Transit Terrorist Tools and Tactics

Facility Requirements (Host-provided)

A senior-level transit system person will be designated to serve as the primary Point of Contact (POC) for coordination with the LSU-designated POC for the course. The host agency will identify and support attendance of approximately 30 qualified participants. Host agency requirements are presented below in three categories: classroom requirements; training support personnel, facilities, and equipment; and participant equipment. Host agency personnel should be aware that photographs will be taken during the course for future training purposes.

Classroom Requirements

• 40-person environmentally controlled classroom

• Tables and chairs to accommodate 40 people (30 participants and instructional support personnel) with room for course manuals and note taking

• Audio-visual (A/V) projection screen or area

• Large whiteboard (or chalkboard)

• Three easel pads with markers

• Eight power outlets for A/V components and computers used by the cadre and participants during the course

• Instructor access the day before course start date for classroom setup

• Adequate security to prevent having to reset classroom daily and to store equipment

• Adequate participant/instructor parking

• Adequate male/female or unisex restroom facilities

• Telephone or radio communications for emergency use

• Breakout room nearby, if possible

• Reference documents especially any transit security policies and interagency agreement for conducting transit security activities
Training Support Facilities, Equipment, and Personnel

• A separate breakout room adjacent to the classroom is needed for detection equipment charging, which can also serve as an instructor breakout room for storage/preparation purposes.

• Exercise areas immediately adjacent to the classroom are required. All exercise areas should be closely adjacent to 110-volt electrical power outlets where extension cords can be used for powering/charging detection equipment, as needed. The following descriptions provide requirements for exercise areas by course module:

  o Module 4 has an exercise on conducting observational techniques. A parking lot leading to an entry portal is required for conducting this exercise. This area will be utilized on the afternoon of the first day of the course. It should be reserved beginning at 3:00 p.m. and will be needed for approximately one hour.

  o Module 5 consists of classroom instruction on detection equipment followed by hands-on practical application of the detection equipment. Three separate breakout areas are required for conducting this module. The classroom will suffice for one breakout area (portable x-ray assessment), another room that will accommodate a table and up to 15 people is needed for this breakout area (explosive, chemical, TIC detection), and a parking lot adjacent to the classroom is sufficient for the third breakout area (visual search tools and radiation detection).

  o Module 6 consists of a tabletop exercise and the assigned classroom will be sufficient for conduct of this exercise.

  o Module 8 is the final field practical exercise. Like in Module 5, three separate, but co-located areas are required. Typically, this exercise can be conducted in the parking area used during Module 4’s exercise. A parking lot leading to an entry portal is needed for conducting observational techniques. An entry portal for establishing a detection checkpoint is needed for conducting passenger-screening activities. A secluded, cordoned off corner of the parking lot that can be used to park a transit conveyance (i.e., bus) for utilizing the portable x-ray for unattended package assessment is needed.

• Transit vehicle for Module 8 exercise

• One roll of crime scene tape

• Twelve role players of various ages (for example, Citizen’s Advisory Board
members, Law Enforcement Explorers, Transit Authority Board Members, Cadets or Trainees, Retirees able to fully participate). These role players are not needed before 1:00 p.m. on the day of the exercise. They should be instructed not to wear uniforms, matching clothes, or visible recognition items. Furthermore, they should be asked to bring coats, backpacks, briefcases, or some other item to conceal simulated devices on their persons or in hand carried items.

• **Optional:** Photos, schematics, maps, blueprints, etc., of a local transit facility to be used during the tabletop exercise in Module 6.

• Severe weather conditions may require the use of alternate exercise sites if area does not have covered area such as a loading dock.