



Executive Order

Number 10 (2000)

Executive Order Creating the Illinois Terrorism Task Force

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois is committed to protecting the lives and property of citizens and visitors to our state; and

WHEREAS, the threat of terrorism committed by domestic and international individuals and groups affects the well-being of all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the United States Government has taken steps to organize federal agencies to plan, train and respond to terrorist threats and events; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has appropriated funding to allow state, regional and local agencies to prepare for and respond to such crises; and

WHEREAS, centralized coordination and communication between response entities at the state, regional and local levels are paramount to ensuring the safety for our citizens,

THEREFORE, I, George H. Ryan, hereby order the following:

- I. The creation of the Illinois Terrorism Task Force to be chaired by the Director of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and comprised of the directors of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board, the Illinois Department of Military Affairs, the Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety, the Illinois Department of Public Health, the Illinois Office of State Fire Marshal, the Illinois Department of State Police along with representatives from the Illinois Attorney General, the Illinois Secretary of State Police, the American Red Cross and the Illinois Fire Service Institute.
- II. The Illinois Terrorism Task Force shall seek appropriate input from federal agencies such as the United States Department of Justice, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, as well as seek counsel from local agencies and public safety representative bodies such as the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, the Illinois Sheriffs Association, the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association, and the Illinois Emergency Services Management Association.
- III. The Illinois Terrorism Task Force shall be responsible for developing and implementing appropriate training of local, regional and state responders who may be involved in responding to a terrorist incident that could include a conventional, chemical, biological or nuclear weapon.

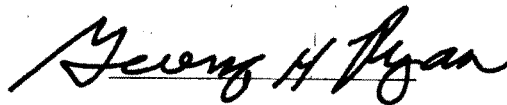
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- IV. The Illinois Terrorism Task Force shall be responsible for developing a rapid response force to be deployed to a terrorist threat or event to assist local responders and coordinate additional state resources that may be needed. The Illinois Terrorism Task Force shall develop appropriate protocol, staffing, training and equipment guidelines for such a team.
- V. The Illinois Terrorism Task Force shall be responsible for identifying any needed changes in Illinois State Statutes or the Illinois Emergency Operations Plan to accomplish their established objectives.
- VI. The Illinois Emergency Management Agency, with advice from the Illinois Terrorism Task Force or State Terrorism Advisory Board, shall be responsible for applying for and accepting all appropriate federal funding that relates to combating terrorism.
- VII. The Illinois Terrorism Task Force shall develop further recommendations to combat terrorism in Illinois.
- VIII. The creation of the State Terrorism Advisory Board to advise the Governor, the Attorney General and the Secretary of State on the threat of terrorism in Illinois and to continue to implement the recommendations of the Illinois Terrorism Task Force. The State Terrorism Advisory Board shall replace the Illinois Terrorism Task Force on January 1, 2001. The Illinois Terrorism Task Force shall recommend to the Governor the proposed composition of the permanent State Terrorism Advisory Board.
- IX. The final report shall be due to the Governor's Office no later than December 31, 2000.

This Executive Order Number 10 (2000) shall be effective upon filing at the Secretary of State.



GEORGE H. RYAN
Governor

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