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ACTIONABLE DATE REMINDERS

- **Present - 11 July 2010:** The FIFA 2010 World Cup in South Africa has generated intense and serious jihadist communications regarding the execution of attacks during and at the games. Students, faculty and researchers attending South African educational institutions should be made aware of the specific risks associated with attending World Cup games this year. Jihadist communications have focused on tactics and strategies for attacks on sports events, which take on added urgency due to ongoing high-profile professional and collegiate sporting events in Pennsylvania.

- **19 June 2010:** Worldwide animal rights groups will be marking the International Day of Action for Elephants in Zoos. In Pennsylvania, activists are planning to protest at the main entrance of the Philadelphia Zoo on this day.

- **19 June 2010:** The violently racist White supremacist group, **ARYAN NATIONS**, is set to hold a rally at Gettysburg National Military Park. In response to this event, organizations billed as anti-Fascist are planning to take unspecified "actions" against the Aryan Nations event; this may include violent disruptions. In addition, there is a smaller risk of anarchist targeting of law enforcement and park service assets as "retaliation" for the rally permit issued to the Aryan Nations.

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- **25 June 2010:** Sentencing date for convicted Pennsylvania militia member Marvin Hall. One of five members of two militia groups operating in Clarion and Clearfield counties who were charged with weapons violations, he pleaded guilty in January 2010.

- **25-27 June 2010:** Let Live Conference at Portland State University in Oregon. Described as aimed at "build[ing] a stronger, more effective community and animal liberation movement." Likely to have an impact on animal rights activism nationwide.

- **4 July 2010:** Tea Party rallies are slated for:

  - Philadelphia (LOVE Park and 500 Market St.)
  - Avondale (8964 Gap Newport Pike)
  - Gettysburg (Adams County Courthouse)
  - Bethel Park (5098 Alicia Dr.)
  - Harrison City (Bushy Run Battlefield)
  - Jeannette (Bushy Run Battlefield State Park)
  - Erie (City Hall)
  - Pittsburgh (Flag Staff Hill AKA Schenley Park)

- **15-19 July 2010:** Animal Rights National Conference 2010 at the Hilton Hotel in Alexandria, Virginia: "the world's largest and longest-running animal rights gathering." Likely to have an impact on animal rights activism nationwide.

- **16-18 July 2010:** The **NORTHEAST ANARCHISTS NETWORK** (**NEAN**) is holding its annual assembly in Boston, Massachusetts (see ITRR analysis below for regional implications).

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SECTOR-SPECIFIC THREATS, INDICATORS AND/OR WARNINGS

Sectors: BANKING AND FINANCE AND COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

1. ***Animal Rights Activists Targeting HLS Financiers***
Animal rights radicals are calling for a series of actions targeting the company providing financing for Huntingdon Life Sciences, which uses animal subjects in its product testing services.

As the communication says, **STOP HUNTINGDON ANIMAL CRUELTY** (**SHAC**) activists are "calling for ... demos, phone calls and emails against HLS' lifeline lender, Fortress Investment Group, and all associated companies" from 21-27 June 2010. Saying "there are targets across the world," the organizers name some of the companies they associate with the Fortress Group - "Nomura, Intrawest, Rail America, GateHouse Media and subsidiary companies "from ski resorts to newspapers" - as well as suggesting targeting Fortress shareholders.

SHAC then provides addresses and company names to be targeted in Europe and across the USA.

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

SHAC has targeted HLS (which uses animal subjects for testing) for corporate destruction since 1999. HLS's three hardened facilities (two in the UK, one in East Millstone, New Jersey) have provided frequent targets for mass demonstrations. However, in an approach developed by SHAC (which has proven relatively successful in the past), companies having any business links whatsoever with HLS and their executives are targeted by activists for harassment, threats, arson, vandalism and, sometimes assault.

In past years, animal rights activists in Pennsylvania have advocated "to take it the homes of executives of some of HLS's top customers." More commonly, as the above call to action indicates, protests have been held at commercial outlets deemed by animal rights activists to be associated with HLS in some way.

The most recent SHAC call-to-action identifies the following companies as subsidiaries or shareholders to be targeted in Pennsylvania:

- Offices of the *Wayne Independent* in Honesdale, Wayne County (220 8th St.), owned by GateHouse Media.

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- Offices of *The Record Herald* in Waynesboro, Franklin County (30 Walnut St.), owned by GateHouse Media.
- Logan Circle Partners in Philadelphia (1717 Arch St., Suite 1500).
- Brandywine Global Investment Management in Philadelphia (2929 Arch St., 8th Floor), a part of Legg Mason Capital Management.
- Legg Mason Investment Counsel in Philadelphia (Two Logan Square, Suite 1850), a part of Legg Mason Capital Management.
- Turner Investment Partners in Berwyn, Chester County (1205 Westlakes Dr., Suite 100).
- Goldman Sachs in Philadelphia (1735 Market St., 26th Floor).

Security personnel are advised to review access control/security plans, consider increasing security and tightening access control measures at named company facilities. Incidental property damage is also possible in the general vicinity of some of the named companies' urban offices.

Sectors: Banking and Finance, Commercial Facilities, Energy and Government Facilities

2. ***NEAN Planning and Training in July***

The **Northeast Anarchists Network** (**NEAN**) is holding its annual assembly in Boston from 16-18 July 2010, which is to include "workshops or skillshares." ITRR researchers note that the logistical planning currently being conducted indicates that the meeting will be attended by anarchists from a broad area of the northeast United States.

The communications regarding the event calls for "all anarchists in the Northeast, not just those who are part of affiliated organizations" to attend. It is a time to meet each other, strategize and form a more strong and connected anarchist movement in our region." the NEAN publications declare.

At the same time, the NEAN publicity emphasizes, "We aim to make our assembly as child-friendly as possible" and offers child-care options.

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: LOW-to-MODERATE**

ITRR analysts do not see the annual NEAN assembly itself as a security risk; however, the skills and lessons learned there can be expected to be put into effect

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in anarchist actions throughout the northeast region in the following months. Thus, ITRR analysts warn of an increased risk of anarchist activity in the northeastern United States following the NEAN planning activities. As noted in PAIB No. 89, in recent months anarchists have made "direct action" targeting financial institutions a priority.

ITRR analysts note the escalating violent incitement among anarchist and far-left groups has been continuing for more than a year (see PAIB No. 94 for a recent example of such incitement). As noted in several previous PAIB, anarchists outside Greece have repeatedly expressed admiration for the periodic convulsions of rioting, vandalism, arson and sabotage in Athens since 2008. Furthermore, there is significant overlap between radical environmentalist and anarchist groups, with anarchist communications often praising acts of overt eco-terrorism and sabotage.

ITRR analysts have previously identified the cross-pollination, inspiration and intelligence sharing in which such anarchist and affiliated groups engage. Regarding domestic risk indicators in Pennsylvania, ITRR researchers are currently monitoring the anarchist networks for relevant targeting information. A possible flashpoint following the NEAN annual assembly may be Arizona's immigration legislation SB 1070 enactment on 29 July 2010. Anarchists have called for "direct actions in our local communities."

Sectors: Government Facilities

3. ***Whitechapel Protest Against Islamists and the English Defence League***
Anti-Fascist groups have called for a protest in Altab Ali Park, Whitechapel, United Kingdom, on 19 June 2010, under the heading "Whitechapel United Against Division." The organizers say they will be protesting against both the UK Islamic Conference (UK-IC) and the English Defence League (EDL), groups which are planning to hold their own conflicting events in Tower Hamlets on 20 June 2010.

"Neither of these groups originates from this area but attempt to recruit, divide and create trouble spreading their respective poisons," the Whitechapel activists say. They wish to prevent the named groups from "trigger[ing] conflict within our community" and the local people "must defend Whitechapel against them!"

******** ANALYSIS ****** T/I/W Rating: LOW-to-MODERATE**

The 19 June protest may involve some rowdiness; although, as it precedes the Islamist and EDL events, it is likely to be a peaceful and legal, although vigorous rally.

On the other hand, if the EDL and UK-IC events go ahead the next day, security

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personnel should be aware of the high potential for clashes that can be expected between the two groups, as well as between either of the groups and anti-fascist Whitechapel activists.

ITRR analysts note that English Defence League (EDL) anti-Islam rallies have lately been joined by violent soccer hooligan gangs, as well as neo-Nazi and racist skinhead contingents. For its part, the EDL has made great efforts to publicize its non-racist and non-anti-Semitic agenda through YouTube and blog communications. Nonetheless, such racist and thuggish gangs have been willing to travel significant distances to join previous EDL rallies in expectation of mob violence.

Students and researchers from Pennsylvania taking part in the many exchange programs in the United Kingdom (such as through the University of Pittsburgh, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Clarion, East Stroudsburg, Mansfield and Westminster) are advised to avoid visiting Whitechapel and Tower Hamlets this coming weekend. In those areas, large public gatherings or protests should be avoided as a precautionary measure in light of the possibility of violent confrontation.

No actionable intelligence at this time for the following sectors:

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CHEMICAL
COMMUNICATIONS
CRITICAL MANUFACTURING
DAMS
DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASES
EMERGENCY SERVICES
HEALTHCARE AND PUBLIC HEALTH
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS
NUCLEAR REACTORS, MATERIALS AND WASTE
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TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS
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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.
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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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