



Diplomatic Security Service in EAP Region



31 Regional Security Offices



Located in 31 Countries

Regional Security Officer (RSO): A DSS special agent who is the senior U.S. law enforcement officer in country. The RSO advises the chief of mission on security and law enforcement matters, and manages security programs designed to protect U.S. government personnel, facilities, and information. Within the RSO shop:

- **Deputy and Assistant RSOs:** Assist RSOs with their mission.
- **Security Engineering Officers, Security Technical Specialists, and Seabees:** Install and maintain technical security systems.
- **Marine Security Guards:** Support protection mission and prevent the compromise of national security information and equipment.
- **Local Guard Force:** Assist with physical and virtual security at post.

In 2021, **U.S. Diplomatic Couriers**, based out of **2 regional hubs**, delivered more than 250,000 pounds of secure cargo to the EAP region.

Through the department's **ATA program**, DSS trained **106 law enforcement partners** and delivered equipment to **1 partner country**.

26 Assistant Regional Security Officer-Investigators (ARSO-Is) and 1 SRSO-I: Target and disrupt terrorists and transnational criminal organizations that attempt to exploit U.S. travel and identity documents. They investigate passport and visa fraud, assist in investigating crimes against U.S. citizens, and train and collaborate with foreign nation law enforcement and immigration authorities.

- In 2021, EAP regional ARSO-I teams trained 4,331 host nation partners in how to detect document fraud and human trafficking, facilitated 71 arrests, returned 32 U.S. fugitives, and recommended 523 visas for revocation.
- **Foreign Service National Investigators and Criminal Fraud Investigators** assist with DSS investigations and liaising with U.S. and host nation law enforcement officers.

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- Australia
- Brunei
- Burma
- Cambodia
- China
- Fiji
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Kiribati
- Laos
- Malaysia
- Marshall Islands
- Micronesia
- Mongolia
- Nauru
- New Zealand
- North Korea
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Philippines
- Samoa
- Singapore
- Solomon Islands
- South Korea
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste
- Tonga
- Tuvalu
- Vanuatu
- Vietnam



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