GOVERNANCE AND OVERSIGHT

The head of the NZSIS is the Director-General of Security who reports directly to the Minister Responsible for the NZSIS.

NZSIS investigations are initiated where there is an assessed threat to New Zealand's national security. NZSIS investigations are conducted in a manner that is both lawful and proportionate. We do not investigate institutions or individuals solely based on their faith, creed, nationality or because they engage in lawful protest activity.

NZSIS is subject to robust oversight from the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security, the Office of the Ombudsman, the Privacy Commissioner, the Controller and Auditor-General, and the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament.

OUR PEOPLE

NZSIS staff come from a wide cross section of New Zealand society. They perform a variety of roles including intelligence officers, analysts, linguists, technology experts and other specialists. We have staff based at our headquarters in Wellington, regional offices in Auckland and Christchurch, and some based overseas.

Community Outreach

NEW ZEALAND SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
TE PĀ WHAKAMARUMARU



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More information and contact details



What we do

The New Zealand Security
Intelligence Service (NZSIS) is a
public service department that
contributes to New Zealand's safety
and security. We gather and evaluate
intelligence about current and
emerging issues, events and threats
relevant to New Zealand's national
security and global interests.

NZSIS provides the Government with intelligence and security advice that aims to ensure New Zealand's people and interests remain safe. We work closely with other government agencies, international partners and the wider community to defend and enhance New Zealand's security, reputation, economic well-being and way of life.

PROTECTING NEW ZEALAND AND NEW ZEALANDERS

NZSIS plays a key role in countering violent extremism, working to ensure that New Zealand is neither the subject or the source of terrorism. We investigate individuals and groups who seek to use violence to further their agendas. NZSIS investigates individuals who would participate in acts of terrorism, those who plan, finance or facilitate these acts, and those who radicalise and recruit others into terrorist ideologies.

In terrorism-related situations affecting
New Zealand, NZSIS coordinates and provides
information to other government agencies
responsible for responding to those incidents.

We provide tailored specialist advice to New Zealand's border security agencies as part of the integrated system that protects the country's border.

NZSIS contributes to security planning, threat identification and risk management for major international events, such as the Rugby World Cup where New Zealand or New Zealand interests are represented.

We also undertake a wide range of investigative activity to counter acts of espionage, covert interference, influence, sabotage and subversion which threaten the security and effectiveness of the New Zealand Government and our open and democratic state.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMME

NZSIS recognises that all communities across
New Zealand have a vital role to play in keeping
New Zealand safe. Our Community Outreach
Programme aims to develop trusting, collaborative
relationships with community leaders,
representatives and individual groups with a focus
on national security issues.

Through building and maintaining good working relationships, NZSIS Outreach Officers provide the community with a public face to engage with about national security-related issues.