


# Vital Concepts for Protecting Business and People in third world environments



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# Defining a third world environment

**Third World** is a categorical label used to describe states that are considered to be underdeveloped in terms of their economy or level of industrialization, globalization, standard of living, health, education or other criteria for 'advancements'



.....(Wikipedia)



# REASONS FOR TRAVEL TO THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES

## **Business**

- Short term (days)
- Long term (weeks or months)
- Ongoing (months or years)

## **Educational / Aid activities**

- studies
- health / support

## **Transfer**

- Stop over during travel

## **Recreational**

- Holiday
- adventure



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THIS EASY FOR OUR OPPOSITION



# Key Issues of Concern

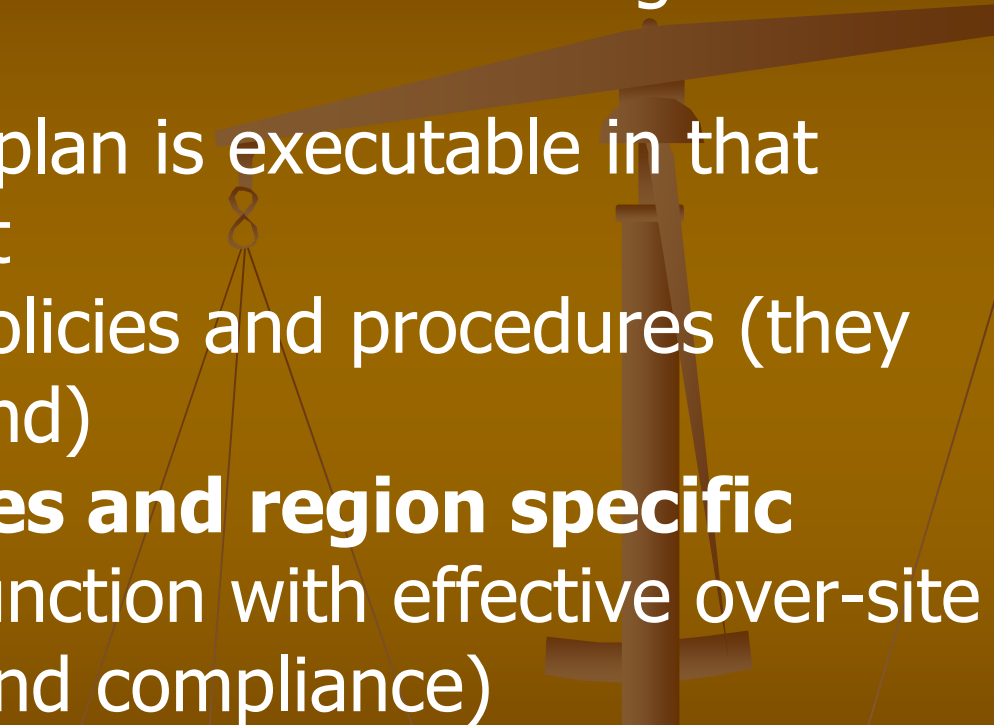
- **Medical Considerations**
- **Political Situation**
- **Environmental Considerations**
- **Cultural Factors**
- **Legal and Compliance Considerations**
- **Language Differences**
- **Religious Considerations**
- **Criminal Threats**
- **Terrorism Threats**
- **Logistical and Infrastructure Considerations**



# PERCEPTION VERSUS REALITY



# Summary of key points

- **Research** – you need to have on-the-ground information
  - **Plan** – ensure the plan is executable in that specific environment
  - **Be flexible** with policies and procedures (they are a guide not a bind)
  - Use **local resources and region specific specialists** in conjunction with effective over-site (check credentials and compliance)
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- **Education** (travellers, Security managers, locals and execs)
- Gain the buy-in of local authorities – often best to work through your local providers
- **Adjust and Assess** based on ongoing threat assessments and risk analysis

***STRIVE TO ENHANCE SAFETY WITHOUT SCARING PEOPLE OFF***