Simulation Schedule

Introduction to Simulation (15 min) (PPT NCTC Simulation PowerPoint)

First Round (45 min)

- After participants have been assigned to their agencies, groups will be given the source packets unique to their agency's jurisdiction and privileges.

- Participants silently read and analyze the data before discussing amongst themselves their initial impressions of the situation.

The section of each group in charge of drawing up the final briefing should periodically provide a situation report to their facilitator roleplaying as their direct superior. Facilitators should press the participants to be concise and to probably caveat their conclusions with confidence and probability assessments described in detail in Appendix A of the prep book.

Second Round (60 min)

- Agency groups are reassigned to an ad hoc NCTC Taskforce assembled to more effectively diffuse the terrorist threat. Every agency group will be represented in each taskforce.

- Taskforces reassess the crisis after collaborating and sharing their unique data.

- Taskforces finalize their assessment and draw up a final draft of their oral brief to policy makers.

Third Round (50 min)

- Taskforces individually give their brief summarizing the likely identity of the attacker(s) as well as the means and location of the attack to policy makers, played by facilitators and the moderator.