

Project TERMINUS The United States National Central Bureau

Established in 2016, Project TERMINUS is a partnership between INTERPOL Washington, the United States National Central Bureau (USNCB), and the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Counterterrorism.

Its mission is to extend I-24/7, INTERPOL's secure, police-to-police communications system, in high-risk areas and select member countries, thereby increasing their ability to access and utilize INTERPOL's global criminal investigative data and information-sharing services.

Project TERMINUS comprises a team of technical and operational experts who integrate border screening and detection tools to interdict the illicit international travel of FTFs and other threat actors seeking to enter or transit their respective regions.

Project TERMINUS is active and provides technical assistance, software, hardware, and training to Indonesia, Malaysia, Nigeria, Kyrgyzstan, Panama, and The Maldives.

Major Milestones

- ❖ 89 million (+) foreign international passengers have been screened against INTERPOL databases since the inception of TERMINUS.
- 930,000 (+) Partner country Documents have been uploaded to INTERPOL's SLTD database by USNCB-implemented Uploader applications.
- ❖ 178 (+) air/land and seaport facilities are now actively screening all inbound and outbound international passengers against INTERPOL databases.
- ❖ 49 INTERPOL solution Servers have been preconfigured and provided to partner countries.
- ❖ 6 MIND drives provided and installed.
- ❖ 5 Preconfigured Cisco Integrated Services Routers providing connectivity to INTERPOL have been provided.
- 4 Secure solution enclaves have been configured and provided.



Project TERMINUS Timeline

2015-2017

- The US Department of State awards INTERPOL Washington funding to expand i24/7 connectivity at various Points of Entry throughout Indonesia.
- ❖ INTERPOL Washington expands its support to Malaysia by Implementing the USNCB's automated SLTD/LASP submission solution, establishing secure connectivity from Malaysia Immigration to INTERPOL.
 - With the direct connection to INTERPOL, Malaysia Immigration began SLTD screening at thirty-four international ports of entry in Malaysia.

2018

- The US Department of State expands its efforts with INTERPOL Washington by funding POE expansion throughout the ASEAN region.
- The US Department of State awards INTERPOL Washington funding to expand its 24/7 Connectivity projects globally.

2019

❖ INTERPOL Washington formally names its border expansion project "TERMINUS" and assigns a full-time Senior Portfolio Manager to lead the efforts.

2020

Protect TERMINUS provides critical system support to INTERPOL-led law enforcement operations throughout Southeast Asia. These database upgrades—made under the auspices of Project TERMINUS—demonstrated their ongoing value during an INTERPOL operation codenamed Maharlika III.



- ❖ In cooperation with the U.S. Department of State, USNCB implements a new web-based platform designed to promote awareness of and participation in, Project TERMINUS among law enforcement and border security authorities in the Southeast Asian Region.
- The US Department of State PISCES designated Project TERMINUS as the USNCB "preferred provider" for their worldwide efforts.
- The US Department of State Awards INTERPOL Washington funding to continue expanding border security checkpoints in the ASEAN region.

2021

- Project TERMINUS partnered with the U.S. Department of State to dramatically improve Nigeria's border security screening capacity.
 - This partnership led to Nigeria becoming the first African country to implement an automated system for uploading stolen and lost passport documents (SLTD) into the INTERPOL database. This automation was made possible by implementing INTERPOL Washington's SLTD Uploader software solution.
 - This effort resulted in 154,162 SLTD records from Nigeria's national issuing authority immediately being uploaded to the INTERPOL SLTD database.
- ❖ Project TERMINUS began direct talks with Kyrgyzstan/ NCB Bishkek for Project TERMINUS assistance and implementation of its Took Kit Solution.
- ❖ At the request of The US Department of State, Project TERMINUS begins discussions with Uzbekistan/NCB Tashkent for the implementation of its TERMINUS solutions.
- ❖ Project TERMINUS completed its remote assistance to the Maldivian Government, providing a pre-configured server that serves as the Host Nation Stolen and Lost Travel Document Database.
 - Project TERMINUS remotely provided software and assisted with the final solutions' configuration, installation, and testing.
 - These solutions led to The Republic of Maldives establishing an internal SLTD Database and enabled the automatic uploading of all travel documents to IPSG.
- ❖ Interpol Washington is awarded its 4th Interagency Award (IAA) from The US Department of State, expanding Project TERMINUS in the Western Hemisphere.
 - Focus Countries: Panama, Mexico, Guatemala, and Columbia



2022

- Interpol Washington/Project TERMINUS was awarded its fifth Interagency Award (IAA) from The US Department of State to continue its work globally.
- Project TERMINUS expanded its global Partner Nation outreach by securing draft agreements to assist in Vietnam, Thailand, Cambodia, and Columbia.
- Project TERMINUS completed its hardware and software installation with the Republic of Panama.
 - In cooperation with the National Central Bureau, Panama City, and the Autoridad de Pasaportes de Panama (APAP), Project TERMINUS completed the delivery and installation of systems that establish a Panama national Stolen and Lost Travel Document database of Panama and facilitate the automatic uploading of stolen and lost passports and travel documents to INTERPOL.
 - This accomplishment increased the number of Panamanian SLTD records in the INTERPOL global database by over 30% to nearly 50,000.
- Project TERMINUS completed its integration efforts with The Department of State PISCES Program.
 - This expansion will allow PISCES integration with the existing USNCB i24/7 hosted capabilities. This enables PISCES clients to have a persistent interface with Interpol capabilities.
- Project TERMINUS Began initial talks with the UK to joint fund/support an INTERPOL CARICOM Liaison Officer in Barbados.
 - This project will be jointly funded by the Department of State and the UK Home Office.

2023

- ❖ In 2023, Project TERMINUS grew worldwide by beginning its TERMINUS country support to Colombia, Tajikistan, Trinidad, Cambodia, and Vietnam.
- UNSCB Project TERMINUS led a multi-national workshop on law enforcement and border security coordination comprised of senior representatives from eleven Association of Southeast Asia Nations (ASEAN) member countries who met to discuss the potential adoption of TERMINUS solutions throughout the region.
 - This workshop led to the drafting of cooperation agreements with the governments of Thailand, Cambodia, and the Philippines.



- ❖ During the expansion in Georgia/Tbilisi, the Project TERMINUS team met with their counterparts virtually over three months to present the technical solutions available to them via Project TERMINUS. As a result, two servers were procured and sent to NCB Tbilisi.
 - Follow-up technical exchange meetings revealed the desire to enable nominal screening capabilities. The Head of NCB Tbilisi has submitted this proposal to their MOI leadership for approval.
- In Panama, the TERMINUS Technical Team delivered and assisted in configuring two servers to NCB Panama City as a part of its continuing support to their Passport Authority. While on-site, they helped in the final configuration of equipment delivered and scoped/planned any additional Toolkit needs by NCB Panama City.
- The USNCB TERMINUS team traveled to Belize to discuss multiple Terminus-enabled enhancements with the various agencies. NCB Belmopan and CIO Belize Immigrations requested that USNCB prioritize deploying TERMINUS tools and services as soon as possible.
- ❖ Project Expanding by staffing Country Support to CARICOM and the Western Hemisphere
 - Project TERMINUS created and staffed two future positions in support of BSD Operations in the Western Hemisphere.
 - CARICOM-CBP Officer in Barbados covering CARICOM Nations.
 - Western Hemisphere contractor support in Panama covering WHA.