

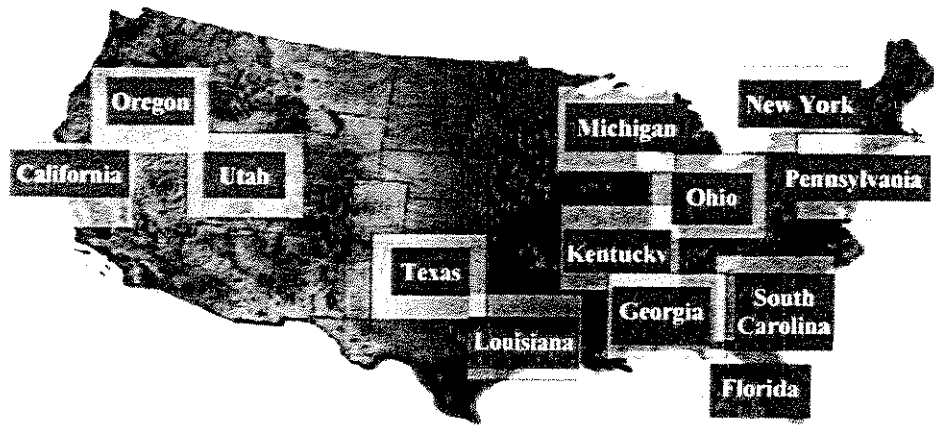
# MATRIX

(MULTISTATE ANTI-TERRORISM INFORMATION EXCHANGE)

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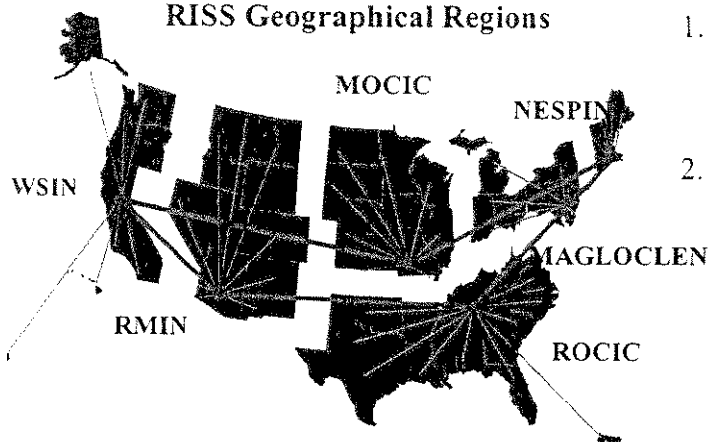
- Designed to increase and enhance the exchange of sensitive terrorism and other criminal activity information between local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies.
- Pilot project underway involving 13 participating states:

1. California
2. Florida
3. Georgia
4. Kentucky
5. Louisiana
6. Michigan
7. New York
8. Ohio
9. Utah
10. Oregon
11. Pennsylvania
12. South Carolina
13. Texas



## PRIMARY OBJECTIVES:

### RISS Geographical Regions



1. Establish **CONNECTIVITY** utilizing the existing Regional Information Sharing System (RISS) Network.
2. Use **FACTUAL DATA ANALYSIS** and integration technology to improve the usefulness of the data contained in multiple types of document storage systems.  
*(Note: Florida has a partnership with Seisint to provide the data mining tools using both public and private data.)*
3. Secure **WEB-BASED ACCESS TO DATA AND INTELLIGENCE** contained in the participating states' intelligence systems with the objective to connect to federal systems where permitted.

- \$4 million awarded in January 2003 by U.S. D.O.J. for hardware and network support to provide connectivity. Additional funds are necessary for prevention-oriented data-mining services.
- Expansion of this system will be explored once the initial pilot testing is completed and the success of MATRIX is determined.

## **BRIEFING POINTS FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES**

### **GOVERNOR:**

- Purpose of meeting:
  - Proud of what has been accomplished in Florida in the area of information exchange and want to demonstrate the results.
  - Information is the best source of prevention. Prevention activities should be the focus of our efforts at all levels of government, thus we must do more to access and use information available to us.
  - What we are asking for is support for full implementation of the MATRIX project.
- States have an important role in prevention activities. Data owned by the states are needed by the government for the war on terrorism.
- The multi-state initiative (MATRIX) is an important step in obtaining agreement among the states to share information with each other and the federal government.
- The federal government has a responsibility to fund multi-state connectivity efforts such as the MATRIX project, while the states are funding the activities within each state.
- Federal government cannot get this data without states agreeing.

### **COMMISSIONER**

- The MATRIX project is comprised of 13 states, which encompass over 50% of the U.S. population and meets many important needs of law enforcement at all levels.
- Provides for connectivity among the states on an existing secure intelligence network which can be accessed by local, state and federal law enforcement.
- MATRIX complies and utilizes existing policies and guidelines as well as those recommendations in the IACP report on "Criminal Intelligence Sharing" and the Markle Foundation report on "National Security in the Information Age" to control the collection and dissemination of information.
- The factual data analysis portion of the project is the most expensive but holds the most promise of identifying potential terrorist cells and solving other crimes.
- The project does not seek access to any information not already available to law enforcement without a court order; however it makes the data more functional and allows law enforcement to gather the information in seconds as opposed to weeks or months.
- This timeliness is crucial in life and death situations such as terrorist threats and missing/abducted children cases.
- Post 9/11, Mr. Hank Asher of Seisint volunteered his company's services, which included their billions of public records and use of their super computers and programmers to the U.S. and Florida.

### **SEISINT**

- Data contained in Seisint's system are publicly available.
- The MATRIX project combines Seisint's data with protected state government data intended for law enforcement use only.

- The system is restricted to law enforcement only with FDLE controlling access.
- Company has been doing specialized law enforcement searches for 10 years. This MATRIX project has been running in Florida for 16 months.
- Paul Cameron to present PowerPoint showing the development of MATRIX.
- Demonstrate social networking.
- Demonstrate HTF with mapping.
- Show a specialized search.

### **WHAT ARE WE ASKING FOR?**

- Vice President's support for federal funding for multi-state initiatives on information sharing.
- Vice President's support for state – federal oversight board for information sharing.
- The MATRIX project was awarded \$4 million of a \$10 million federal grant request. To implement this project across all 13 states would cost approximately \$2 million per state.