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Crisis Management

The operating environment for companies doing business in the Middle East is becoming increasingly hazardous. With on-going conflicts in both Afghanistan and Iraq, and more recently Lebanon, the region has become much less stable over the past five years. Even in relatively secure countries, incidents happen with alarming frequency that threaten to disrupt a company's operations. Kidnappings of foreigners are becoming more and more common, occurring in such diverse countries as Yemen, Nigeria, Iraq and West Bank/Gaza. Suicide bombings in Jordan and targeted political assassinations in Lebanon put employees at risk. Al Qaeda is an ever-present threat in the region.

Even non-terrorist related incidents can quickly destabilize countries as governments struggle to deal with the outfall. The recent sinking of a large ferry boat in the Red Sea resulted in riots along the coast of Egypt. The election of Hamas led to a marked deterioration in the security in Israel and surrounding countries. The on-going stand-off over nuclear materials production in Iran could quickly undermine the stability of the country.

Environments that are considered calm one day can turn volatile overnight, as in the current cross border hostilities between Israel and Lebanon, TacForce were on the ground within 24 hours to commence evacuations for one of our valued clients. Also, in the recent case of the cartoon caricatures printed in certain European media, this incident led to violent demonstrations throughout the region, including the burning of embassies in Lebanon and Syria. These incidents demonstrate how quickly situations can escalate and put personnel, equipment and assets at risk.

TacForce International can now offer our Crisis Management service. For a small yearly retainer fee, TacForce International will provide an on-call security advisor for the Middle East. Should there be a general or specific threat to your company assets in any country throughout the region, TacForce will utilize its political and military contacts throughout the region, advanced intelligence services and security specialists to advise during the crisis. If necessary, TacForce will deploy its experts in security, hostage negotiation and conflict resolution to help resolve any situation, or in the event of a major disturbance and the situation has deteriorated to an unsafe level, we will assist in the evacuation of company employees.

Along with the crisis management, TacForce can also provide on-going security assessments and weekly intelligence briefings for an additional fee.