Rewards for Justice, the U.S. Department of State’s counter-terrorism rewards program, is one of the U.S. Government’s most valuable assets in the fight against international terrorism. Established by the 1984 Act to Combat International Terrorism, Public Law 98-533, Rewards for Justice has developed into a global, interagency effort led by the Department of State’s Bureau of Diplomatic Security.

Through Rewards for Justice, the U.S. Secretary of State can offer and pay rewards for information that prevents or favorably resolves acts of international terrorism against U.S. persons or property domestically or abroad, leads to the arrest or prosecution of individuals responsible for such acts or the location of a key terrorist leader, or disrupts terrorism financing. The majority of reward offers are up to $5 million; however, all reward payments are made at the sole discretion of the Secretary of State.

Since its inception, Rewards for Justice has paid millions of dollars for information that has brought terrorists to justice or prevented acts of international terrorism worldwide.

Rewards for Justice works closely with U.S. embassies and consulates around the world, other U.S. government agencies, and foreign governments to ensure that our reward offers receive wide dissemination.

In addition to paid newspaper, radio, and TV ads in the international media, Rewards for Justice uses billboards, flyers, leaflets, matchbooks, and posters to publicize reward offers. The program also posts reward offers on the internet—www.rewardsforjustice.net—and constantly seeks new and innovative ways to promote its efforts.

Persons with information regarding any past or planned act of international terrorism against U.S. persons or property or the location of a terrorist leader should contact the regional security officer at the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate, the FBI, the U.S. military, or Rewards for Justice.

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REWARD PROCESS

When a person provides information that prevents or favorably resolves an act of international terrorism against U.S. persons or property, a U.S. Government agency may nominate that person for a reward payment.

An interagency rewards committee evaluates the information provided and recommends to the Secretary of State whether a reward should be paid, and if so, its amount. The committee is chaired by a Department of State official and includes representatives from the Departments of Defense, Homeland Security, Justice, and Treasury, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the National Security Council.

The recommendation on the amount of the reward payment is based on a number of factors, including the credibility, specificity, and value of the information provided, the seriousness of the danger to U.S. persons or property, the risk faced by the informant and his/her family, and the degree of the informant’s cooperation with relevant authorities.

All rewards are ultimately at the discretion of the Secretary of State. The Attorney General also must concur with the decision to pay a reward in any case where federal jurisdiction exists.

Rewards can be paid in a variety of ways — check, wire transfer, and cash. Non-monetary reward payments are also available.

SUCCESS STORIES

- Rewards for Justice paid a $30 million reward to one person for information on the location of Uday and Qusay Hussein, the sons of former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein.

- Rewards for Justice paid a $2 million reward to one person who provided information to Diplomatic Security special agents in Pakistan on the location of Ramzi Yousef, mastermind of the 1993 World Trade Center bombing.

- Rewards for Justice paid a $10 million reward to a group of Filipino citizens who provided information on the locations of Khadaffy Janjalani and Abu Sober, Abu Sayyaf Group leaders, who were involved in the kidnappings of Martin and Gracia Burnham, the death of Guillermo Sobero, and attacks against the U.S. Embassy in Manila.

- Rewards for Justice paid a $900,000 reward to three persons who provided information on the location of Edgar Navarro, Commander of the Teofilo Forero Mobile Column of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC).

- Rewards for Justice paid a substantial reward to one person who provided information that prevented a series of planned attacks and saved hundreds of lives in an East Asian country during the Persian Gulf War.