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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Oregon EMS Agencies

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**REGARDING:** Terror Threat Level Raised to Orange



We have received word through our channels that the federal government has put all agencies on "Orange Alert Level" for possible terrorist activities.

There is concern that terrorists could try to use chemical, radiological, or biological weapons. Although biological hazards have had the most attention during the past year, it is suggested that EMS agencies provide updates for the more common chemical weapons that might be used. There is a link at the bottom of this page you can use to download information on some common chemical agents.

Please continue to monitor our website, this will be our primary way of disseminating further, and future, information to you regarding potential threats.

<http://www.ohd.hr.state.or.us/ems>

There is no intelligence information that Oregon is a target for terrorist activities. We are in close contact with our national counterparts, and as we receive information we will share it with you.

We refer you to [CNN.COM](http://CNN.COM) or [FOXNews.com](http://FOXNews.com) for general information.