Hotels/Lodging/Self Storage Facility

Hotels/Lodging/Self Storage Facilities have been identified as potential locations exploited by terrorists who historically have used them as a base of operations where they prepare, plan, and execute their attacks.

Suspicious Behavior and Indicators:

- Guests who deny access to the housekeeping staff to perform routine room duties over a period of several consecutive days.
- Guests who permit housekeeping staff to enter rooms but who unusually supervise or rigorously monitor their actions coupled with other extenuating or suspicious circumstances.
- Identification offered for room reservations based on documents of questionable authenticity (i.e., misspellings on “official” papers, altered photos, no telephone number).
- Payment with a large sum of cash instead of a credit card to cover bill (or any other unusual registration and reservation information).
- An unexpected departure after a reservation for an extended stay.
- Unusual or specific inquiries made by an individual regarding the presence of surveillance cameras or other security measures.
- Behavior that suggests a deliberate attempt to avoid being recorded by the security video system (i.e., intentionally masking or concealing one’s face by use of a bulky hat, scarf, sunglasses, etc.)

Suspicious Items:

- Large amounts of unusual substances (acetone, peroxide, draincleaner).
- Luggage emanating fumes/odors.
- Disassembled electrical components (wires, circuit boards, batteries).
- Unusual quantities of an item, such as multiple cell phones, ID’s, etc.
- Plans, drawings, schematics, maps.

Report Any Suspicious Activity to

New York State Terrorism Tips Hotline
1-866-SAFE-NYS (1-866-723-3697)

All calls are toll free and will remain strictly confidential.