorism Plan*;
- f. Establish priorities and procedures for terrorism mitigation that address the collection, collation, analysis, evaluation and dissemination of intelligence or any other threat information;
- g. Ensure the ongoing identification, evaluation and assessment of potential targets with the goal of reducing the risk of a terrorist incident or minimizing its impact;

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- h. Establish policies and procedures with respect to the conduct of multi-jurisdictional investigations, intelligence programs and equipment;
 - i. Work in partnership with other first responders to develop and implement community awareness strategies using strategic public education and communication tools.

4. Measurement Methods

The Chief of Police shall conduct ongoing statistical analysis, monitoring, qualitative and quantitative review of all intelligence and threat information, in compliance with the *Provincial Counter Terrorism Plan*.

5. Reporting

The Chief of Police shall report to the Board those circumstances where terrorism mitigation has resulted in an “exceptional” circumstance, or a circumstance which may be detrimental to the community and/or police service; and/or has significant issues of potential liability to the Board and the police service.

As part of a separate Annual Report on Adequacy Regulation, the Chief of Police shall report on compliance with this of the policy.

6. Authority/Legislative Reference

Ontario Regulation 03/99, Section 28 and 29
Provincial Counter-Terrorism Plan
Criminal Code of Canada, Part IV Section 83.3
CISO Intelligence Unit Manual
Anti- Terrorism Act
The Security Offences Act
Intelligence Service Subsidiary Manual
Intelligence Services Information
Financial Transactions and Report Analysis Centre of Canada (FINTRAC)
Board Minute #91/03
Board Minute #18/09
Board Minute #75/13

7. Linkage to Appropriate Police Service Procedure/Directive

I-B-141(F) Witness Assistance and Relocation Program
I-B-148(F) Ride A Long Program
I-B-403(F) Intelligence Services Technical Support
I-B-722(F) Criminal Investigations
I-B-726(F) Fraud Investigations
I-A-403(F) Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC)
I-B-710 (F) Victim and Witness Assistance
Major Incident Manual