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The Pentagon’s Secret Database on Peaceful Protest

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“I am offended that my government would even consider surveilling a group of honorably discharged veterans. Our patriotism and love of country is as strong today [as] when we carried arms in defense of America.”
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Introduction

In December 2005, major media outlets began reporting that a highly secretive component of the Department of Defense was accumulating and maintaining information on peaceful groups within the United States. The reports were a disturbing echo of an earlier era of unchecked and illegal government surveillance — an era when the FBI under J. Edgar Hoover infiltrated civil rights and peace groups, and the United States military maintained secret files on tens of thousands of American citizens.

The disclosures cried out for congressional oversight and investigation. Yet Congress was silent. In an attempt to learn more about the extent of the Pentagon’s surveillance activities and the policies that had authorized them, the American Civil Liberties Union and several of its state affiliates filed Freedom of Information Act requests on behalf of dozens of groups that had protested against the Administration’s foreign policy. What we have learned is troubling. What we still don’t know may be even more disturbing. It is time for Congress to act, and to ensure that Americans may once again exercise their First Amendment rights without fear that they will be tracked in a government database of suspicious activities.

Background

On February 1, 2006, the American Civil Liberties Union and its affiliates filed multiple Freedom of Information Act requests seeking records relating to Pentagon surveillance of anti-war groups. A secret Pentagon database obtained by NBC News, parts of which were published in December 2005, had revealed that nearly four dozen peaceful political gatherings, most of which were aimed at protesting military recruitment or the war in Iraq, were included among more than 1500 “suspicious incidents” reported across the United States. [Lisa Myers et al., Is The Pentagon Spying on Americans? MSNBC.com, Dec. 14, 2005.] Subsequent news reports, however, indicated that a highly secretive component of the Department of Defense, the Counterintelligence Field Activity Agency (“CIFA”), had been accumulating and maintaining information about domestic organizations and their peaceful political activities. CIFA, whose size and budget are classified, had been directed to track “potential terrorist threats” against the Department of Defense through reports known as Threat and Local Observation Notices (“TALON”).

The TALON program was initiated in 2003 by former Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz. [Michael Isikoff, Inside the Pentagon’s Domestic Spying Program, NEWSWEEK, Jan. 30, 2006.] It was designed to permit civilians and military personnel to report on suspicious activity or terrorist threats near defense installations. CIFA was thereafter compile the non-validated “TALON reports” in a database, which would include the agency’s assessment of whether the alleged threat was “credible” or “not credible.” The TALON excerpts published by NBC News revealed, however, that the Department of Defense had strayed from its intended mission, sweeping in anti-war protests that occurred far from any military installation, and failing to remove reports of demonstrations that were deemed even by the Department of Defense to be “not credible” as threats. For example, one entry in the excerpt published by NBC News featured a student protest against military recruiters at New York State University in Albany; another noted that a planned demonstration at Fort Bragg, North Carolina had been determined not to be a credible threat because of its “peaceful” nature. Nonetheless, even those threat reports deemed “not credible” remained in the database.

Following NBC’s revelation, Department of Defense officials ordered a review of the TALON database to determine whether information relating to individuals cleared of any threat had remained on file. Department of Defense regulations promulgated decades earlier prohibited the retention of non-threatening information about United States persons for more than ninety days. The regulations were established in the wake of Vietnam War-era spying on opponents of government policy — when military intelligence agents were found to have opened more than 100,000 files on American citizens — in an attempt to curb future unchecked surveillance.

The Pentagon’s misuse of the TALON database must be viewed in the wider context of increased government surveillance of U.S. citizens. With the help of phone companies, the National Security Agency has been tapping phones and reading email without a warrant. The FBI has gathered information about peace activists, and recruited confidential informants inside groups like Greenpeace and PETA. All of these actions are part of a broad pattern of the executive branch using “national security” as an excuse for encroaching on the privacy and free speech rights of Americans without adequate oversight.

The ACLU’s FOIA Requests

Although NBC’s reporting, as well as subsequent reporting by the Washington Post and other newspapers, made clear that the Pentagon had violated even its own regulations in maintaining within a secret database numerous instances of non-violent protest activity, Congress took no formal action to investigate the reported abuses. In an effort to learn more about the extent of the Department of Defense’s surveillance of U.S. citizens, as well as the policies under which such surveillance had occurred, the ACLU and its affiliates filed requests under the Freedom of Information Act on behalf of anti-war and social justice groups around the coun-
TALON Nationwide

States in Which TALON-Reported Events Were Scheduled to Occur

TALONs received by the ACLU reported on anti-war and anti-recruiting activity in the following states (and the District of Columbia). States marked with an asterisk (*) are the homes of universities whose names appeared in the documents released to the ACLU in connection with peace protests.

California* New York New Mexico* Texas* Louisiana* Alabama* Georgia* Ohio* District of Columbia* Illinois* Rhode Island Florida Massachusetts North Carolina

Groups Appearing in TALON Reports Released to the ACLU

The following groups appeared in TALON reports that the ACLU received from the Department of Defense and its components. Parenthetically following each group name is the state in which the reported activity occurred.

Ya-Ya Network (NY)
CODEPINK (NY)
War Resisters League [NY]
United for Peace and Justice [MA, NY]
Socialist Party USA [NY]
Voices in the Wilderness [NY]
Brooklyn Parents for Peace [NY]
Park Slope Greens [NY]
Catholic Worker [NY]
Not in Our Name [NY]
Socialist Party of NYC [NY]
Progressive Programmers League [NY]

Kairos Community [NY]
World War III Arts in Action [NY]
No Police State Coalition [NY]
Veterans for Peace [NM, LA, TX, AL, GA, OH, DC, NY, IL]
Rhode Island Community Coalition for Peace [RI]
Broward Anti-War Coalition [FL]
Georgia Peace and Justice Coalition [GA]
International Action Center [GA]
Students for Peace and Justice [TX, CA, NY, GA]
Iraq Veterans Against the War [GA]

Military Families Speak Out [GA]
Campus Anti-War Network [CA, NY]
American Friends Service Committee [MA, OH]
Western Massachusetts Military Recruitment Education Network [MA]
Physicians for Social Responsibility [CA]
University of California Santa Cruz Students Against War’s Counter-Recruitment Working Group [CA]
Berkeley Stop the War Coalition [CA]
Georgia State University Students for Peace and Justice [GA]
try, including the American Friends Service Committee, Veterans for Peace, United for Peace and Justice, and dozens of local organizations in Florida, Georgia, Rhode Island, Maine, Pennsylvania, Washington, and California. Many of the groups on whose behalf the FOIA requests were submitted had already learned from the NBC News excerpts that anti-war protests that they had sponsored or attended were included in the Pentagon's threat database. The Rhode Island-based Community Coalition for Peace had discovered, for example, that their December 2004 protest outside of a National Guard recruitment station appeared in the database. The Broward Anti-War Coalition recognized one of its protests at a Florida air and sea show among the database threat entries.

The FOIA requests were submitted in February of 2006. In June, after several months during which the Pentagon was virtually non-responsive, the ACLU filed suit in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania to compel the Department of Defense to disclose records responsive to the FOIA request. Since then, under agreements negotiated with the Department of Justice and ordered by the court, the Department of Defense has disclosed hundreds of pages of documents, including dozens of TALON reports that reveal in far greater detail the extent to which the United States military improperly kept tabs on lawful, non-violent, First-Amendment activities.

The Documents

Documents obtained by the ACLU have revealed that the inclusion within the Pentagon’s TALON database of traditional and constitutionally protected protest activities was more widespread than previously known. According to a memorandum released to the ACLU, as of February 10, 2006, of the entries deleted from the TALON database, 186 TALON reports involved “anti-military protests or demonstrations in the U.S.” The document does not reveal whether any such reports remain in the database, though it does state that approximately 2,821 TALON reports involve what the Department describes as “U.S. person information.”

Protests against the war in Iraq were a common trigger for TALON reporting. For example, a protest entitled “Stop the War NOW!” was reported as a potential terrorist threat in a March 2005 TALON. The TALON describes the protest, aimed at a military recruiting station and federal building in Akron, Ohio, as including a rally, march, and “Reading of Names of War Dead.”

A February 2005 TALON focuses on protests planned by the War Resisters League ("WRL") near New York City recruiting stations. The document describes WRL as advocating “Gandhian nonviolence.” The protests, the TALON states, were to include “a church service for peace,” “lively signs and loud chants,” a vigil, and a procession with coffins. CODEPINK, a women’s group opposed to the war in Iraq, as well as the peace group United for Peace and Justice are mentioned as joining WRL in protest events. The report includes guidelines for “nonviolence training” in which Protesters agree that they “will not use physical violence or verbal abuse towards any person,” that they “will not damage any property,” and that they “will not carry weapons.” Nonetheless, the report warns, without basis, that WRL members may favor “civil disobedience and vandalism.”

Many of the TALON reports focus on anti-recruitment events and protests. For example, a TALON report about the avowedly non-violent Broward Anti-War Coalition includes information from the Miami-Dade Police Department describing a protest planned for a Fort Lauderdale Air and Sea Show. The TALON report reveals that the U.S. Army Recruiting Command and the Joint Terrorism Task Force in Miami had been briefed on the planned protest, which was intended to “counter military recruitment and the ‘pro-war’ message with ‘guerrilla theatre and other forms of subversive propaganda.’”

Similarly, the American Friends Service Committee ("AFSC") appears in a TALON report regarding the Quaker peace group’s planned protests at a recruiting center in Springfield, Illinois. The TALON is amended to correct the location of the protests as

TALON Report

Agent Notes: ...Veterans for Peace is a peaceful organization, but there is potential future protest could become violent. It is unknown...
Springfield, Massachusetts). The source for the TALON report, a “special agent of the federal protective service, U.S. Department of Homeland Security,” provides information he received in an email alert from the AFSC: “[A] series of protest actions were planned in the Springfield, IL area . . . to focus on actions at military recruitment offices with the goals to include: raising awareness, education, visibility in community, visibility to recruiters as part of a national day of action focused on military recruiters.” The source notes that the AFSC needs more community members to pass out flyers and “hold signs and banners.”

The Rhode Island Community Coalition for Peace (“RICCP”) also appears in a TALON report regarding its organizing of a protest in front of a National Guard recruiting station in downtown Providence. The TALON describes RICCP as “an emerging RI coalition in opposition to the war in Iraq” which will “hold a picketing action.” The source, a “special agent of a federal law enforcement agency,” reports RICCP’s stated goals for a planning meeting as “[c]reating awareness of an organized, action-oriented, anti-war movement in Providence” through “one on one interactions at the picket.” The TALON also records RICCP’s slogan, “Stop the call of RI National Guard and end the occupation of Iraq.” It appears from the document that the source obtained the information about RICCP from a “posting on an Internet bulletin board.”

A November 2004 TALON report addresses a “protest against the Iraq war . . . planned by a Sacramento chapter of a U.S. domestic group at the Sacramento Military Entrance Processing Station.” According to the report, “this specific group is deeply into ‘counter-recruiting,’” and views the station “as their last chance to influence a decision to enlist.” The TALON relates that the San Francisco Joint Terrorism Task Force had advised commanders of the San Francisco and San Jose stations of the protests, and notes that “it appears this protest will most likely be peaceful, but some type of vandalism is always a possibility.” At least five other TALONS targeted protest activity on college campuses. An April 2005 TALON from an “active duty U.S. Army officer” reports on protests organized by the group Veterans for Peace ("VFP"), which the TALON describes as “a peaceful anti-war/anti-military organization.” The TALON notes that VFP members set up hundreds of white crosses representing soldiers killed in Iraq near the student union at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, New Mexico. The TALON lists eight other university campuses where VFP planned to hold protests, including the University of New Orleans, Emory University, Kent State University, Howard University, and Northwestern University. The TALON also notes that although VFP applied for and received permission to hold the protest at New Mexico State University, the source could not determine whether VFP had “applied for or been granted permission to hold protest[s] on the campuses listed in this report.” Without any evident basis, the TALON further states that although VFP is “a peaceful organization . . . there is potential [that] future protest[s] could become violent.”

Two TALON reports from April 2005 describe anti-recruiting protests by students at the University of California campuses of Berkeley and Santa Cruz. The source for both TALONS, a “special agent of the federal protective service, U.S. Department of Homeland Security,” relays protest information he received through email alerts. One such email, reproduced in the TALON report, announces: “Counter Recruitment has proven to be an effective tool in actually hindering the Military’s ability to carry out this immoral and unjust war . . . . The Associated Students at the University of California (ASUC) passed a resolution that argued that military recruiters (who refuse to recruit gays and lesbians) violate the University of California’s anti-discrimination policy and therefore should not be allowed access to ASUC facilities.” Because of the “strong support for anti-war protests and movements in the past,” the source declares that there is “a strong potential for a confrontation.” In an update, the source reports that “60 Berkeley students filed into the career fair in ‘sign-file’ and confronted the recruiters one at a time, challeng-

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DETAILS: The Broward Anti-War Coalition (BAWC)... plans to counter military recruitment and the ‘pro war’ message with ‘guerrilla theater and other forms of subversive propaganda’, ...
ing their anti-gay policies and the war in Iraq. This action took over an hour and effectively shut down the Marine’s operation for most of the day.”

The Georgia State University Students for Peace and Justice appear in another April 2005 TALON. The source, another “special agent of the federal protective service, U.S. Department of Homeland Security,” describes an email alert he received about an “Anti-Recruitment Picket . . . across from City Hall East.” The group’s plans for weekly protests are reported, along with its plans that “visually effective coffins will be in view.” The Atlanta Police Department, the Georgia Information and Sharing Intelligence Center, and the Atlanta Recruiting Battalion were among the local organizations advised of the protests.

Another April 2005 TALON points to an altercation between a soldier and an individual at a university anti-war rally in New Orleans. According to the report, the soldier mistakenly arrived at the campus demonstration and was confronted by the individual. Despite acknowledging that “[i]t is unknown if the individuals involved in the incident are students at the local university or associated with the Veterans for Peace organization,” the report alleges that the incident demonstrates that VFP should be viewed as a possible “threat” to Department of Defense personnel.

A TALON report listing Atlanta-area protests organized by the Georgia Peace and Justice Coalition (“GPJC”) similarly contends that the Students for Peace and Justice Network poses a threat to Department of Defense personnel. Citing a Department of Homeland Security source, the TALON supports its claim by listing prior acts of civil disobedience in California and Texas, including a protest at the University of California Santa Cruz campus, a sit-in, and street theatre. Describing one protest in Austin, Texas, the document notes, “The Protesters blocked the entrance to the recruitment office with two coffins, one draped with an American flag and the other covered with an Iraqi flag, taped posters on the window of the office, and chanted, ‘No more war and occupation. You don’t have to die for an education.’”

Unanswered Questions

The FOIA requests and litigation have contributed to our understanding of the Department of Defense’s collection and maintenance of information about the lawful protest activities of U.S. citizens, but many questions remain unanswered. Although the Pentagon has, commendably, conceded that much of the information regarding anti-war and anti-recruitment activities should not have been retained in its TALON database, far too little is known about how the information was collected in the first place. It cannot be an accident or coincidence that at least 186 protest events involving U.S. citizens ended up in a Pentagon threat database; yet we still do not know under what guidance CIFA was operating when the information was collected. Moreover, the FOIA was aimed solely at one database about which there had already been public reporting. We do not know whether the Department of Defense maintains other threat databases that include similar information, nor whether Department of Defense personnel are engaged in other information-gathering about United States citizens. We do not know the extent to which other federal agencies might have been involved in collecting this information. We do not know whether the information improperly included in the TALON database was distributed to other government agencies. And, we have only the Pentagon’s word that the errors and misjudgments that led to widespread surveillance of U.S. citizens have been corrected.

It is time for Congress to hold oversight hearings to investigate how these abuses occurred and to ensure that they are not repeated. American citizens must once again be confident that they may exercise their constitutionally protected right to protest government policy without becoming targets of government scrutiny.

TALON Report

DETAILS: On 11 Nov 2004... This specific group is deeply into ‘counter-recruiting’ and want to use MEPS stations as new induction centers for their cause...
Sample TALON Reports from the ACLU FOIA
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TALON REPORT 902-01-03-05-152
01-MAR-2005

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REPORT NUMBER: 902-01-03-05-152
REPORT DATE: 2005-03-01
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified//FOUO
INCIDENT TYPE: Suspicious Activities/Incidents
STATUS: Closed/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: No
FROM: 902D MI GP
SUBJECT: Protest at Military Recruiting Station and Federal Building in Akron, OH on
19 Mar 05
HOMELAND SECURITY. SOURCE IS RELIABLE.
DETAILS: The Source received an e-mail on 25 Feb 05, subject: Upcoming
peace/anti-war events. The e-mail was from the American Friends Service Committee
(AFSC) in Northeast Ohio.

Specifically, on 19 Mar 05, there will be a 'Stop the War NOW!' rally in
commemoration of the second anniversary of the U.S. Invasion/Occupation of Iraq. The
Akron Rally will have a March and Reading of Names of War Dead Assemble at 11:30 AM
in Grace Park at the corner of Prospect and Park streets. The Akron March begins at
Noon and goes past a local military recruiting station and the FBI office. The march
will end at the Federal Building in Akron, for a rally, followed by reading of names
of U.S. and Iraqi war dead.

The group needs 'Hundreds of people are needed to read names.' They requested that
e-mails be sent to AkronMarch10@riseup.net. Also, for more information you can
contact AFSC at

PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: FPS, JTJF Dayton, OH, Fort Knox RO
COMMENTS: Per source, the information contained within this report was from an email
received directly from the Internet. No effort has been made by the source to
validate the credibility of the information. The contents are shared solely for
informational purposes.
INCIDENT SITE: Military Recruiting Station and Federal Building
INCIDENT City: Akron
INCIDENT STATE: OH
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 41.0433349609375
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -81.5216674804688
INCIDENT UTM: Northing: 4543698.74 Easting: 456155.63 Zone: 17T
INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 19-MAR-05
TALON REPORT 902-24-02-05-136

24-FEB-2005

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REPORT NUMBER: 902-24-02-05-136
REPORT DATE: 2005-02-24
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified//LCS//FOOU
INCIDENT TYPE: Suspicious Activities/Incidents
STATUS: Closed/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: Yes
FROM: 902D MI GP
SUBJECT: Civil Disobedience Planned at Three New York City Area Recruiting Stations for 19 Mar 05
DETAILS: Source received an e-mail from \{UFPJ\} on 21 Feb 05, Subject: 'City-wide Mobilization Mtg Wed. Feb. 23

The e-mail discusses the planning for the 2-year anniversary of the War on Iraq. The planning includes four areas:

2. 18 Mar 05. This concerns a send-off rally apparently of the 250-275 people going to Fayetteville, NC.

Start Quote
3. Saturday, March 19. Civil Disobedience at recruiting centers. Ya YA Network and Code Pink have joined WRL et al in this effort. Three recruitment center sites--Flatbush, Kingsbridge, and Times Square--have been selected. There will be a rally at each site and then a march to the recruitment center, where those who choose to will commit civil disobedience. Others who do not want to risk arrest will leaflet, hold banners and coffins and talk to people.

End Quote

4. 20 Mar 05. A church service for peace.

Separately, an Internet search of the term 'WRL,' using www.google.com, located a link to the War Resisters League website. At http://www.warresisters.org/counter-recruitMar05.htm, the recruitment stations were...
listed as Civil Disobedience at 43 Street and Broadway in Manhattan at 12 noon.
Also, listed was a demonstration in Brooklyn at 102 Flatbush Ave (near State Street)
with details to be announced later. The webpage also contains links to two flyers
to this event.

PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: JTTF Atlanta, JTTF New York, Atlanta Field Intelligence
Group, 902d MI Group Fort Knox RO, NCIS, AFOSI
COMMENTS: 1. This information was from an e-mail and a website on the Internet. The
source made no effort to validate the credibility of the information. The source
shared the information solely for informational purposes.

2. The source feels the e-mail and website listing the locations of the New York
City recruiting stations has a theme that vandalism or a direct attack on a
recruiting station is permitting and encouraged by the sender. Also, civil
disobedience can range from a sit-in to forcibly removing personnel from the station
along with vandalism of the building(s). The source also states that there is an
intense debate among the anti-war protest groups concerning whether to be nonviolent
or to conduct civil disobedience. While a group may publicly call for nonviolent
protests, individually many of the individual members actually favor civil
disobedience and vandalism. Also, many members of these groups view vandalism as
"nonviolent" action.

INCIDENT CITY: New York
INCIDENT STATE: NY
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 40.75
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -73.9988861083984
INCIDENT UTM: Northing: 4511487.28 Easting: 584513.19 Zone: 18T
INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 21-FEB-05
UPDATE: (1) 02-MAR-05
DETAILS: 1.

received 3/1/2005 2:25:14 PM

(FOUO) The original source received an additional e-mail over the Internet with the
following new information:

(FOUO) On 28 Feb 05, organizers for one of the protests met at the International
Action Center (IAC), on behalf of 'CAN,' to discuss plans for 19 Mar 05. They want a
vibrant anti-war message from a strong youth and student contingent, lively signs,
and loud chants. For the protest, they plan to start their rally at 10:00 AM at
Marcus Garvey Park, before marching to Central Park. They further stated, 'the march
to the East Meadow of Central Park will be interrupted, not by the NYPD, but by a
quick but an important stop at the recruiting center at 125th Street to protest
militarism in our schools, and the return to the draft.'

(FOUO) There was no information provided on planned protests at the other New York
City recruiting center locations.

UPDATE: (2) 08-MAR-05
DETAILS: 2. received 3/7/2005 6:51:22 PM

The source received another e-mail directly from the Internet. Source made no effort
to validate the credibility of the information and shared it solely for informational purposes.

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The key text of the e-mail follows:

-----Original Message-----
From: [mailto:]
Sent: Sunday, March 06, 2005 9:34 AM
Subject: WRL March 19 scenario, maps, fliers, guidelines

The easiest is to visit http://www.warresisters.org/counter-recruitMar05.htm instead of reading this, there may also be info someplace deep in the unitedforpeace.org site, though there was none a few days ago. If you're rushed, see text below clumsily pasted from warresisters.org:

Map of Manhattan march
http://www.warresisters.org/images/midtownManhattan.jpg

Map of Brooklyn march
http://www.warresisters.org/images/downtownBrooklyn.jpg

fliers

versions that include blank 'local contact' boxes
http://www.warresisters.org/counter-recruitMar05.htm

MANHATTAN [click on map (left) to see detail of route]
March 19 (Saturday)
10:30 am Gather at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza
(47 St. btwn First & Second Aves.)
11:30 am Solemn procession with coffins to Times Square Recruiting Station begins 12 noon Civil disobedience at military recruiting station (43 St. & Broadway)
BROOKLYN [click on map (right) to see detail of route]

March 19 (Saturday)

10:45 am Gather at two locations:

- Brooklyn Public Library
  (on Flatbush Ave. near Grand Army Plaza and Prospect Park)
- Brooklyn Borough Hall

11:30 am Two solemn processions with coffins will begin: one along Flatbush Ave. from the library and the other through the Fulton Mall from Borough Hall 12 noon Leafletting and civil disobedience at the military recruiting offices at 102 Flatbush Ave. (near State St.)

THE BRONX

March 19 (Saturday)

11 am Vigil at recruiting offices, Fordham Rd. and Grand Concourse [Also, the day before – on Friday, Mar. 18 – there will be a demonstration at Kingsbridge Armory]

Nonviolence Training & Affinity Groups. Two nonviolence trainings are planned; one located at a church in Brooklyn and another at a Church in Manhattan.

This civil disobedience action will be structured by affinity groups who will be able to act autonomously (within the nonviolence guidelines) and to participate in decision-making with the whole group.

Nonviolence Guidelines. For the purpose of building trust and a common foundation for safety, and ensure that we act in the spirit of nonviolence, participants in the action agree to the following:

* Our attitude will be one of openness and respect toward people we encounter.
* We will not use physical violence or verbal abuse toward any person.
* We will not damage any property.
* We will not bring or use any alcohol or drugs other than for medical purposes.
* We will not carry weapons.
Participating Organizations. The NYC War Resisters League is organizing this civil disobedience action with the endorsement of United for Peace and Justice; Socialist Party USA; Voices in the Wilderness; Brooklyn Parents for Peace; Park Slope Greens; Catholic Worker; Code Pink, Not in Our Name; Ya-Ya Network; Socialist Party of NYC; Progressive Programmers League; Kairos Community; World War III Arts in Action; No Police State Coalition.

COMMENTS: Believing war to be a crime against humanity, the War Resisters League, founded in 1923, advocates Gandhi nonviolence as the method for creating a democratic society free of war, racism, sexism, and human exploitation.

Next Meeting. Thursday, March 17, 7 pm, 339 Lafayette St. (at Bleecker St.) in Manhattan. Next meeting about the Brooklyn action will be March 15, 7 pm, 123 Garfield Pl. (btwn. Fifth & Sixth Aves.), Park Slope, Brooklyn.

JOIN US

For more information on how to participate in this action, please e-mail nywrl@att.net or call [phone number]. If you haven't contacted us before, please give us your name, e-mail address, telephone number, where you're from, and what previous experience (if any) you have had with nonviolent direct action.
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REPORT DATE: 2005-04-12
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified
INCIDENT TYPE: Suspicious Activities/Incidents
STATUS: Open/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: No
FROM: CS-TECH
SUBJECT: Protest planned for Fort Lauderdale Air & Sea Show
SOURCE: Miami-Dade PD

DETAILS: The Broward Anti-War Coalition (BAWC), with support from other local groups, NFI, is planning to conduct a large scale protest at the Fort Lauderdale Air and Sea Show. BAWC plans to reserve space at a small park south of the show on highway A1A and shuttle protestors to the show. BAWC plans to counter military recruitment and the 'pro-war' message with 'guerilla theater and other forms of subversive propaganda', NFI.

Original Serial Number: 902dMI-11-04-05-002
Original Report Date: 11 APR 05
PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: USAEC, Miami JTF
COMMENTS: 1. The Fort Lauderdale Air and Sea Show is an annual South Florida event featuring military hardware and other standard air-show events. This event attracts a large crowd and South Florida Military recruiters say this event is one of their biggest recruiting arenas.

2. Previous TALONS have reported various threats and actions by BAWC against recruiters in the South Florida area.
INCIDENT SITE: Fort Lauderdale Air and Sea Show
INCIDENT CITY: Fort Lauderdale
INCIDENT STATE: FL
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 26.0874996185303
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -80.1852798461914
INCIDENT UTM: Northing: 2885628.67 Easting: 581476.49 Zone: 17R
INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 30-APR-05
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REPORT NUMBER: 902-07-03-05-167
REPORT DATE: 2005-03-07
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified//FOUO
INCIDENT TYPE: Specific Threats
STATUS: Open/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: No
FROM: 902d MI GP
SUBJECT: Protests Planned Against Recruiting Centers in Springfield, IL Area on 18 Mar 05
SUMMARY: Protests Planned Against Recruiting Centers in Springfield, IL Area on 18 Mar 05
DETAILS: UNCLASSIFIED//FOUO

ArmyTALON 902dMI-28-02-05-002
Agent: [b7(c)]
Phone: [b2 b7(c)]
Report Date: 28 FEB 05
Acquisition Date: 28 FEB 05
Incident Date: 18 MAR 05
Incident Type: Phone/Voice/eMail Threats
Status: Open/Unresolved
From: 902nd MI Grp/Atlanta JTTF
Subject: Protests Planned Against Recruiting Centers in Springfield, IL Area on 18 Mar 05

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Currently, the group is organizing one speaker for each location, to help spread the
message. speak with the media, etc. The group wants one coordinator for each location. The coordinator would help hold the space at the location for the duration of the action, be the liaison with media, help with outreach, etc. The AFSC further needs community members willing to flyer, hold signs and banners, etc. The event is formally being coordinated by 'AFSC/MREN' and all are welcome to attend.


Country: United States (US)/USNORTHCOM
Address: Springfield township, IL
GeoCoords: Latitude: 39.831085; Longitude: -89.638334
Persons Involved: N/A

Coordinating Agencies: FPS, Atlanta FIG, Fort Know RO, NCIS, AFOIS, JTTF Chicago

Agent Notes: 1. This information was from an e-mail sent over the Internet. The source made no effort to validate the credibility of the information. The source shared the information solely for informational purposes.

2. Other events sponsored by the National Front for Peace and Justice (NFPJ) during this period have called for civil disobedience.

Updates: 1. received 3/4/2005 1:09:05 PM

This protest appears to be set to occur in Springfield, MA; not Springfield, IL. The original e-mail did not provide a name of the State and a check of an address in the e-mail came back to IL. However, a street in Springfield, MA also has the same name and a check of two phone numbers with area code in the e-mails shows they are in Springfield, MA.

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ASSOCIATED COUNTRIES: UNITED STATES (US)
PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: FPS, Atlanta FIG, Fort Know RO, NCIS, AFOIS, JTTF Chicago
ACTIONS TAKEN: Agent Notes:

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INCIDENT ADDRESS: Country: United States (US)/USNORTHCOM
Address: Springfield township, IL

GeoCoords: Latitude: 39.831085; Longitude: -89.638334
INCIDENT CITY: Springfield
INCIDENT STATE: MA
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
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REPORT NUMBER: 902-01-03-05-148
REPORT DATE: 2005-03-01
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified//FOUO
INCIDENT TYPES: Suspicious Activities/Incidents
STATUS: Open/Unresolved
CONTAINS US: PERSON INFO: NO
FROM: 902D MI GP
SUBJECT: Protests Planned Against Recruiting Centers in Springfield, IL Area on 18 Mar 05
DETAILS: Source received an e-mail from the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), e-mail address: [b7(c)] that stated that on March 18-20 a series of protest actions were planned in the Springfield, IL area. For 18 Mar 05, they want to focus on actions at military recruitment offices with the goals to include: raising awareness, education, visibility in community, visibility to recruiters as part of a national day of action focused on military recruiters. The protests are in response to a call for by the UFPJ. The AFSC identified three locations and noted there were more recruitment stations in the local area. The identified locations are the Springfield (Federal Building), South Hadley, and Greenfield. The group is preparing a handout for all locations. Further, the e-mail stated, 'The actions would be simultaneous, beginning around 2pm (schools letting out) and lasting until 6pm (through commuting time).'

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PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: FPS, Atlanta FIG, Fort Knox RO, NCIS, AFOIS, JTF Chicago
COMMENTS: 1. This information was from an e-mail sent over the Internet. The source made no effort to validate the credibility of the information. The source shared the information solely for informational purposes.

2. Other events sponsored by the National Front for Peace and Justice (NFPJ) during this period have called for civil disobedience.

INCIDENT SITE: Recruiting Centers
INCIDENT CITY: Springfield
INCIDENT STATE: IL
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 39.7997207641602
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -89.6483306884766
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REPORT NUMBER: 902-10-12-04-201
REPORT DATE: 2004-12-10
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified//FOUO
INCIDENT TYPE: Specific Threats
STATUS: Open/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: No
FROM: 902D MI GP
SUBJECT: Protesting and Picketing Planned at a Rhode Island National Guard
Recruitment Station
SOURCE: A SPECIAL AGENT OF A FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY
DETAILS: An emerging RI coalition in opposition to the war in Iraq will hold a
picketing action in front of a RI National Guard Recruitment Station. The date is
set for 13 Dec 04 from 1630 to 1800 at the National Guard Recruitment Station on
Weybosset Street in downtown Providence, RI. The coalition's stated goal and
outcomes for a planning meeting are:

Start Quote:

Goals:

1. 'Raise the flag,' The primary goal of the action is to create an awareness of an
organized, action oriented, anti-war movement in Providence. This mainly will be
achieved through one on one interactions at the picket. Additional, media attention
through press releases and letters to the editor about the action will announce the
group's presence.

Outcomes:

The desired outcomes for the action are:

1. build the teach-in schedule for 12-15/16
2. gain active membership to the anti-war group
3. develop a list of contacts for future actions/meetings of the anti-war group

End Quote--

The coalition's stated main slogan, per a poster, is 'Stop the call up of RI
National Guard and end the occupation of Iraq'.

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ASSOCIATED COUNTRIES: IRAQ (IZ)
PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: Federal Protective Service, FORSCOM G2, JTF Boston
COMMENTS: 1. The number of protesters is unknown. It is not known if there are any
plans for any type of vandalism, blocking of entry into the recruiting station, or a
sit-in at the station. At a recent protest in Philadelphia, protesters entered into
a recruitment station and left the building when police instructed them to leave or
face arrest.

2. The original source document was a posting on an Internet bulletin board. The law
enforcement agency providing the information has not made any effort to validate the
information, but has provided it solely for informational purposes only.

INCIDENT SITE: Rhode Island National Guard Recruitment Station
INCIDENT CITY: Providence
INCIDENT STATE: RI
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 41.8263893127441
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -71.4094467163086
INCIDENT UTM: Northing: 4633307.30 Easting: 299907.25 Zone: 19T
INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 13-DEC-04
INCIDENT DURATION: 2 HOURS
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TALON REPORT 902-09-11-04-110

09-NOV-2004

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REPORT NUMBER: 902-09-11-04-110
REPORT DATE: 2004-11-09
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified
INCIDENT TYPE: Specific Threats
STATUS: Open/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: No
FROM: 902D MI GP
SUBJECT: Protest Planned at Sacramento Military Entrance Processing Station
SOURCE: A FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

DETAILS: On 11 Nov 2004, a protest against the Iraq War is planned by a Sacramento chapter of a US domestic group at the Sacramento Military Entrance Processing Station (MEPS). This specific group is deeply into 'counter-recruiting' and wants to use MEPS stations as new induction centers for their cause. The groups views MEPS as their last chance to influence a decision to enlist. The promoter of this event further states there are 65 MEPS stations and 'maybe one is located near you' and provides the following Hyperlink: http://www.mepcom.army.mil/meps.htm. A check of this link shows it does provide a listing of MEPS facilities throughout CONUS.

PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: Federal Protective Service, Fort McPherson CIO
COMMENTS: 1. Based strictly on this information, it appears this protest will most likely be peaceful, but some type of vandalism is always a possibility.

2. The original report of this information states that only the Sacramento MEPS will specifically be protested. It cannot be determined based on original reporting if protests will actually occur at other MEPS stations in CONUS.

INCIDENT SITE: Sacramento chapter of a US domestic group at the Sacramento Military Entrance Processing Station (ME
INCIDENT CITY: Sacramento
INCIDENT STATE: CA
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 38.605556
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -121.44334
INCIDENT UTM: Northing: 4274155.28 Easting: 635543.15 Zone: 10S
INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 11-NOV-0
UPDATE: (1) 18-NOV-04
DETAILS: 1. received 11/17/2004 4:35:40 PM

On 10 Nov 2004, the San Francisco JTF advised the commanders of the Sacramento and San Jose MEPS of the intended protest at the Sacramento center. Both MEPS were scheduled to be closed due to the holiday.

Local news reported the following concerning the protest:
A group of military veterans took a different approach to commemorating Veterans Day, spending the afternoon trying to discourage men and women from enlisting in the armed services.

The group US ORGANIZATION (Veterans for Peace) held a Veterans Day protest just outside the Military Entrance Processing Station in Sacramento. They were joined by the US ORGANIZATION (Physicians for Social Responsibility).

About 50 members of the groups conducted solemn reading of the names of 18 soldiers who came through the processing station and later died in Iraq.

According to members of the group, demonstrating in front of the station could be their last chance to dissuade young people from signing up to serve.

'This is where our children will line up to die in an unjust war that can have no winners,' said US PERSON the group's president.

The group's president says the protest was the first of a planned weekly series of demonstration at the station.

The demonstration did not go without controversy. A group of approximately a half-dozen military supporters from the US ORGANIZATION (Patriot Watch) turned up in an effort to shout down the veteran protesters.

Despite the difference of opinion, the confrontation ended peacefully. The MEPS Commander reported there was no known vandalism or incidents as a result of the protest.
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REPORT NUMBER: 902-08-04-05-320
REPORT DATE: 2005-04-08
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified//FOUO
INCIDENT TYPE: Specific Threats
STATUS: Open/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: No
FROM: 902D MI GP
SUBJECT: Protest by an anti-war/anti-military organization and planned future
protest throughout CONUS.
SOURCE: Active Duty US Army Officer
SUMMARY: Protest by an anti-war/anti-military organization and planned future
protest throughout CONUS.
DETAILS: UNCLASSIFIED//FOUO.

ArmyTALON 902dmi-08-04-05-001
Agent: Gregory Johnson
Phone: 7577882467

Report Date: 08 APR 05
Acquisition Date: 07 APR 05
Incident Date: 05 APR 05
Incident Type: Threat to Military Facilities
Status: Open/Unresolved
From: 902nd MI Grp/Fort Monroe RO

Subject: Protest by an anti-war/anti-military organization and planned future
protest throughout CONUS.

Details: On 5 April 2005 Veterans for Peace (www.veteransforpeace.org) a
peaceful anti-war/anti-military organization held a protest east of the student
union on the New Mexico State University campus in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Veterans
for Peace members set up hundreds of white crosses in an open field, representing
soldiers killed in Iraq and were handing out anti-war/anti-military literature. One
of their handouts said the organizations intent is 'to abolish war' as an instrument
of national policy.' veterans for Peace applied for and received permission for
their protest the previous day.

According to handouts, Veterans for Peace is planning to hold protest on the
following campuses:
UTEP, 7-8 APR
UTSA, 11-12 APR
Veterans for Peace is a peaceful organization, but there is potential future protest could become violent. It is unknown at this time if Veterans for Peace has applied for or been granted permission to hold protest on the campuses listed in this report.

Updates: N/A
an organization called "Veterans for Peace, Inc." (www.veteransforpeace.org) set up a protest just east of the Student Union. They set up hundreds of white crosses in an open field, representing soldiers killed in Iraq.

9 Universities (see list in comments section)

UTEP
7-8 Apr

UTSA
11-12 Apr

University of New Orleans
18-19 Apr

Auburn University
21-22 Apr

Emory University
25-26 Apr

Kent State University, 3-4 May
Howard University, 6-7 May
New York City (places TBD) 9-10 May
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REPORT NUMBER: 902-06-04-05-303
REPORT DATE: 2005-04-06
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified/FOUO
INCIDENT TYPE: Specific Threats
STATUS: Closed/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: No
FROM: 902d MI GP
SUBJECT: Protest Against Military Recruiters at University of California at Santa Cruz (UCSC) on 5 Apr 05
SUMMARY: Protest Against Military Recruiters at University of California at Santa Cruz (UCSC) on 5 Apr 05
DETAILS: UNCLASSIFIED/FOUO

ArmyTALON 902dMI-04-04-05-003
Agent: [Redacted]
Phone: [Redacted]
Report Date: 04 APR 05
Acquisition Date: 04 APR 05
Incident Date: 05 APR 05
Incident Type: Phone/Voice/eMail Threats
Status: Closed/Unresolved
From: 902nd MI Grp/Atlanta JTF
Subject: Protest Against Military Recruiters at University of California at Santa Cruz (UCSC) on 5 Apr 05
Details: Source received an e-mail from [Redacted] at e-mail address dated 1 Apr 2005 (PST), subject: "ACTION TUESDAY TO KICK MILITARY RECRUITERS OUT OF UCSC!"

The e-mail starts out with the line: "KICK MILITARY RECRUITERS OUT OF UCSC!" Then, the e-mail states that on 5 Apr 05, recruiters from the U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, and U.S. Navy will be at the Last Chance Job & Internship Fair, organized by the University of California at Santa Cruz (UCSC) Career Center.

In response, there is a "COUNTER-RECRUITMENT MARCH" at 11:30, 5 Apr 2005 that starts at the BAYTREE PLAIZA, below Career Center, and ends outside the job fair at the Stevenson Event Center. The e-mail states: "have fun and bring 5 friends."

Also, the e-mail urges people to: "SIGN THE PETITION TO BAN RECRUITERS FROM UCSC"
AND JOIN US 11:30am TUE, APRIL 5th @ BAYTREE PLAZA!!

Finally, the e-mail states:

-------- For more information --------

UCSC Students Against War's
Counter-Recruitment working Group
counterrecruitment@yahoo.com

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Source: A SPECIAL AGENT OF THE FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. SOURCE IS RELIABLE.

Country: United States (US)/USNORTHCOM
Address: Santa Cruz, CA 95064
GeoCoords: Latitude: 36.97205; Longitude: -122.026252
Persons Involved: N/A

Coordinating Agencies: FPS, Fort Know Resident Office, 902d MI Group, JTF San Francisco

Agent Notes: 1. This information was from an e-mail sent over the Internet. The source made no effort to validate the credibility of the information. The source shared the information solely for informational purposes.

2. Several recent protests along the West Coast have drawn an estimated 200 - 400 protesters with one incident in January 2005 resulting in police escorting the military recruiters off the campus.

3. The text of the e-mail does not state if civil disobedience is planned to occur at this protest.

4. Per the Career Center, UCSC website, the following military organizations will be at the 'Last Chance Job and Internship Fair:'

U.S. Army
2121 41st Ave, Ste 204
Capitola, CA 95010

U.S. Marine Corps Officer Programs
546 Vernon Ave, Ste 246
Mountain View, CA 94035

U.S. Navy Officer Programs
546 Vernon Ave, Ste 246
Mountain View, CA 94035

5. The Last Chance Job and Internship Fair is scheduled from 12:00 to 15:00 on 5 Apr 05.

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ASSOCIATED COUNTRIES: UNITED STATES (US)
PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: Coordinating Agencies: FPS, Fort Knox Resident Office, 902d MI Group, JTTF San Francisco
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Address: Santa Cruz, CA 95064
GeoCoords: Latitude: 36.97205; Longitude: -122.026252
INCIDENT CITY: Santa Cruz
INCIDENT STATE: CA
INCIDENT ZIP CODE: 95064
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 36.9900016784668
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -122.061943054199
INCIDENT UTM: Northing: 4094174.40 Easting: 583476.58 Zone: 10S
INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 05-APR-05
Talon Report 902-21-04-05-358

21-Apr-2005

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Report Number: 902-21-04-05-358
Report Date: 2005-04-21
Classification: Unclassified
Incident Type: Specific Threats
Status: Closed/Unresolved
Contains US Person Info: No
From: 902d MI
Subject: Direct Action Planned Against Recruiters at University of California at Berkeley
Summary: Direct Action Planned Against Recruiters at University of California at Berkeley
Details: UNCLASSIFIED

ArmyTalon 902dMI-20-04-05-010

Agent: [Redacted]
Phone: [Redacted]
Report Date: 20 Apr 05
Acquisition Date: 20 Apr 05
Incident Date: 21 Apr 05
Incident Type: Phone/Voice/eMail Threats
Status: Closed/Unresolved
From: 902nd MI Grp/Atlanta JTTF
Subject: Direct Action Planned Against Recruiters at University of California at Berkeley
Details: Source received an e-mail from e-mail address: [Redacted]. The e-mail was sent on Monday, April 18, 2005 with a Subject Line of: '4/21: Direct Action Against Military Recruitment at UCB.' The protest is scheduled at 1030, 21 Apr 05 at Fountain on Sproul Plaza, UC Berkeley with the recruiters located at the Career Fair at the MLK Student Center. The text of the e-mail follows:

Quote--
"Protest Against Military Recruiters"

When: Thursday, April 21st at 10:30 am

Where: The Fountain on Sproul Plaza, UC Berkeley

Page 1
Counter Recruitment has become a national issue, and it's working. Between these efforts and widespread anger about the war, all branches of the United States Military have seen drastic drops in their recruitment rates. In February, the Army missed its recruiting goal for the first time in nearly five years, and it missed its March goal by 32 percent. The Army Reserve is 10 percent behind their year-to-date recruiting target and the National Guard is 26 percent short, while the need for soldiers is on the rise. Counter Recruitment has proven to be an effective tool in actually hindering the Military's ability to carry out this immoral and unjust war, and Berkeley Stop the War Coalition has been working to bring the Counter Recruitment movement to UC Berkeley's campus.

Recently, the Associated Students at the University of California (ASUC) passed a resolution that argued that military recruiters (who refuse to recruit gays and lesbians) violate the University of California's anti-discrimination policy and therefore should not be allowed access to ASUC facilities (SB 107). Still, military recruiters have announced their intention to show up at the Career Fair in the MLK student union. We have to build the biggest protest possible to let them know that we won't stand for the military's discriminatory policies and that we oppose the war on Iraq that they are recruiting for. Join a growing movement of schools that are taking a stand against military recruitment on campuses!

COME THE LAST PLANNING MEETING & CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE TEACH-IN FOR THE PROTEST WEDNESDAY APRIL 20th, 225 WHEELER @ 7pm

SPONSORED BY: Berkeley Stop the War Coalition, member of the Campus Anti-war Network (CAN)

WEBSITES AND CONTACT INFO:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ucbstopthewar/
www.campusantiwar.net
Contact: ucbstopthewar@hotmail.com, or Daniel at 510-708-6803 and dsaver@berkeley.edu

End Quote--


Country: United States (US)/USNORTHCOM
Address: Berkeley, CA
GeoCoords: Latitude: 37.871775; Longitude: -122.274603
Persons Involved: N/A
Coordinating Agencies: FPS, JTF San Francisco

Agent Notes: 1. This information was from an e-mail sent over the Internet. The source made no effort to validate the credibility of the information. The source shared the information solely for informational purposes.

2. There is a strong potential for a confrontation at this protest given the strong support for anti-war protests and movements in the past.

3. The fact the protest is in a different location from the recruiters does not mean anything. Protester tactics have included using mass text paging to inform others of the location of the recruiters. Also, protesters have used diversions to bypass security personnel to get into events to conduct protests.
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Source received a follow-up e-mail on 26 Apr 05 stating that 100 students showed up to protest against US Marine recruiters, that were at the career fair. The civil disobedience plan was called off due to the 'Berkeley administration' planning a police attack against the protesters and the protesters did not want to 'walk into a trap.' Instead, 60 Berkeley students filed into the career fair in 'sign-file' and confronted the recruiters one at a time, challenging their anti-gay policies and the war in Iraq. This action took over an hour and effectively shut down the Marine's operation for most of the day.
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REPORT NUMBER: 902-01-04-05-294
REPORT DATE: 2005-04-01
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified//LES//FOUO
INCIDENT TYPE: Suspicious Activities/Incidents
STATUS: Open/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: NO
FROM: 902D MI GP
SUBJECT: Weekly Protests Planned at Atlanta, GA Area Recruiting Station
HOMELAND SECURITY. SOURCE IS RELIABLE.

DETAILS: Source received an e-mail form [REDACTED] sent 29 MAR 05,
subject: Anti-Recruitment Picket on 8 April Across from City Hall East.

The source received an e-mail that stated an Anti-Recruitment Picket on 8 APR 05
will occur across from City Hall East and would be the 'first of weekly
antirecruitment rallies to be held facing City Hall East in front of Ponce
(recruiting office inside) starting at 5 PM ... Visually effective coffins will be
in view. Participants urged to make own signs e.g., Don't sign up for a Coffin,

This e-mail was sent from the GSU Students for Peace and Justice. If you'd like to
get involved with the group, email [REDACTED]

Original Serial Number: 902dMi-30-03-05-003

Original Report Date: 30 MAR 05
PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: Atlanta Police Department, FPS, Fort McPherson CID, Georgia
Information and Sharing Intelligence Center, Atlanta Recruiting Battalion
COMMENTS: 1. This information was from an email sent over the Internet. The source
made no effort to validate the credibility of the information. The source shared the
information solely for informational purposes.

2. Civil disobedience may occur at these protests.
INCIDENT SITE: City Hall East
INCIDENT CITY: Atlanta
INCIDENT STATE: GA
INCIDENT ZIP CODE: 30308
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 33.768903808594
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -84.3761138916016
INCIDENT UTM: Northing: 3739625.55 Easting: 742997.14 Zone: 16S
INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 08-APR-0
UPDATE: (1) 31-MAY-05
DETAILS: 1. received 5/27/2005 6:32:23 PM
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5. To date, no reported incidents have occurred at these protests.
Upon arrival, the Soldier realized the display was anti-war in nature and proceeded to depart the area. He was pursued by six individuals who shouted 'war monger' and 'baby killer' at Him.

One of the individuals blocked the Soldier from entering His vehicle while the other individuals surrounded Him. The Soldier attempted to talk His way out of a confrontation, but was struck by the individual blocking His exit. The Soldier defended Himself. A security officer arrived and instructed the Soldier to depart the area while the individuals were kept back. The Soldier stated the other individuals were chastising the individual who had struck the Soldier.

The Soldier immediately reported the incident to His chain of command.

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Original Report date: 21 APR 05

PERSONS BRIEFCED LOCALLY: N.O. Army Recruiting BN, NOPD, N.O. JTF

COMMENTS: As reported in Army TALON 902dmi-08-04-05-001, Veterans for Peace claim to be non-violent. This incident demonstrates a propensity for violence, and the Veterans for Peace should be viewed as a possible threat to Army and DoD personnel.

It is unknown if the individuals involved in the incident are students at the local university or associated with the Veterans for Peace organization.
According to NOPD Liaison with University Police, the organization was granted a permit for the display.

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INCIDENT STATE: LA
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INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -90.0774993896484
INCIDENT UTM: Northing: 3317485.23 Easting: 782054.91 Zone: 15R
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Army TALON 902DMI-04-04-05-004

Agent: \[b7(c)\]
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Report Date: 04 APR 05

Acquisition Date: 04 APR 05
Incident Date: 08 APR 05
Incident Type: Phone/Voice/eMail Threats
Status: Closed/Unresolved
From: 902nd MI Grp/Atlanta JTTF

Details: Source received an e-mail from \[b7(c)\] dated 2 Apr 2005, subject: "Antiwar & Counter-recruitment rallies on Thursdays & Fridays."

In the e-mail \[b7(c)\] stated that every two months, the Antiwar & Counter-recruitment rallies would move to a new location. For the Thursday antiwar/peace rallies, so far we have been in Five points, Lenox MARTA station, Decatur, and for the next couple months will be in front of North Ave MARTA Station. The GPJC/Atlanta and IAC/Atlanta organized this protest.

On Thursdays, for the months of April and May, we will be 1700 to 1800 at North Ave. MARTA Station, corner of W. Peachtree and North Ave. The GPJC/Atlanta and IAC/Atlanta organized this protest. For more information, contact \[b7(c)\] at

On Fridays, for the months of April and May, counter-recruitment rallies will be at 18:00 - 19:00 at the Ponce de Leon Shopping Center across from Atlanta City Hall.
East, launching weekly antwar protests to be held at military recruiting offices.
For more information, contact [b7(c)] Also, bring your own signs and banners.

For next Friday only, 8 April 2005, a counter-recruitment rally is planned for the Ponce de Leon shopping center across from Atlanta City Hall East, 1700 to 1800. This protest will launch weekly protests to be held at military recruiting offices. [b7(c)]

From Iraq Veterans Against the War, other members of Veterans for Peace and Military Families Speak Out will hold a news conference as part of the protest.

Finally, the e-mail states, for more information on [b7(c)] speaking tour go to GPJC website, http://www.georgiapace.org. Also, webpage that lists all rallies in different locations in Atlanta at the GPJC website, http://www.georgiapace.org/Outreach.html

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Persons Involved: N/A

Coordinating Agencies: Atlanta Recruiting Battalion, FPS, Fort Knox RO, 902d MI Group, Atlanta Police Department, Dekalb and Fulton County Police Department

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Updates: N/A

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