For a U.S. Citizen Missing Abroad

Call 1-888-407-4747 with is a state department hot line.

Before the travelers depart have an attorney draft up a document in accordance with the Privacy Act, so the state department can release information to you in the event of an emergency, otherwise the state department may not release information to your family or your organization.

Also enroll all the travelers, your company and their families into the state department's STEP program where they notify people in the event of a crisis, natural disaster or other event.

To Help Find Citizens Missing Abroad, the government will need

(This needs to be done before the travelers leave!)

The state department will need copies of their airline tickets, passports, hotel reservations, car rental company, credit card numbers, email addresses, cell and satellite phone numbers and locations they planned to travel. Also DNA based identification, medical conditions, medications and anything else that could assist the state department in located the missing person.