



Project Sheet No.2

BBC Security Review



Client: Johnson Controls International

Date: January 2007 to June 2007

Location: London

Objectives:

To review the security systems and the guarding operation for the BBC across all sites and studios in London. Specific review of:

- The security structure.
- Guarding operations and effectiveness.
- Access control system and alarms.
- Recommendations for upgrades.
- Assess the risk for infiltration via audiences and BBC tours.

Key details:

Six consultants working simultaneously on the technical, procedural, physical requirements and conformity by Managers and Staff.

Through competitive tender commissioned by Johnson Controls International in 2007, Minimal Risk were selected to conduct a complete review of the BBC security structure. This comprised a full evaluation of all of the BBC's buildings in London to include including physical, technical, guarding and the associated policies.

The consultation covered all of the 90 plus buildings including Television Centre, White City Studios and Broadcasting House in Central London.

Initially Minimal Risk analysed the risk to this national icon, using open source information and incident reports supplied through the BBC to assess the range of threats to the BBC. Following on, the

next priority was to assess compliance against documented 'Operational Policy and Procedures'.

The final report and recommendations were produced after three months consultancy and interviews to cover:

Guarding: Suggested restructure and savings through a subtle re-structuring of the guard force contract due for re-tender.

Access Control and Alarms: Following a detailed audit, recommendations for upgrades to make use of the existing interface system.

Barriers and Gates: Upgrades and integration into the national access control system specifically to mitigate the effect of explosives.

CCTV Control Rooms: Optimise effectiveness by merging three Control Rooms into two with streamlined management oversight.

Detection Systems: Detailed recommendations for the reinstatement of redundant systems.

System Maintenance: Researched through existing providers, suggestions on how to prioritise tasks and instigate a system of preventative maintenance to better maintain operational effectiveness.

Compliance: A detailed analysis of compliance and comparison with published BBC procedures, attained through interviews with Department Heads and Key Managers.