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To : Mr. Potts Date 7/14/92

From : D. O. Coulson

Subject : ORDER OF SAINT JOHN, aka
SOVEREIGN ORDER OF SAINT JOHN OF JERUSALEM;
DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM (DS/T);
OO: KNOXVILLE

PURPOSE: To request approval for the initiation of a full DS/T investigation regarding captioned organization.

RECOMMENDATIONS: (1) That the Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division (CID), approve the initiation of captioned DS/T investigation pursuant to Bureau policy.

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(2) That the enclosed teletype, which grants authority to conduct this DS/T investigation, be approved for transmittal.

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(3) That the enclosed notification letter to the Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice, be approved and forwarded.

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Enclosures (2)

- 1 - Mr. Davis (Attn: Mr. Welby)
 - 1 - Mr. Potts
 - 1 - Mr. Coulson
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Memorandum from D. O. Coulson to Mr. Potts
Re: Order of Saint John, aka
Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem;
Domestic Security/Terrorism (DS/T);
OO: Knoxville

DETAILS: The Order of Saint John (OSJ) is a white supremacist organization based in Benton, Tennessee, and headed by Dr. John Louallen Grady. Grady is also head of the American Pistol and Rifle Association (APRA), which appears to be a "front" organization for the OSJ. It is noted that during the mid-1980s, several members of the terrorist group known as "The Order" were current or former members of APRA.

During a recent preliminary inquiry conducted on the OSJ, it was learned that Grady has been holding meetings with the leaders of other white supremacist organizations in the hopes of forming an alliance among these groups. Grady has indicated that he plans for members of this alliance to commit political assassinations and has instructed his followers to make hit lists of individuals who should be killed. Grady recently mentioned two California legislators who should be assassinated because they had sponsored gun control legislation in California. During a recent meeting between Grady and other white supremacist leaders, an agreement was reached to form six-man teams to commit acts of violence. The group discussed the destruction of communications equipment, such as radio and microwave towers, and nuclear power plants.

Based on the information obtained during the preliminary inquiry of the OSJ, the Domestic Terrorism Unit (DTU), Violent Crimes and Major Offenders Section, believes that the proposed actions of the OSJ meet the threshold set forth in the Attorney General's Guidelines on DS/T investigations. DTU therefore recommends that a full DS/T investigation be authorized regarding the OSJ.



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To : The Attorney General Date July 14, 1992
 Attention: Office of Intelligence
 Policy and Review

From : Assistant Director
 Criminal Investigative Division

Subject: ORDER OF SAINT JOHN, aka
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 DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERRORISM (DS/T);
 OO: KNOXVILLE

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting an investigation concerning captioned matter in accordance with the current guidelines for DS/T investigations.

Enclosures:

- X A 180-day progress report
- An annual report
- Current full DS/T investigations

This investigation was approved by the Director, FBI, or the Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division.

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