

Atlanta man caught with assault rifles & enough fentanyl to kill over 10 million people (50,000 pills)

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Importance: High

<https://www.wsbtv.com/news/local/cherokee-county/massive-fentanyl-bust-leads-to-more-arrests-police-say/931939997>

For over 13 months, the agency has now had a solution-proposal—thanks to the collective assistance of numerous rank-and-file Federal Air Marshals (FAM)—to end this threat almost immediately: 1) End the dangerous practice of pilots notifying the cabin (i.e., “the drink-cart or no drink-cart show” <https://youtu.be/keKf2un03wI>) that they’re about to unlock the flight deck (“cockpit”) door, (3) abolishing the needless and dangerous cockpit “two-man rule”—that leaves the door open three times too long, and equipping cockpits and FAMs’ Individual First Aid Kits (IFAK) with NARCAN® (naloxone) doses.

Now the chief of the largest U.S. Border Patrol sector, Roy Villareal [https://tucson.com/news/local/border-patrol-s-tucson-sector-gets-new-chief/article_68c83bc0-3eef-11e9-99cc-872e2eff4677.html], went public about weaponizing and aerosolizing synthetic opioids such as fentanyl and carfentanil over public stadiums:

<https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/news/feds-versus-illegal-drones-is-the-game-within-the-game-at-super-bowl-liii>

We cannot un-ring the agency’s email alarm—9 months ago—to the media about its concern:

“[In an email to The New York Times, the TSA] identified **powders including fentanyl** [...] ‘that could be used to irritate or harm aircraft passengers and aircrew if released during flight.’”

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/06/21/travel/tsa-powder-rules.html>

Every week the agency warns the public about firearms being used when the bullet-proof cockpit doors [<https://cbsn.ws/2m0vXK5>] get unlocked. The long-term solution is to emplace cockpit secondary barriers on all U.S. and foreign aircraft. Bill H.R. 911 is now pending before Congress:

“Under the 2018 FAA Reauthorization Act, secondary barriers were legally required in all new commercial aircrafts. Unfortunately, this left a dangerous area of vulnerability still present in all existing aircrafts.”

<http://bit.ly/HR911FLEOA>

“We completely support secondary barriers in all of our aircraft. It’s an absurd practice to have flight attendants use their own bodies as the barrier between the cabin and the cockpit.”

<https://www.theintell.com/opinion/20190217/editorial-commonsense-airline-cockpit-safety-act-still-faces-barriers>

Unlocking the cockpit door in flight—without an effective barrier—is in violation of Section 104 of the Aviation and Transportation Security Act. Drink-carts and flight attendants—sometimes into their 80s—are not effective barriers.

Respectfully submitted,

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal
Cell: 949-344-5222

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 1:17 PM

To: Piekarsky, Kellie; Leeman, Chris; Kreuziger, Mark; Yeager, Gerald

Subject: Exhibit B 3/1/2019 DEA report on ease of transport & availability of fentanyl for hijackers - RE: OSC File DI-18-5205

PDF FILE ATTACHED

To whom it may concern in TSA-INV,

With regards to the U.S. Office of Special Counsel directed investigation that you are now probing after LE/FAMS's inaction. This also flies in the face of Regional Supervisory Air Marshal Robert Bond's dismissal that fentanyl is no more of a threat than ricin or VX nerve agent. From a DEA sensitive but unclassified report just issued:

"FENTANYL (Insight Crime) The use of fentanyl is booming in the United States.

The alarming increase in deaths due to overdoses of synthetic opioids and the parallel increase in the presence of fentanyl shows how quickly an offer and demand for consolidated drugs can be overcome in the market. In a crude application of free market theory, fentanyl is the newest product, with the lowest price and the easiest to manufacture. Demand has overflowed, and consumers pay the price by thousands.

Fentanyl and its precursors are produced in numerous chemical plants in China, trafficked through Mexican ports and transported to the border and entered into the United States using consolidated Mexican groups, by land, sea and air. But they also pass directly from China to the United States through the postal service, which threatens to take Mexican groups out of business definitively.

[...]

The consumption of fentanyl is strongest in the northeastern United States, where Dominican gangs have traditionally controlled the market of white powder heroin that mixes well with fentanyl. These criminal groups have moved their operations to smaller populations and are transforming their sales to concentrate on substances with fentanyl only, which little by little is completely removing the heroin."

New articles:

Woman hides in her body-cavity enough fentanyl to kill 35,000 people:

<https://www.foxnews.com/us/border-agents-nab-woman-carrying-fentanyl-meth-inside-her-body>

Last week, another woman was caught hiding—under her clothes—enough fentanyl to kill 1.9 million people

<https://fox59.com/2019/03/08/woman-dressed-as-nun-suspected-of-trafficking-90000-worth-of-fentanyl-sheriffs-office-says/>

More inadvertent overdoses of first-responders:

"A Portsmouth police officer and two firefighters experienced symptoms of exposure to fentanyl Sunday afternoon after responding to a reported overdose."

<https://www.providencejournal.com/news/20190311/portsmouth-police-officer-firefighters-treated-for-possible-fentanyl-exposure>

9/11 Commission Report came out--page 158:

"While in Karachi, ['9/11 principal architect' Khalid Sheikh Mohammed (KSM)] also discussed how to case flights in Southeast Asia. KSM told them to watch the [cockpit] doors at takeoff and landing, to observe whether the [pilots] went to the lavatory during the flight, and to note whether the flight attendants brought food into the cockpit."

From the FOIA TSA withheld for 6 years from my case decided on by the Supreme Court:

"[al Qaeda hijackers would attack] shortly after takeoff or shortly before landing[.]"

<http://pogoarchives.org/m/hsp/dhs-advisory-20030726.pdf>

Association of Flight Attendants President Sara Nelson's testimony to Congress on February 13, 2019:

"We completely support secondary barriers in all of our aircraft. It's an absurd practice to have flight attendants use their own bodies as the barrier between the cabin and the cockpit."

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal

Cell: 949-344-5222

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 11:21 AM

To: Piekarsky, Kellie; Leeman, Chris; Kreuziger, Mark; Yeager, Gerald

Subject: Article on compact-ability, profitability, & availability for weaponizing synthetic opioids RE: OSC File DI-18-5205

This counters what Regional Supervisory Air Marshal in Charge Robert Bond's dismissive assertion that there was already a concern about almost impossible to obtain ricin and VX nerve agents.

From a former U.S. Department of Justice attorney and senior legal fellow in The Heritage Foundation:

"The profit margin is remarkable: A \$3,000 investment can produce \$1,500,000 in earnings.

A laboratory-made drug, fentanyl requires less time and space to produce than its agricultural counterpart, heroin. Chemists can manufacture fentanyl in small labs and use easy shipment methods. The amount of fentanyl necessary to produce its painkilling effect is so small that manufacturers can ship it in ordinary packages such as envelopes used for ordinary letters. Cheap production isn't the only economic benefit suppliers have on their side.

[...]

[F]irst responders have inhaled airborne fentanyl, resulting in a contact overdose."

<https://www.dailysignal.com/2019/03/04/china-is-poisoning-america-with-fentanyl/>

On another note, my deciding official has conveniently told me that he's ready to issue my decision on my 10-month-old proposal to terminate. *Conveniently* because he did so only **one business day after** the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board died and is unable to stop my termination as a whistleblower:

<https://www.whistleblower.org/in-the-news/federal-employee-appeals-boards-doomsday-has-arrived/>

Regards,

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal

Cell: 949-344-5222

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2019 2:28 PM

To: Piekarsky, Kellie; Leeman, Chris

Subject: Exhibit A: DHS special passes to avoid LE surprise checks RE: OSC File DI-19-0778

PDF FILE ATTACHED

RE: U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC) File DI-19-0778 referral under 5 U.S.C. § 1213

Good afternoon Special Agents Kellie Piekarsky and Chris Leeman,

Attached is a document that driver—smuggling a record 254 lbs of fentanyl—was issued a *Free and Secure Trade* (FAST) pass by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) / Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to avoid most, if not all, screening by law enforcement (LE) officers

Per DHS-CBP's official website, FAST is an—

"innovative trusted traveler/trusted shipper program allows expedited processing for commercial carriers who have completed background checks and fulfill certain eligibility requirements"

<https://www.cbp.gov/travel/trusted-traveler-programs/fast>

This is similar to the passes granted to drivers who have entered the secured airport operations areas (AOA) to avoid surprise "open and look" checks by local and federal law enforcement officers. In the case that I disclosed to the agency on September 26, 2017, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority police and my first-line supervisor, Supervisory Federal Air Marshal Steven Mosley, ordered me to not break blue plastic seals and look inside a truck's cargo that was supposed to contain religious airline meals.

It's noteworthy that these orders were conveyed to me **in earshot of the driver**, who already volunteered his consent to allow me to look inside for illegal and/or dangerous contraband such as—but not limited to—stowaways or improvised explosive devices.

10 days later, I was arbitrarily deemed potentially mentally ill and dangerous in a flagrant violation of 5 U.S.C. § 2302(a)(2)(A)(x) "*a decision to order psychiatric testing or examination*":

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/25/us/politics/air-marshals-scandals-investigations.html>

In closing, this unwritten policy is dangerous and fails to address potential **homicidal-only** insider-threats that may kill with impunity—wittingly or unwittingly—in contrast to all non-PreCheck passengers who are all considered

potential **suicidal-homicidal** threats at agency airport security screening checkpoints. Case in point, the 46 airport workers who were **indicted** in 2015 for sneaking unknown packages passed security screening:

https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/trafficandcommuting/undercover-sting-snags-would-be-airline-drug-smugglers-at-dallas-fort-worth/2015/07/15/4d016a0e-2b04-11e5-bd33-395c05608059_story.html

and again 3 years later and **the same** Category X airport:

<https://www.star-telegram.com/news/local/community/fort-worth/article211175769.html>

Respectfully submitted,

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal

Cell: 949-344-5222

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Saturday, March 9, 2019 8:20 AM

Subject: Fredericksburg VA cops needed NARCAN

“‘I don’t even know if the word high is the correct term, you felt under the influence of something,’ [Police detective Paul] Chewing said.

Two fo the four officers were treated with Narcan, a drug that can reverse an opioid overdose.

The police department has now issued every patrol officer and detective two Narcans to use when helping a drug user or to use on themselves or another officer.”

<https://www.wkyt.com/content/news/DEA-chemists-solved-mystery-of-drug-causing-mass-overdoses-506601211.html>

Cops seize enough fentanyl to "kill 1 million" 60 miles from IAD and WFO

<https://baltimore.cbslocal.com/2019/03/06/police-seize-over-two-kg-s-of-fentanyl-enough-to-kill-one-million-people/>

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2019 1:49 PM

Subject: Last Sunday: Iowa police officer overdosed during a traffic stop (VIDEO) - RE: NARCAN for FAMs survey

<https://www.kcci.com/article/fort-dodge-officer-exposed-to-substance-given-narcan/26632562>

Here is some information about a group of men in Toronto, Canada--one shot 15 people in a shooting spree in 2017. Maisum Ansari and Babar Ali were arrested with 33 firearms, and **enough carfentanil to kill tens of millions of people**. Mass-murder gunman, Faisal Hussain shot 15 people killing 2. Hussain had direct personal and financial ties to Ansari and Ali. Their cases have since been declassified by Canadian law enforcement and reported in these articles—Toronto Sun:

“Durham Regional Police seized 53 kilograms of a suspicious substance and 33 firearms from a Pickering home [of Maisum Ansari] on Sept. 20, 2017. Testing later determined **42 kilograms [equal to 93 lbs.]** of the substance contained **carfentanil**.
[...]

Faisal Hussain was ordered to live with [Maisum Ansari] at a Pickering home — where police later found **the largest haul of the ultra-dangerous drug carfentanil in Canadian history** and a huge

collection of illegal firearms.”

<https://torontosun.com/news/local-news/danforth-killer-twisted-trail-that-led-to-deadly-rampage>

Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC):

“Babar Ali, 30, of Toronto, has also been charged [with **300 firearms-related offences and carfentanil possession**].

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/danforth-background-brother-records-1.4764742>

Carfentanil article in a recent The Washington Post article:

https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/dea-chemists-solved-mystery-of-drug-causing-mass-overdoses/2019/03/02/050cc392-3d0c-11e9-b10b-f05a22e75865_story.html

If you hit a pay-wall:

<https://www.wkyt.com/content/news/DEA-chemists-solved-mystery-of-drug-causing-mass-overdoses-506601211.html>

Be safe up there brothers and sisters.

Fraternally,

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal

Cell: 949-344-5222

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Saturday, March 2, 2019 1:48 PM

Subject: Virginia govt agency POCs who offered FAMs NARCAN training & doses - RE: NARCAN WFO FOFG survey

Below are points of contact for Virginia government agencies who wanted to provide FAMs with NARCAN® (naloxone) doses and/or "Training of Trainers for Law Enforcement"—11 months ago.

Again, the agency has publicly confirmed:

“[In an email to The New York Times, the TSA spokesperson] identified powders including **fentanyl** [...] ‘that could be used to irritate or harm aircraft passengers and aircrew if released during flight.’ ”

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/06/21/travel/tsa-powder-rules.html>

Per the March 30, 2018 email from LE/FAMS Headquarters ASAC Edward Ambrose, the agency has designated RSAC Robert Bond as the senior leader in charge of this concern among flying and VIPR FAMs.

Regards,

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal

Cell: 949-344-5222

From: Bond, Robert

Sent: Friday, April 13, 2018 2:34 PM

To: MacLean, Robert; Ambrose, Edward; Miller, John; Vogt, Robert; Donaldson, Garrett

Subject: Dates for "Training of Trainers for Law Enforcement" for 30 FAMs

FAM MacLean – this is to acknowledge receipt of your email below date Weds, April 11th, 2018 at 2:59 PM. The subject of the email is: Dates for “Training of Trainers for Law Enforcement” for 30 FAMs. No further action on your part is required at this time. I will contact you if additional details or info is needed.

V/r...

Robert Bond

SAC – Region #2

Reston - HQ

703-487-3416 (Office)

571-243-5596 (iPhone)

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Wednesday, April 11, 2018 2:59 PM

To: Bond, Robert <Robert.Bond@tsa.dhs.gov>; Ambrose, Edward <Edward.Ambrose@tsa.dhs.gov>; Miller, John <john.s.miller@tsa.dhs.gov>; Vogt, Robert <Robert.Vogt@tsa.dhs.gov>; Donaldson, Garrett <Garrett.Donaldson@tsa.dhs.gov>

Subject: Dates for "Training of Trainers for Law Enforcement" for 30 FAMs

Importance: High

All,

Ms. Turner in her call today said she wouldn't be able to email a proposal until next week, so I assume she greatly expedited it.

Regards,

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal

Visual Intermodal Prevention and Response (VIPR Team A)

Washington Field Office

Cell: 949-344-5222

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From: **Turner, Amira** <amira.turner@dbhds.virginia.gov>

Date: Wed, Apr 11, 2018 at 2:31 PM

Subject: REVIVE! Training for Law Enforcement

To: MacLean, Robert

Robert,

The Training of Trainers for Law Enforcement is provided at no charge. It is a 3 hour long training and should be limited to a maximum of 30 participants, so I encourage you to make sure the 30 who attend will commit to providing the training to the rest of the department. Here is the link to the Surgeon General's Advisory for naloxone: <https://www.surgeongeneral.gov/priorities/opioid-overdose-prevention/naloxone-advisory.html>. This is the Virginia Code for Law Enforcement to carry and administer naloxone after they receive REVIVE! Law Enforcement training:

The Code of Virginia (§ [54.1-3408](#)) allows LEOs (and firefighters) as defined in § [9.1-101](#) to carry and administer naloxone if they have completed a Virginia approved training program (REVIVE!

Law Enforcement).

Here are some dates that I can be available to come to provide a training of trainers for you:

Friday, April 20

Monday, April 23

Thursday, April 26

Friday, April 27

I also want to let you know, I will be starting a Summer internship to complete a graduate degree and will be limited to weekend trainings after May 2. It would be ideal to get you trained before then so you have the capacity to accommodate trainings for the rest of your department as soon as you get the green light to do so.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Thank you,

Amira Turner

REVIVE! Coordinator

Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

[1220 Bank St.](#)

[Richmond, VA 23219](#)

Work: 804-786-0464

Cell: 804-441-0402

amira.turner@dbhds.virginia.gov

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Wednesday, April 11, 2018 2:01 PM

To: Bond, Robert

Cc: Vogt, Robert; Ambrose, Edward; Miller, John; Donaldson, Garrett

Subject: Virginia state offering the FAMS law enforcement specific "training the trainer" courses

Dear Regional Supervisory Supervisory Air Marshal in Charge Robert Bond,

Today, the Virginia State REVIVE! Coordinator called me with her office's exceptional concern that Federal Air Marshals (FAM), flight decks, and aircraft passenger cabin medical kits need Narcan.

Amira Turner stated that she and her staff will travel from Richmond, Virginia to Fairfax County to perform **law enforcement specific "train the trainer"** courses for FAMs who wish to be certified. Ms. Turner stated that she could conduct such courses **as soon as April 30, 2018**.

Below are Ms. Turner's contacts. She asked that you please follow up any voicemails to her with an email as her phone system is not as reliable as her email:

amira.turner@dbhds.virginia.gov

804-441-0402

As you read from my prior email to Supervisory Federal Air Marshal (SFAM) Edward Ronin, the Loudoun County Health Department also wants to travel to our Reston, Herndon, and Chantilly, Virginia offices to conduct training as soon as possible.

For the record—I've been on an involuntary redirected assignment since Feb. 2016, after then-SFAM/now-FAM Todd Schumacher issued his warning about my identity being exposed on national television when the agency detailed me to publicly testify before Congress in 2015. SFAM Schumacher based his warning

from intelligence the agency provided him with regards to "KILL LISTS" being composed from Internet open-sources.

To my knowledge, no Narcan training decision has been rendered by Federal Air Marshal Service (FAMS) Headquarters (HQ) or FAMS Washington Field Office senior leadership. In the meantime, I've been using my off-duty time to contact concerned stakeholders and government agencies to offer life-saving suggestions and ideas—as I cannot represent FAMS management.

I hope that my good-faith efforts are not being interpreted as brazen, but to find an immediate solution to this specific danger to public safety.

Given that I'm now back and in a position near FAMS/HQ, numerous FAMs—who fear unaccountable retaliation—have tasked me to effect changes in response to evolving threats such as weaponized opioids. The fact that I'm again fully reinstated, I'm in a position to positively assist the FAMS. I would request that FAMS/HQ and place me in a position to help secure all flight decks with regards the ongoing 5 U.S.C. § 1213 referral [<https://www.whistleblower.org/press/office-special-counsel-backs-whistleblower-further-aviation-security-breakdowns>] and protect the pilots from weaponized opioids—or remove me from the process. I'm open to any and all suggestions on this matter, but let's please do something sooner than later.

In closing, please provide guidance and/or advice on how you would like me to proceed in this most serious matter.

Respectfully submitted,

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal

Visual Intermodal Prevention and Response (VIPR Team A)

Washington Field Office

Cell: 949-344-5222

Cc:

John Miller, SFAM (first-line)

Garrett Donaldson, SFAM, WFO-FOFG

From: Ambrose, Edward

Sent: Friday, March 30, 2018 3:14 PM

To: MacLean, Robert

Subject: FW: Free Narcan training & doses

Good afternoon Mr. MacLean. Your recommendation has been forwarded to SAC Robert Bond for consideration. However, please be advised he will be out of the office next week.

V/R,

Ed Ambrose

609.742.2000

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Friday, March 30, 2018 8:29 AM

To: Ronan, Edward <Edward.Ronan@tsa.dhs.gov>; Vogt, Robert <Robert.Vogt@tsa.dhs.gov>

Cc: Miller, John <john.s.miller@tsa.dhs.gov>

Subject: Free Narcan training & doses

Good morning Messrs. Vogt and Ronan,

Would you please consider asking senior leadership to notify its airline company counterparts about this opportunity?

This I attended this 30-minute “REVIVE!” training program that provides free doses of Naloxone (Narcan®) without a prescription:

<https://www.loudoun.gov/revive>

After relaying my concerns (below) for air crews, the staff stated that it considers air crews as inflight first-responders and could come to the airlines’ offices to perform group training sessions and provide free doses of Narcan.

While senior leadership continues to deliberate on potential Narcan training and issuance for all agency first-responders/law enforcement, here’s another website with information on how off-duty FAMs or anyone else can attend Commonwealth of Virginia “REVIVE” sessions near their residence:

<http://dbhds.virginia.gov/behavioral-health/substance-abuse-services/revive>

Maryland’s similar program:

<https://bha.health.maryland.gov/NALOXONE/Pages/Home.aspx>

Have a good weekend.

Appreciatively,

Robert MacLean
Federal Air Marshal
Washington Field Office
Cell: 949-344-5222

Cc:
SFAM John Miller (first-line)

From: MacLean, Robert
Sent: Sunday, March 25, 2018 5:05 PM
To: 18FOFG <18FOFG@tsa.dhs.gov>
Cc: Miller, John <john.s.miller@tsa.dhs.gov>
Subject: Narcan for FAMs
Importance: High

ALL on the WFO FOFG and the WFO Advisory Council representatives:

Near or in Union Station, VIPR Federal Air Marshals (FAM) are unwittingly scaring opioid users—often hiding in unventilated areas—prompting them to run and toss their scores into the air to avoid potential detention or evidence collection. To clarify, VIPR does not perform

any type of narcotics enforcement, it refers it to the local law enforcement stakeholders; nevertheless, the users don't know VIPR narcotics policy.

Below is also a recent article about a "package or envelope," with opioid-laced synthetic cannabinoids, was opened and 16 Washington DC jail employees got sick inhaling it—7 went to the hospital.

I brought up to the Federal Air Marshal Service (FAMS) Advisory Council the potential of a very small amount of weaponizable opioids—now pouring into the U.S.—being used against pilots when they unlock the flight deck ("cockpit") without an Installed Physical Secondary Barrier (IPSB) that fully encompasses the forward galley/cabin entrance—or no IPSB at all which mostly is the case.

The only IPSB system that currently exists has twelve ~1/4" cables which an improvised "opioid-grenade" can simply be tossed through or over; the airlines have removed the vast majority of their IPSBs from their fleets.

I was directed (message thread below) to first seek the aircraft Narcan-proposal consideration from the WFO FOFG.

Below is an article about the opioid Carfentanil killing 120 innocent hostages after terrorists took over a theater in 2002. Just last week, two university researchers posted this article about terrorists weaponizing opioids for future attacks:

"a small amount of the deadly [opioids] can be used by terrorist groups and rogue states to kill thousands of people in one go"

<https://www.eurasiareview.com/23032018-carfentanil-worlds-most-dangerous-opioid-analysis/>

From a press release last week from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Ohio:

"The [opioid] fentanyl seized last night is enough to kill everyone in Toledo [Population: 278,508] several times over"

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-ndoh/pr/three-houston-area-charged-federal-court-having-more-three-pounds-fentanyl-toledo>

From five months ago:

"Authorities confiscated nearly 195 pounds of fentanyl in a pair of busts that prosecutors said included one sting that netted 32 million lethal doses of the drug, an opioid 50 times stronger than heroin."

<https://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Fentanyl-Bust-Heroin-NYC-Biggest-Ever-445568863.html>

Other agency employees and I discovered that the agency had no pending documented Narcan-proposal to mandate equipping it in flight decks, aircraft cabin medical kits, and FAMS' IFAKs, until myself and a group of other agency employees collectively provided it

with one. As you read in the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General's (DHS-OIG) recent "Special Review" report—our senior leadership and our intelligence office has been distracted with issues such as the concealment and subsequent excusal of *"crime of emotion" and an 'affair of the heart'"* [<https://go.usa.gov/xQafH>].

Contrary to popular belief, I never had nor do I have an undeserved personal vendetta against senior leadership. After I got a cash bonus, and being upgraded to I Band a year earlier than most FAMs in 2002, months later I co-founded the first FAMS national “advisory” council with FAMs Spencer Pickard [<https://youtu.be/CAk5P1VwfAI>] and Frank Terreri in 2003 and remained on the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association FAMS National *Advisory Board* until I was fired.

I have never received an In Position Increase (IPI). I only have concern for us and for us to best protect the public.

I know that most of you accepted the FAM job—post 2006—knowing well about the past history of agency senior leadership. Given that you're now on the FOFG and/or the Advisory Council, you want to effect change to protect lives and question the status quo with regards to senior leadership admitting to "security theater" [page 18: <https://go.usa.gov/xQaf3>] programs wasting billions of dollars, and per the DHS-OIG: *"[FAMS] money gets wasted basically fighting the last war"* [<https://cnn.it/2I3ODBI>].

You're in a unique position to evolve the agency and potentially save lives, please take advantage of such opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration and be safe.

Respectfully,

Robert MacLean
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Cc:
SFAM John Miller (first-line)

From: [REDACTED]@tsa.dhs.gov>

Date: Monday, Mar 19, 2018, 6:41 PM

To: MacLean, Robert <Robert.Maclean@tsa.dhs.gov>, [REDACTED]@tsa.dhs.gov>

Cc: [FAMS Advisory Council]

Subject: RE: WFO AC topic acceptance - RE: Narcan for FAMs

Bob,

We will talk it over at the next in-person meeting. My guess is senior leadership is aware of this general issue, as evidenced by recent mandatory fentanyl training at the field office.

Keep an eye out for the post meeting official minutes in the weeks that follow our final session March 22.

Thanks for having the best interests of the workforce in mind.

Rick

WFO

Advisory Council IV

"Maintaining order rather than correcting disorder is the ultimate principle of wisdom."

From: MacLean, Robert

Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 7:24 AM

To: [FAMS Advisory Council]

Cc: Miller, John

Subject: DHS IG: "[FAMS] money gets wasted basically fighting the last war"

<https://www.cnn.com/2017/11/15/politics/air-marshals-tsa/index.html>

He's referring to the fact that we have not evolved from the primary mentality/tactical focus that bad-actors:

- will break a flight deck ("cockpit") door open while no one in the cabin acts,
- will take and/or kill hostages until a pilot unlocks the door under duress, and/or
- some far-fetched Hollywood "Passenger 57" scenario.

Then there's the fact we have absolutely no anonymity in most, if not all, foreign airports.

We know seated Federal Air Marshals (FAM) cannot stop a hidden IED in the cabin—a very real threat in which we should have significantly more FAMs on the ground looking for. We also need to PCS-station FAMs overseas to stop more December 22, 2001 (Paris/shoe) December 25, 2009 (Amsterdam/underwear)-type attempted attacks.

A former Assistant Secretary for Transportation and four-star general, who refocused the pre-9/11 air marshal program was quoted in an official DHS website:

"In-flight surveillance was short lived for the Customs Air Security Officers. On December 5, 1972, Transportation Assistant Secretary Benjamin Davis announced a change in emphasis for the program. According to Davis, '... the best place to prevent a hijacking is on the ground before the plane goes into the air.'"

<https://www.cbp.gov/about/history/history-leads-to-the-present/remembering-two-911s>

ENCORE: On June 26, 2017, the Department of Transportation / Office of Inspector General (DOT-OIG) internally issued a Sensitive Security Information (SSI)-marked Audit Report (No. AV2017063) titled, *"FAA Has Taken Steps to Identify Flight Deck Vulnerabilities But Needs to Enhance Its Mitigation Efforts."* The Audit Report echoed the disturbing findings of the 2011 Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics DO-329 study report. Page 11 from the redacted non-SSI DOT-OIG Audit Report:

"As an example, the report concluded that some improvised secondary barriers, such as a flight attendant with a galley cart, were ineffective 'as tested,' and additional enhancements were required to raise the effectiveness of certain barrier methods to an acceptable level."

Good luck and be safe,

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From: MacLean, Robert <Robert.Maclean@tsa.dhs.gov>
Date: Monday, Mar 19, 2018, 3:22 PM
To: [FAMS Advisory Council]
Subject: WFO AC topic acceptance - RE: Narcan for FAMs

Dear [REDACTED] and Council-Alternate, WFO FAM M [REDACTED]

Please let me know if you plan to accept or reject my proposed topic.

[REDACTED]: Thank you for your direction!

Warm regards,
Bob

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 6:05 PM
To: MacLean, Robert
Cc: [FAMS Advisory Council]
Subject: RE: AC topic acceptance? - RE: Narcan for FAMs

Robert,

The Council has not met yet.

Please route your questions through your Council rep as appropriate.

The Council's decisions and actions are released in meeting minutes that are published on the OLE/FAMS homepage after the Council has met.

v/r,

[REDACTED]
A/SFAM
TSA-OLE/FAMS NJTTF Representative

571-████████ Desk
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From: MacLean, Robert <Robert.Maclean@tsa.dhs.gov>

Date: Monday, Mar 19, 2018, 5:42 PM

To: ██████████@tsa.dhs.gov>

Subject: AC topic acceptance? - RE: Narcan for FAMs

Hi ██████████

Would you please tell me if whether or not the Council has accepted my proposed topic?

I thought you'd find these articles relevant. The first is a 2016 Associated Press update on 120 hostages accidentally killed by Carfentanil in a 2002 Russian theater. Therefore it's common knowledge how easy it is to obtain and weaponize it:

"The Russian government acknowledged that the aerosol contained fentanyl-related compounds, but refused to reveal the exact composition. Years later, British government scientists tested clothing and urine samples from three survivors and concluded that the aerosol contained carfentanil, one of the most potent opioids on the planet, as well as the less-powerful remifentanyl."

<https://apnews.com/256605b7679d4a61bde9a8eac8906ea9>

Buying through the mail with *dark web* orders using cryptocurrencies, such as bitcoin:

<https://newsinteractives.cbc.ca/longform/the-new-frontier-of-the-drug-trade>

In Washington DC last week:

"Investigators said the drug didn't spill out of the container it was mailed in, but just the aerial contact was enough to make 16 corrections employees sick. Seven of them were taken to the hospital as a precaution."

<http://www.newschannel10.com/story/37740081/mailed-illegal-substance-sickens-16-corrections-employees>

Last week's U.S. Center for Disease Control report on the annual increase in overdoses (30% all U.S.; 54% inner cities; 70% midwest):

<https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/opioid-overdoses/index.html>

It's **pouring** into the country and easy to buy anywhere, so FAMs really need Narcan as soon as possible.

Regards,

[Robert MacLean](#)

Federal Air Marshal

Washington Field Office

From: MacLean, Robert
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2018 6:40 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Update today on case of police officer needing 4 Narcan doses

"Fentanyl is so dangerous that even the slightest exposure can be deadly," said Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine.

[. . .]

According to police, those involved in the 'Big Oak' investigation are responsible for moving approximately 1 million potentially fatal doses of carfentanil and approximately 350,000 potentially fatal doses of fentanyl into Columbiana County."

<https://www.cincinnati.com/story/news/crime/crime-and-courts/2018/03/12/ohio-officer-needed-4-doses-naloxone-after-being-exposed-fentanyl/418395002/>

Thanks Jonathan for having the Council consider.

Warm regards,

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From: Everiss, Jonathan
Sent: Sunday, March 11, 2018 4:44 PM
To: MacLean, Robert; [FAMS Advisory Council]
Subject: RE: Narcan for FAMS; weaponized opioids; IPSBs; TSA K9 unit detection training

Thank you for your submission. The Council will take it into consideration.

v/r,

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From: MacLean, Robert <Robert.Maclean@tsa.dhs.gov>
Date: Sunday, Mar 11, 2018, 3:44 PM
To: [FAMS Advisory Council]
Subject: Narcan for FAMS; weaponized opioids; IPSBs; TSA K9 unit detection training

To whom it may concern on the Federal Air Marshals (FAM) of the Federal Air Marshal Service (FAMS) Advisory Council,

I respectfully request that you please discuss with the agency, during your March 22, 2018 meeting, about having all FAMs provided with and trained to administer Naloxone (Narcan®) doses to each other and flight crews—as we're provided with other medical items such as chest seals, nasopharyngeal airways, and tourniquets.

Later I'll explain how fully encompassing Installed Physical Secondary Barriers (IPSB) can substantially mitigate or eliminate a potential weaponized Fentanyl or Carfentanil (F/C-opioids) attack on an open flight deck ("cockpit").

As we all learned from our FAMS trainers in our recent class: A lesser amount of powdered F/C-opioids can incapacitate or kill the pilots compared to the amount of explosive material in an improvised explosive device (IED) would bring down an aircraft. As a reminder of the training material we were shown, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration [page 15: <https://go.usa.gov/xnSu9>] asserts that less than 5 milligrams (equal to 9 grains of table salt) of Fentanyl can kill you, and Carfentanil is 100 times more potent than Fentanyl [<https://go.usa.gov/xnSuX>].

Explosive material is exceptionally difficult to obtain, needs a detonator, requires an expert to assemble, and can be detected by our screening machines and canine units, but not the case with weaponized F/C-opioids.

Most Transportation Security Officers would ignore a common Desenex® travel-container full of powdered F/C-opioids intended to be thrown at the flight deck when a pilot goes to use the lavatory. The standard 12-cable IPSB cannot stop a toss of F/C-opioid thrown in between its cables or over them:

https://cdn-images-1.medium.com/max/750/1*CYvINlwxIT6xZCNm5275_A.jpeg

Another solution to weaponized F/C-opioids: An IPSB that fully encompasses the cabin/forward galley entrance like a rigid door or a fastened curtain/shade made of non-rippable cloth like Kevlar®.

Some argue FAMs have always been faced with chemical-type attacks such as nerve agents Ricin or Venomous X, but the fact is: F/C-opioids are mass produced and smuggled into the U.S. due to their profitability that results in the exponential demand from paying addicted customers. There's no profitability in nerve agent recurring sales because the end user is dead.

Currently, the agency is investigating the elevated need for IPSBs including the role they would play in preventing a weaponized F/C-opioid attack when a pilot opens the flight deck during flight:

<https://www.whistleblower.org/press/office-special-counsel-backs-whistleblower-further-aviation-security-breakdowns>

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I strongly suggest that you read the DOT-OIG's UN-redacted version of its Audit Report.

There's a bill pending in Congress to mandate IPSBs:

<https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/115/hr911>

This article out today details how the F/C-opioids seizure numbers are rapidly increasing:

https://www.buzzfeed.com/danvergano/fentanyl-origins-opioid-overdoses-heroin?utm_term=.ulM4j9Ybj

Countries like Mexico, Canada, and China are pumping into the U.S. enough F/C-opioids to wipe out most of the population. A few months ago, a New York couple was caught with enough Fentanyl in their one apartment to kill 32 million people:

<https://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/local/Fentanyl-Bust-Heroin-NYC-Biggest-Ever-445568863.html>

Last year, a police officer in Ohio needed four doses of Narcan to revive him after brushing Fentanyl off himself:

<https://www.nbcnews.com/storyline/americas-heroin-epidemic/fentanyl-crisis-ohio-cop-accidentally-overdoses-during-drug-call-n759741>

In closing, we should also explore another potential solution: Like the agency has with IEDs, exempting F/C-opioids from the Fourth Amendment and training our canine (K9) units to alert on and seize weaponizable amounts of F/C-opioids.

I greatly appreciate your time, effort, and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Robert.MacLean](#)

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Read: Atlanta man caught with assault rifles & enough fentanyl to kill over 10 million people (50,000 pills)

McShaffrey, Richard

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Your message

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