

Counterintelligence Field Activity

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CIFA Mission: Established in February 2002, the mission of the Counterintelligence Field Activity is to develop comprehensive counterintelligence (CI) strategies; produce a common operational picture; and deliver actionable information to Defense Department decision-makers. CIFA integrates the CI activities of the military services, Defense agencies, Joint staff, and Combatant Commands into one, cohesive capability allowing the DoD to synchronize its activities, leverage advanced technologies, and share information. CIFA has nine directorates: Behavioral Sciences, Business Operations, the Counterintelligence and Law Enforcement Center, Field Activities, Management and Development, Programs and Resource Management, Information Technology, Program Management, and Strategy and Transformation.

- ***Behavioral Sciences (DB):*** The Behavioral Sciences Directorate provides psychological collaboration within the DoD CI community using a cadre of behavioral scientists who contribute to the CI mission through consultation, training, research and analytic products. DB has provided training modules and programs to several DoD agencies as well as state, local, and federal law enforcement agencies.
- ***Counterintelligence and Law Enforcement Center (DC):*** The Counterintelligence and Law Enforcement Center (CILEC) identifies and assesses threats to DoD personnel, operations, research, technology, infrastructure, information and capabilities from insider threats, foreign intelligence services, terrorists, and other clandestine or covert entities. The CILEC plans, manages, and directs CI campaigns and other priority CI and DoD-related national security CI and law enforcement activities to mitigate, neutralize or exploit threats.
- ***Field Activities (DX):*** The Directorate of Field Activities provides Defense-wide proactive and multi-disciplined CI capabilities to customers and critical partners by detecting, identifying and engaging DoD adversaries. DX assists in preserving the most critical defense assets, disrupting adversaries, and helping control the intelligence domain. Field Activities provides on-site, real-time CI support in hostile areas worldwide to protect both U.S. and host nation personnel from a variety of threats.
- ***Management and Development (DS):*** Management and Development is responsible for providing program planning and full execution of agency-wide administrative and management programs (e.g. human resources, security, training, and facilities planning). DS recruits, retains and trains the professional counterintelligence workforce.
- ***Information Technology (DI):*** The Directorate of Information Technology provides a full array of IT support to enable CIFA and the DoD CI community to conduct the CI mission with advanced technology systems and processes. DI uses the integrated application of technologies to enable CI professionals to detect,

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deter, and defeat foreign intelligence activities, sabotage, terrorism and other clandestine or covert activities directed against the Defense Department.

- ***Program Management (DP):*** Program Management strategically develops and manages CI programs that protect DoD. DP assists in operating the Defense-wide CI enterprise in an integrated, synchronized and effective way. Program Management uses performance plans for each program activity. These plans establish critical success factors and performance measures to identify support initiatives and core projects. The plans are validated by an oversight council and approved by CIFA. DP also identifies customer requirements and provider capabilities, works in coordination with DI to provide oversight and functional insight into the development and design of CI IT capabilities.
- ***Programs and Resource Management (DF):*** The Program and Resource Management Office is the single coordination point for Defense-wide CI resource planning, programming and budgeting. The Directorate also fulfills the responsibilities of Chief Financial Officer for CIFA. DF provides resource planning, programming, budget formulations, resource analysis, budget execution and force structure development for the DoD CI community and CIFA. Programs and Resource Management Directorate ensures efficient, effective and economical stewardship of the resources of the CI community to meet the most vital needs of the Department and the Nation.
- ***Strategy and Transformation (DT):*** The Strategy and Transformation Directorate champions, designs, leads and enables strategy for and transformation of the DoD CI community. DT develops strategic plans to optimize and synchronize all components of the DoD CI community, thereby ensuring the limited resources of the community yield the desired performance necessary to support strategic CI goals. Strategy and Transformation identifies and fills gaps in current CI capabilities such as studies, lessons learned, research, development, testing and evaluation, participation in exercises and experiments; and interagency cooperation within the CI field.