Terrorism

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“International terrorism” means activities with the following three characteristics:

- Involve violent acts or acts dangerous to human life that violate federal or state law;
- Appear to be intended (i) to intimidate or coerce a civilian population; (ii) to influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion; or (iii) to affect the conduct of a government by mass destruction, assassination, or kidnapping; and
- Occur primarily outside the territorial jurisdiction of the U.S., or transcend national boundaries in terms of the means by which they are accomplished, the persons they appear intended to intimidate or coerce, or the locale in which their perpetrators operate or seek asylum.

“Domestic terrorism” means activities with the following three characteristics:

- Involve acts dangerous to human life that violate federal or state law;
- Appear intended (i) to intimidate or coerce a civilian population; (ii) to influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion; or (iii) to affect the conduct of a government by mass destruction, assassination, or kidnapping; and
- Occur primarily within the territorial jurisdiction of the U.S.
Types of Terrorism

**State terrorism** is the systematic use of terror by a government in order to control its population. (Every Dictator)

**Religious terrorism** acts aimed at particular religions, and is particularly dangerous due to the fanaticism of those who practice it and their willingness to sacrifice themselves for the cause. (AL Qaeda, ISIS)

**Left Wing Terrorism** attempts to establish a new political system in order to do away with class distinction (In Turkey, Greece, Columbia)

**Right Wing Terrorism** aims to combat liberal governments and preserve traditional social orders, often marginalizes minorities. (KKK, Neo-Fascists)

**Pathological Terrorism** is the use of terrorism by individuals who utilize such strategies for the sheer joy of terrorizing others. Pathological terrorists often operate alone rather in groups, and lack a political goal. (School Shooting)
Causes of Terrorism

Ethnonationalism
Alienation/Discrimination
Religion
Socioeconomic Status
Political Grievance
To maintain the status quo
Statistics on Terrorism

Terrorist Attacks in the EU 2006-2013

Data source: https://www.europol.europa.eu/latest_publications/37

Terrorist attacks by decade, 1970-2012

Source: Global Terrorism Database

Total deaths in 2012 from terror attacks in the nation: 11,098
The Image of Terrorism from Social Media
Injustices Occurring as a Result

Racial Discrimination
Solutions Towards the Problem in Airports

Formation of TSA
Advanced Imaging Systems
Solutions Towards the Problem in Schools

Practice LockDown Drills
Counseling Center

School Resource Officers
Impact on Society

"Terrorism destabilizes Governments, undermines civil society, jeopardizes peace and security, and threatens economic and social development"

- Ms. Pillay UN commissioner for human rights

“On that day, it was not Republicans. Not Democrats. Just Americans clinging to one another as we coped with the attacks on our freedom, on our security, on our way of life. We mourned together, raged together, resolved together.”

- Liz Sidoti CNS News in reference to the 9/11 attacks