**TEST YOURSELF--DEFINE THE FOLLOWING**

(HANDOUT #4)

1. Insurgents

2. Islamic

3. Islamist

4. jihad

5. jihadists

6. kafir

7. madrasa

8. mujahidin

9. safehaven

10. Sharia

1. Insurgents: Individuals who try to overthrow a government from within; not necessarily committed to violence against noncombatants. Not always, but insurgents can be terrorists.

2. Islamic: Is the adjective for Islam, which is the monotheistic religion, characterized by the acceptance of the doctrine of submission to Allah and to Muhammad as the chief and last prophet of Allah.

3. Islamists: Is an adherent of an Islamic revivalist movement; often characterized by moral conservatism, literalism, and the attempt to implement Islamic values in all spheres of life; seeks to implement Islamic law and rejects the separation of religion and state.

4. Jihad: Striving on behalf of Islam; struggling to be a better Muslim. Examples of jihad are proselytizing and military action.

5. Jihadists: Those committed to violence on behalf of Islam; are usually individuals from abroad who join an insurgency for religious reasons or to defend and propagate Islam. The IC has moved to using the term jihadist because referring to Islamic fighters as mujahadin might convey more respect than is intended.

6. Kafir: Indicates a nonbeliever in Allah; a person who hides, denies, or covers the truth; is similar to the term *infidel* in English. (NOTE: Kafir is a derogatory term used in South Africa. Kafir should not be used in finished intelligence.)

7. Madrasa: Islamic religious or Koranic school.

8. Mujahadin: Literally means soldiers or warriors in a jihad. (NCTC preferred spelling)

9. Safehaven: The term is used by the Intelligence Community to describe a range of situations involving a terrorist presence in a country. Some situations include those where there is no government; where government actions are weak or ineffective; where the government turns a blind eye; where governments actively protect and collaborate with terrorists—such as Afghanistan under the Taliban; and where the government is run by terrorists. There is no current (March 2009) example of the last category. A safehaven involves well-established terrorist network infrastructure; staging areas; hubs used for

training; indoctrination, global outreach, and propaganda and logistic purposes, the loss of which would degrade the terrorists’ operational effectiveness.

10. Sharia: Is Islamic law. Do not add *law* after sharia; it is redundant.