

Who We Are

JIATF West is the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command's Executive Agent for the counter drug mission.

Our military's primary mission is to defend our nation, not to act or operate in a law enforcement capacity. Today, we are living in a world where the capabilities of drug cartels and large transnational criminal organizations rival those of many nation states. Defending against those threats stemming from the proliferation of drugs by powerful crime syndicates requires leveraging capabilities that are only available from within our military.

With the passing of the Military Cooperation with Civilian Law Enforcement Agencies Act in 1981, the U.S. Military began assisting law enforcement in performing counterdrug work.

By 1989, several Task Force units were created with the mission of assisting law enforcement in combating drug trafficking, including what is known today as Joint Interagency Task Force West (JIATF West), in Hawaii; JIATF South, in Florida; and Joint Task Force North, in Texas.

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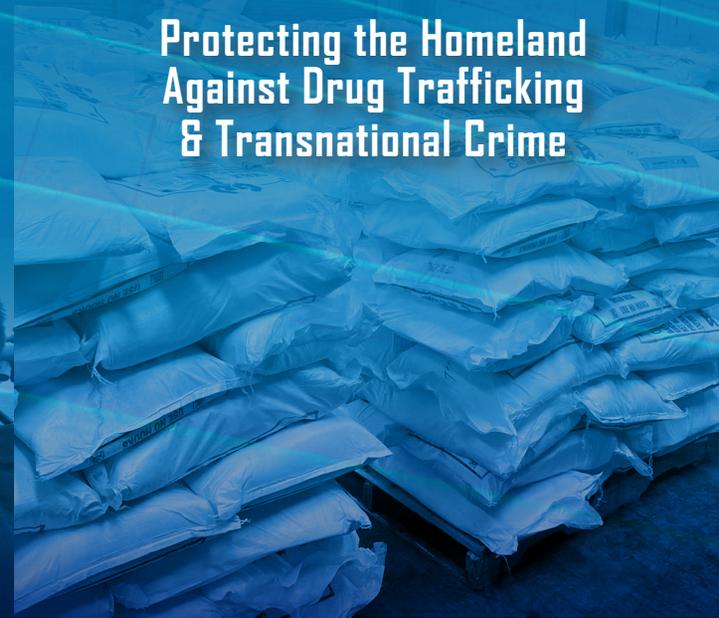
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JIATF WEST

JOINT INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE WEST



Protecting the Homeland
Against Drug Trafficking
& Transnational Crime



Our Mission

Joint Interagency Task Force West, together with U.S. Law Enforcement, the interagency, and partner nations, leverages all-domain capabilities to detect, monitor, and target illicit drug trafficking, enabling interdiction and apprehension to reduce the flow of drugs, degrade and dismantle drug trafficking organizations and transnational criminal organizations; reduce the risk to American lives and U.S. interests; and reduce threats to a free and open Indo-Pacific.

Our Priorities

1 PROTECT THE HOMELAND



2 STRENGTHEN OUR NETWORKS



3 DISRUPT & DEGRADE THREAT NETWORKS



4 COUNTER MALIGN INFLUENCES



Our Team

Our Task Force is made up of approximately 100 professionals comprised of active duty and reserve military, Department of Defense civilians, contractors, and U.S. Law Enforcement agency liaison officers.



Our Services



INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES & TARGETING

We provide intelligence support to U.S. Law Enforcement (LE) agencies, in collaboration with partner nation agencies, to support counter drug (CD) efforts. These capabilities include locating and tracking vessels, collection management, network analysis, precursor supply chain analysis, and support for treasury designations.



ENHANCING PARTNER CAPACITY

We facilitate small-scale infrastructure projects to enhance CD operations and training for partner nations in coordination with U.S. interagency partners. Examples of infrastructure projects include construction of police training centers, target ranges, patrol boat maintenance facilities and piers, check points, and command centers.



SECURITY COOPERATION

We facilitate training and subject matter expert exchanges with interagency partners for partner nations to increase collaboration and enhance LE capabilities. Examples of training include Maritime Skills, Mission Planning, Narcotics and Law Enforcement Investigations, Officer Boarding, Search and Seizure, Financial Investigative Techniques, Drug Abuse and Recognition, Intelligence Analysis, and Cybercrime Investigations.

Our Authorities

10 U.S. Code § 124 | DETECTION AND MONITORING

Search for maritime and air vessels trafficking drugs directly to the U.S.

10 U.S. Code § 271 | LAW ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION SHARING

Provide LE information regarding any drug threats noted in the Indo-Pacific

10 U.S. Code § 284 | LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT

Provide intelligence support for CD/CTOC activities in the Indo-Pacific as requested by USG, U.S. LEA, Foreign National Security Forces (FNSF)/LEA

10 U.S. Code § 333 | BUILDING PARTNER CAPACITY

Building partner capacity of FNSF

Public Law 108-136 § 1022 | SUPPORT CTOC ACTIVITIES

Use of CD-funding to support U.S. LEA CTOC Activities

Public Law 114-92 § 1263 | MARITIME SECURITY

Building partner capacity for maritime law enforcement

