



# HEALTH PHYSICS SOCIETY

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President George W. Bush  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

The Health Physics Society, of which I am President, is an independent scientific organization of 6000 professionals who specialize in radiation safety. Society members work with radioactive materials and radiation-producing devices in industry, medical and educational organizations, government and the armed forces. We have 50 chapters throughout the U.S. with many members located in large metropolitan areas.

Members of the Health Physics Society heard you on September 20, 2001. Shortly thereafter, we marshaled our resources to assist the U.S. in responding to real or perceived acts of terror using radioactive materials. We formed a Committee on Homeland Security to organize members to train emergency response personnel, to educate the public, and to respond to terrorist threats. Our plan is to collaborate with other professional safety organizations to provide a cadre of highly trained volunteers who can assist with threats involving radioactive materials or other potentially threatening substances.

We heard you on January 29, 2002 and were heartened by your call for volunteers. Our expertise and resources are available to assist local, state, and federal agencies.

Thank you for your leadership.

Respectfully,

George Anastas  
President