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## Bank Secrecy Act *U.S. Money Laundering Threat Assessment*

**Summary:** The Department of the Treasury has released the 2005 U.S. Money Laundering Threat Assessment, which is designed to help policymakers, regulators and the law enforcement community better understand money laundering in the United States and to support efforts to combat it.

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**Highlights:**

- On January 12, 2006, the Department of the Treasury released the 2005 *U.S. Money Laundering Threat Assessment*. This report is the product of an interagency working group composed of experts from various U.S. government agencies, bureaus and offices that study and combat money laundering.
- The *Money Laundering Threat Assessment* is designed to help policymakers, regulators and the law enforcement community better understand the landscape of money laundering in the United States and to support strategic planning efforts to combat money laundering.
- The complete *Money Laundering Threat Assessment* can be found on the following Department of the Treasury Web site: [http://www.treas.gov/press/releases/reports/js3077\\_01112005\\_MLTA.pdf](http://www.treas.gov/press/releases/reports/js3077_01112005_MLTA.pdf) 4052k (PDF Help)
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