

## **PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP IS PROTECTING THE UNITED STATES FROM TERRORISM**

*"When it comes to terrorism, we will do whatever is necessary to protect our Nation." – President Donald J. Trump*

### **THE PATH TO VICTORY: President Donald J. Trump is releasing a new National Strategy for Counterterrorism that will protect American citizens and interests at home and abroad.**

- Today, President Trump is releasing his National Strategy for Counterterrorism, the United States' first robust and fully-articulated strategy on counterterrorism since 2011.
- The Administration is outlining a new approach to counter and prevent the evolving terrorist threat, making it clear that we will take all steps necessary to keep our country safe.
- President Trump's National Strategy for Counterterrorism focuses on:
  - Pursuing terrorists to their source;
  - Isolating terrorists from their sources of support;
  - Modernizing and integrating the United States' counterterrorism tools;
  - Protecting American infrastructure and enhancing resilience;
  - Countering terrorist radicalization and recruitment; and
  - Strengthening the counterterrorism abilities of our international partners.

### **A NEW APPROACH: The new strategy builds on lessons learned from past counterterrorism efforts and offers a new path toward strengthening the security of Americans.**

- The new strategy focuses the United States on countering all terrorists with the intent and ability to harm our country.
- The strategy emphasizes the use of all of America's tools to prevent and counter terrorism, strengthening military approaches while delivering a new emphasis on non-military capabilities.
  - Many United States Government agencies have important roles to play, including our law enforcement, diplomatic, and treasury officials.
- The strategy places America first, emphasizing strong borders, strengthening security at points of entry, protecting critical infrastructure, and facilitating preparedness.
- However, America First does not mean America alone. The new strategy commits us to expand our partnerships at home and abroad to encourage partners' assistance in counterterrorism activities.
  - This includes working with our North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Allies and partners.

### **DEFEATING TERROR: Thanks to President Trump's leadership, the United States has accelerated efforts to defeat terrorists and protect the United States from global threats.**

- Under President Trump, the United States and global partners have decimated ISIS and pushed the group to the brink of extinction in Iraq and Syria.
  - Nearly all of the territory previously held by ISIS has been recaptured.
  - More than 7.5 million people have been freed from the group's oppressive rule.
- At President Trump's urging, NATO members agreed to strengthen the alliance's counterterrorism actions and capabilities.
- In December 2017, President Trump issued a new National Security Strategy that focused, in part, on combatting terrorism.