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COUNTERTERRORISM

(U//FOUO) AR Extremists May Increase Criminal Activity after News Program Featuring Animal Research Airls

(U//FOUO) The FBI anticipates animal rights (AR) extremists may increase criminal activity after the broadcast of a network news program featuring animal research procedures. Though the FBI has no reporting indicating specific threats related to the broadcast, extremists could use information from the program to target researchers or facilities. The program, focusing on a high-level biomedical research facility recently fined for animal welfare violations, reportedly will include footage of actual research procedures performed there on primates. FBI investigation indicates AR extremists previously have used information from broadcast and print media to incite criminal activity, including the targeting individual researchers. Historically, AR extremists have directed vandalism, threatening communications, and improvised incendiary or explosive devices against individuals and companies associated with animal research. Because the facility does testing on dangerous biological agents, extremists, should they target it, could inadvertently cause the release of one or more such agents, according to FBI analysis. [FBIHQ – Domestic Terrorism Strategic Operations Section, FBIHQ – Counterterrorism Analysis Section, and FBIHQ – Weapons of Mass Destruction Investigations and Operations Section]

(U//FOUO) Anti-Abortion Extremist Activity May Increase after Graphic Advertisement

(U//FOUO) Anti-abortion extremists may increase violent rhetoric or disruptions at reproductive health care facilities after graphic anti-abortion television advertisements air. The political advertisements, sponsored by the campaign for independent Presidential candidate and FBI subject Randall Terry, were scheduled to air in select television markets during the Super Bowl broadcast. Such graphic images, which historically have been used in the anti-abortion movement to solicit attention, may inspire extremists to commit crime and disrupt reproductive health care centers. [FBIHQ – Domestic Terrorism Strategic Operations Section and FBIHQ – Counterterrorism Analysis Section]

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(U//FOUO) Planned “International Judge Muhammad Day” Could Increase Threats to Homeland or Escalate Anti-Islamic Sentiments

(U//FOUO) Florida Pastor Terry Jones on 28 January announced an “International Judge Muhammad Day” on a date to be determined as a sequel to last year’s “International Judge the Koran Day.” While the announcement has given rise to no specific reported threats, the earlier event inspired backlash overseas, including by terrorist groups and extremists. The proposed event could lead to similar reactions and could give rise to threats in the Homeland or escalate anti-Islamic sentiments, potentially resulting in anti-Muslim hate crimes. **[Central Florida Intelligence Exchange Situational Awareness Brief dated 28 January 2012 (U//FOUO)]**

CYBER

(U) Malvertising: Cyber Criminals Use Malicious Advertising to Spread Malware on Trusted Web Sites

(U//FOUO) Cyber criminals are spreading malware by placing infected ads on Web sites, according to FBI and open source reports. Known as malvertising, this tactic is especially effective since criminals typically target trusted, popular sites, in some cases with malware that infects systems without users clicking on the ads. Criminals attempt to circumvent Web site safeguards by hiding malicious code until the ad is approved or by using code to redirect users to infected pages. The FBI anticipates criminals increasingly will use malvertising to commit fraud and identity theft. **[FBI Intelligence Bulletin dated 30 January 2012 (U//FOUO)]**

CRIMINAL

(U//LES) LCN Arrests May Attract Media Attention

(U//LES) The FBI anticipates a joint FBI-DEA operation that arrested La Cosa Nostra (LCN) Bonanno family acting boss Vincent Badalamenti and several associates on 27 January in the New York City area may generate media attention owing to at least one associate’s involvement in the television show “Mob Wives.” Badalamenti became the acting boss in March 2009 after the former acting boss, Salvatore Montagna, was killed in Canada. Badalamenti, a Bonanno capo, Bonanno soldiers, and a Gambino associate were charged with RICO Act violations, Hobbs Act violations, numerous extortions, loan-sharking, and illegal gambling pursuant to sealed indictments issued in the Eastern District of New York on 26 January. Incarcerated Bonanno capo Anthony Graziano, who appeared on “Mob Wives,” was charged with additional RICO violations. The FBI anticipates the arrests likely will impact the Bonanno family locally and may create additional gaps in the Bonanno hierarchy but likely will not significantly impact other LCN families. **[FBIHQ – Criminal Intelligence Section]**

(U) Pimps Likely Transport Children across State Lines for Prostitution at Major Public Events

(U//LES) Pimps increasingly are transporting prostitutes, including children, across state lines to profit from the crowds at major public events, such as the recent Super Bowl, according to FBI analysis. Because reporting is limited, the FBI cannot accurately estimate how many children are prostituted but assesses the number likely rises as the volume of prostitution increases in the areas hosting events. An FBI review of online escort advertisements indicates the number of posts in Indianapolis, which hosted this year's Super Bowl, doubled in the week before the event. Some posts advertised "Super Bowl specials" and included out-of-state telephone numbers. Similar advertisements with out-of-state phone numbers increased in the Miami area before last year's Super Bowl there; children's welfare agencies identified at least 50 children transported to Florida for the event. FBI and open source reports indicate pimps engaging in child prostitution seek clients attending events as various as sporting events, golf tournaments, NASCAR races, and auto shows. Arrests in the areas hosting the events have led to the rescues of dozens of children. Pimps, reacting to efforts to stop child prostitution, likely will take additional security measures, such as more closely scrutinizing clients or asking clients travel to the child's location. [FBIHQ – Criminal Investigative Division]