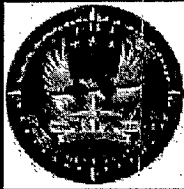


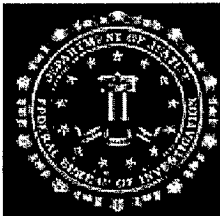
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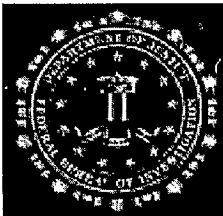


- Militia extremists are groups, cells or individuals who possess and use illegal weapons and explosives and conduct paramilitary training. They advocate violence in furthering their beliefs, including the violent resistance to, or the overthrow of, the US government.
 - Conspiracy theories such as the New World Order (One-World Government), takeover of the United States
 - Fear of planned gun confiscations
 - Impending economic collapse and social chaos
 - Anti-immigration
 - Anti-government
 - Fear of the government overstepping their bounds

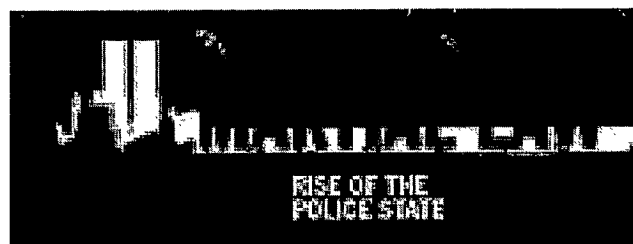


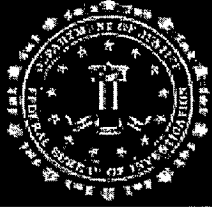
- **The Minutemen**
- **Posse Comitatus**
- **Christian Patriots**
- August 1992: **Ruby Ridge** (Weaver family)
- April 1993: **Waco** incident (Branch Davidians)
- November 1993: passage of the **Brady Bill** (5-day waiting period for gun buyers).
- May 1994: **assault weapons ban.**
 - Interpreted by some as a conspiracy to take away all guns in order to disarm the people for the New World Order takeover





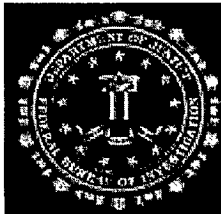
- April 19, 1995- Oklahoma City Bombing
- 1996-1999- High-rate of militia activity
- Y2K (2000)- A big letdown, no chaos, power failures, or government repression
- September 11, 2001
 - Believed part of the New World Order
 - PATRIOT Act



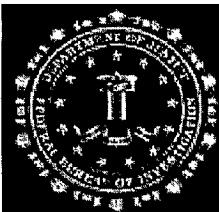


- **William Milton Cooper** is shot and killed by Apache County, Arizona Sheriff's Deputies after shooting and critically wounding officer [REDACTED] (2001).
- **Project 7 Militia** members arrested in May 2004; plot to kill police, judges, and government officials in Montana.
- FBI Phoenix agents arrest [REDACTED] of the Arizona Guard border militia in September 2004.
- March 2010- **9 Hutaree Militia members** arrested in March 2010; plotted to kill police officers in Michigan.

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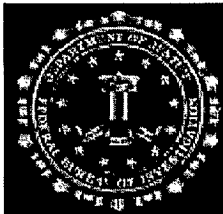


- New World Order
 - Natural Disasters
 - "Big Brother" Government
 - 9/11 Truthers
 - Natural Disasters
 - Concentration Camps
- "Patriotism"
 - Perceived infringement of rights
 - Gun laws
 - Search & Seizure
 - Traffic Stops (LEO Encounter)
 - ATF
 - Property Infringement
 - Martial Law
 - New World Order
 - Interference with law enforcement
 - Based on perception



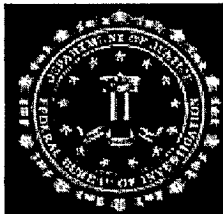
- **Militias sometimes mix together with elements of the extremist white supremacist, sovereign citizen, and anti-abortion movements.**
 - Sovereign citizen movement
 - Immigration/Border Issues



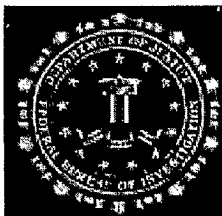


- **Paramilitary training in rural areas**
- **Stockpiling of weapons/ammunition/supplies, including IEDs**
- **Fortification of residences/compounds**
- **Escalated anti-government rhetoric**
- **Surveillance of US government installations**
- **Concern over “communications security” and surveillance.**





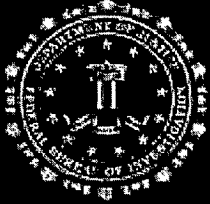
- Indications of cooperation/collaboration between Sovereign Citizen extremist groups and Militia extremist groups.
- Indications of cooperation/collaboration between White Supremacist extremist groups and Militia extremist groups.
- Indications of cooperation/collaboration between militia extremist groups.
- Indications of militia extremist group recruitment of LEOs or current/former military personnel.
- Redlines/triggers for Militia extremist action against USG



- Michigan-based Militia group
- Plotted to kill a police officer, then conduct a large scale attack of other police officer's at the funeral
- On 27 March 2010, the FBI executed nine federal arrest warrants for the members of the Hutaree and eight search warrants for their related residences in Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana. The arrests were based on federal indictments alleging seditious conspiracy, attempted use of weapons of mass destruction, and federal weapons and explosives violations.
 - The searches resulted in the seizure of over 100 firearms, approximately 100,000 rounds of ammunition, gas masks, and apparent precursors to explosive devices.



- Threats against USG and Law Enforcement
- Targeting of USG property
- Acquiring Military weapons
- Military/Law Enforcement involvement
- Enciting violence
- Detonating explosives
- Creating illegal weapons
- Militias working together
- Lone offenders

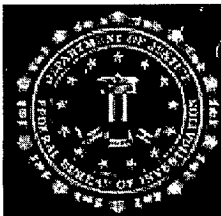


- **ACTIVITIES**

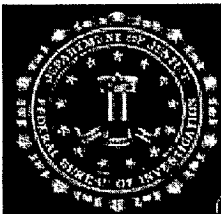
- Online rhetoric
- Prepare for weapons control/confiscation
- Paramilitary training
- Weapons/Ammunition/Explosives stockpiling

- **POSSIBLE TRIGGERS FOR ACTIVITY**

- Rumors of federal gun control legislation/proposed legislation
- Confrontations with law enforcement
- Announcements of US military conducting joint exercises/liaison with foreign militaries
- Rumors of takedowns *or* actual arrests of other militia members



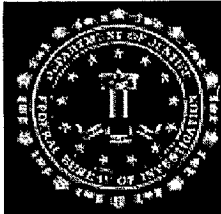
- The militia movement will continue to grow due to continued conspiracy theories and the current political climate.
- Due to the Hutaree and other Militia Extremists arrests, militias will continue to find covert ways of communication and secure their militias from law enforcement penetration.



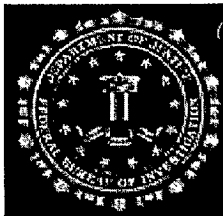
- Merely subscribing to ideologies commonly held by militia extremists is not a crime.
 - Federal Violation, Force or Violence, and Social or Political Agenda
- For the FBI to open an investigation into a militia group, cell or individual there must be some indication that criminal activity is occurring or has occurred.
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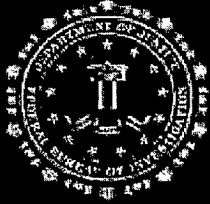
- Title 18 USC 842 (Importation, manufacture, distribution and storage of explosive materials)
- Title 18 USC 922 (Unlawful possession, sale or transfer of firearms)
- Title 26 USC 5812 (Illegal transfer of a firearm)
- Title 26 USC 5861 (National Firearms Register & Transfer Act)
- Title 18 USC 111 (Assaulting, resisting, or impeding federal officer)
- Title 18 USC 115 (Threats against a federal official)
- Title 18 USC 876 (Mailing threatening communication with intent to extort)
- Title 18 USC 1114 (Protection of officers and employees of the United States)
- Title 19 USC 372 (Conspiracy to impede or injure officer)
- Title 19 USC 371 (Conspiracy to commit offense or to defraud United States)
- Title 18 USC 912 (False personating- Officer or employee of the United States)
- Title 18 USC 2385 (Advocating overthrow of the Government)



- Mode of recruitment: Internet
 - Includes rhetoric (very anti-government, anti-LEO)
 - Message boards (mostly 1st amendment)
 - Size of group appears large
 - Ask for donations (MRE's, money, etc.)

- Literature
 - Articles on web site
 - Current, relevant events
 - Potential future issues

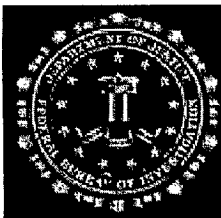
- Web site
 - Fairly sophisticated (IP capture)
 - Professional design
 - Pictures (training, etc.)
 - Contact information (all code names)



- Interpersonal communication = Important

- When not training
 - Cell phones
 - Covert names
 - Internet/E-mail

- When training
 - Military-like
 - Structured, formal



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