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Daily UBL / Radical Fundamentalist Threat Update

Thursday May 7, 2001

Newly Reported Threats and Incidents

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1. (C) FBI HQS reported on 6/7/01 regarding an alleged international radical fundamentalist threat to London, New York, and Boston. A walk-in to the FBI has provided the threat related information set forth below. The FBI is currently attempting to corroborate his threat reporting.

   Three prisoners identified as had been accused of being involved in the East African bombings.

   They were associated with an international terrorist group. One of the discussions was a failed attempt to bomb a U.S. Navy ship in the vicinity of Croatia. A boat was purportedly pre-positioned with explosives but the bombing failed after the two men involved in the operation were caught traveling on fraudulent documentation. The walk-in could not provide any other information regarding this purported abortied terrorist operation.
The walk-in also reports that the three individuals are currently associated with a plan to attack U.S. interests in the event they are extradited to the United States. The operations have been in the planning stages for several years and individuals are already in place to initiate the attacks. The locations to be targeted are New York, Boston, and London. In Boston, the terrorists are planning to attack a U.S. Navy ship that is moored close to shore and in the immediate vicinity of large numbers of civilian boats and a large building(s). The walk-in believes the building(s) may be a hotel or barracks. A civilian boat laden with explosives will likely be used in the operation. The walk-in noted that the terrorists want to attack an area with large crowds in order to inflict a high number of casualties.

The explosives used in the attacks may be taken into the United States, via Canada. Individuals who are not involved in the execution of the operations will be used to transport the explosives. Two of the individuals may reside in Dearborn, Michigan. During the FBI interview the walk-in did not provide specific locations in New York City or London that are being targeted.

FBIHQ believes the three individuals who were incarcerated in the

The walk-in is being afforded additional interviews. (FBIHQS telegram dated 6/7/01)

Updated Threats and Incidents

The information set forth below is updated information of current threats reported in previous editions.

1. (6) State reported on 6/5/01 regarding a threat to American Embassy Buenos Aires, Argentina. On 05/31/01, FBI Miami and INS conducted an interview of
On 6/5/01, Legal Attache's Office, U.S. Embassy, Buenos Aires, referred this information to ROAL at post and to [REDACTED] for appropriate action. (Buenos Aires 2022)

(FBI and DSS will be conducting a re-interview of subject to further evaluate this information and develop any more relevant details.

FBI conducted polygraph interview of subject on 6/7/01. Results have not been reported at this time.
Legat Rome advised via email on 5/22/01 that some of the subjects who are believed to be involved in this attack plan remain under surveillance by the Italian authorities.

It has been determined that an individual identified as may have recently entered the United States at JFKIA. According to the U.S. Customs Declaration form, Chisti arrived at JFKIA on an Air France flight and is destined for the URI Offices (NFI) located in San Francisco.

Previously Reported Threats and Incidents
Other Related Intelligence

IRAN/HEZBOLLAH UNIT THREATS

No new items.

MIDDLE EAST UNIT THREATS

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(U) (C/OC) The walk-in also reports that:

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(U) (C/OC)

During the FBI interview the walk-in did not provide specific locations in New York City or London that are being targeted.

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(C/OC) Identical to the following subjects:

They may be extradited to the United States in the future based upon charges related to the East Africa embassy bombings which occurred on August 7, 1998.

(U) (C) The walk-in is being afforded additional interviews. (FBI HQS telegram dated 6/7/01)

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had entered the United States on 05/25/01, aboard an American Airlines flight from Buenos Aires, Argentina, knowing that had previously been deported from the United States in June 1990