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Subject: **Building a LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE for Mississippi**

Directors: Please give wide-spread distribution to Law Enforcement officials in your jurisdictions.

The Indiana Sheriff's Association is putting a team together on behalf of an EMAC request for task forces from 50-100 officers. My recommendation to Greg Gosser (an 800-number was sent out several days ago) was to have the **Dearborn County Sheriff and LaPorte County Sheriff** act as co-Commanders for this team since they stayed home during the mass exodus of officers at the onset. Greg has indicated that he has some officers signed up, but not 50 as of yet. I would encourage any officers who wish to participate in this task force to:

- 1st** - get the approval of you Sheriff and commissioners (if a Deputy Sheriff), or
- 2nd** - get the approval of you Chief and Mayor (if city police), or
- 3rd** - get the approval of you town council (if a town marshal).
- 4th** - have individual AND EITHER commissioner (for 1st), Mayor (for 2nd), or town councilman (for 3rd) sign Employee Interchange Agreement
- 5th** - gather the following financial information for each officer or group of officers from a single department:
 - a - Total regular pay (assuming a 14-day @ 16-hrs per day deployment) - e.g. - \$23.50/hr X 8 X 10
 - b - Total OVERTIME pay (\$23.50 X 1.5 X 10 PLUS \$23.50 X 1.5 X 64 - to cover the 4 FULL days outside a standard workweek)
 - c - Total Employer-provided fringe benefits
- 6th** - forward this information to the Indiana Sheriff's Association which will total ALL the sub-units together into one task force total and send this in to us in the State EOC.

Once we have at least a 50-man team of officers with signed Employee Interchange Agreements for EACH INDIVIDUAL OFFICER and combined costs for the team, we (IDHS) will forward that information to Mississippi and await a tasking order from them. Until we receive that tasking order, any officer assigned to our task force WILL REMAIN IN INDIANA. Any officer that pre-deploys in response to this tasking WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR REIMBURSEMENT - FINAL!

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