

12 FAH-3 H-000 SCOPE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

12 FAH-3 H-010 PURPOSE

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a. The Bureau of Diplomatic Security (DS) maintains a number of field and resident offices in major cities throughout the United States. A special agent in charge (SAC) manages each of these offices which are staffed by Diplomatic Security Service (DSS) special agents, special investigators, and other DS personnel. The director of the Office of Field Office Management (DS/DSS/FLD) is responsible for oversight and overall direction of the DS field office program.

b. The field office program encompasses a broad range of activities, including:

(1) Criminal, personnel security and other investigations;

(2) Protection of certain U.S. and foreign dignitaries;

(3) Protective liaison with foreign diplomatic missions and officials; and

(4) Liaison with local, State, and Federal law enforcement agencies and with the private sector who maintain interests abroad.

Field office personnel also provide temporary support for other security programs, domestic and abroad.

c. Subchapter 12 FAM 240 provides a more detailed description of the organization and structure, authority, and responsibilities of the Domestic Field Office Program.

12 FAH-3 H-012 MILITARY TIME

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For the purposes of this handbook, all times are given in military 24-hour form, and are considered to be local time, unless stated otherwise.

12 FAH-3 H-013 THROUGH H-019 UNASSIGNED

