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Homeland Security Grant Affords Anti-Terrorism Classes in Reno

WHEN: Classes Occur November 5-16th
Media Invited Thursday Nov.15th to observe deployment

WHERE: Training to be held in various locations throughout the county
Consolidated Bomb Squad Range located 1 mile North of Pyramid Range

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HMS (Hazardous Management Solutions) is holding training to expand our local agencies expertise in Anti-Terrorism and Homeland Security in Northern Nevada. The group specializes in IEDD (improvised explosive device defeat) and hostage/suicide bomber situations. They train in classroom and scenario settings based on real life incidents. This training is funded by a statewide Homeland Security grant and has already taken place in Southern Nevada.

HMS is a training company made up of experts in the field of anti-terrorism. The instructors are from Europe and have real life experience fighting terrorism in various countries including Northern Ireland and the Middle East. "We are fortunate to have instructors with this level of extensive training and experience here in Reno," states Sheriff Mike Haley. "I am confident this training will aide in taking our teams in northern Nevada to the next level in the war against terror."

The following organizations are attending this training: Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Tahoe Douglas Bomb Squad, Elko Police Department, Reno Police Department, Sparks Police Department, FBI, ATF, and Fallon Naval Air Station EOD.

Next Thursday, November 15th, there will be a video opportunity at the Consolidated Bomb Squad Range approximately 1 mile North of the Shooting Range on Pyramid. There will be various photo opportunities including robots detonations and various deployments.

For more detailed information contact Sgt. Lou Gazes 848-3143.