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The Honorable  
Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**Re: Authorization for to enter into an agreement with Tactical Electronics for IED  
Alarm defeat training**

Honorable Members:

Attached please find a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum from the Erie County Sheriff's Office seeking authorization for to enter into a contract with Tactical Electronics for IED alarm defeat training.

Representatives of the Sheriff's Office will be available to answer any questions.

Very truly yours,

TIMOTHY B. HOWARD  
SHERIFF OF ERIE COUNTY

Attachments

## ACCOMPANYING MEMORANDUM

**RE: Authorization for to enter into an agreement with Tactical Electronics for IED Alarm defeat training**

I. Summary of Recommended Action

The attached resolution requests authorization for the County of Erie to enter into an agreement with the Tactical Electronics for specialized IED Alarm defeat training for the Erie County Bomb Squad for an amount not to exceed \$39,974.26.

Tactical Electronics is an approved vendor by New York State Department of Criminal Justice Service.

The Erie County Sheriff's Office will use grant funds already accepted by the Legislature through passage of COMM. 24E-13(2015). Furthermore, use of these funds is authorized by the NYSDCJS for this purpose.

II. Fiscal Implications of Proposal

The Erie County Sheriff's Office will utilize funds from the FY 2015 Bomb Squad Grant and will have no fiscal impact to the taxpayers of Erie County.

III. Reasons for Recommendation

The sheriff's office needs authorization to enter into the training agreement and to pay the vendor.

IV. Consequence of Negative Action

The Erie County Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad would not be able to access approved funds for training for the SWAT Team.

V. Steps Following Approval of Measure

Certified copies of the approved resolution are sent to the Division of Budget and Management, the County Executive, the Erie County Comptroller, the County Attorney's Office, and the Chief of Administration of the Sheriff Office for implementation.

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION

**Re: Authorization for to enter into an agreement with Tactical Electronics for IED Alarm defeat training**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad has achieved the highest ranking designation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and has proven to be a regional asset for other law enforcement agencies and several municipalities; and

WHEREAS, with the growing threat of improvised explosive use at various venues, the ECSO Bomb Squad routinely trains with non-governmental organizations to maintain its FBI status; and

WHEREAS, the funds used for this training originate from a U.S. Department of Homeland Security grant which this Honorable Body accepted by passing COMM. 24E-13 (2015); and

WHEREAS, Tactical Electronics is a recognized leader in training bomb squads the latest techniques to render safe improvised explosive devises.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Sheriff's Office and the County Executive are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Tactical Electronics for IED alarm defeat training for an amount not to exceed \$39,974.26 and utilized accepted FY 2015 U.S. Department of Homeland Security grant funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all payments will be paid from budget account #510200 – Training & Education; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller's Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make payments as necessary; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature send certified copies to the Division of Budget and Management, the County Executive, the Erie County Comptroller, the County Attorney's Office, and the Chief of Administration of the Sheriff Office for implementation.