

THE ESP GROUP PROVIDES SECURE COLLABORATION ENVIRONMENT FOR FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE

ESP Group Portal Supports Information Sharing and Threat Assessment at More Than 8,800 Federal Facilities

ARLINGTON, Va. – March 7, 2006 – The ESP Group, LLC, an Application Service Provider that offers highly secure, compartmented and Internet accessible portals to share Sensitive but Unclassified (SBU) information, today announced that The Office of Federal Protective Service (FPS), part of the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement is using its portal solution to facilitate secure collaboration within FPS, between headquarters and the 11 FPS regions nationwide.

The mission of the FPS is to provide law enforcement and security services to more than one million tenants and daily visitors to all federally owned and leased facilities nationwide. FPS focuses directly on the interior security of the nation and the reduction of crimes and potential threats to federal facilities throughout the nation.

The Web-based FPS Secure Portal supports inter- and intra-agency secure information sharing and collaboration through compartmentalized collaboration tools, document libraries, secure messaging and community calendars. Custom plug-ins facilitate geo-spatial awareness of officer safety and homeland security issues and incident reporting and management of operations.

“Our work with FPS is a great example of ESP Group’s legacy and expertise in the effective and secure management of sensitive information exchange,” said Matt Donlon, executive vice president of client services, The ESP Group. “The portal, which provides secure information access from any Web-enabled end device, has made a large impact on FPS’ ability to quickly collect, share and respond to intelligence that impacts federally-owned facilities, and we are proud to support this effort.”

The portal has successfully been used to share information and collaborate on major national events, to include TOPOFF, The 2004 G-8 Summit in Georgia, The World War II Memorial Dedication in Washington, DC, The Democratic National Convention in Boston, The Republican National Convention in New York, The 2004 National Elections and The 2005 Presidential Inauguration.

For nearly a decade, ESP Group has provided government agencies with flexible, secure, compartmented and organization-wide communication and collaboration tools. In addition to FPS, customers include Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, InfraGard National Members Alliance, Pentagon Force Protection Agency, Department of Energy, Office for Domestic Preparedness, Office for Personnel Management, and the Domestic Emergency Response Information Service.

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About Federal Protective Service

The Office of Federal Protective Service (FPS) is a division of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), which was established in March 2003 as part of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). ICE integrates the functions, expertise, resources, and jurisdictions of several once-fragmented border and security agencies into an integrated unit focused on protecting the homeland against the threat of terrorism. ICE is the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security, bringing together more than 20,000 employees focused on enforcing the law and investigating homeland security crimes.

FPS is responsible for policing, securing, and ensuring a safe environment in which federal agencies can conduct their business. FPS officers serve as a visible uniformed presence at 8,800 owned and leased federal facilities nationwide, with full law enforcement authority to respond to criminal incidents and emergencies.

In its first year as a component of ICE, the FPS made over 3,000 arrests; responded to 55,000 calls

for service; detected over 3,200 weapons violations; and provided law enforcement support at nearly 2,200 public demonstrations.

FPS offers a full range of protective services and security capabilities, including: Specialized response capabilities, including Canine, Hazardous Materials, and Weapons of Mass Destruction Response Teams; Intelligence-sharing and investigative collaboration with law enforcement agencies at local, state and federal levels; key participation in Federal Anti-Terrorism Task Forces; Continuous monitoring of facility alarms and emergencies through four FPS "MegaCenter" remote dispatch control centers; and Protection support for public demonstrations, special events, including Presidential inaugurations and sporting events, such as the Olympic games and the Kentucky Derby.

About The ESP Group, LLC

The ESP Group, LLC is an Application Service Provider that offers a thorough security solution for diverse organizations to share Sensitive but Unclassified (SBU) information through highly secure, compartmented, Internet accessible portals. Continuously striving to operate at a higher level of security, trust, service, technology and performance, the ESP Group focuses on aligning its solution of leveraging the Internet for sensitive applications with client's individual needs. More information is available on www.espgroup.net.