

HAZARD INCIDENT
ANNEX
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TERRORIST ACT

Primary Agency: Royal Virgin Islands Police Force

Support Agencies: Department of Disaster Management
VI Fire and Rescue Service
BVI Health Services Authority
Governor's Office
Public Works Department
BVI Red Cross
Government Information Service
Others as needed

Coordinator: Commissioner of Police

General Information:

A terrorist act in the VI is unlikely. However, in today's world no place can be considered immune to the possibility of a terrorist act. A terrorist act can come in many different forms and may incorporate other plans such as bomb threat or hazardous materials.

A National level Terrorist Response Plan (SP-19) has been written and will provide some Information.

Concept of Operations:

Organize responders and resources. Prioritize assignments by greatest needs and best outcome. Minimize loss of life and injuries. Minimize impact to community. Minimize loss of property. Restore area to normalcy. Establishing the ICS early is essential to provide organization and chain of command. A complete damage assessment must be done to determine the resources that will be needed and prioritize assignments. Request and coordination of external assistance should be done early on. Planning for a long term event should start as soon as practicable.

Organization:

Unless the NEOC is activated, the Royal Virgin Islands Police Force will provide the Incident Commander and Operations Chief. An Alert Level 2 and Response Level 2 or greater (See BP 5.2) should be confirmed. DDM will provide support for incident needs. All other support agencies shall function under the ICS structure established by the IC. Activate the NEOC (RF-3, SP-14). General Roles and Responsibilities are covered in BP 7.0.

Actions:

At any disaster, situations will arise that require actions be taken. It is impossible to identify and list all of these actions. The following are actions that have been identified over time and experience. Some were lessons learned, while others are the result of progressive thinking. An effort has been made to organize the actions in an order of importance or reasonable steps to be taken. This does not imply that they must be done in the order listed. In each phase of operations, efforts must be made to identify additional actions that may be required. There will also be the unforeseen situation that will require action by responders. Not all actions will fall on the primary agency to perform. However, the primary agency should coordinate with support agencies to ensure that actions are being addressed. There may be written plans or procedures for some situations that arise, if so, then these plans or procedures should be carefully reviewed for guidance.

Pre-Incident:

- Develop/review plans or guidelines for dealing with specific event (BP 4.1.5, 4.3).
- Develop/review agreements with external resources (BP 12.5).
- Specialized training of personnel for dealing with specific event (BP 4.1.1, 4.1.2, 4.3).
- Develop specialized teams for dealing with specific event (BP 4.1.2, 4.3).
- Procure equipment for dealing with specific event (BP 4.1.2, 4.1.4).
- Department exercises for dealing with specific event (BP 4.1.6).
- Exercises with support agencies for dealing with specific event (BP 4.1.6).
- Maintain resource management (BP 4.1.4)
- Monitoring and surveillance (BP 5.1)

Incident:

- Complete threat assessment and impact assessment as needed (RF-5, SP-2)
- Activate any relevant internal plans, guides or teams (SP-19)
- Activate Terrorist Response Plan SP-19
- Notify DDM and support agencies
- Establish ICS (RF-1)
- Active NEOC as needed (RF-3, SP-14)
- Active warning system as needed (SF-4)
- Maintain responders safety
- Maintain Community safety
- Consider possibility of second threat or device
- Address Law and Order and security as needed (RF-6)
- Assure crowd and traffic control (RF-6)
- Complete evacuation assessment and evacuate as needed (RF-4, SP-7, SP-8)
- Assess shelter needs and active shelters as needed (SP-6)

- Request and coordinate external assistance as needed (SF-2)
- Follow standard procedures for dealing with type of threat
- Complete damage assessment (if needed) and prioritize needs (RF-5, SP-2)
- Assign search and rescue duties as needed (RF-7, SP-18)
- Assign mass casualty management and emergency care as needed (RF-2, SP-11)
- Coordinate information dissemination (SF-15, SP-5, SP-16)
- Continue resource and personnel management
- Complete needed documentation (BP 4.1.10, SP-14)

Post-Incident:

- Complete Investigation
- Conduct a debriefing
- Complete Documentation (BP 4.1.10, SP-14)
- Conduct an Incident Review
- Complete After Action Reports (BP 4.1.10)
- Pursue Law Enforcement against criminal action