

NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM

Funding Highlights:

- Strengthens the capabilities of the Nation's intelligence agencies to furnish timely, accurate, and insightful intelligence on the capabilities and intentions of foreign powers, including international terrorist groups.
- Enhances Federal cybersecurity capabilities.
- Prioritizes resources to support a U.S. Government-wide counterterrorism action plan.
- Improves the sharing of terrorist-related information with Federal, State, local, tribal and foreign partners.
- Increases collection capabilities and continues transforming intelligence analysis.

The National Intelligence Program (NIP) funds intelligence activities in several Departments and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). NIP's budget is classified, so the 2010 Budget does not publicly disclose funding requests for intelligence activities. However, since NIP supports key elements of America's national security, this chapter highlights some NIP-funded activities without detailing funding information.

To protect America's national security, the Intelligence Community (IC) provides effective intelligence collection, the analysis of that intelligence, and the production of finished intelligence products. IC is responsible for ensuring timely and effective dissemination of intelligence to those who need it, ranging from the President, to heads of Executive Departments, military forces, and law enforcement agencies. To meet this country's national security challenges, IC is strengthening its components' abilities to collect intelligence, increasing the security of Federal cyber networks, and protecting against the

threat of international terrorism in the United States.

The 2010 budget for NIP will support the Administration's national security objectives. The Director of National Intelligence, the Director of the CIA, and Department Secretaries with intelligence organizations will use 2010 NIP funds to defeat terrorist networks, prevent the spread of weapons of mass destruction, penetrate and analyze the most difficult targets of U.S. foreign policy, and anticipate developments of strategic concern.

The Administration will request funding for IC for the remainder of 2009 and for 2010 to cover the costs of global intelligence operations. The details of the 2009 supplemental appropriations request will be provided to the Congress in the next few weeks while the detailed 2010 request will be transmitted with the President's 2010 Budget request.

Increases Funding for Cybersecurity. The threat to Federal information technology networks is real, serious, and growing. To address this threat, the President's 2010 Budget includes substantial funding for cybersecurity efforts; such activities will take an integrated and holistic approach to address current cybersecurity threats, anticipate future threats, and continue innovative public-private partnerships. These efforts encompass the homeland security, intelligence, law enforcement, military and diplomatic mission areas of the U.S. Government.

Implements Counterterrorism Plan. The National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) has developed a U.S. Government-wide counterterrorism action plan. This plan lays out broad strategic objectives aligned with policy objectives to guide the overall implementation of this national strategy on counterterrorism. The Administration will work with NCTC, IC, and relevant Departments

such as Defense, State, and Homeland Security to direct resources in support of counterterrorism implementation objectives.

Facilitates Information Sharing. The President's 2010 Budget will support initiatives to improve the sharing of intelligence, including terrorist-related information, with Federal, State, local, tribal and foreign partners. These efforts include advancing the National Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative; establishing agency-based, outcome-oriented performance targets for information sharing; and institutionalizing the use of effective business practices.

Improves Collection and Analysis Capabilities. The 2010 Budget provides funding to improve mission performance by increasing intelligence collection capabilities and continuing to transform intelligence analysis in IC.