



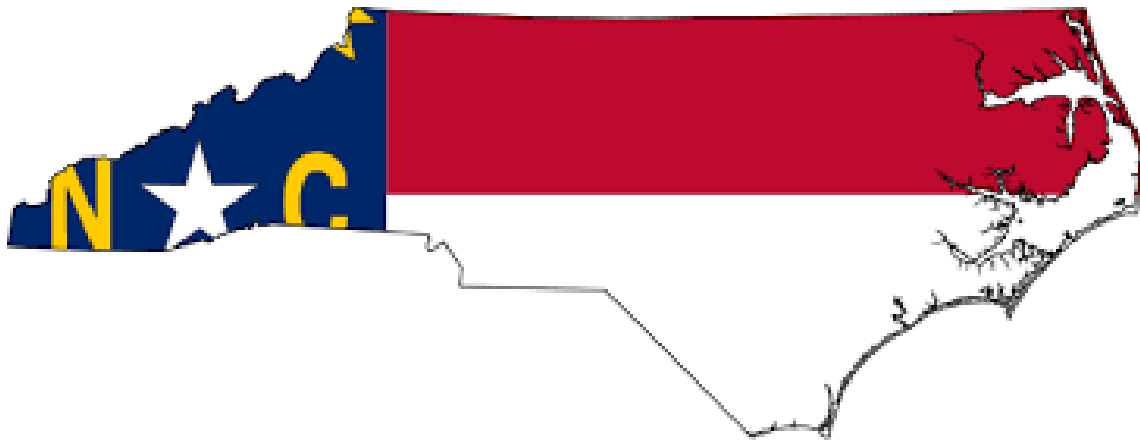
*Mirror Image: From the Edge of Raqqa,
The Evolution and Future of ISIS and
Their Wilayats Counterterrorism Training*

June 19-23, 2017

See Special Guest Speakers



Total Immersion training at the Spartan Ranch in Maysville, NC



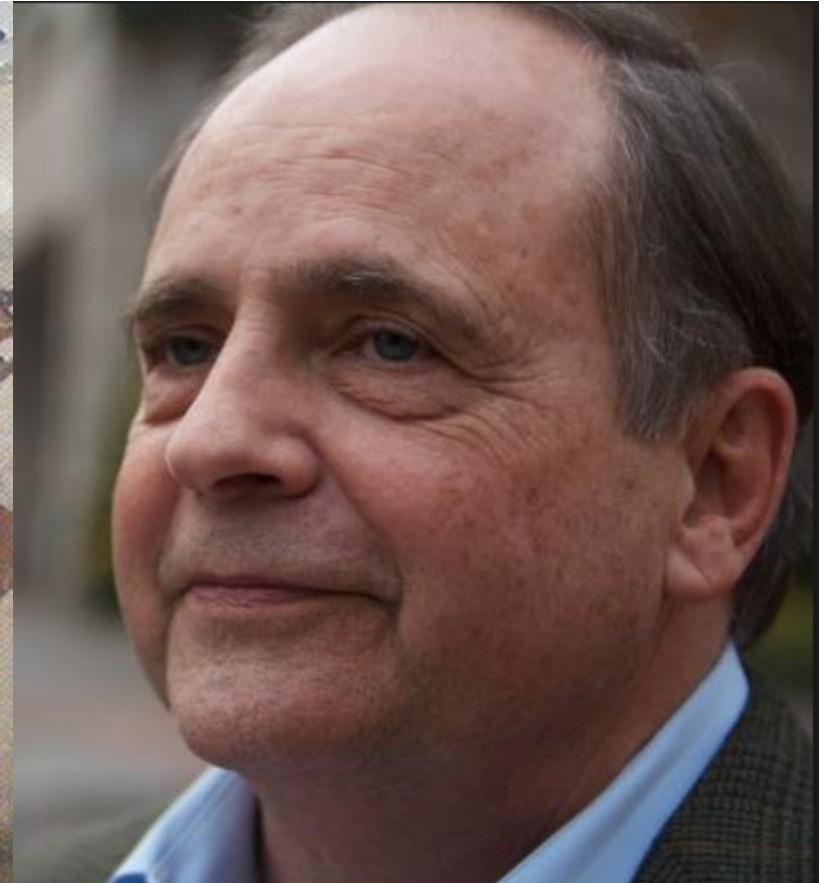
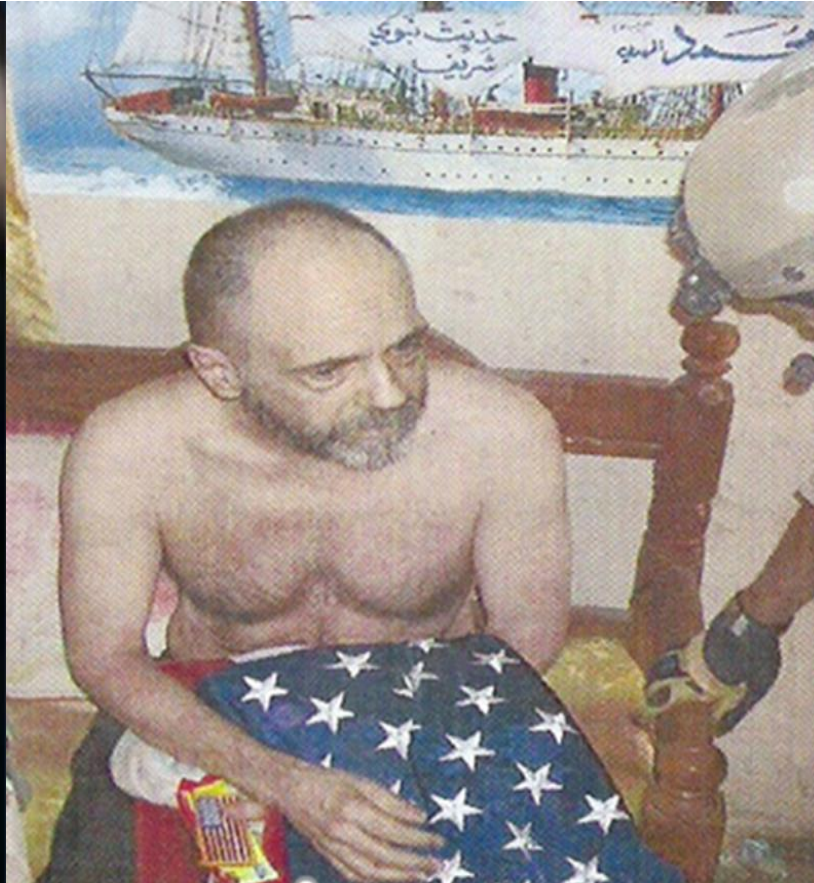
The Terrorism Research Center's **Mirror Image** training program is a five day classroom and field training program designed to simulate terrorist recruitment, training, techniques and operational tactics. Participants will receive insight into the mindset and operational methodology of the terrorists through **total immersion**, hands-on experience, and education about ideologies that motivate them and the cultural dimensions that influence their decision making.

During the training program participants are divided into cells and replicate the various operational roles within a cell. Cells are briefed on targets and develop execution plans. Cells will operate in hardship conditions and will eat, sleep and train as a tight knit network. Each day, the participants will be taught a comprehensive program by a host of international terrorism experts

Special Guest Speakers at Mirror Image includes:



Roy Hallum- Kidnapped and Held Hostage for 311 Days in Iraq



Kidnappings and Hostage Taking



Terrorist and criminal groups have kidnapped and taken hostages for media and propaganda purposes as well as to collect ransoms. **Roy Hallum** was kidnapped and held for 311 days in Iraq before he was rescued by US military forces.

During his 311-day ordeal, Roy was blindfolded, bound, beaten, starved, forced to make a video and faced mock executions. While many individuals kidnapped in Iraq were killed or beheaded Roy was rescued by elite US military forces. Hear first-hand how Roy was kidnapped and survived his captivity. Participants will receive Roy's book "Buried Alive."

Special Guest Speakers include:



Dr. Michael Scheuer- “In role” Communication on
*The Caliphate Today and the
Future of ISIS: The Next Phase
After Mosul and Raqqa*



Michael Scheuer is a former CIA Intelligence Officer who stood up the Bin Laden Desk.

Special Guest Speakers include:

Dr. Michael Scheuer- He is the author of numerous books including: *Through Our Enemies Eyes, Imperial Hubris: Why the West is Losing the War on Terror, Marching Towards Hell: America and Islam After Iraq, and Osama Bin Laden.*



Special Guest Speakers include:



Gary Berntsen -served for twenty-three years in the Clandestine Service of the CIA. Mr. Berntsen led CIA's major counterterrorist deployments in East Africa following the attacks on the U.S. Embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam and led CIA's largest paramilitary team during the 2001 liberation of Afghanistan.



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Mr. Berntsen was awarded CIA's Distinguished Intelligence Medal and Intelligence Star. He is also the recipient of the first William F. Buckley award for leadership in Intelligence. He is the author of "Jawbreaker" - The Attack on Bin Laden and Al-Qaeda: A Personal Account By the CIA's Key Field Commander and Human Intelligence, Counterterrorism and National Leadership.

Special Guest Speakers include:

An **unnamed individual** who has interviewed a number of ISIS defectors.

This individual has over 20 years of Counterterrorism and Operations experience and will speak about ISIS and their TTPs.

Special Guest Instructor include:

An **unnamed individual** who has had a storied career in the military working numerous counterterrorism operations globally.





“I am a believer and often indicate every Intelligence and counterterrorism professional should take your course. I reviewed what you have done with your course curriculum and realize your training is even more important now.”

“The quality of the training during the Mirror Image® Course was exceptional. All of the instructors were not merely subject matter experts, but masters of their subjects with both impressive credentials and extensive real world experience. The overwhelming opinion of the officers that attended the Mirror Image Course is that this course was very effective in putting them into the mind of the Islamic Terrorists we are fighting in the Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) and would be exceptionally valuable training immediately prior to a deployment to a GWOT Theater of Operations. The Brigade S-3 and Brigade Commander both commented that this training was also more effective in teaching the cultural aspects of the Arabic culture than the courses which our Brigade’s senior personnel attended at the Naval Post Graduate School immediately prior to deployment to Iraq for OIF II.”

Cutting Edge **Mirror Image Training Since 2002**

Lectures were unlike any I have previously had prior to this. All of the speakers were true experts with years in theater conducting operations against terrorist groups. Rich details made the case studies like listening to an action movie-I sat on the edge of my seat the entire time. The speakers put the class right there in the middle of an op being conducted by the terrorist. I took pages of notes of small things to bring back to my organization. Enjoyed the Arabic food.

Learned so much in a week attending the Mirror Image: From the Edge of Raqqa course. Everything was valuable. I realize now how much I don't know in an area I thought I knew so much having deployed and worked in this area for the last ten years. Thanks for the reading list. Will be emailing you questions as they come up. "Sasha" provided insight into ISIS I had never seen. What a brave man. His videos of the ISIS individuals were unreal. Walt's case studies were like a double espresso. I could listened to you forever.

As an analyst having the opportunity to plan terrorist operations and execute them was eye opening. The lessons from the spider's web were eye opening!

Every member of the law enforcement community needs this training.

Great Course. Learned a lot. The guest speakers were exceptional bringing their real world experiences. Totally enjoyed the ability to speak to these experts in a low key setting each day. The case studies of attacks was eye opening. The pre-incident operational activity was something I have never seen covered from the adversary's point of view. That gave such meaning to my job and how to identify and prevent these things from actually happening. Seeing the neighborhood in Philadelphia cemented home everything we had talked about and then the casing and surveillance exercise at 30th Street Station brought it all full circle. Will highly recommend this to my leadership.













Understand the Enemy

“Every battle is won before it is fought.”
-Sun Tzu-

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