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# **General Consideration – Site Security Assessment**

### **Neighbourhood/Compound Assessment**

- Is the property an apartment, house or other?
- How many floors and what floor is apartment located? Can the balcony or floor be easily scaled from outside by intruders?
- What are the crime rates in the neighbourhood like?
- Is it located near any high profile/sensitive buildings (e.g. military installations, government buildings, police premises)?
- Is it located near any socio-economic or religious targets (e.g. trade unions, newspaper HQ's, foreign embassies)?
- Is it located near any factories producing hazardous material or products?
- What are general hygiene/sanitation conditions like?
- Is the property/compound overlooked?
- What the pedestrian/traffic flow like?
- Is it close to any accredited medical facilities defined in medical evacuation plan?
- How close is it to the police and fire stations?
- Are there any other INGO's in the area?
- Is the apartment or compound occupied by others? If so, by whom?
- Is the property/compound susceptible to natural hazards?
- Who is the owner of the property? What is their profession and reputation?

### **Compound Access Control**

- What type of perimeter wall is in place? Is it sufficient to prevent intrusion? How tall and thick is it?
- Is there sufficient space between the perimeter wall and property?
- Is there a secondary exit in the perimeter wall in the opposite direction to the main entrance?
- Is access into the compound regulated? What procedures are in place (e.g. signing in/out, vehicle searches, metal/explosive detectors)?
- Are guards in place to patrol the entrance and grounds? Do they need to be armed? Are they required to patrol 24/7?
- Are the guards part of a wider response infrastructure? Will additional support be provided to deal with incidents? Response time of police/quard company?

## **Property Access Control & Response**

- Are all doors and windows look sturdy and secure?
- Who has copies of keys?
- Do ground floor doors and windows have grilles/shutters/barriers?
- Are doors and windows alarmed when locked (e.g. magnetic strips, vibration sensors)
- Do windows have anti-shatter film?
- Does the property have CCTV? If so, where are the images monitored?

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- Does the property have good exterior lighting that illuminates access and egress points?
- Are panic alarms installed? If so, where are they located? Ensure they are not too close to entrances.
- Is access to the side and back of the property restricted?
- Is there a safe haven? How secure is it? How will the occupant communicate out from it?
- Alarm system maintained by? Who monitors and response time? Date of last test?

### **Fire Prevention & Escape**

- Are fire extinguishers and smoke detectors installed? Does the occupant know how to use them? Who maintains the equipment?
- Are there any flammable materials inside the property?
- Is there alternative means of exit in case of fire or intrusion? Are these emergency exits locked when not in use? Will the occupant still be able to escape even if the property is filled with smoke?
- Is escape to a neighbour's property possible?

### **Health, Safety and Telecommunications**

- Is there evidence that wired electrics have been serviced and tested?
- Are there any first aid requirements?
- Is there a backup generator? How long can the generator sustain power for?