The International Criminal Police Organization

Project GEIGER Review
OUTLINE

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• NUCLEAR TERRORISM ISSUES
• INFORMATION AND AWARENESS
INTERPOL

INTERPOL, officially the International Criminal Police Organization – INTERPOL, was created by treaty in 1923 to share police service information among the member countries and this remains the main purpose of the organization.
INTERPOL Four Core Functions

• Secure Global Police Communications Services
• Operational Data Services and Databases for Police
• Operational Police Support Services
• Police Training and Development
I-24/7 - Connecting police, securing the world

- High-security global police network
- Gateway to INTERPOL databases
- Access to crucial data in seconds, any minute of any day
- Platform for sharing criminal information between law enforcement entities
- Adapted to police needs
Seeks location and arrest of fugitives for whom arrest warrants have been issued and where extradition will be requested.

Seeks information about criminals (identity, criminal record) and used to trace a subject where extradition may be sought (unidentified offenders, witnesses).

Provides information on career criminals who have committed, or are likely to commit, offenses in several countries (gang members, habitual offenders, child molesters).

Seeks missing or lost persons (includes parental abduction cases and missing children).
The Interpol RED Notice

- A comprehensive ‘look out’ to 188 countries’ law enforcement
- Countries required to enter RN info into national ‘lookout’ systems
- Approximately 1/3 of Interpol members will arrest on the basis of an RN
- Legal review at international level
§611 Interpol Red Notices

“An Interpol Red Notice is the closest instrument to an international arrest warrant in use today.”
Goals of an Effective CBRNE Program

1. Prevention of Initial Attack
2. Address Attack
3. Prevent Follow-on Attacks
4. Bring Perpetrators of Attempts, Conspirators and Perpetrators of Attacks to Justice
The INTERPOL CBRNE Program

Assistant Director, Public Safety and Terrorism

CBRNE Program Manager
Grade 3 Officer

Bio-Terrorism Unit
Bio Officer
Grade 5
Intelligence Analyst
Admin Attaché/ Secretary

Chem/Explosives Unit
(2012)
Chemical Officer
Grade 5
Intelligence Analyst

Rad/Nuke Unit
Rad/Nuke Officer
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Intelligence Analyst
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GEIGER - Analysis

- Began in 2005
- Database with 2450 cases
- Monthly analytical reports on trafficking trends
- Thematic papers, either self-initiated or by request
- Regular presentations at conferences
- Consultation and sponsorship of IAEA documents
- Information collection from NCBs
Key Analytical Findings

- Substantial amount of radioactive material available, regularly lost/stolen within threatened border areas
- Criminals and terrorists more likely to be caught via investigations rather than radioactive material sensors
- Criminals minimally skilled/organized
- Terrorists struggle to obtain rad/nuc material
- Incidents seem to be declining, including HEU sales
GEIGER - Partnerships

- Close partnership on analysis and information exchange with IAEA
- Joint project (Rutherford) with Europol
- Occasional joint proposals to EU with other agencies
- Funding from US Dept. of Justice/FBI
- Supporter of EU initiatives
- Other work with UNODC, UNICRI, WHO and other national and international agencies
STATE OF AWARENESS / DETECTION

• Awareness
  – High awareness of attempted sales
• High arrest rate / no known successes
  – No known loss of nuclear weapons
  – Few or no terror surprises (attacks)
  – Sources would likely be used quickly; several reasons to discourage storage/hoarding
STATE OF AWARENESS / DETECTION

• We are aware of a majority of most types of incidents
• Collectively, all security measures seem to be increasing control of sources
• There have not been any terror attacks to clearly demonstrate systemic weaknesses
• The ability to detect a nuclear terrorist may be limited by disconnected systems and approaches
RNU Calendar

• January 2011: INTERPOL RN Trafficking Analytical Conference in Washington, DC
• April 2011: Plenary Session launching RNU at INTERPOL, Lyon, France
• 2 RN Investigative Courses planned for 2011
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