

# Contact the Counterintelligence Office before you travel outside the United States

Since the tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001, the impending Iraqi situation and the ongoing war on terrorism, certain parts of the world have become increasingly dangerous for Americans to travel to, including regions and countries not on the Department of Energy sensitive countries list.

While reporting requirements for business, corporate and personal travel have essentially gone unchanged, it may be prudent to contact your organization's counterintelligence officer before *any* travel outside the United States. Your CIO can provide you with a wealth of information regarding the country or countries you intend to visit, including current travel warnings, potential hot spots, political and civil unrest and other high-risk elements.

The Counterintelligence Office can draw from intelligence resources around the world not readily available to the general public. This service can provide two distinct benefits to you. First, information provided by the Counterintelligence Office may aid you in averting potential serious trouble and help you to recognize compromising conditions or situations. Second, you will be entered in the Counterintelligence Office record or "queue." This enables the Counterintelligence Office to have a current record of all foreign travelers in the event of world circumstances that may require accountability of our foreign travelers or coordination with U.S. Embassies or Consulates.

If you are planning foreign travel, re-familiarize yourself with your organization's travel reporting requirements. Also, you are strongly encouraged to contact your organization's Counterintelligence Office, whether required to or not. It may be the most beneficial contact you make with regard to your travel plans.

The Counterintelligence Office contact numbers are:

- Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, 372-6744, e-mail gail.anderson@pnl.gov
- Fluor Project Hanford team, 372-6922, e-mail greg.curtis@pnl.gov
- Department of Energy Richland Operations Office and Office of River Protection, Hanford Environmental Health Foundation, Bechtel, Eberline Services Hanford, CH2M HILL Hanford Group, 373-1865, e-mail mark.hanneman@rl.gov. ■