

Counter-terrorism Policy, Abundant Water

Purpose of this policy

This policy demonstrates that AW is aware of terrorism related issues and uses its best endeavors to ensure funds do not provide direct and indirect support, or resources to organization or individuals associated with terrorism. Abundant Water (AW) does not, and will not, willingly support terrorism.

The AW mission is to develop a global network of organisations that use clay pottery water filter technologies to help remote communities access clean drinking water improving their health, environment and economy. To do this we partner with international organisation exposing AW to potential terrorist associations. This policy is designed to avoid and mitigate these associations.

Scope of this Policy

This policy applies to AW staff (Lao and Australia-based), AW Board of Directors, volunteers and consultants retained by AW.

Background

AW has a responsibility to comply with Australian law. Australia has enacted legislation to ensure it meets its international obligations under United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1267 (and successor resolutions) and 1373 to freeze the assets of terrorists. The Australian Government has passed laws to prohibit a person who is holding assets that are owned or controlled by a designated terrorist individual or entity from using or dealing with those assets (in other words, the person holding those assets must freeze them) and to prohibit any person from making any assets available to designated terrorist individuals or entities.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) maintains a [Consolidated List](#)¹ of all individuals and entities to which this terrorist asset-freezing regime applies.

DFAT maintains close contacts with Australia's financial sector to ensure asset-freezing arrangements take account of the sector's legitimate interests. Australian organisations have a responsibility to ensure that they do not do business with an individual or entity listed on the Consolidated List.

In addition to the Consolidated List, the Australian Government also maintains a List of [Terrorism Organisations](#)². If a group is listed as a

¹<http://www.dfat.gov.au/sanctions/consolidated-list.html>

²<http://www.ag.gov.au/NationalSecurity/CounterterrorismLaw/Pages/TerroristOrganisations.aspx>

“terrorist organisation” it is an offence to:

- Direct the activities of the organisation.
- Recruit persons to the organisation.
- Receive training from or provide training to the organisation.
- Receive funds from or make available funds to the organisation.
- Provide support or resources to the organisation.

AW implementation of counter-terrorism activities

AW will:

1. **Ensure that In-country Managers regularly check the Consolidated List and List of Terrorism Organisations, and provide advice to implementing partners and staff as necessary.**
2. **Ensure the CEO and Board monitor compliance with this policy through its annual monitoring and evaluation activities.**
3. **Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) or Project Agreements/Contracts with all Implementing Partners that include clauses related to counter-terrorism, and action to be taken if an Implementing Partner discovers or suspects any link to terrorists, either individuals or organisations.**
4. **Immediately cease to deal with any Implementing Partner that is added to either DFAT list and terminate any agreement or MOU entered into with that Implementing Partner.**

Educations

AW staff (Lao and Australia-based), AW Board members, and staff of partner organisations of the AW will all be provided with a copy of the AW counter-terrorism policy on commencing their association with AW and on updating of this document.

The AW Counter-terrorism policy will be made available on the AW website.

Approval, compliance and review

In-country Managers, Staff and the Board of Directors have a responsibility to ensure that all projects undertaken by AW comply with this policy. Specifically the In-country Manager is responsible for checking the DFAT lists monthly and report to the Board. It is possible to sign up for updates to the Consolidated List.

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Board to assess its effectiveness and appropriateness.

If any compliance issues are identified, they should be reported to the In-country Manager in the first instance who will work with staff and other stakeholders to address the issues.