



Counterdrug Technology

Advanced Systems to Help Law Enforcement and Medical Science in the Struggle Against Drug Crime and Abuse

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In 1990, Congress created CTAC, the Counterdrug Technology Assessment Center, within the Executive Office of the President and the Office of National Drug Control Policy. CTAC coordinates research and development by all federal agencies experimenting with advanced technology to fight drug crime. CTAC also uses its own budget to initiate and fund R&D in prevention, treatment, and law enforcement science. With strong bipartisan support from Congress, CTAC is also providing federally developed advanced tactical systems and devices to state and local law enforcement agencies. None of CTAC's accomplishments would be possible without the strong bipartisan support we have always enjoyed in Congress. In the top photo, Rep. Jim Kolbe of Arizona and Sheriff Dupnik of Pima County, Arizona, took a firsthand look at the VoiceBox digital wiretap system in operation.



Another strong supporter of CTAC's mission is Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado (at left in middle photo, with Dr. Brandenstein and scientists), a former U.S. Air Force police officer whose time as a cop makes him more aware of what officers need to be effective against drug crime.

In the bottom photo, Rep. Steny Hoyer and CTAC'S Al Brandenstein demonstrate the Mini-Buster Contraband Detector and the Thermal Imager night vision technologies at a meeting of local and state police commanders in the congressman's Maryland district.



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