Environmental Terrorism and Open Source Intelligence

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Open sources are unclassified electronic and analogue sources. Some specific unclassified information has been deliberately discovered, discriminated, distilled and disseminated to a select audience in order to address specific questions. With the process and methodology of open source intelligence (OSINT) we can group individual data sources and prepare information which can be used in support of defense against environmental terrorism.

The article exemplifies the method and process of open source intelligence in details i.e. analytical process i.e. way to acquire high-quality open source information. This information can be used to support decision-making in the prevention of environmental terrorism. The method and process as whole require a consistency in all its phases, which takes some time. Open source intelligence cannot replace traditional methods of intelligence, but it can offer quality information for decision making and prevention of possible environmental threats.