

The American Center For **Combating Extremism And Terrorism**

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THE AMERICAN CENTER FOR COMBATING EXTREMISM AND TERRORISM (The Center) is established out of the necessity to better protect American's safety and security, American national and international interests, and the American way of life, by doing a much better job to identify, target and destroy terrorist threats.

The mission of The Center is to diminish the capacity of the extremist and terrorist groups such as Al Qaida, ISIS to recruit, mobilize, regroup and re- emerge as new and even more dangerous terrorist groups. Since the attacks of September 11th, despite international focus, terror groups have been able to re-emerge as stronger, more organized and better equipped. While counterterrorism operations, led by the United States have degraded terrorists operational capabilities, more needs to be done to diminish their ability to recruit and radicalize youth Attacks in London, Vienna and Paris, are a testimony that operational surveillance is insufficient to prevent mass-scale terror attacks that harm civilians and seriously disrupt public life.

ABOUT US

The direct cost of the September 11 attack was the loss of 2.996 innocent lives. The United States is estimated to have incurred tens of billions of dollars in direct economic losses due to the terrorist attacks and the terror threats over the years. In addition, the US is estimated to have lost tens of billions of dollars due to fluctuations on financial markets as a result of terrorist attacks and terror threats, and the disruptions in US companies' ability to doing business overseas. US alone now spends about billions annually on departments directly engaged in combating or preventing the benefit of American people and American businesses.



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III. Research on Extremist and Terrorist Groups in Europe and Middle Eastm

The Center supports comprehensive research on understanding the methods and tactics used by extremist groups to attract new recruits to their ranks. The research is also aimed at understanding organizational structures, hierarchy, communication plans, channels and interconnectivity, and the (mis)use of cyberspace by various extremist and terrorist groups. Center's research is aimed at building effective training programs and counter-messaging strategies for preventing terrorist groups from exploiting current advanced technological tools and platforms to recruit and mobilize online. The Center's research is aimed at using modern social nedia tools and platforms to counter and combat terrorist and extremist groups messaging and ideology.

IV. Building Social Cohesion and Trust in Democratic Governing Systems

A key element of radicalizing youth is their lack of trust in existing governing institutions. The Center supports efforts to create strategic public engagement plans with youth that arevulnerable to radicalization, and build youth's confidence and trust in democratically elected institutions.

Through these programs, Center empowers and enables government"s capacities to engage media, civil society, private sector, youth groups and organizations,



modern clerics, youth that are vulnerable to radicalization, to prevent and counter terrorism and extremism. This flagship program is aimed to provide avenues for youth to engage in political processes and instill feelings of self-worth and relevance among youth, which are essential to combating extremism and terrorism.

V.Reeducation and Deradicalization

Members of extremist groups who have been captured and incarcerated have demonstrated an ability to radicalize and recruit from the general population in those facilities and their communities. The Center understands the need to develop effective programs to de-radicalize, reeducate and monitor imprisoned terrorist fighters and those influenced by extremist ideologies. The program would focus on including familial and community is then used to counter and combat extremist and terrorist ideology. The effectiveness of reeducating and deradicalizing youth is at the heart of the ability to disrupt, diminish and destroy extremist and terrorist groups "ability to recruit and mobilize.

OUR APPROACH

the values of freedoms, liberties, dignity and integrity.

OUR GOALS

Defeat the extremis and terrorist groups' ability to spread and impose ideology; **Disrupt** their ability to reach out to new recruits; groups.

OUR ACTIVITIES

I. Advancing International Strategies on Combating Terrorism and Extremism Over the past two decades, terrorist groups have been successful in diversifying their tactics, networking across countries and continents, and moving operatives and assets across borders. Al Qaida continues to control active and sleeper cells and ISIS went as far as to establish an Ilslamic State" spreading geographically across Syria and Iraq. The Center will support democratic governments and security agencies to build their capacities to understand, mitigate and counter such advancements of tactics.

The mission of the Center is to help democratic governments advance their strategies to meet the ever-evolving threat of terrorism. It has become apparent that kinetic operations by security services alone are insufficient to counter extremism and terrorism through their existing standard operating procedures. The Center will support strategies that are based on combined power of the intelligence and security agencies, democratically elected government, local levels of governing institutions, civil society, youth groups, political parties, media, and the private sector, to enhance and improve national strategies and capabilities that identify and combat terrorist and extremist groups and thwart terror threats before they emerge.

II. Training and Building Capacities of International Security Agencies on Combating Extremism and Terrorism

The Center trains security agencies on combating extremism and terrorism and ensures inter-agency and international coordination and effective share of knowledge, skills, successful techniques, tactics and experiences and further build capacities to coordinate and cooperate, and improve their national preparedness and prevention capabilities. Center's work is based on building strong partnerships that enhance and improve counter-terrorism capabilities and efforts. Through training and capacity building, The Center works with international partners to reduce the recruitment and operational environment of today's terrorists and develop strategies to prevent the rise of future terrorists. Our training is aimed at identifying gaps in current strategies, improve coordination and cooperation and enhance capabilities to better identify, neutralize and eliminate terror threats.

- Center's aim is to preserve, protect and advance the values of modern, civilized and democratic World,
- The Center is established to support the implementation of the White House's National Strategy for Counteterrorism, and United States Department of Homeland Security's Strategic Framework for
- Timely identify and counter new strategies, techniques and propaganda tools used by the terrorist



VI. International Platform for Unified and Comprehensive Capacities to Combat Extremism and Terrorism

Many countries have developed their own individual national strategies. In addition, the United Nations, EU, OSCE and other inter-governmental agencies have developed plans and allocated resources to combating extremism and terrorism. However, there is a large gap between strategy and tactics. The extremists and terrorist groups' ability to organize more demonstrates the need better coordination and cooperation at the international level. The Center will engage various countries, their policy-makers and relevant stakeholders in a process that is aimed at ensuring proper, meaningful and effective share of concepts, goals and objectives. Terrorists "goals and objectives are uniformed and unified, and therefore they can be only defeated with a more uniformed, unified and a forceful, willful and comprehensive international platform and capacities to combat extremism and terrorism at the international level.

VII. Diminishing Extremist and Terrorist Groups Ideology Through a Comprehensive ad Consistent, Worldwide Counter-Messaging

xtremist and terrorist groups have been successful in utilizing internet and social media to recruit across borders and continents. They have been able to sell their distorted religious messages of Islam to brainwash, recruit and mobilize effectively. The Center will engage with vigor to undermine terrorist groups ideology through consistent and wide-spread counter-messaging strategy and on-line media campaign. The Center will discredit terrorist narratives and fully expose their vicious, inhumane and morbid ideology. The Center will expose how un-Godly and inhumane terrorist ideology is. The Center will work with European and Middle Eastern governments to educate masses of schoolkids on threats of extremism and terrorism, work with clergy and religious leaders to create a platform of educating believers on the threats of extremist ideology, and work with security agencies to put in place training programs to train police and military on the threats of extremist and terrorist narratives. The counter-messaging program will be complemented by a campaign on non-violent communication, conflict resolution and conflict mitigation, as a substitute to address grievances and points of contention.

