

MAJOR CRIMES DIVISION

DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 7
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Date: April 12, 2006

TO: Concerned Personnel

FROM: Commanding Officer, Major Crimes Division

SUBJECT: UNDERCOVER INVESTIGATIONS FOR ANTI TERRORISM
INTELLIGENCE SECTION FUNCTIONS

This directive shall assist Anti Terrorism Intelligence Section (ATIS) personnel in understanding the approval level required for undercover investigations.

- Undercover investigation defined
- Undercover investigation approval requirements

Undercover Investigation Defined

The *Standards and Procedures for Anti Terrorist Division approved March 18, 2003*, (now MCD/ATIS), define an undercover investigation as: "A Los Angeles Police Officer who pursuant to an approved terrorist investigation, clandestinely obtains information about individuals or organizations through the development of **ongoing** relationships with such individuals or organizations."

Undercover Investigation Approval Requirements

For the purpose of this order, ATIS investigators shall be aware that the following criteria shall be satisfied prior to the conducting of an ATIS undercover operation.

1. Ensure that other investigative techniques are unavailable or ineffective to achieve the investigative objectives of the Department
2. Obtain approval from the Commanding Officer, Major Crimes Division and the Commanding Officer, Counter Terrorism and Criminal Intelligence Bureau.
3. Obtain approval of the Police Commission as outlined in the *Standards and Procedures for Anti Terrorist Division, approved March 18, 2003*