

# TII Quick Guide To: OSINT Reading Material

Many persons who are new to the field of online intelligence and investigations ask us for suggestions about good reading material. The following are examples of publications that refer to OSINT in relation to history, theories, processes, sources, websites, crimes, investigations, and collection of electronic evidence. All of these documents are available online in PDF format. Please contact our training department if you wish to recommend a handbook for this list.

## READING MATERIAL RELATING TO OSINT AND ONLINE INVESTIGATIONS

<b>2001</b>	<i>NATO OSINT Handbook</i> (NATO, Nov 2001; International)
<b>2001</b>	<i>Canadian Law and Private Investigations</i> (Norman Groot, 2001; Canada)
<b>2001</b>	<i>Practical Handbook for Private Investigators</i> (Rory McMahon, 2001; USA)
<b>2002</b>	<i>Intelligence Exploitation of the Internet</i> (Robert Steele, Oct 2002; International)
<b>2004</b>	<i>Special Operations Forces OSINT Handbook</i> (Robert Steele, Jun 2004; USA)
<b>2006</b>	<i>A Guide to Names and Naming Practices</i> (UK Government, 2006; International)
<b>2007</b>	<i>Internet Organized Crime Threat Assessment</i> (Europol, 2014; International)
<b>2007</b>	<i>Investigations Involving the Internet and Computer Networks</i> (US DOJ, Jan 2007; USA)
<b>2007</b>	<i>Strategic Early Warning For Criminal Intelligence</i> (CISC, 2007; Canada)
<b>2008</b>	<i>Electronic Crime Scene Investigation</i> (US DOJ, Apr 2008; USA)
<b>2009</b>	<i>Intelligence Analysis</i> (US Army, Jul 2009; USA)
<b>2009</b>	<i>Searching and Seizing Computers and Obtaining Electronic Evidence in Criminal Investigations</i> (US Office of Legal Education, 2009; USA)
<b>2010</b>	<i>Law Enforcement Guide to International Names</i> (ROCIC, 2010; International)
<b>2012</b>	<i>The Little Black Book of Scams</i> (Competition Bureau, 2012; Canada)
<b>2013</b>	<i>Comprehensive Study on Cybercrime</i> (UN Office on Drugs and Crime, Feb 2013; International)
<b>2014</b>	<i>Basic Manual on the Detection and Investigation of the Laundering of Crime Proceeds Using Virtual Currencies</i> (UN Office on Drugs and Crime, Jun 2014; International)
<b>2014</b>	<i>Open Source Intelligence 2ool Kit On the Go</i> (Ben Benavides, May 2014; USA)
<b>2014</b>	<i>The Verification Handbook</i> (Craig Silverman, 2014; International)
<b>2015</b>	<i>Investigating and Prosecuting Cyber Crime</i> (IJCC, Jun 2015; Australia)



Many websites have created online documents that provide guidance to law enforcement agencies as to the type of information that can be requested and how it can be requested. Most of these websites have this information posted on their websites as part of policy or transparency reporting. The following are examples of websites with posted information. These terms can act as guidelines for searching for similar documents related to other websites of interest.

OSINT-RELATED GUIDELINES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS	
2015	<i>Snapchat Law Enforcement Guide</i> (Snapchat website, PDF document) <a href="https://www.snapchat.com/static_files/lawenforcement.pdf?version=20150604">https://www.snapchat.com/static_files/lawenforcement.pdf?version=20150604</a>
2016	<i>Facebook - Information for Law Enforcement Authorities</i> (Facebook website, online document) <a href="https://www.facebook.com/safety/groups/law/guidelines/">https://www.facebook.com/safety/groups/law/guidelines/</a>
2016	<i>Google - Requests for User Information</i> (Google website, online document) <a href="https://www.google.com/transparencyreport/userdatarequests/legalprocess/">https://www.google.com/transparencyreport/userdatarequests/legalprocess/</a>
2016	<i>Instagram - Information for Law Enforcement</i> (Instagram website, online document) <a href="https://help.instagram.com/494561080557017/">https://help.instagram.com/494561080557017/</a>
2016	<i>Kik Law Enforcement Resource Center</i> (Kik website, online documents) <a href="https://kiklawenforcement.zendesk.com/hc/en-us">https://kiklawenforcement.zendesk.com/hc/en-us</a>
2016	<i>Microsoft - MSN Online Services LEO Only</i> (Public Intelligence website, online document) <a href="https://info.publicintelligence.net/MSN-Compliance.pdf">https://info.publicintelligence.net/MSN-Compliance.pdf</a>
2016	<i>Pinterest - Law Enforcement Guidelines</i> (Pinterest website, online document) <a href="https://help.pinterest.com/en/articles/law-enforcement-guidelines">https://help.pinterest.com/en/articles/law-enforcement-guidelines</a>
2016	<i>Twitter - Guidelines for Law Enforcement</i> (Twitter website, online document) <a href="https://support.twitter.com/articles/41949">https://support.twitter.com/articles/41949</a>
2016	<i>WeChat Law Enforcement Data Request Guidelines</i> (WeChat website, online documents) <a href="http://www.wechat.com/en/law_enforcement_data_request.html">http://www.wechat.com/en/law_enforcement_data_request.html</a>
2016	<i>Yahoo - Law Enforcement Response Guidelines</i> (Yahoo website, online document) <a href="https://transparency.yahoo.com/law-enforcement-guidelines/us">https://transparency.yahoo.com/law-enforcement-guidelines/us</a>



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