



Dennis Pluchinsky

Dennis Pluchinsky retired in 2005 after 28 years of analyzing terrorism for the State Department Bureau of Diplomatic Security's Office of Intelligence and Threat Analysis. During his career, he monitored terrorism in Europe, the Soviet Union and the Newly Independent States. He was also the division chief for the Middle East and Asia, and served later as the al Qaeda specialist, in particular its targeting patterns, tactical tendencies and surveillance methods.

In 1982 Pluchinsky received the State Department's Meritorious Honor Award for chairing the Intelligence Subcommittee of the Dozier Working Group (U.S. Army General James Dozier was kidnapped by Red Brigade terrorists in Italy in 1981). He was twice selected for the Director of Central Intelligence's Exceptional Intelligence Analyst Program – in 1992 to examine ethnic conflict in the Former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe and in 2004 to examine terrorist surveillance methods.

He is a contributing editor to the international journal *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism* and has taught an undergraduate course on terrorism at three universities in the Washington, D.C., area for over 15 years. He has published numerous book chapters, journal articles and newspaper commentaries on terrorism.

He currently serves as an interpreter of terrorist-related developments around the world for several U.S. companies and TranSecur, Inc. He is a recurring lecturer on terrorism at the CIA University, the Kent School, the National Foreign Affairs Training Center, the U.S. Secret Service Training Center, and the Joint Military Intelligence Training Center.