

**I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
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**Relative to commending and congratulating the Top  
Officials 4 Planners for the successful implementation of  
the recent TOPOFF4 exercises.**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY I LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:**

**WHEREAS**, the Guam Office of Homeland Security in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security conducted the largest and most comprehensive counterterrorism exercise from October 15-19, 2007 in Guam, Arizona and Oregon; and

**WHEREAS**, Top Officials 4 (TOPOFF 4) is the fourth in a series of congressionally-mandated exercises and involved various federal agencies as well as the governments of Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom; and

**WHEREAS**, TOPOFF 4 involved more than 15,000 participants from all levels of government, international partners and the private sector in a full-scale, simulated response to radiological dispersal device attacks. The exercise focused on five key areas: (1) Prevention: tested the handling and flow of operational and time-critical intelligence between agencies to prevent a terrorist attack; (2) Intelligence/investigation: tested the handling and flow of operational and time-critical intelligence between agencies prior to, and in response to, a linked terrorist incident; (3) Incident management: tested the full range of existing procedures for domestic incident management of a terrorist weapon of mass destruction event and to improve the top officials' capabilities to respond consistent with the US National Response Plan and the National Incident Management System. (4) Public information: practiced the strategic coordination of media relations and public information in the context of a terrorist weapon of mass destruction event or incident of national significance. (5) Evaluation: identified lessons learned and promoted best practices; and

1           **WHEREAS**, TOPOFF 4 provided an opportunity to fully integrate the National  
2 Preparedness Goal and in pursuit of a National Exercise Program, and as part of the  
3 program, private sector organizations were encouraged to participate in TOPOFF 4  
4 exercises; and

5           **WHEREAS**, as a result of the TOPOFF 4 exercise Guam’s overall national  
6 significance was clearly revealed. The exercise disclosed how damage to Guam’s  
7 critical infrastructure would directly impact the island’s Department of Defense  
8 installations because these limited resources must be shared by all who live here,  
9 military or civilian – sea port, airport, aquifers, generated power and communication  
10 lines. Safeguarding Guam’s critical infrastructure must be one of the nation’s top  
11 priorities and these vulnerabilities should be included on the national registry for  
12 federal grant eligibility; now, therefore, be it

13           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Bente Nuebi na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of  
14 the people of Guam does hereby commend and congratulate all government of Guam  
15 Top Officials 4 Planners; Eric Fisher, Guam Police Department, T4 Lead Planner;  
16 Rolando Delfin, Department of Agriculture, Assistant Lead Planner; Linda Alegarbes,  
17 Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense, Control and Evaluation and  
18 Scenario; Tanya Bejado, Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense, Control  
19 and Evaluation and Scenario; Albina Buccat, Guam Police Department, Control and  
20 Evaluation and Scenario; James Buccat, Guam Police Department, Control and  
21 Evaluation Scenario and Cyber; Albert Buendicho, Department of Youth Affairs,  
22 Control and Evaluation and Scenario; Cassandra Castro, Guam Memorial Hospital  
23 Authority, Control and Evaluation, Scenario and External Affairs; Diane Cruz, Office  
24 of the Governor, External Affairs; Shawn Gumataotao, Office of the Governor,  
25 External Affairs; Lesley Leon Guerrero, Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil  
26 Defense, Control and Evaluation Scenario and External Affairs; Andrew Leon  
27 Guerrero, Department of Public Works, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Angel  
28 Llagas, Guam Fire Department, Control and Evaluation Scenario and External Affairs;  
29 Jeffery Palacios, Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency, Control and Evaluation  
30 Scenario, and Cyber; Lucia Perez, GTA, Control and Evaluation Scenario and  
31 External Affairs; Michael Quinata, Department of Corrections, Control and  
32 Evaluation and Scenario; Bertha Tajeron, Department of Public Health and Social  
33 Services, Control and Evaluation Scenario and External Affairs; Chalsea Torres,  
34 Department of Corrections, Control and Evaluation Scenario and Private Sector; Jim  
35 Lacson, Bureau of Information Technology, Cyber; Richard Calamba, Department of  
36 Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Scenario; Cynthia Naval, Department of Public  
37 Health and Social Services, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Cecilia Javier,  
38 Department of Public Works, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Dominic Muna,  
39 Department of Public Works, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Linda Suarez,  
40 Department of Public Works, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Shon Muna,

1 Department of Public Works, Control and Evaluation Scenario; Ben Pangelinan,  
2 Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency, Control and Evaluation Scenario, Cyber;  
3 Christopher Sablan, Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency, Cyber; Peter Ungacta,  
4 Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency, Cyber; Lucia Calvo, Guam Hotel and  
5 Restaurant Association, Private Sector; Mary Torre, Guam Hotel and Restaurant  
6 Association, Private Sector; Leon Ryan, Guam Police Department, Control and  
7 Evaluation Scenario; John Crisostomo, Guam Power Authority, Control and  
8 Evaluation Scenario; Richard Bersamin, Guam Power Authority, Control and  
9 Evaluation Scenario; Tamra Muna, Guam Power Authority, Control and Evaluation  
10 Scenario; Bruce Williams, Guam Public School System, Control and Evaluation  
11 Scenario; Mary Torres, Guam Visitors Bureau, Private Sector; and John Pangelinan,  
12 Guam Waterworks Authority, Control and Evaluation Scenario; now, therefore be it

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify to and the Secretary of the Legislature  
14 attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to all  
15 government of Guam Top Officials 4 Planners; to Michael Chertoff, Secretary, U.S.  
16 Department of Homeland Security; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam's  
17 Delegate to the United States Congress and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I*  
18 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.