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ONGOING RESEARCH

1. ***Annual Muslim Sporting and Outdoor Event in Philadelphia***

Philadelphia will host the 28th Annual Riyaadah (http://www.riyaadah09.org/) on 16-18 July 2010. Described as "one big Muslim family reunion," the Riyaadah includes outdoor games and sports competitions, target shooting at a gun range, vendors and craftspeople, as well as various religious "lectures, seminars and workshops." ITRR is monitoring far-right communications for potential protests by anti-Islam organizations. (PIB No. 110)

2. ***Anarchy Summer Camp in August***

Communications in Philadelphia-centered anarchist fora include calls for attendance at the Anarchy Summer Camp, (http://www.phillyimc.org/en/event/anarchy-summer-camp-20), 6-9 August 2010, in order to "prepare for the upcoming International Monetary Fund demonstrations this fall." Organizers are currently keeping the precise location in northern Virginia confidential.

ITRR Analysts' Note: There has been an escalation in rhetoric and tactics among anarchist and far-left groups for more than a year, including arson, bombings, vandalism and "direct action." Further acts of anarchist terrorism and vandalism, inspired by the Toronto G20 "actions," the Quebec bombing, and the previously-mentioned Anarchy Summer Camp, can be expected throughout North America in the near term. Military recruitment centers, police, banks and multinational companies in Pennsylvania - specifically in areas of significant anarchist activity – should consider increasing situational awareness. (PAIB Nos. 94, 107 and 108)

3. ***Militia Ongoing Agitation for Vigilantism; PA Training in July 2010***

Recently, in reaction to increasing violence on both sides of the Arizona-Mexico border, American militia communications have been filled with angry rhetoric calling for organized vigilante action. More generally, communications from extremist militia forums indicate a growing restlessness and self-reinforcing feeling of impending confrontation with the US federal government. In this context, it is notable that a multi-state militia, **2-4 MACHSA** (http://www.machsa.vit.im/homeconstruction.html), is holding its first Annual Patriot Training in Pennsylvania from 16-19 July 2010. ITRR has identified possible central Pennsylvania and Pittsburgh Metro Area links for this militia group, with leadership in the south central area. ITRR researchers continue to monitor anti-government militia organizations promoting armed, dispersed and "leaderless resistance" against what they define as the "New World Order." (PAIB Nos. 63, 65, 68, 73, 88 and 103)

4. ***International 'Stop the Tar Sands Day'***

Environmental activist groups in Europe have called for an "International Stop the Tar Sands Day," tentatively scheduled for 17 July 2010. In March 2010 the **RAINFOREST ACTION NETWORK** (**RAN** - http://ran.org/), declared its intention to "keep the pressure on" the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) over its financing of the Alberta, Canada, tar sands project. Security personnel should review protection measures for facilities of RBC and other financial institutions named in RAN communications (see PAIB No. 107 for a detailed list). ITRR is monitoring adversarial communications for further regional Pennsylvania targeting at this time. (PAIB Nos. 55, 107)

5. ***Al-Qa'ida Expanding its English-Language 'Marketing'***

AL-QA'IDA, through one of its most active branches, **AL-QA'IDA IN THE ARABIAN PENINSULA** (**AQAP**), has decided to expand its outreach further into the English-speaking world with its first official magazine in English, "Inspire." The combination of motivational texts and videos, religious sermons and practical lessons in *jihad* -all

in English - has the potential to be a significant factor in *Al-Qa'ida*'s efforts to recruit lone-wolf terrorists (as well as more serious individuals) in English-speaking circles. (PAIB No. 106)

6. ***Pride Festival in Harrisburg, Celebration in Reading***

On 24 July 2010, a LGBT (lesbian, gay, bi-sexual and transgender "Gay pride") parade and subsequent festival, PrideFest (http://www.prideofcentralpa.org/) are to take place in Harrisburg. On 18 July 2010, the Reading Pride Celebration is slated to be held in Centre Park, Reading. There are increasing indications of focused, anti-gay rhetoric and actions among White supremacists and right-wing militia supporters. ITRR will continue to monitor for details on protest / counter-protest activity. (PAIB No. 105)

7. ***'Escalate Resistance' to Arizona's New Immigration Law***

Referring to Arizona's new immigration legislation, anarchists and immigrants' rights activists are preparing to "peacefully escalate resistance to SB1070."

- The radical Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) organization is planning what they have called an "Arizona Freedom Summer," 23 July-5 August 2010, focused on bringing activists to Arizona for the designated time period.

- Anarchists have called for "direct actions in our local communities" when the law goes into effect on 29 July 2010.

- Well-known minority community leaders warned that unidentified "activists" are willing to commit acts of "civil disobedience" to fight the law.

Pennsylvania opponents of the law may target visiting Arizona VIP, delegations or Arizona-related events with protests or "direct action" in the coming weeks and months, including Arizona Diamondback baseball games in Philadelphia in late July and in Pittsburgh in September 2010. Counter-protests by supporters of the Arizona legislation may precipitate violent confrontations between opposing protesters requiring law enforcement intervention. (PAIB Nos. 98, 102 and 106)

8. ***CrimethInc.'s Anarchist 'Show of Force' in July-August***

The anarchist movement, **CRIMETHINC.** (http://www.crimethinc.com/) is planning what is called "a decentralized convergence" to take place in late July and throughout August. The group is encouraging anarchists in North America to take any action they feel will be effective in order to make the anarchist presence felt in their respective local areas. One such event, the Conspiracy Tour, has announced tentative Tour dates and locations in Pennsylvania:

- 30-31 July 2010, Pittsburgh
- 3 August 2010, Philadelphia

ITRR researchers are monitoring anarchist communications for further planned "actions," dates and locations relevant to Pennsylvania. As of this time, situational

awareness is suggested throughout the next two months at those sites that have previously been targeted by anarchist activity. (PAIB No. 103)

SECTOR-SPECIFIC THREATS, INDICATORS AND/OR WARNINGS

Sectors: COMMERCIAL FACILITIES AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

9. ***Anti-Fascist 'Call to Action', Conference in July***

A Portland, Oregon, branch of the radical, international anti-Fascist organization known as **ANTIFA** (http://antifa.fr/worldwide/) has issued a "call to action" for 31 July 2010. The "call to action" will come on the heels of the 16th annual Anti-Racist Action (ARA) Network Conference in Portland, Oregon, on 22-25 July 2010 (http://antiracist.org/).

The Antifa organization is seeking an anti-Fascist / anti-racist response nationwide on 31 July, with multiple venues and various types of action. As Antifa communications regarding the target date explain:

"We want mass and varied forms of protest and action. These actions can range from: music and DJ shows; educational events; outings of known Right and fascist organizers; street protest; immigrant solidarity and anti-minuteman action; and so on. While we want collaboration and coordination when possible, we also want to maximize the impact of this CA (*Call to Action - ed.*) and thus argue for the greatest degree of creativity and initiative."

The group adds that they hope the call to action promotes "a mass, radical response to racist and fascist organizing."

Thus far, the call to action has been endorsed by Anti-Racist Action branches in Texas, California, Oregon, Ohio and New Jersey. Other endorsing groups include:

- **BRING THE RUCKUS!** (http://bringtheruckus.org/)
- **COMMON CAUSE** (of Ontario, Canada - http://www.commoncause.org/site/pp.asp?c=dkLNK1MQIwG&b=4741359)
- **FIRST OF MAY ANARCHIST ALLIANCE** (http://news.infoshop.org/article.php?story=2010050203073079)
- **FOUR STAR ANARCHIST ORGANIZATION** (http://4sao.wordpress.com/)

- **IRON RAIL INFOSHOP** (http://anarchistnews.org/?q=node/10078)
- **KERSPLEBEDEB** (http://www.kersplebedeb.com/)
- **RED AND ANARCHIST SKINHEADS**
- **SOLIDARITY & DEFENSE** (http://solidarityanddefense.blogspot.com/)
- **WILD ROSE COLLECTIVE** (http://wildrosecollective.org/)
- **WORKERS SOLIDARITY ALLIANCE** (http://workersolidarity.org/)

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: MODERATE**

ITRR analysts note that the **ANTI-RACIST ACTION** (**ARA**) **NETWORK** Conference is sponsored and hosted by Rose City **ANTIFA**, a violently anti-racist network. The organizational policy of the movement includes: "Whenever Fascists are organizing or active in public, we're there. We don't believe in ignoring them or staying away from them. Never let the Nazis have the street!"

Anti-Racist Action, an organization supporting and promoting the above "call to action," is known to have official contact information for Philadelphia and Harrisburg. There are also active Antifa and ARA supporters in Pittsburgh, York and elsewhere.

For example, in November 2009, it was strongly suspected, though not confirmed, that members of the Philadelphia ARA were responsible for the Starlight Ballroom backing out of hosting the East Coast Oi! Fest in 2010. The festival is a known gathering point for various skinhead groups.

Similarly, in April 2009, Pittsburgh anti-Fascists targeted pro-life demonstrators in the East End. Disrupting the pro-life demonstration with noise, intimidation and their own banners, the anti-Fascist group then (in their own words) "followed [the pro-life demonstrators] to their van and proceeded to surround them and yell pro-choice slogans at them. Part of the group followed them to their cars in the parking lot across the street where their vehicles were pounded on, dented, and had their window(s) broken."

In the "call to action" for 31 July 2010, the Antifa organizers add that they "support the incorporation of any existing and ongoing anti-racist/anti-fascist action ... to bolster already active organizing." Furthermore, ITRR analysts note that Antifa rhetoric has also sharply criticized the police and the FBI for "protecting" racist gatherings and for employing force to disperse anti-racist protesters.

Broad situational awareness is called for regarding any upcoming demonstrations by groups deemed "fascist" (Tea Party, militia, Christian conservative, etc.), "racist"

(Klan, White Power, Skinhead, etc.) or "anti-choice" (any Christian pro-life groups) by supporters of the ARA or Antifa. ITRR analysts are currently monitoring anti-fascist and anti-racist militant communications for indications of planned actions in Pennsylvania on or around the above-mentioned target date.

SECTOR: COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

10. ***Keystone United and the Euro-American Heritage Fest***

Radical White nationalists are promoting an event called the Euro-American Heritage Fest 2010 (AKA European American Heritage Celebration). It is slated to take place on 14 August 2010 "in the Wilkes-Barre / Scranton area," according to promotional communications.

The only indication of what the Heritage Fest will include is a brief message in radical White Power forums: "Come celebrate our heritage with food, music and games. Free to the public!"

While the Fest appears to be the first of its kind, racist militant communications indicate a similar event is slated to take place in Orange County, in southern California.

In a separate event, **BLOOD & HONOR-AMERICAN DIVISION**, another radical White Power organization, will be hosting a private event in southwestern Pennsylvania on 7 August 2010. "There will be live music, tattoo artists, food, bonfire, etc. This is a family friendly event."

******** ANALYSIS ****** Threat Level: MODERATE**

There are no indications at this time that the Blood & Honor "private event," at an as-yet undisclosed location, will involve confrontational actions. It is likely to remain limited, by design, to an internal racist organizational gathering.

The Euro-American Heritage Fest 2010 has been publicized on racist forums, although other official publicity is still sparse. ITRR researchers believe the event is being organized by **KEYSTONE UNITED** (KU; formerly Keystone State Skinheads, http://www.keystoneunited.com/) members. KU principals are, in any case, assisting in fundraising for it.

While the specific location has thus far not been publicly announced, ITRR researchers have preliminary indications that the Fest is to be held in Public Square, in the city of Wilkes-Barre. As of this writing, it is unknown if the organizers have sought required police permits.

In promotional communications, racist militants have identified regional accommodations for Fest attendees. These include:

- Holiday Inn Express, Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (Airport) in Pittston (Luzerne County)
- Interstate Hotel and Resort in Moosic Borough (Lackawanna County)
- Julia's Old Forge Hotel in Old Forge (Lackawanna County)
- Comfort Suites Scranton in Moosic
- The Courtyard in Moosic
- Rodeway Inn Moosic in Moosic
- Clarion Hotel Scranton in Scranton

No part of the communications identified by ITRR analysts indicates an intention to conduct confrontational actions at the Euro-American Heritage Fest 2010. However, KU (or its previous Keystone State Skinheads incarnation) and other groups promoting the event have a history of conducting organized actions that have required significant law enforcement interaction.

ITRR analysts believe there is a significant possibility of public disorder due to alcohol-fueled confrontations among attendees at the Heritage Fest. In addition, as the event becomes more generally known and its location announced, anti-racist groups may organize protests against the event, which may escalate into direct confrontations.

Police will likely be requested to maintain crowd-control and isolate instigating individuals from among Fest attendees and their opponents, as well as preventing violent confrontations. Such potential violence would not necessarily be limited to the Fest fairgrounds, but may take place in any of the surrounding areas, including the vicinity of the above-named hotels.

Sectors: Commercial Facilities and Government Facilities

11. ***Uighur Jihadists Issue New Threats***

ITRR researchers have identified a new publication just issued in Arabic by the Turkestan Islamic Party (TIP), a jihadist organization dedicated to establishing an Islamic regime in China's ethnically Uighur Xinjiang province.

The document, translated from an earlier release in the Uighur and Chinese languages, calls on Muslims to continue the jihad against China "until martyrdom or victory."

The TIP declares that China thinks it can take over as the major world power now that the United States is failing in its war with the Muslims, "but we will teach China the same lesson" we have taught the Americans.

"China is one of the bitterest enemies of Islam and the Muslims," the communication continues, and it "must be opposed by very painful means." The TIP encourages its supporters, as well, saying that there is no reason to be impressed by the size of the Chinese army, because "they are like a thin [rice-paper] wall against jihadists."

Addressing Arabic-speaking, non-Uighur Muslims, the TIP publications urges: "Help your brothers any way you can ... support the jihad against China."

Of note in this context is that Chinese authorities have begun demolishing neighborhoods in Urumqi, Xinjiang province that housed hundreds of thousands of majority-Muslim Uighurs.

Furthermore, July 2010 is a sensitive period in the region; one year deadly rioting left at least 200 people dead in Urumqi. At the time, China executed several Uighurs it deemed terrorist instigators of violence. Tension between Han Chinese and Uighur Muslims remains a factor in local relations and politics.

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: MODERATE**

The above-mentioned TIP publication is not the only recent Arabic-language call to support the jihad against China. As cited in PAIB No. 55, jihadist communications at the time called on Muslims to target personnel and assets of the China globally.

One month later (see PAIB No. 68), the TIP issued a statement reiterating its goal of Islamic supremacy through armed jihad. The group then named several international Uighur organizations it deemed "non-jihadist", possibly in order to target them as collaborationist (among the named organizations were the Uighur Association of America and other political groups with North American representatives).

Around the same time, and in response to Chinese military operations in Xinjiang, an intercepted Arabic jihadist communication asked, "Have you given up on the jihad? Allah will help our brothers in Turkestan and all the Muslims. Allah will show us the way of revenge on those who attacked our religion."

ITRR Analysts' Note: Chinese targets have already been hit in recent years both in Xinjiang, and in the Arab countries of the Middle East and North Africa. Previous attacks have ranged from bombings to ambushes with small-arms fire aimed at Chinese contract workers abroad.

In light of the continued ratcheting up of incitement over China's actions in Xinjiang province and the current anniversary of the 2009 clashes, ITRR analysts reiterate their assessment that an increased risk level exists in the Turkestan area, in central Chinese cities, and in the vicinity of Chinese assets abroad (as well as for cultural institutions deemed "secular" by the Turkestan Islamic Party). Organizations in close proximity to high-profile Chinese assets or groups should take note of

increased pressure to target these assets by lone-wolf or small unit terror organizations.

Students from Pennsylvania schools (Clarion University, East Stroudsburg, Indiana University, Mansfield University, and Westminster College) participating in International Student Exchange Programs (ISEP) in China, Indiana University of Pennsylvania exchange students in China, as well as University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine exchange students at China's Fourth Military Medical University College of Stomatology, should be made aware of the specific regional risks noted above.

No intelligence at this time for the following sectors:

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BANKING AND FINANCE
CHEMICAL
COMMUNICATIONS
CRITICAL MANUFACTURING
DAMS
DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASES
ENERGY
GOVERNMENT FACILITIES
HEALTHCARE AND PUBLIC HEALTH
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS
NUCLEAR REACTORS, MATERIALS AND WASTE
POSTAL AND SHIPPING
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS
WATER

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LOW (Level 4)	Available intelligence and recent events indicate that hostile elements currently have little capability or intent to take action against the target. It is assessed that, although it cannot be ruled out, an attack or action is unlikely to be mounted based on current available intelligence.
MODERATE (Level 3)	Available intelligence and recent events indicate that hostile elements have the capability to take action against the target and that such action is within the adversary's current intent. It is assessed that an attack or action is likely to be a priority and might well be mounted.
SEVERE (Level 2)	Available intelligence and recent events indicate that hostile elements have an established capability and current intent to take action against the target and there is some additional information on the nature of the threat. It is assessed that an attack or action on the target is a priority and is likely to be mounted.
CRITICAL (Level 1)	Available intelligence and recent events indicate that hostile elements with an established capability are actively planning to take action against the target within a matter of days (up to two weeks). An attack or action is expected imminently.

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