**From:** Gerald Butsky   
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**To:** Richard Superfine; Michelle Cullerton-Conforti; [Renee.Mayden@cityofchicago.org](mailto:Renee.Mayden@cityofchicago.org); Jamar Sullivan  
**Subject:** Post-Ethics declaration for IRTB Per-230

Respected Members,   
  
As part of the Chicago Fire Department’s (CFD) homeland security strategy, I received permission to attend a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) sponsored hazardous materials course.  DHS courses such as this provide the skills necessary to conduct hazardous materials operations under the most austere conditions.  In undertaking this training, I’ve developed skills that will benefit both the City of Chicago as well as the CFD in managing both natural and man-made hazardous material/CBRNE incidents.  As part of this training, the DHS covered expenses relating to approved transportation, lodging, as well as a per diem to cover food.  Further, I utilized 1 Grant-Funded Day to cover my platoon duty while attending this class.  Pertinent information relating to my participation and travel for this course is as follows:  
  
Member Information:   
Gerald Butsky, File #: 21910  
  
Course Information:   
Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings (PER-230)  
  
Course Description:  
Four-day, train-the-trainer course format  
Sponsored by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness (SLGCP) (formerly the Office for Domestic Preparedness)  
Designed for First Responders who may respond to incidents involving explosives  
Participants will be able to identify Commercial and military explosives Improvised explosive devices (IEDs) Readily available explosive formulations that terrorists have or could use  
Course methodology includes classroom presentations, field laboratories, and practical exercises  
  
Course Link:  
<http://www.emrtc.nmt.edu/training/irtb.php>     
  
Course Location:  
Energetic Materials Research and Testing Center (EMRTC), Socorro, New Mexico  
  
Course Dates:  
January 28th, 2019 - January 31st, 2019 (Travel Days: January 27th, 2019 and January 31st, 2019)  
  
Platoon Grant Funded Days Needed for Course:   
1, January 28th, 2019 (EMS-4)  
  
Respectfully Submitted,  
  
Gerald Butsky  
Fire Paramedic