U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs Office for Victims of Crime

INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM VICTIM EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Legislation Related to Developing and Funding ITVERP

The International Terrorism Victim Expense Reimbursement Program (ITVERP) is a new program designed to reimburse eligible victims of acts of international terrorism that occur outside the United States for expenses associated with that victimization. The program is administered through the Office for Victims of Crime.

The Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984 (42 U.S.C.) authorized the Office of Justice Programs through its Office for Victims of Crime to create a reimbursement program for victims of international terrorism.

In 2000, VOCA was amended so that states are no longer required to compensate victims of terrorism occurring outside the United States. ITVERP was created under the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000.

The legislation for ITVERP exists as part of the U.S. Code, specifically:

- Section 42: Public Health and Welfare
- Chapter 112: Victim Compensation and Assistance
- Section 10603: Crime Victim Assistance
- Part C: Compensation to Victims of International Terrorism

For more information on ITVERP or to apply for the program, contact OVC via the following:

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