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## **PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA PARTICIPATES IN FBI COUNTER-TERRORISM EXERCISE**

On June 29, 2010, the Port of South Louisiana (PSL) participated in an FBI's comprehensive integrated training exercise. Lester Millet III, PSL's Policy and Planning Director, assisted the FBI with a waterborne tour of the PSL's critical infrastructure about its state-of-the-art security vessel, the *PSL Responder*.

The training exercise, coordinated by the Federal government and organized by SA Roger Tomberlin, SSA Joseph "Bruce" Adamo, and SA Carla VanLandingham, was held in New Orleans. The three-day event consisted of two full days of "lessons learned" and "best practices" from Israeli and Dutch police departments and culminated with a tabletop exercise.

The participating local first responders worked in groups of six to encourage open dialogue regarding proactive procedures in the event of future deliberate man-made incidents: prevention, preparation, response, and recovery.

This counter-terrorism exercise was well attended, with over 100 participants representing local, state, federal, and private stakeholders throughout the state of Louisiana.



*Pictured L-R: (Front Row) Lester Millet III, SSA Joseph "Bruce" Adamo, Lt. Eric Acosta  
(Back Row) Lt. Bryan Harrell, CDR Paul M. "Bo" Stocklin, Jr., Lt. Byron C. Tumblin, SA Roger Tomberlin,  
Netherlands Police Commissioner Michiel Marchand, and Netherlands Police Superintendent Rene Alexander Verzijil*

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The Port of South Louisiana, a 54-mile port district on the Mississippi River between New Orleans and Baton Rouge, is the largest tonnage port in the Western Hemisphere. The cargo it handles accounts for over 50 percent of all Louisiana imports/exports.