



Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) training
for information and intelligence professionals.



Dissemination: Report Writing

Introduction

- Writing an intelligence report is unlike any other kind of report writing. Often the report will be based upon sketchy information supported by hearsay. Because of this it is essential that the report is written in an objective and unbiased way.
- All non factual comments by the source or collection agency must be clearly identified as such and where possible, supporting evidence should be given.
- An intelligence report should not simply be a restatement of known facts. This would make the document of historical interest but of less value to decision makers. The real value in a well written intelligence document is what is assessed to be the meaning of the facts, especially with regard to likely future actions or event.

Course content

- The format of an intelligence report.
- Writing for a critical/unknown audience.
- Objective writing.
- Developing and writing assessments.



Target audience

- This course is aimed at all personnel within an organisation who are involved in the production or quality checking of intelligence reports.
- The course will also benefit intelligence consumers to enable them to better understand the production process and therefore develop a greater ability to assess the value of the reporting.

Conduct of training

- The training is conducted over two days and will involve lectures and practical sessions . Reports will be assessed by experienced instructors who will give valuable feedback.

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