PENNSYLVANIA ACTIONABLE INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING #8

TARGETED ACTIONABLE MONITORING CENTER

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ACTIONABLE DATE REMINDERS

- **20 November 2009:** Coalition of pro-Palestinian and Anarchist groups protest the Israeli Consulate in Philadelphia (reported in 9 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **21 November:** Peace activists and Anarchists protest the Army Recruitment Center at Franklin Mills Mall, Philadelphia (reported in 11 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **21-22 November 2009:** "Appleseed" Marksmanship Training/Boot Camp in Manheim, Lancaster County (reported in 6 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **22 November 2009:** 'End the Fed' nationwide protests including the "Constitutional Revolution" Tea Party against the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia (reported in 6 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **23 November 2009:** Anarchists expecting Elliott Madison's (the G20-Twittering Anarchist) affidavit to be publicized (reported in 2 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **27-29 November 2009:** Animal-rights activists organize "Fur Free Friday", local commercial sites prone to vandalism (reported in 6 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **28 November 2009:** Peace activists protest Lockheed Martin in King of Prussia from 12-2PM (reported in 11 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **4 December 2009:** Anarchists and Environmental activists, dressed as Santa, hold nationwide demonstrations against EPA to protest coal companies' practice of mountaintop removal. They have been encouraged by organizers to show up "drunk and obnoxious" (reported in 9 Nov 2009 AIB)
- **4-6 December 2009:** "Ruckus Group" holding anti-pipeline training in Ithaca, NY. Among their targets; PA companies drilling in the Marcellus Shale (reported in 2 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **25-27 December 2009:** Salafi institution based in Philadelphia that published an article justifying death to those who criticize Islam, hosts its "Deen Intensive" (deen in Arabic means "religion") event featuring a speech by a Damascus-based cleric (reported in 13 Nov 2009 PAIB)

SECTOR-SPECIFIC THREATS

SECTORS: BANKS AND FINANCE, COMMERCIAL FACILITIES, ENERGY, GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Anarchist Actions Expected

The 2009 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen is scheduled for 7-18 December 2009.

Anarchist groups are basing their plans around the fact that the 2009 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen (COP15) is taking place soon after the tenth year anniversary of the Seattle WTO protests (November 30th 1999).

They are mindful of how successfully the massive protests and direct actions affected the WTO summit, dissolving it in a cloud of teargas.

The groups actually going to Copenhagen plan to shut down the COP15. Those who can't travel to Copenhagen plan to honor the 10th anniversary of the Seattle riots by asserting themselves in very aggressive direct actions in their local areas. Seattle has become a symbolic reference point for the world's 'anti-globalization' movement.

Their planned aggressive behavior is part of their game plan – that their voices are seen and heard during the summit and not just as a lead up to the main negotiations.

A "Global Day of Action for Climate Justice" has been declared for Monday, 30 November 2009.

Anarchist groups are planning aggressive acts of direct action throughout the United States and the rest of the world. Additional days of aggressive direct action are scheduled throughout the COP15.

********ANALYSIS********

TAM-C analysts recommend enhanced security measures for electric utilities, coal mining corporations, and banks that provide financing to those industries. The higher level of security should remain in affect prior to 30 November 2009 and through the period of the 2009 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen.

SECTORS: AGRICULTURE AND FOOD, BANKS AND FINANCE, COMMERCIAL FACILITIES, COMMUNICATIONS, GOVERNMENT FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, WATER

Spanish Anarchists Boast and Teach

In several recent print and online communications and publications, radical Anarchists of Spain boasted of their crimes against public and private property, as well as targeting certain individuals. They also openly discussed tactics and strategies for further disruptions, vandalism and terror for imposing Anarchist ideals on the public.

A Barcelona-based Anarchist stated: "It's easy to attack…there are banks, real estate offices, car showrooms, airline offices, supermarkets, surveillance cameras, ticket machines in the metro, blank walls, advertisements."

The Anarchists encourage "more actions... carried out in broad daylight." The surrounding streets must first be watched by the perpetrators, "to make sure there's no passing patrols", followed by "dedicating thirty seconds to your target... and disappearing into the multitude."

Clandestine attacks at night are also necessary because "sometimes our goal is not to communicate but to cause damage, to sabotage...."

Several communications were collated in which Spanish Anarchists listed attacks they see as effective and successful. They are here organized by tactics used and assets targeted:

- Over 400 cash machines throughout Barcelona were vandalized and put out of commission.
- Police cars had their locks glued. Police stations have been stoned, as well.
- Attacks involving paint bombs, fireworks, arson, hammers or stones were perpetrated against employment agencies, a real estate office, and several banks, as well as a social security office and at least one municipality building.
- More than a dozen supermarkets had their locks glued in one day.
- Masked Anarchists pulled various objects into the streets and set them on fire, shutting down major thoroughfares. In one case, over 200 people took part in the road blockings simultaneously in four different locations, in order to make law enforcement more difficult.

- Several dozen Anarchists blocked traffic and hung a banner from a bridge. Anarchists involved in the traffic blockage also slashed the tires of police vehicles.
- A tourist bus was targeted with paint bombs.
- An explosive was detonated outside a government building.
- A major passenger train line was blocked by a burning barricade on the tracks, while other rail sabotage included a steel cable tossed over the electric lines and incendiary devices detonated in the electrical and mechanical boxes along the tracks.
- On 23 October 2009 a group of 20 Anarchists occupied the broadcast studios of Radio Cataluña in Barcelona, trying to read a communiqué on the air.

One recent, sophisticated attack deserves separate mention:

On 5 October 2009, Anarchists in a neighborhood in Barcelona they described as "perfect for an ambush", set dumpsters on fire and called the police. When two officers arrived at the scene and exited their car, they were pelted with rocks by attackers on a street higher up the hillside. The policemen were forced to retreat and the attackers smashed the patrol car's windows.

********ANALYSIS********

TAM-C analysts expect that the publication of detailed tactics and strategies adopted by Spain's radical Anarchists may serve to inspire and encourage fellow Anarchists in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. It bears noting that the original Spanish-language texts were translated into English for publication on English-language Anarchist websites.

Police personnel should be aware that they are considered a primary target of the more aggressive Anarchist groups.

SECTORS: COMMERCIAL FACILITIES, DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE, GOVERNMENT FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

Critical Film Inspires Jihadi Threats

Arab language researchers of the Targeted Actionable Monitoring Center (TAM-C) have identified recent internal jihadist communications identifying the need to conduct terror activity within the Netherlands.

International jihadists have again complained about an unidentified movie depicting Mohammad and his wives. Referring to the Netherlands as "the infidel Netherlands", the writer asks, "I say to all the Muslims in the Netherlands – will you sit quietly? If you can't bomb them, then you have no excuse. Burn their houses and their cars."

TAM-C analysts note that this call for violence aimed at the Netherlands has been identified in multiple jihadi communications and is being spread throughout the international jihadist circles.

The communicator finishes his exhortation to violence by quoting Osama Bin-Laden, "what you will see is not [only] what you hear."

********ANALYSIS********

TAM-C analysts note that international jihadists are continuing to insist on acts of violence being aimed at the Netherlands.

TAM-C analysts think the movie at the center of this latest threat could be either *Fitna* by Geert Wilders (who recently created a security concern in Philadelphia by speaking at Temple University) or *Submission* by Theo Van Gogh (who was assassinated by a jihadist for critiquing Islam). The fifth anniversary of Theo Van Gogh's murder was 2 November 2009, a date that continues to incite future jihadists against critics of Islam.

It is possible, however, that the film is neither *Fitna* nor *Submission*, but something new. TAM-C researchers will attempt to identify the title of the film to determine if and when it is to be screened in Pennsylvania.

Security personnel responsible for Dutch or Dutch-identified assets in the Commonwealth should be aware of continuing pressure within international jihadist circles to punish the Netherlands for the perceived insult to the prophet, Mohammad.

SECTORS: COMMERCIAL FACILITIES, ENERGY, GOVERNMENT FACILITIES, NUCLEAR

'Mountaintop Removal' Debate Heats up

Throughout the next two months, Planet Green will air 'Coal County', a documentary promising to "reveal the truth about modern coal mining". The schedule is as follows:

- **19 November**: 10:30PM ET
- **20 November**: 2:30PM ET
- **20 December**: 12:00PM ET
- **24 December**: 10:30PM ET
- **25 December**: 2:30PM ET

Though Pennsylvania mountains have not been subjected to mountaintop mining as of yet, the waste materials from mountaintop mining in other states has been dumped into streams in Pennsylvania, reportedly causing damage to the environment.

On 15 October 2009, over 300 people attended a public hearing at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center in Pittsburgh to discuss the Obama administration's decision to restrict mountaintop removal-related permits. Security was heavy.

********ANALYSIS********

TAM-C analysts view this film as a potential catalyst for inspiring "direct action" protests or even sabotage against facilities, machinery, and/or corporate headquarters.

TAM-C analysts have identified local energy facilities that anti-coal activists have marked as conspiring in the mountaintop removal process. Such facilities include (but are not limited to):

- Reliant Energy's Titus Power Plant (Berks County)
- Exelon Energy's Eddystone Generating Station (Delaware County)
- Reliant Energy's Cheswick Power Plant (Allegheny County)

Actions against these facilities would likely cause counter-protests from the pro-coal side, which TAM-C analysts believe already feels assaulted, not only by environmentalists, but by any governmental bodies and/or policies that support them.

TAM-C analysts will continue to monitor this documentary as well as the larger issue to determine whether destructive rhetoric or actions are being planned by either camp.

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