



General Position Information

Job Title: 18962 Exercise Planner, NCTC/DOS, GS-14

Salary Range: \$103,690-\$159,286

Vacancy Open Period: 1/13/2021 – 2/10/2021

Position Type: Cadre, Detailee

Who May Apply: Internal ODNI Candidates, Detailees

Division: NCTC/DOS

Duty Location: McLean, VA

Security Clearance: TS/SCI with CI Polygraph

Travel Required: 0-25% Travel

Relocation Expenses: For new ODNI employees, reimbursement for relocation is discretionary based on availability of funds.

Job Interview Travel: Candidates from outside the Washington, D.C., area may be selected for a telephone, teleconference, or in-person interview. If selected for an in-person interview, any travel or lodging will be at the applicant's personal expense.

Position Information

This is an opportunity for:

- An internal candidate to fill a GS-14 cadre position and one grade below.
- A Federal Government employee to serve on a two-year reimbursable detail assignment in the ODNI. The detail assignment may be extended an additional year if all parties agree.

Who May Apply

Current GS employees at the same grade or one grade lower than the advertised position grade may apply.

Former members of the Peace Corps may be considered for ODNI employment only if five full years have elapsed since separation from the Peace Corps.

- For a cadre assignment:
 - Current ODNI permanent cadre.
- For a detailee assignment:
 - Current Federal Government employees. (Current GS employees at the same grade or one grade lower than the advertised position grade may apply).



Salary Determination

- The ODNI uses a rank-in-person system in which rank is attached to the individual. A selected ODNI candidate or other Federal Government candidate will be assigned to the position at the employee's current GS grade and salary.
- A current Federal Government employee, selected for a detail, will be assigned to the position at his or her current grade and salary.

Component Mission

The National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) leads our nation's effort to combat terrorism at home and abroad by analyzing the threat, sharing that information with our partners, and integrating all instruments of national power to ensure unity of effort. The Center serves as the primary organization in the United States Government (USG) for analyzing and integrating all intelligence possessed or acquired by the USG pertaining to terrorism and counterterrorism, and its Director serves as the Counterterrorism Mission Manager. NCTC also serves as the central and shared knowledge bank on known and suspected terrorists and international terrorist groups, as well as their goals, strategies, capabilities, and networks of contacts and support. In addition, NCTC conducts strategic operational planning for counterterrorism activities, coordinating and integrating the efforts of departments and agencies across the Federal Government.

Major Duties and Responsibilities (MDRs)

- Develop training plans related to contingency operations and crisis management; develop and support the delivery of operational exercises, informational briefings, operational programs, and training events that support operational and emergency plans.
- Lead the counterterrorism focused exercise design and development process, including research, product development, coordination, and facilitation of planning meetings with International, Federal, State, local, tribal and territorial partners.
- Coordinate with NCTC analysts to design and develop briefings, case studies, and notional terrorism scenarios based on real-world tactics, techniques and procedures.
- Execute discussion-based counterterrorism exercises focused on the evaluation or development of plans and strategies that support information sharing and interagency collaboration in preparation for and response to a terrorist threat or incident.
- Identify and gather accurate and comprehensive information needed to solve complex problems and issues, analyze and consolidate complex information, and consistently draw insightful and appropriate conclusions and findings as part of developing resource requirements and plans to support exercise design, planning, and execution.
- Develop exercise documentation to include scenarios, scripts, injects, exercise plans, control/evaluation handbooks, and after-action reports, etc.
- Maintain productive working relationships with ODNI staff, other IC organizations, international, Federal, state, local, and private/public service providers to respond effectively to mission issues, and coordinate strategic planning, best practices, lessons learned, programming, and policy issues.



- Work closely with internal and external customers to recognize or define new projects and determine project needs, proactively ensuring customers are informed of project status, changes and other issues that could affect them.
- Prepare and take part in the presentation of senior-level briefings and reports on plans and exercises that respond to the needs of select audiences.
- Support the mission and objectives of the National Security, National Intelligence and National Counterterrorism Strategies through regular engagements with International, Federal, state, local, tribal and territorial partners.

Mandatory and Educational Requirements

- Demonstrated ability to provide leadership, oversight, and guidance to the effective management of complex projects.
- Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively and maintain regular contact with peers, management, and counterparts across the USG
- Demonstrated ability to be flexible and work effectively alone or in a collaborative environment; creative problem-solving skills and initiative in carrying out mission responsibilities based on management guidance.
- Demonstrated ability to manage and mitigate risks, assess customer requirements, identify dependencies, and develop responsive project plans; demonstrated ability to estimate costs and other resources using quantitative analysis to project requirements.
- Possess critical thinking skills and the ability to think strategically combined with detail-oriented work habits.
- Ability to travel both domestically and internationally, as necessary, in support of exercise planning and conduct.

Desired Requirements

- Previous experience working within the counterterrorism or exercise communities.
- Interagency experience, including knowledge of IC organizations' missions and authorities, particularly those focused on counterterrorism

Key Requirements and How to Apply

Internal ODNI Candidates:

A complete application package must include:

- a. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- b. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required in the cover letter if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.



- c. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- d. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

WHERE TO SUBMIT: Applications should be sent to either DNI_COO_TM_HR_OPS_TEAM_C_WMA@cia.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamC@dni.gov (unclassified email system). Applicants submitting via JWICS are requested to submit their materials to both wheelke@dni.ic.gov (*Kenneth W.*) and littlsa@dni.ic.gov (*Sam L.*) in lieu of the group address above. All attachments should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.

Applications submitted through the classified email system should NOT contain classified information above the TS//SI//TK//NOFORN level.

Current Federal Employees Applying for a Detail Assignment:

Applicants from federal agencies within the Intelligence Community (IC) may be considered for this position as a reimbursable detailee, if endorsed by the employing agency. Applicants must have current TS/SCI clearances with polygraph or have the ability to obtain one. The ODNI does not conduct polygraphs or provide security clearances for detailees. *Applicants from within the IC must submit an application through the classified IC Joint Duty Program website.*

Applicants from federal agencies outside the IC must provide:

- a. **WRITTEN ENDORSEMENT** from the employing agency concurring with the detail.
- b. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.
- c. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required in the cover letter if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.
- d. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
- e. **CURRENT SF-50:** Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, "Notification of Personnel Action" to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record. Please disregard if you are not a Federal Government employee.
- f. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

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All Applicants:

APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST CONTAIN ALL ITEMS LISTED ABOVE. AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

Your application MUST be received by midnight on the closing date of this announcement. Applications received after the closing date will NOT be eligible for consideration.

To verify receipt of your application package ONLY, you may call 703-275-3955.

What to Expect Next

The most highly qualified candidates will be referred to the hiring manager for further consideration and possible interview. We expect to make a selection within 30 days of the closing date of this announcement. Due to the large number of applications received, applicants will be contacted ONLY if they have been selected for an interview.

Agency Contact Information

ODNI Recruitment; Phone: 703-275-3955; Email: Recruitment_TeamC@dni.gov

Other Information

The ODNI is an equal opportunity employer and abides by applicable employment laws and regulations.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: The ODNI provides reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified applicants with disabilities. **IF YOU NEED A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION** for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the Intelligence Community Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Office Representative by classified email at DNI_Reasonable_Accommodation_WMA@cia.ic.gov and DNI_Diversity_WMA@cia.ic.gov, by unclassified email at DNI_DRA@dni.gov, by telephone at 703-275-3799 or by FAX at 703-275-1217 . Your request for reasonable accommodation will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. **PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EEOC EMAIL ADDRESS. THIS EMAIL IS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS ONLY. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION VIA THE EMAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED IN THE 'HOW TO APPLY' SECTION ABOVE.**