Insider’s Guide to Intelligence & Interrogation

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Overview

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Presenter’s Background

• Former CIA Chief Polygraph Examiner and Interrogator
• Published author and teacher of detecting deception and eliciting responses techniques
• Over 30 years of clandestine intelligence and law enforcement experience
Presenter’s Background

- Vice President, Deception Detection Services – Abraxas Corporation
- 21 years - CIA Polygraph Examiner/Interrogator; 11 years as Chief Polygraph Examiner
- Stationed overseas as Chief Polygrapher during the Fall of the Berlin Wall and during Gulf War I
- Polygraphed and interrogated subjects in 130 countries
- Polygraphed and interrogated over 1500 Arab/ Middle Eastern or Muslim subjects
- Worked in liaison capacity with Intelligence Services of Great Britain, France, Israel, Albania, Georgia, Jordan, Germany, former Soviet Union, etc.
- Developed and currently teach Introduction to Terrorism at Northern Virginia Community College
- Awarded Counter-Terrorism Center Commendation for outstanding support
- Awarded Directorate of Operations Iraqi Operations Group Unit Citation
- Awarded Career Intelligence Medal
CIA’s Fields of Intelligence

• Directorate of Intelligence
• National Clandestine Service
• Directorate of Science & Technology
• Directorate of Support
There are no absolute, infallible ways to detect deception based solely on behavioral analysis. However, you can become a better collector of information using polygraph and behavioral analysis as a complement to your elicitation skills.
Interviewing and Interrogation

• An interview is a non-confrontational “discussion” whose primary goal is to elicit information from a Subject, suspect, witness, victim or Source and not to elicit admissions of guilt or wrongdoing.

• An interrogation is an accusatory process designed to elicit from a Subject, an admission that he or she did not tell the truth during the initial interview or deliberately withheld information pertaining to the issue or incident in question.
Training

- 11-13 weeks of intense training (DACA)
- Master’s level program
- All Federal law enforcement officers attend DACA
Preparing for your Career

- 4 year degree at an accredited university
- GPA 3.0 >
  - The higher the GPA the better
- Well-read in world events
- Excellent writer
- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to successfully complete the screening process*  
  - Medical
  - Psychological
  - Polygraph

- *For more information visit the CIA or other Federal Intelligence Agency websites.
Wrapping It Up

• Questions?
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