

Crisis Task Force

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Tom Ridge, Homeland Security Director
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The President's most important job is to protect and defend the American people. Since September 11, all levels of government have cooperated like never before to strengthen aviation and border security, stockpile more medicines to defend against bioterrorism, improve information sharing among our intelligence agencies, and deploy more resources and personnel to protect our critical infrastructure.

The changing nature of the threats facing America requires a new government structure to protect against invisible enemies that can strike with a wide variety of weapons. Today no one single government agency has homeland security as its primary mission. In fact, responsibilities for homeland security are dispersed among more than 100 different government organizations. America needs a single, unified homeland security structure that will improve protection against today's threats and be flexible enough to help meet the unknown threats of the future.

To that end I have created a small group of individuals that will act covertly under the Department of Homeland Security. This Crisis Task Force (CTF) will handle situations that need to be handled in the strictest of confidence or with the exactness only the CTF team can manage. Please activate the service of the individuals listed below immediately.

Enclosed is the Executive order empowering the Crisis Task Force to fulfill their mission.



GEORGE W. BUSH
President of the United States

Formation of CRISIS TASK FORCE

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended (64 Stat. 798; 50 U.S.C. App. 2061, et seq.), and section 301 of title 3, United States Code, and as Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, it is hereby ordered as follows:

PART I - Purpose, Policy And Implementation

Section 101. Purpose. This order delegates authorities and addresses national defense industrial resource policies, crisis management policies, and programs under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended ("the Act"), except for the amendments to Title I.II of the Act in the Energy Security Act of 1980 and telecommunication authorities under Executive Order No. 12472.

Sec. 102. Policy. The United States must have an industrial and technology base capable of meeting national defense requirements, threats of domestic disasters, both natural and man-made, and proficiency in contributing to the technological superiority of its defense equipment in peacetime and in times of national emergency. The domestic industrial and technological base is the foundation for the formation of the Crisis Task Force (CTF). The authorities provided in the Act shall be used to strengthen this base and to ensure it is capable of responding to all threats to the national security of the United States.

Sec. 103. General Functions. Federal departments and agencies responsible for defense acquisition (or for industrial resources needed to support defense acquisition) shall:

- (a) Identify requirements for the full spectrum and specific implementation of all emergencies deemed beyond the scope of established emergency agencies, both local and national, of identified emergencies, including natural, military, industrial, interplanetary events and essential civilian demand;
- (b) Assess continually the capability of the domestic industrial and technological base to satisfy requirements in peacetime and times of national emergency, specifically evaluating the availability of adequate industrial resource and production sources, including subcontractors and suppliers, materials, skilled labor, and professional and technical personnel; pursuant to the means of facilitating the most advanced technology available for emergency reaction.
- (c) Be prepared, in the event of a potential threat to the security of the United States, to take actions necessary to ensure the availability of adequate industrial resources and production capability, including services and critical technology for national defense requirements;

Sec. 104. Implementation.

- (a) The National Security Council is the principal forum for consideration and resolution of national security resource preparedness policy.
- (b) The Director, Crisis Task Force ("Director, CTF") shall:
 - (1) Serve as an advisor to the National Security Council on issues of national security resource preparedness and on the use of the authorities and functions delegated by this order;
 - (2) Provide for the central coordination of the plans and programs incident to authorities and functions delegated under this order, and provide guidance and procedures approved by the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs to the Federal departments and agencies under this order;

PART II - Priorities And Allocations

Sec. 201. Delegations of Priorities and Allocations.

- (a) The authority of the President conferred by section 101 of the Act to require acceptance and priority performance of contracts or orders (other than contracts of employment) to promote the national defense over performance of any other contracts or orders, and to allocate materials, services, and facilities as deemed necessary or appropriate to promote the national defense, is delegated to the following agency heads:
- (1) The Secretary of Agriculture with respect to food resources, food resource facilities, and the domestic distribution of farm equipment and commercial fertilizer;
 - (2) The Secretary of Energy with respect to all forms of energy;
 - (3) The Secretary of Health and Human Services with respect to health resources;
 - (4) The Secretary of Transportation with respect to all forms of civil transportation;
 - (5) The Secretary of Defense with respect to military hardware, personnel, and other resources, classified or unclassified, as deemed necessary by, Crisis Task Force, Director; and
 - (6) The Secretary of Commerce for all other materials, services, and facilities, including construction materials.
- (7) The Director of , Crisis Task Force, shall have the highest authority in all emergency situations to which it responds.

PART III - Employment Of Personnel

Sec. 202. Obtaining Personnel

- (a) Crisis Task Force, Director, shall have all resources necessary to establish the necessary personnel.
- (b) Crisis Task Force, Director, shall ensure that all security clearances are granted to personnel possessing the advanced skills necessary to perform the requirements of the extreme nature of situations which will be encountered.

Sec. 203. General.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided, Director, Crisis Task Force, shall have authority over all agencies, during time of crisis, or in facilitation of personnel or equipment necessary for preparation of emergency situations.



GEORGE W. BUSH
President of the United States



Crisis Task Force

NAME: BROCK SIMONS **AGE:** 31

HEIGHT: 6'1" **WEIGHT:** 210

BORN: February 23, 1966

BLOOD TYPE: Type O Positive

EDUCATION: Navy Seal
Physics Department & Combat Systems -
Naval Postgraduate School.

MARTIAL ARTS: Tae Kwon-Do



SKILLS: Combat weapons familiarization and marksmanship, combat first aid, land navigation, fire movement and maneuvering, patrolling, ambush and counter ambush techniques, river and stream crossings, mountaineering, demolitions, radio field communications, setting up base camps, and preparation of drop and landing zones for helicopter support.

BACKGROUND: Product of a single-family household. Arrested for murder at the age of 13. Acquitted at age of 14 due to illegal search and seizure. Entered boot camp for adolescents at 14. Enrolled in local Tae Kwon-Do school under tutelage of Master Kim at age 15. Learned the value of life and vowed to work for the rest of his life to repay his debt to the boy he had killed.

NAME: KARI DALE **AGE:** 33

HEIGHT: 5'8" **WEIGHT:** 145

BORN: May 23, 1964

BLOOD TYPE: Type A
Positive.

EDUCATION: Command Pilot
Air Combat Command.
Master's degree in Forensic Sciences
from George Washington University.



MARTIAL ARTS: Kickboxing

SKILLS: Specialized criminal, counterintelligence, and investigative support.
Communications specialist in counterintelligence and Cryptography.
Multiple flight vehicle readiness with training hours in helicopter combat.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command pilot **Flight hours:** More than 3,500

Aircraft flown: F-100, T-37, F-111, F-15, F-117A

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Silver Star, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit,
Distinguished Flying Cross Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf
clusters, Air Medal with 11 oak leaf clusters Air Force Commendation
Medal with two oak leaf clusters

BACKGROUND: Traveled extensively during her childhood with her father in
the Air Force. With an IQ of 168 she excelled rapidly in her education.
She was the first women in almost every Air Force award, class, and
combat situation.

NAME: DALTON REEVES **AGE:** 34

HEIGHT: 6'3" **WEIGHT:** 235

BORN: June 23, 1963

BLOOD TYPE: Type B Positive.

EDUCATION: Education: Ph.D., Mechanical Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology. M.S. Engineering Mechanics, University of Nebraska, B.S. Mechanical Engineering, University of Nebraska.



MARTIAL ARTS: Judo

SKILLS: Machine systems; the creation and analysis of mechanical devices, including the robotic manipulator; interactive design; robotics, manufacturing, and logistics. Advanced satellite communications systems, Personal Communications Systems technology.

BACKGROUND: Inspired from the first moonwalk he has striven to be associated with the most advanced technology. Building his first simple logic circuits from kits he quickly advanced in his studies. With a supportive middle-class family his rapid movement through his education was made possible.

NAME: AMBER TAYLOR **AGE:** 31

HEIGHT: 5' 10" **WEIGHT:** 152

BORN: May 23, 1966

BORN: Sussex, England

BLOOD TYPE: Type A Positive.

EDUCATION: B.A., University of Cambridge, England; M.A., University of Cambridge, England; Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley



MARTIAL ARTS: Aikido

SKILLS: Vapor/solid systems (e.g., deposition/etching of thin solid films, molecular modeling, catalysis, etc.), complex reaction networks (e.g., pyrolysis, polymerization), multicomponent transport and kinetics in chemical reactors, and electrochemical systems (e.g., batteries and solid-state displays). Emphasis on materials analysis and function. Familiarity biophysical properties of DNA in solution and material based elements.

BACKGROUND: From a small town in Sussex, England. She grew up in a very poor family and moved to America when her father was transferred to a lower level management position. Her mother worked two jobs to help sustain the family. She quickly learned the value of education as a means of creating success. Her dedication to helping people and advancing her own knowledge is unwavering.

NAME: SARA RADEN

AGE: 33

HEIGHT: 5' 11"

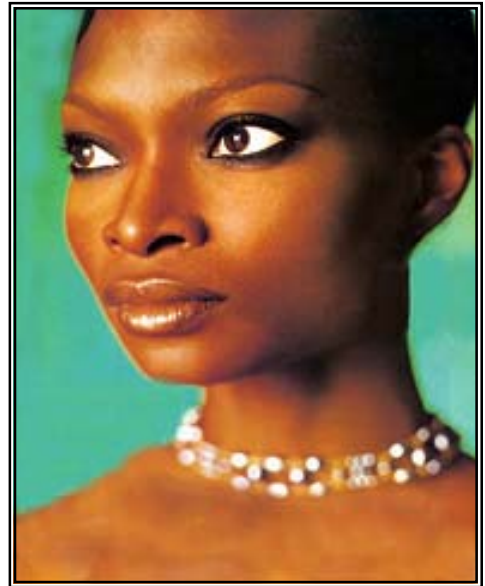
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BORN: November 23, 1964

BLOOD TYPE: Type O Positive.

EDUCATION: Ph.D. Brigham Young University, Civil & Environmental Engineering.

MARTIAL ARTS: Karate



SKILLS: Geotechnical Engineering, Earthquake Engineering, Geophysical Modeling and Prediction, Liquefaction, Computer-based Methods in Engineering Design, Mechanical Behavior of Complex Structures, Such as Those Employing Advanced Composite Materials and/or Integrated Sensors and Actuators, Hazard Materials Handling.

BACKGROUND: Born in the Cayman Islands and moved to Southern California at the age of 5. She has lived her whole life with earthquakes. On November 8, 1980 her parents were killed during a 6.7 magt. earthquake. This solidified her life in ensuring that she would do everything within her power to learn about the earth and ways to help people survive natural disasters.

NAME: NEIL GABRIEL

AGE: 33

HEIGHT: 6'3"

WEIGHT: 235

BORN: May 23, 1964

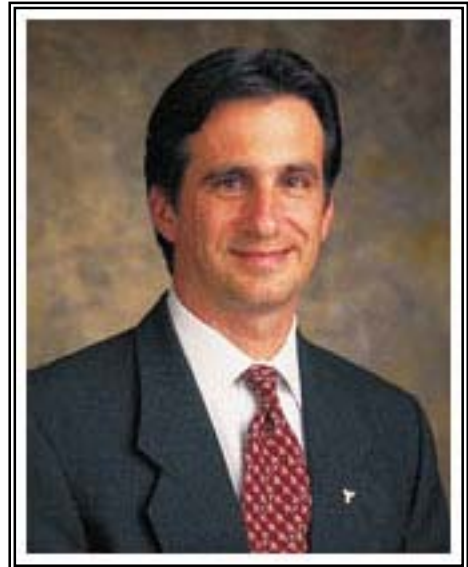
BLOOD TYPE: Type AB Positive.

EDUCATION: M.D./PhD. Harvard Medical School.

MARTIAL ARTS: Kickboxing

SKILLS: Emergency Operational Procedures, Advanced Medical Diagnostics, Telemedicine, Remote Emergency Operations, Advanced Clinical Diagnostics, Viral Diagnostic Testing Methods and Instrumentation.

BACKGROUND: His Father and Grandfather were both doctors and it was required of him to enter into the profession. His rich family and constant exposure to medicine made it easier to pass through medical school. He found his love in computer based advancements made in medicine and continues to seek out the most advanced technology available in medicine.



NAME: Steven Tucker

AGE: 51

HEIGHT: 6'0"

WEIGHT: 235

BORN: May 23, 1951

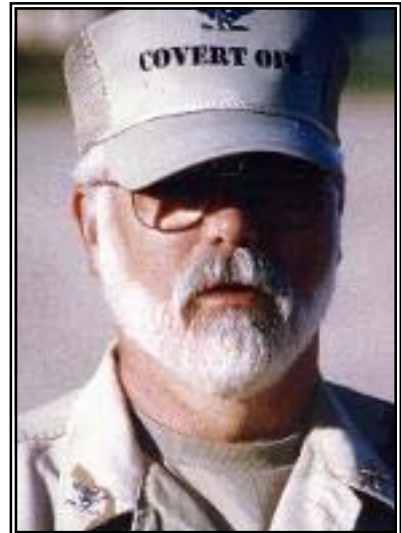
BLOOD TYPE: Type O.

EDUCATION: PhD. Harvard Business School.

MARTIAL ARTS: Hand to Hand and Special Weapons

SKILLS: Fourteen years U.S. Army Special Forces, specialist in intelligence and counter intelligence. Served in various capacities on operational detachments ("A" teams) and on company and battalion staffs, including classified national security work. Final posting as NCOIC of the Counterintelligence Section, Military Intelligence Company, 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne). Current status CLASSIFIED.

BACKGROUND: After obtaining his PhD at Harvard school of business Steven was drafted by the DoD to participate in numerous highly classified operations. Most information available about Steven Tucker is classified or fabricated.



EPISODE CONCEPTS FOR CRISIS TASK FORCE

133t – The members of the CTF discover a plot by a group of hackers to infiltrate various high-level government centers through the use of pulsed optical radiance detectors. The hackers use this device within a mile of the facility to pick up on passwords and other sensitive data. The CTF finds that this is no ordinary hackers group but a terrorist group funded from the Middle East.

DISCOVERED - The CTF must do everything in their power to cover up their hidden operations when word is leaked that a small group from the Department of Homeland Security will be looking into budgetary problems in the office where the CTF is housed. Official documents show the CTF to be a documents handling center. Neil and Sara get locked in a training room and spend time getting to know each other better,

DRILL TEAM - The CTF is ordered to go in for biological hazards preparedness training at the Centers for Disease Control. The CTF arrives at the CDC only to be thrown into a real life biological hazard that is found outside of a baseball stadium.

A DAY OFF - The CTF is given a day off. Sara takes Neil home to meet her aunt and uncle who are like parents to her. The other members of the CTF team decide to go to a NASCAR race that turns into hostage situation when the members of the team discover that the stadium is wired to explode if the decibel level from the race cars drops below 150. Sara and Neil see the report on the news and rush to help the other members of the CTF.

UPGRADE – The CTF members receive an upgrade in equipment. They are outfitted with the latest in high-tech gear when they receive a secret memo from the President about the work they have accomplished to date. Some of the equipment includes their own geosynchronous satellite with multiple imaging systems, two prototype AMHRS (Adaptive Mechanized Human-Robotic System) and their own personal stealth jet capable of low earth orbit and speeds of Mach 9.

HUMAN ENGINEERING - The CTF receives an anonymous tip about a deadly new virus that is going to be released. More covert than anyone thought possible this new virus is a new breed of weapon. Two distinct forms of DNA are injected into hosts and when they come in contact this airborne virus mutates spreading rapidly through the air. The CTF must work fast to stop the outbreak and work even faster when they discover that one of them is a carrier.