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Date

To: (Name of Police Department)

Subject: Basic Maritime Interdiction Course

Your agency's participation in this course is an initial step toward enhancing your tactical capabilities to deter or immediately respond to the threat of piracy and other potential maritime terrorism events. The course is challenging and intended to provide your organization with the knowledge, skills and abilities to safely identify, intercept, and safely board a non-compliant vessel at sea during daylight hours.

### **Course Overview**

This 5-day course will be conducted by seasoned former U.S. Navy SEAL veterans, considered Subject Matter Experts (SME) in the Special Warfare community. They have years of operational and instructional experience in the maritime interdiction environment.

The training consists of eight hours of classroom instruction and thirty-two hours of practical application using a variety of vessel platforms and exercise scenarios. The course is designed for a maximum of 16 students and tailored to the team and craft available. Everyone will be expected to rotate through the various roles and responsibilities of this arduous mission area. The required logistical coordination is significant and we ask your enthusiastic support and flexibility to ensure the course is a success. ***During this training course safety is always the #1 priority.*** All hazardous operations will be conducted in strict compliance with approved procedures and recommended safety guidelines.

### **Required Information**

Please provide the following student information at your earliest convenience: The A-T Solutions POC will provide an electronic format to complete the following.

Full Name	Agency	Address	Work #	Mobile#	Email	Shirt Size
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**Recommended Individual Equipment**

Please ensure each student has the following minimum equipment:

<b>CQC GEAR</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL GEAR</b>
Body Armor w/ Plates (Quick Release)	Boots (DUI/DRS or equivalent)
Ballistic Helmet	Life vest (Inherently buoyant)
Eye Protection	ICLPU (Increased Cap Life Preserver Unit)
Gloves (neoprene/ cold water)	SIT Harness w/ carabineer
Uniform	Protec Helmet
Assault Gear (Full load out)	3' Runner of 1" tubular nylon
Holster w/ retractable lanyard	Communications gear
Weapons Retaining Device	Knife/ Leatherman
Canteen/ camelback	Medical kit
Flex cuffs/ prisoner handling devices	Flashlight
Primary weapon w/light	Strobe
Secondary weapon w/ light	Gas mask (CBR)
Balaclava	

<b>EQUIPMENT PROVIDED</b>
Poles (2 per boat) Hook and Ladder assembly (2 per boat) Gear bag (1 per boat) for required tools, ect. 1" tubular nylon Locking/ unlocking carabineers Large cable ties Rigger's tape

**Participation/ Feedback**

Students will take a pre and post-course knowledge survey. Student's post-course feedback, experience and insight are most strongly encouraged to ensure the class is improved and tailored to the needs of our nation's first responders. Future improvements to the curriculum are generated from these assessments and post course lessons learned. Please record your thoughts throughout the course and provide the input needed to take this course to the next level.

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## **Required Logistics Support**

Your ability to meet the course logistical requirements is essential for the attainment of the course training objectives. The following outlines the support that is required to conduct this course. A detailed Plan of Actions and Milestones (POA&M) will be provided to your designated POC by the lead instructor. In the event any of the items listed below cannot be provided, we request you advise us as soon as possible.

- Two boats (8-11 meter RHIB recommended) - 1 per Boat Assault Force (BAF) team capable of embarking 10-11 personnel and supporting maritime interdiction (boarding) operations.
- Vehicles - Trucks or vans capable of transporting 16 students and tactical equipment to and from the classroom and various training sites throughout the course.
- Facilities suitable for the daily use and stowage of Basic Maritime Interdiction (BMI) equipment, gear fresh water wash down, showers and low level equipment repair.
- Classroom - Facility large enough to seat 16 students, up to 10 course observers, and tables to display training aids (3ea) 4x8 foot. The classroom needs to be equipped with a podium for the instructor, white board and a laptop compatible projector for the instructional media. Coffee and personal comfort facilities should also be considered.
- Swimming Pool – A local municipal or privately owned pool facility will be required to conduct water competency training. Ensure the facility has at least a 3 meter dive platform and minimal safety staffing (lifeguard) is provided. Ensure any insurance related issues are addressed.
- Static Training Area – Provide a secure static training area with a climbing area in close proximity to the classroom. Provide safety mats for this climbing training.
- Schedule with the USCG or competent authority a secure at sea training site of approx 5 square nautical miles. Provide copy of the Notice to Mariners and other associated paperwork to the lead instructor.
- Ensure there is an adequate supply of drinking water for all personnel during entire course.
- Any security access, credentials and parking issues should be identified.
- Provide a reliable address and POC to mail necessary training materials.

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- Ensure hard hats and/or safety glasses are available if required by the in-service vessel's policy during the ship familiarization walkthrough. (Students and Instructors)
- Emergency Plan for equipment malfunctions and personal injuries specific to each operational training site.
- Paramedic equipped with Oxygen service, spine board, trauma kit and meds.
- Communication Plan and required equipment to support communications between BAF teams (2 ea), target vessel, site medical and security personnel.
- Identify a mid-day meal facility in close proximity to training sites (Box lunch is the preferred alternative to allow continuous training operations).
- A departmental public affairs representative may be required. (These type courses can generate media interest that results in a presence during boarding operations).

### **Vessel Support**

(Date and time) – An exclusive use target vessel or vessels directly related to the host agencies operating and response area. Pier access in the immediate area will also have to be scheduled. This vessel must have the proper parameters as outlined by the POA&M to meet all of the course objectives. Ensure any insurance related issues are addressed.

(Date and time) - An in-service vessel (Class 3 freighter or larger) will have to be scheduled. The Master or his designated representative must be willing to host/support a student walk through at approximately 0900 on the day of training for approximately 1 ½ hours. Ensure any insurance related issues are addressed.

### **Additional Information**

Once we have finalized the student roster and received confirmation of your ability to provide the logistical support necessary for the class, a detailed schedule of events containing specific event times and locations will be sent.

### **Dedicated liaison/ logistics person from sponsoring agency**

(Name of A-T Solutions Instructor) will arrive (Date) to provide a lead logistical presence. Please provide a dedicated individual to support him and a tentative schedule to allow liaison with all

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vessel Masters or Captains, Facility Supervisors, Security Directors and Safety Managers. This includes a tour of all training sites, vessels, piers, RHIB and other support craft, and classroom facilities. (Name of A-T solutions instructor) will be available to provide course, operational and safety briefings as required.

### **Physical Condition**

Please ensure all participants considered for this training have a high fitness level for this arduous operational environment. Ensure all participants can swim and are comfortably able to complete the required water competency test. Detailed information will be provided to your POC by the lead instructor. The operational phase of this course is physically demanding. Any existing injuries or physical limitations should be carefully evaluated prior to student enrollment in this training.

### **Student Status**

Please ensure all students meet the following requirements:

- Must be full-time employee of a federal, state or local law enforcement agency
- Must be current member of a S.W.A.T. team
- Meet the following standard for water competency:
  1. Enter the water feet first from a minimum height of 10 feet
  2. Remain afloat for 10 minutes
  3. Swim 100 yards using 3 basic survival strokes (side, back or breast stroke)
- Must have their own agency permission to attend the course
- Must be on agency time to ensure coverage by agencies workman's compensation insurance and medical plan
- Must sign a "Hold Harmless" agreement. The lead instructor will provide

Please feel free to contact me at any time with questions, concerns or comments.

Sincerely,

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