



CBP representatives are critical to the success of CBP's strategy of extending America's zone of security beyond the U.S. borders.

These individuals are the CBP subject matter experts at U.S. Embassies around the world. They serve as advocates for the Visa Waiver Program and CBP international programs such as:

- Capacity building
- Container Security Initiative (CSI)
- Immigration Advisory Program (IAP)
- Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT)
- Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI)
- Intellectual property rights

In August 2004, CBP began placing representatives at U.S. embassies and there are currently 20 countries with CBP representatives.

CBP representatives support CBP in the planning, organization, administration, and coordination of all CBP international activities, and are recognized as the experts on CBP policies and activities.



They represent CBP in negotiations with foreign officials regarding controversial issues, and provide advice and guidance to CBP management on matters of mutual cooperation between CBP and host country agencies.

Areas of Expertise

- Customs and immigration matters that impact global trade and travel,
- Coordinating CBP programs that provide training and technical assistance on border security, and cargo & passenger security,
- Processes that assist foreign governments in developing and strengthening their own security initiatives,
- Serving as liaisons between the Embassy and their foreign counterparts to ensure that cooperation and solid working relationships are established and maintained.

Attaché/Representative Locations

- Belgium
- Brazil
- Canada
- China
- Dominican Republic
- Egypt
- Germany
- Hong Kong
- India
- Italy
- Japan
- Kenya
- Korea
- Mexico
- Panama
- Singapore
- South Africa
- Thailand
- The Netherlands
- United Kingdom