



The Overseas Travel and Awareness Course (OTAC) is one of Red Rock **Global Security Group's premier** seminars. OTAC is a rigorous hybrid course that combines classroom presentation with outdoor practical exercises. Red Rock GSG generally runs the OTAC course at a remote training facility in the mountains of southern Colorado.

Course topics include situational awareness, overseas travel preparation to high and medium threat environments, emergency medicine, defensive tactics, defeating human restraints, unlawful detention, anti-kidnapping techniques, the psychology of captivity, technical navigation/SOS resources, IED/EFP/VBIED awareness, crisis management, liaison with host and US government agencies, operational and communications security, country/regional threat analysis, surveillance detection, counter-surveillance, area familiarization, security site assessments (hotels), overseas firearms policies, overland travel, and navigating vehicle checkpoints/hotels/airports/taxis. The course is appropriate for military personnel, contractors, protection details, and corporate executives. Each topic is taught **relevant to the attendee's level of travel** experience. Red Rock GSG instructors have been traveling and operating in high threat environments for approximately 30 years each.

Objectives: OTAC attendees will achieve the following knowledge/skills/abilities by the end of the course:

- \* Greatly increased situational awareness during airport/air travel/taxis/hotels/overland travel/dismounted activities
- \* Increased level and comfort in packing/preparation for travel to developing and high threat environments
- \* Solid understanding of proscribed tactics/techniques/procedures if traveler or team faces unlawful detention by foreign authorities or at vehicle checkpoints

\*Solid understanding of anti-kidnapping techniques, when and how to utilize defense techniques, defeating human restraints such as handcuffs/wire/rope/etc, and the psychological spectrum of captivity

\*Solid and in-depth understanding of technical devices that are available as part of communications/navigation/SOS capabilities during overseas travel

\*Solid understanding of initiating/developing/managing a **'failure to check in'** or kidnapping crisis

\*Familiarization of the various resources/agencies that would participate in an actual crisis or Kidnap/Ransom situation

\*Familiarization with the latest IED/EFP/VBIED tactics/devices and foreign weapons

\*Solid understanding and competency in basic emergency medicine techniques to be used on self, team, or dignitary. Will include training with basic IFAK, CAT Tourniquet, Chest Seal options, and emergency wound triage.

Sincerely,

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Brig Barker is the President/CEO of the Red Rock Global Security Group. Mr. Barker recently retired after 21 years as a counterterrorism agent with the FBI. During his FBI career, he spent the majority of his time on a Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF) with extensive overseas deployments. He originally spent five years working as a case agent on a JTTF where he was a SWAT operator and FBI certified sniper. Further, Mr. Barker was a JTTF Squad Supervisor and Counterterrorism Program Coordinator in two separate FBI divisions. In addition, Mr. Barker was selected and served as the embedded Senior FBI Advisor at DOD Special Operations Command. During his career with the FBI, he conducted numerous Counterterrorism deployments throughout Africa, the Middle East, Europe, and the U.K. In 2014, he completed a deployment to Tunisia. Mr. Barker further deployed to Nairobi, Kenya and Kampala, Uganda in 1998 as part of the Al Qaida Embassy Bombings investigation, as well as to Cairo, Egypt immediately after the attacks on 9/11/2001. In 2006, Mr. Barker opened the Freetown, Sierra Leone LEGAT office. He further was the primary Counterterrorism Interrogation instructor for the FBI Training Division for two years during which he developed the RQRD Interrogation technique. During this time, he was also a primary instructor for the FBI National Academy program wherein he taught a course on counterterrorism strategies for local law enforcement. Mr. Barker is an FBI trained Arabic speaker and is conversational in Farsi and German. He developed and has taught Survival Arabic for Law Enforcement for the past 10 years. He has 10+ Counterterrorism articles professionally published in Law Enforcement and DOD publications to include the primary Interrogation article for the West Point Counterterrorism textbook, ***Terrorism and Political Islam***. His Masters thesis, **“Decoding the Language of Jihad”**, a comprehensive study in Islamic statement analysis and exegesis, was published in ***Middle East Quarterly***. His most recent articles include, **“ISIS: Nothing new under the sun”** and **“Salafi/Takfiri Micro-Theology: The Non-Illusive And Motivational Ideology Behind Jihadist Attacks In The 21st Century.”** Prior to the FBI, Mr. Barker spent five years as a Ranger and Jumpmaster qualified Army officer with the majority of his time in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne. He deployed as a Weapons Company Executive Officer to Northern Iraq in 1991 as part of a Low Intensity Conflict operation. Relevant to the OTAC course, Mr. Barker has lived overseas for five years.

George Carey is one of **Red Rock Global Security Group’s primary** Overseas Travel and Crisis Management instructors due to his extensive

overseas experience as a hostage negotiator. Mr. Carey spent 30 years in law enforcement retiring as a Deputy Chief. As part of his career, he spent 20 years on a SWAT team to include time as a SWAT team commander. For the past 22 years George has also traveled throughout the world as a private consultant responding to hostage events, providing crisis management training, conducting risk assessments, and providing dignitary protection in Mexico, Central America, South America, Asia, and Europe. He is further an F.B.I. trained hostage negotiator. In particular, he has traveled to and worked in countries such as Afghanistan, Pakistan, Yemen, India, Thailand, Laos, and Mali. George holds a bachelors degree from San Diego State University and is a graduate of the FBI National Academy. He is also a past contributor of articles in publications of the National Tactical Officers Association and the California Association of Tactical Officers on the topic of covert building entries.

Red Rock GSG also utilizes other vetted instructors depending on course requirements. This includes a retired Army Special Forces weapons sergeant, a retired Navy Seal (18D Medical), and a retired Diplomatic Security agent.