Synopsis: (S) Open a Type IV Assessment for the purpose of planning and intelligence analysis to facilitate investigative activities to detect, obtain information about, prevent, or protect against federal crimes or threats to the national security posed by the international terrorism threat in Michigan. Activities that may be carried out as part of this process include collecting information to improve or facilitate "domain awareness" and engage in "domain management."

Details: (U) The 2008 Attorney General Guidelines for Domestic FBI Operations authorizes the FBI to "engage in planning and intelligence analysis to facilitate investigative activities to detect, obtain information about, prevent, or protect against federal crimes or threats to the national security."

Activities the FBI may carry out as part of this process include collecting information to improve or facilitate "domain awareness" and engage in "domain management."
(U//FOUO) Domain Management is the systematic process by which the FBI develops cross-programmatic domain awareness and leverages its knowledge to enhance its ability to (i) proactively identify threats, vulnerabilities, and intelligence gaps; (ii) discover new opportunities for needed intelligence collection and prosecution; and (iii) to provide advance warning of national security and criminal threats.

(U) There are more than forty groups designated as terrorist organizations by the US State Department. Many of these groups originate in the Middle-East and Southeast Asia. Many of these groups also use an extreme and violent interpretation of the Muslim faith as justification for their activities. Because Michigan has a large Middle-Eastern and Muslim population, it is prime territory for attempted radicalization and recruitment by these terrorist groups. Additionally, Sunni terrorist groups always pose a threat of attack on U.S. soil since it is the stated purpose of many of these groups. The Detroit Division Domain Team seeks to open a Type IV Domain Assessment for the purpose of collecting information and evaluating the threat posed by international terrorist groups conducting recruitment, radicalization, fund-raising, or even violent terrorist acts within the state of Michigan.

(U) The objective of this assessment is to utilize the Domain Management process to determine the scope of the international terrorism threat in Michigan.
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