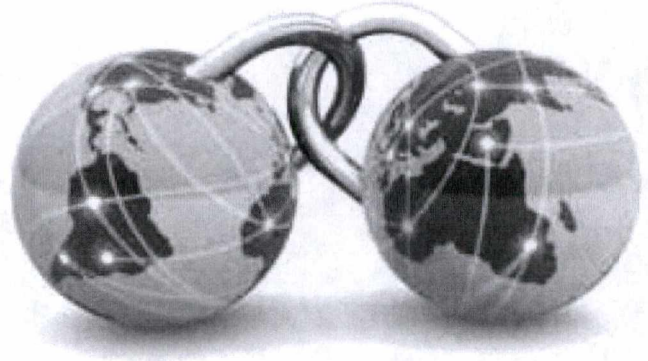


The Infrastructure Protection Program is critical for the security of the missions. This nine-year program is in its fourth year. The detailed evaluation of Canada's highest risk missions is under way, based on the physical security risk matrix and several physical security projects are being implemented. Furthermore, the Bureau has put in place a new automated security clearance process, accessible on-line through the Human Resources Management System. This innovation, which is available to Canada-based staff and locally engaged staff, simplifies and facilitates input of employee information needed to apply for a security clearance.

The Security and Intelligence Bureau continues to provide support to missions in managing security incidents. For example, security specialists from the Bureau were deployed in missions where local security conditions had changed to better support staff in applying emergency measures plans and operational continuity plans. For example, in response to the earthquake in Haiti, the Bureau deployed regional security heads and members of the military police. They evaluated needs and took immediate measures to ensure the security of staff and infrastructure, therefore supporting the delivery of critical service, including consular support and the evacuation of Canadian citizens.



Examples of ongoing initiatives:

- The creation of a new group of full-time mission security officers: these employees strengthen the security teams at missions most under threat.
- The development of a two-day seminar on personal security to meet the needs of employees assigned to missions in dangerous areas.
- The launch of the Security Incident Report and Follow-up (SIRF) in four missions abroad, a security system application designed to follow up on security incidents at missions.
- The launch of an online training course on security that has so far been taken by 12,000 SIGNET users — Canada-based and locally engaged staff — at Headquarters and missions.