CHAPTER 7: ADJUSTING THE SAILS

Mission 7: Predict the Next Strike

OPERATION NAME: NEURAL NEXUS
CLASSIFICATION: TLP RED
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Analysts:
The Phantom Group is highly likely to be escalating its campaign against critical infrastructure globally. Recent observations in activity suggest they are testing energy grids and logistics networks for vulnerabilities. Your task by the end of this chapter is to be comfortable deploying predictive analysis to anticipate where their next strike will occur.
1. Scope your analysis by sector, region, and time frame (next 7 to 10 days). 2. Collect a small dataset of 10 to 20 items: news articles, blog posts, or threat assessments. 3. Normalize your data.

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FILES Practice reporting (optional)

File	Download name	What's in it
Practice reporting set	ch7_practice_reporting.csv	15 fictional items: historical incidents, current reporting, rumors, and one stale article.

Download these files from the worksheet page at deepinsightbook.com.

Analyst (that's you) **Date** **Tools used**

STEP 1 Scope

Sector

☐ Energy ☐ Transportation ☐ Healthcare ☐ Other

Region (country, city, town) **Time frame**

STEP 2 Collect

#	Item	Source	Date	Historical / current	Reliability
1					
2					
3					
4					

#	Item	Source	Date	Historical / current	Reliability
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					
11					
12					
13					
14					
15					

STEP 3 Normalize

- ☐ Dates standardized
- ☐ Stale items labeled
- ☐ Source types tagged
- ☐ Duplicates and re-shares flagged
- ☐ Unverified items labeled
- ☐ Viewpoint balance checked

AI-CHAMP Before you trust the model

- ☐ Context first
- ☐ Ask structured questions
- ☐ Probability requires human revision
- ☐ Human judgment in the loop
- ☐ Model for a range, not a conclusion

Prompt used

DELIVERABLE Predictive analysis assessment

One plausible future scenario derived from the available evidence

One early warning indicator that would suggest the scenario is developing

One sentence: how poor assumptions or unsupported AI-generated conclusions could distort operational decision-making

Likelihood: ○ Low ○ Moderate ○ High

Confidence: ○ Low ○ Moderate ○ High