



How Hizballah Raises and Moves its Illicit Money in the Americas?

Internationally, Hizballah terrorist activities and reputation are well known; indeed, Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage referred to the organization as “the A-Team” of terrorism. Many Westerners regards the Lebanese group as one of the most notorious terrorist organizations for its responsibility in carrying out the 1983 terrorist attacks against the U.S. embassy and Marine barracks in Beirut; the 1992 and 1994 attacks against the Israeli embassy and Jewish cultural center in Buenos Aires; and a host of kidnappings, hijackings, and suicide bombings.

Less well known is how Hizballah raises and moves their illicitly gotten money through North and South America. The organization uses banks and an array of front companies and other deceptive techniques to evade the controls of responsible financial institutions and their terrorist efforts.

This training course is intended to serve as a guide to understand Hizballah’s financial network in the Americas, what has the United States Government done about it and impeding the organization’s money flow around the globe. The course also reviews case studies illustrating how particular arms of Hizballah abuse financial institutions and the international financial system.

Who Should Attend

- Military Personnel
- Law Enforcement
- Intelligence Analysts
- Customs and Border Patrol
- Ministries of Finance
- Financial Institutions
- College Students
- Non-profits

Prerequisites

None

Duration

1 Hour

Schedule

1. The Demand side of Terrorism Finance
2. Raising money through Legitimate and Criminal Sources
3. Charities and Mass Media Outlets
4. Weapons Proliferation, Drugs, Human Smuggling and Other Criminal Activity
5. Iranian State Sponsorship
6. Hizballah and the Banks
7. Hizballah’s Hawala Networks
8. Cash Smuggling
9. Diamonds and Gold
10. Tri-Border Area