

relation to terrorist, or other, threats or attacks, natural disasters, or other major emergencies in Canada or the United States.

Our two Governments shall establish a bi-national planning group ("Planning Group") in NORAD headquarters in Colorado Springs to enhance bi-national military planning, surveillance, and support to civil authorities by:

(a) preparing contingency plans to respond to threats and attacks, and other major emergencies in Canada or the United States;

(b) acting to prevent and mitigate threats or attacks through:

maintaining awareness of emerging situations through maritime surveillance activities;  
sharing maritime intelligence and operational information in accordance with national laws, policies, and directives;  
assessing maritime threats, incidents, and emergencies in order to advise and/or warn Governments;

(c) designing and participating in exercises;

(d) conducting joint training programs;

(e) validating plans prior to approval; and

(f) establishing appropriate coordination mechanisms with relevant federal agencies.