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SECURITY SOLUTIONS

Paladin Defense Group (PDG) is a premier Private Defense & Security Company (PMSC) delivering integrated security, mission support, and risk management solutions to corporate, government, and non-profit clients — domestically and worldwide.

Founded and operated by 100% U.S. Military veterans, PDG brings Special Operations-grade expertise to every engagement. When the mission demands precision, you need a team that has operated in the world's most demanding environments. That's PDG.

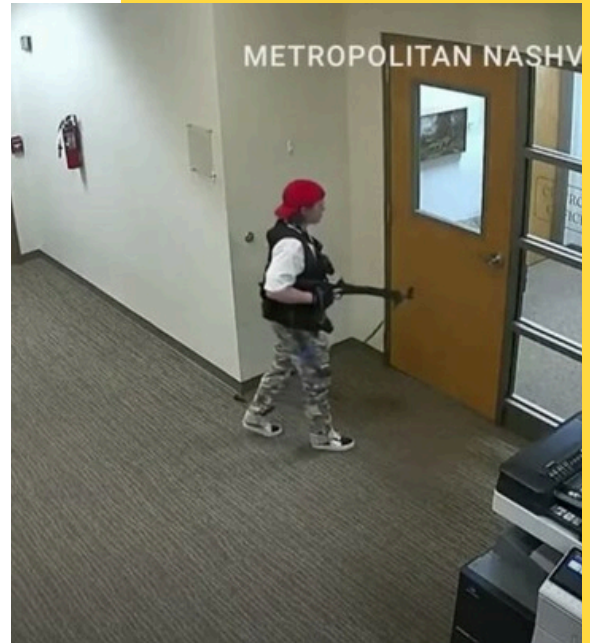
LONE WOLF ATTACKS

Lone Wolf Attacks: The Evolving Threat Landscape

Lone wolf attackers – individuals operating outside of organized terror networks – represent one of the most difficult threat vectors to detect and neutralize. These actors self-radicalize through online content, require minimal material support, and strike with little to no forewarning, making traditional intelligence collection methods less effective.

High-profile incidents at houses of worship, schools, transit hubs, and public venues underscore the need for layered security protocols and active threat recognition. PDG's security programs integrate behavioral threat assessment, access control hardening, and site-specific emergency response planning to reduce organizational vulnerability before, during, and after a critical incident.

Prevent the threat before it happens!



EXPLOSIVE DEVICES

Homemade Explosive Devices: An Accessible and Rising Danger

The proliferation of open-source information has lowered the barrier to improvised explosive device (IED) construction. Extremist actors – domestic and foreign – are increasingly exploiting readily available materials to construct homemade explosives capable of causing mass casualties. Venues hosting large gatherings, critical infrastructure, and government.

PDG's EOD-experienced advisors provide comprehensive threat awareness training, vulnerability site assessments, and detection protocol development to help organizations identify risks before they materialize. Understanding precursor indicators, suspicious behavior patterns, and proper reporting channels is the first line of defense against explosive threats.

"Initial Success or Total Failure!"



PHYSICAL FITNESS & READINESS

PHYSICAL FITNESS STANDARDS

Army Physical Fitness Standards: Raising the Bar for Operational Readiness

The U.S. Army's transition from the Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT) to the Army Combat Fitness Test (ACFT) reflects a fundamental shift in how military readiness is assessed. The ACFT is a six-event assessment – encompassing the deadlift, standing power throw, hand-release push-up, sprint-drag-carry, plank, and two-mile run – designed to measure functional strength, endurance, and agility across all combat-relevant physical domains.

For private military and security professionals, these standards carry direct operational relevance. Physical conditioning is not merely a checkbox; it is a force multiplier. PDG holds its operators to rigorous physical standards drawn from military-grade frameworks, ensuring that when our personnel deploy in support of clients, they are mission-ready from day one.



MEMORIAL DAY CHALLENGE

Honoring the Fallen: PDG Memorial Day Workout Challenge

This Memorial Day, PDG operators and staff gathered for a morning fitness challenge dedicated to the memory of the fallen warriors our team had the honor of serving alongside. The event was more than a fitness drill—it was a deliberate act of remembrance, structured to reflect the sacrifice and grit of those who gave everything in service to this nation.

The workout was completed as a team, mirroring the bond that defines military brotherhood. Each rep, each round, each moment of exertion was an acknowledgment that freedom is never free—and that those who bear the standard today carry it on behalf of those who can no longer. PDG is proud to honor our fallen comrades not just with words, but through action.

Duty, Honor, and Country!



TASK FORCE-HAITI

STRENGTHENING HAITI'S READINESS

The international community and the Government of Haiti continue to prioritize tactical training for the Haitian National Police (HNP) Specialized Units operating on the front lines against armed gangs. Since the first training course began in February, each successive class has demonstrated measurable improvements in individual skills, small-unit tactics, teamwork, and operational effectiveness. These efforts are helping build a more capable and professional force prepared to respond to Haiti's evolving security challenges.



While tactical proficiency is essential, lasting success will require developing leaders at every level of the organization. Expanding training to include team leaders, supervisors, and senior commanders will strengthen operational planning, decision-making, resource management, and the execution of coordinated missions. Building capable leaders alongside skilled operators is critical to creating a professional, sustainable security force that can restore security and stability.



BUILDING CAPACITY FOR A SAFER HAITI

Haiti continues to face an unprecedented security crisis as gang violence has displaced large portions of the population and disrupted daily life across the country. In partnership with the Haitian government, the international community has invested in the construction of a dedicated tactical training facility to strengthen the capabilities of the Haitian National Police (HNP) Specialized Units. The facility includes a 100-meter live-fire shooting range, a Close Quarters Battle (CQB) Shoot House, a multi-mission urban

training site, classrooms, dormitories, and supporting infrastructure designed to provide realistic, mission-focused training.

This training center represents a long-term investment in Haiti's security and stability by providing HNP Specialized Units with the resources needed to enhance their operational readiness, leadership, and tactical proficiency. Through continued international partnership and support, this initiative aims to strengthen the HNP's ability to combat organized criminal gangs, improve public safety, and create the conditions necessary for displaced Haitian families to safely return home and begin rebuilding their communities.



HOME TEAM

OUR COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

Operator Excellence: PDG's Commitment to Training and Advisor Development

At PDG, the caliber of our operators and advisors is our most critical asset. We maintain a rigorous and ongoing professional development program drawing from military doctrine, current threat intelligence, and real-world operational experience. Our team – comprised of Infantry, Special Operations, Military Intelligence, EOD, Civil Affairs, and Combat Engineer veterans – continuously trains across security operations, advisory roles, and integrated mission support functions. We do not simply hire veterans; we develop professionals.

PDG's internal training cadre conducts regular scenario-based exercises, skills refreshers, and cross-functional integration drills to ensure every operator is sharp, adaptive, and capable of executing at the highest standard. Our clients deserve nothing less than elite-level execution—and our training pipeline ensures they receive it.



CEO'S MESSAGE

Looking Ahead: Leadership, Teamwork, and the Road Forward

As we continue to grow and take on new opportunities, I want to take a moment to reflect on what has made Paladin Defense Group not just a company, but a mission. Every contract we execute, every client we protect, and every operator we put in the field is a direct reflection of our core values: integrity, excellence, loyalty, and disciplined.

These are not words on a wall—they are the standard we hold each other to, every single day.

The future holds significant opportunity for PDG. We are building new partnerships, and positioning ourselves to take on increasingly complex missions. None of that happens without strong leadership at every level—not just from the top, but from every member of this team. I am proud of what we have built together, and I am confident that the best is still ahead. Stay the standard. Lead from the front.

Steven Fundingsland, CEO, MAJ, USA (Ret.)

