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JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE (JDL); IS-NATIONALISTIC TENDENCIES-

JDL

A SOURCE, CONTACT WITH WHOM HAS BEEN INSUFFICIENT TO DETERMINE RELIABILITY, BUT WHO HAS KNOWLEDGE OF JDL ACTIVITIES ADVISED ON JANUARY FIFTEEN AND EIGHTEEN THAT RABBI MEIR D. KAHANE AS OF SIX MONTHS AGO RESIDED AT SIX THREE TWO EAST FIFTH STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK. THIS RESIDENCE WAS SELECTED VERY CAREFULLY AS IT IS WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF HIS FATHER AND HE CAN TRUST THE OTHER PEOPLE IN THE BUILDING. HIS RESIDENCE ADDRESS IS A CLOSELY GUARDED SECRET AS HE IS AFRAID OF REPRISALS FROM MILITANT LEFT GROUPS. KAHANE'S SALARY FROM JDL IS TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS PER YEAR PLUS HE KEEPS MOST OF HIS FEES FROM SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS. HIS USUAL FEE IS THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS. OTHER SPEAKERS FOR JDL GET A LESSER FEE AND TURN ALL THEIR FEES OVER TO JDL. KAHANE WILL GO TO ISRAEL THIS SUMMER BUT WILL CONTINUE TO

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EXERCISE COMPLETE AUTHORITY OVER

JDL. KAHANE STILL IN DEBT OVER A VENTURE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

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WITH ONE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IS AN EXPERT IN INTERNATIONAL LAW

HAVING A PH.D FROM COLUMBIA. [REDACTED] AND KAHANE HAD A CONSULTING BUSINESS IN WASHINGTON, D.C. WHICH DID RESEARCH FOR PROJECTS FOR USDS. THIS BUSINESS FAILED.

SOURCE ADVISED JDL MAINTAINS A BANK ACCOUNT AT BANK OF COMMERCE, BROOKLYN. A TAX EXEMPT FOUNDATION CALLED JEWISH OPERATION YOUTH HAS BEEN SET UP. LARGE CONTRIBUTORS MAKE CONTRIBUTION TO THIS FOUNDATION. THE FOUNDATION THEN PAYS JDL FOR SERVICES. SOURCE SAID THAT ALL MONIES GOING INTO THE FOUNDATION EVENTUALLY GO TO JDL.

SOURCE ADVISED THAT JDL EXAGGERATES ITS MEMBERSHIP FIGURE FOR PULICATION, USUALLY DOUBLING THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON THEIR MAILING LIST. ANYONE WHO SENDS A CONTRIBUTION OR ASKS FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE JDL IS PUT ON THE MAILING LIST. SOURCE ESTIMATES ACTUAL MEMBERSHIP TO BE ABOUT FIVE THOUSANDS.

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GENERAL MEETINGS OF JDL <sup>ME</sup> ARE HELD AT JDL HEADQUARTERS. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE VARIOUS HOMES OF MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

SOURCE ADVISED THAT FIREARMS ARE KEPT [REDACTED] [REDACTED] A NEW YORK CITY JDL MEMBER. <sup>MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION</sup>

[REDACTED] JDL MEMBER AND FORMER RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED] MADE TWO TRIPS TO TENNESSEE ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM KAHANE TO PURCHASE FIREARMS. ON ONE OCCASION HE PURCHASED ABOUT EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS WORTH OF FIREARMS AND ON ANOTHER OCCASION PURCHASED ABOUT TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH. HE TRANSPORTED THESE GUNS FROM TENNESSEE TO NEW YORK IN HIS PERSONAL CAR WHICH [REDACTED] LICENSE PLATES. THE GUNS WERE BROUGHT TO [REDACTED] IN NEW JERSEY AND THEN BROUGHT TO NEW YORK.

JDL MEMBERS ARE GIVEN FIREARMS TRAINING AND LECTURES IN THE USE OF EXPLOSIVE. SOURCE DOES NOT BELIEVE EXPLOSIVES ARE MANUFACTURED BY THE JDL.

KAHANE HAS SERIOUSLY DISCUSSED CAPTURING A SOVIET CITY. HIS ONE INTENT IS TO SECURE GERMS OF A VIRULENT DESEASE FROM A  
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HOSPITAL OR BACTERIOLOGIST, GROW A SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF THESE GERMS, AND THEN SMUGGLE THEM TO A SOVIET CITY. HE WILL THEN THREATEN TO CONTAMINATE THE CITY UNLESS THE SOVIET ALLOW JEWS TO EMIGRATE TO ISRAEL. SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE PROBLEM OF SECURING THE GERMS AND GROWING THEM IS RELATIVELY SIMPLE FOR ANY BACTERIOLOGIST. HOWEVER, THE DETAILS OF GETTING THEM TO THE SOVIET UNION HAVE NOT BEEN WORKED OUT.

ADMINISTRATIVE

REFERENCE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JANUARY FIFTEEN SEVENTY ONE.

SOURCE MENTIONED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE INFORMATION IS CLASSIFIED "CONFIDENTIAL" IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY OF THE SOURCE.

[REDACTED] HAS FURNISHED DETAILED INFORMATION CONCERNING INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF JDL WHICH IS BEING DISSEMINATED TO THEIR FILES.

DETAILED LHM TO FOLLOW, WITH DERTINENT LEADS FOR INVESTIGATION IN TENNESSEE.

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