# **TERRORISM ADVISORY SYSTEM**

# POLICY:

It is the policy of the Omaha Police Department (OPD) to monitor the threat level of possible terrorist activity.

## PROCEDURE:

#### I. Responsibility and Notification

- A. Threat levels are monitored by the OPD Intelligence Squad on a regular basis.
  - 1. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) National Terrorism Advisory System issues two types of notifications; Bulletins and Alerts.
    - a. Bulletins describe current developments or general trends regarding threats of terrorism.
    - b. Alerts will take one of the following two forms:
      - 1. Elevated Alerts which warn of a credible terrorism threat against the United States.
        - OR –
      - 2. Imminent Alerts which warn of credible, specific, and impending terrorism threats against the United States.
  - 2. The Sergeant in the Intelligence Squad will review all National Terrorism Advisory Bulletins or Alerts issued by the DHS.
- B. Should the National Terrorism Advisory System issue an Elevated or Imminent Alert, the following notifications will occur:
  - 1. The Sergeant of the Intelligence Squad will immediately notify the Captain of the Special Operations Section (SOS) via chain of command.
  - 2. The Captain of the SOS will immediately notify the office of the Chief of Police and the Executive Deputy Chief of Police via chain of command.
    - a. Implementation of Incident Command, emergency, or contingency procedures will be at the direction of the Chief of Police.
  - 3. OPD employees will be notified of terroristic threats at the direction of the Chief of Police via the Public Information Office (PIO).
  - 4. Communication of terroristic threats to the public will be made at the direction of the Chief of Police via the PIO.

## **REFERENCES:**

#### I. Previous OPD Orders

- A. Previous General Orders: #44-02, 44-02 Supp. #1, 34-18, and 64-24.
- II. Accreditation Standards

A. Relevant CALEA Accreditation Standards: 46.1.1 and 46.1.2.