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CBRNE: ARE WE READY FOR THE DAY BEFORE TOMORROW?
Homeland Security & Defense Business Council Releases Newest Monograph

WASHINGTON - The Homeland Security and Defense Business Council today released its 12th monograph as part of its "9/10/11 Project," focusing on the nature and challenges associated with chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive (CBRNE) threats.

CBRNE threats changed dramatically on 9/11 when terrorists used fully fueled commercial aircraft as explosive weapons. As a result of 9/11 and the Anthrax Attacks that followed a week later, the federal government has invested substantial time, funding and resources to make our nation safer. This monograph looks at how the private and public sectors have recognized the CBRNE threat, and through collaboration, have developed creative solutions to counter it.

"While businesses and government agencies are working to reduce the nation's vulnerabilities, no solution will be complete without a public committed to preparedness," said Marc Pearl, Council President & CEO. "Educating the general public about recognition of, response to, and recovery from CBRNE agents will only enhance private sector and government efforts to protect the country."

On the 10th of each month through the fall of 2011, the Council is releasing specific-topic monographs that provide a brief history of our nation's homeland security efforts on each issue; how far we have come since 9/11, and how industry solution providers and the government have worked together to address that topic. Each monograph includes a running timeline (interactive on the Council's website) illustrating the events, incidents, and critical government responses pertinent to that month's topic.

To view this month's monograph visit: <http://homelandcouncil.org/the91011projectcbrne.html>
For more information on the project visit: <http://homelandcouncil.org/91011-project.html>

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About the Council

The Homeland Security & Defense Business Council is a not-for-profit, non-partisan organization of the leading companies that bring homeland security solutions to the marketplace. The Council works to ensure that the perspective, innovation, expertise and capabilities of the private sector are recognized, respected and integrated with the public sector. For more information, please visit: www.homelandcouncil.org.