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## PRESS INVITATION

### **U.S. National Standards of Training Association Seeks to Modernize Use of Force Strategies for Law Enforcement and Military at 10th Annual Training Conference**

The United States National Standards of Training Association (U.S.N.S.T.A.) invites you to attend its 10th Annual U.S.N.S.T.A. National Training Conference in Las Vegas, December 14-18, 2009.

The annual conference seeks to develop Anti-Terrorism / Force Protection solutions for improving the safety and effectiveness of the modern forces protecting our communities and securing our homeland.

This year's conference, held at Bally's Hotel & Casino, will address the latest training issues faced by law enforcement, corrections, security, and military personnel through three tracks of hands-on instruction:

- **Controlled F.O.R.C.E. Xtreme Training** takes a realistic approach to developing the Tactical Operator's skills for responding to failure with the hostile operating environment.
- **Instructor Development** improves the Departmental Instructor's ability to transfer Close Range Subject Control (CRSC) skills utilizing the Mechanical Advantage "building block" system.
- **Tactical Training for Female Officers** is designed to build the Smaller Officer's and Female Officer's ability to control a non-compliant or combative suspect regardless of size, strength or skill.

One key emphasis of the conference will be to address a need for training in the application of handcuffs that corresponds to a Use of Force approach based on the system of Mechanical Advantage Control Holds™ (M.A.C.H.), which has become a standard for subject control throughout the nation.

Also featured this year is the 2009 Team Tactics Competition to be conducted at the Las Vegas Metro Police Department Tactical Training Facility. SWAT, SRT, and Special Forces operators will compete in multiple room clearing scenarios, with the ultimate goal being to assess performance and collect information for establishing a national standard of training for special response operators.

Confirmed attendees represent a variety of agencies working to secure our homeland and protect our communities, including: U.S. Department of Defense; U.S. Department of Homeland Security; U.S. Federal, State, Local Law Enforcement and Corrections; Private and Casino Security; and Protective Services.

*Note to editor:* Due to the sensitive nature of certain active duty military personnel and federal agents in attendance, advance notice is required. Since certain attendees cannot be photographed/videotaped, all media must check-in with event staff upon arrival with proper credentials. Interview and photo/video sessions can and will be arranged. Members of the Press are encouraged to attend either Wednesday or Thursday.

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