

# Vault 7: CIA Hacking Tools Revealed



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## EDG Familiarization TDY

## Before You Go...

Talk to CCIE/Engineering about your planned TDY timeline. Consider US/German holidays, current Base activities, USG shutdowns, world events, etc.

CCIE can provide you with a list of hotels that you can choose from for your TDY. Try not to stray from this list; these hotels are pre-approved by Frankfurt Base.

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Write your own cable requesting TDY concurrence. Seriously, if you have never written a cable in your entire career, do it yourself. Learn to write a cable: believe it or not, it's a handy skill.

Learn/create your cover-for-action story. There will be a slight difference based on your own cover status. Talk to CCIE/Engineering.

Have your Point-of-Contact information on your person. There will be a slight difference based on your own cover status. Talk to CCIE/Engineering.

Have a travel credit card. You will need the PIN to get a cash advance. Advance and conversion fees are accountable on your TDY voucher. Government Travel Cards work great for this (built-in accounting).

You are allowed write checks for euros at the Consulate Cashier if you are in TDY status. So if you would rather get cash that way, remember your checkbook.

If you are using a personal credit card, be sure to call your credit card company and notify them of your travel to Germany.

Oh, did I mention to "Talk to CCIE/Engineering?"

## During Your Flight...

**Flying Lufthansa:** Booze is free so enjoy (within reason)! **Flying United:** My condolences, but at least you are earning a United leg towards a status increase.

If you have an overnight flight (most likely), try and get some sleep. It will help you adjust faster to the time difference. (6-7 hours ahead!)

## When You Arrive...

Breeze through German Customs because you have your cover-for-action story down pat, and all they did was stamp your passport.

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Get some Euros from a DeutscheBank ATM (*not* a Travellex machine... not the same thing). (You remembered your credit card w/ its PIN, right?)

Get a cab to your hotel from the airport.

Check in, drop off your bags, shower (you probably need one).

Do **not** leave anything electronic or sensitive unattended in your hotel room. (Paranoid, yes, but better safe than sorry.)

If you arrive on a *Sunday* morning... expect to find most businesses (grocery stores especially) are closed. Some restaurants may be open. Gas stations are not recommended for fine dining.

If you arrive on a *Monday* morning... expect that they might not have a room ready for you at your hotel. Get checked in, decompress, then head into the Consulate.

## First Day...

Bring all personal or work electronic devices with you to the Consulate. There is a holding area outside of the SCIF for personal electronics. ....

Depending on where you are staying in the city, you might have to take the U-Bahn (subway) to the Consulate. Find the **U5 towards Preungesheim**. The Consulate is at the stop **Gießener Straße** (phonetically: "Gee-ssen-err Shtrah-sseh")

You should buy a ticket for public transport that is good for a long period of time, either a week or a month. (3 week tickets is cheaper than a month)

From the **Gießener Straße** stop, walk south towards the Consulate.

Enter at CAC4 (the big entrance)

Present your Black passport if that's all you have, and you will get a **yellow** visitor's badge. You can trade this for a **blue** visitor badge at Post 1.

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Present your white State ID if you have one. You will be buzzed right through the doors.

Follow the signs for the "Employee Entrance", walking alongside the Consulate building on the left side. Show your badge (**yellow** or white), and you will be buzzed into the Consulate.

Follow the signs for Post 1. You will know you're in the right place when a large heavy door closes behind you, and you realize you are trapped in a large room with a Marine behind a glass window.

If you have a **yellow** badge, ask the Marine to give you a **blue** visitor badge.

Use the phone at Post 1 to call your POC. You can just dial the last four numbers since it is the extension.

## During Your TDY...

Meet everyone at Base, including other TDYers. Talk to them and find out about what they do. Build that network!

If you have never been overseas before (for work or at all), let folks know.

Have a free weekend? Ask for advice on day trips and places to visit.

Provide Base a briefing on newly delivered or burgeoning capabilities. You can prepare something ahead of time, or you can wait to see what needs Base has and present to those gaps. That being said, please no Death By Powerpoint!

## Setting Expectations...

Be flexible with Base needs and operational tempo. Help out wherever/whenever you can. "Duties as assigned."

Be aware that your coworkers here are all under cover. While cover seems like an administrative thing back home, it is vital in the Field.

Help protect everyone's cover. Avoid using terms outside of the SCIF that could betray that people are not "State Department" employees.

Better to keep work discussions at work.

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Respect that while efforts can be made to involve you in social activities, it may not always be possible because of cover concerns.

## Before You Leave...

Work with CCIE/Engineering to draft a TDY Wrap-up cable. Cable traffic or it didn't happen.

Buy something in Duty Free, because you're awesome and you deserve it! (Might I recommend a travellers' edition single malt whisky?)

Leave with as few Euros in your pocket as possible. Current record is held by User #524297 (user\_524297.html) at 0.52 € !

## TDY Differences based on Your Cover for Status

	If you are OVERT CIA...	If you are COVERT Nominal State...
<b>Your Cover-for-Action (for this trip)</b>	State Department employee	State Department employee
<b>Your Point of Contact's Cover Office</b>	Political/Military (POL/MIL)	Regional Information Management Center/Frankfurt Support Center (RIMC/FSC)
<b>Your Point of Contact's Actual Job</b>	Frankfurt Base Officer or Declared CCIE ..... TIO	CCIE/Engineering
<b>Your Cover Story (for this trip)</b>	A: "Supporting technical consultations at the Consulate."	A; "Supporting technical consultations at the Consulate."
<b>Q: "Why are you here?"</b>	Q: "What part of the Consulate?" A: "POL/MIL"	Q: "What part of the Consulate?" A: "RIMC"

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## Comments:

2016-01-21 16:10 [User #1179872 (user\_1179872.html)]:

Dude, this is a fantastic summary. I loved the succinct little chart of "TDY Differences based on Your Cover for Status". Great info – I think this could be really helpful for a lot of our folks, and kudos for the write-up!

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