PENNSYLVANIA ACTIONABLE INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING #11

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ACTIONABLE DATE REMINDERS

- **23 November 2009:** Anarchists expecting Elliott Madison's (the G20-Twittering Anarchist) affidavit to be publicized (reported in 2 Nov 2009 PAIB)
- **23 November 2009:** 'National Action Center', is organizing a "National Day of Outrage" against gang and youth violence in urban neighborhoods. (reported in 20 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)
- **30 November 2009:** The Mobilization for Climate Justice is a North America-based umbrella group calling for direct actions to occur in advance of the United Nations Climate Talks scheduled for Copenhagen (reported in 18 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)
- **7-18 December 2009:** The 2009 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen. Climate activists are gearing up to stage protests across the globe. (reported in 18 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, GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

United States Continental Congress 2009

From 11-21 November 2009 American citizens from across the country, including a delegation from Pennsylvania, met in St. Charles, IL to rewrite the US Constitution. This series of meetings was part of Continental Congress 2009 (CC2009), intended to provide the "first acts of nationally organized resistance" towards the current government system. Analysts of the Targeted Actionable Monitoring Center (TAM-C) note that the government which is the source of the group's animus is both the federal and state governments.

Referring to themselves as "patriots," the delegates held discussions "regarding numerous violations of the Constitution by the U.S. Government." As quoted from their website, 'CC2009 will deliver to the American People a viable “sword” with which to “slay” the dragons of tyranny that have become a cancer unto our nation.' According to these "patriots":

> Out of CC2009 will emerge a compelling record of the violations of Fundamental Rights our People now suffer, a well articulated set of “Remedial Instructions” to literally direct government officials to execute under pain of mass resistance, and a volume of viable, practical and creative “Civic Actions” every one of the We the People may take *en masse*, to hold the Government accountable to our Law, and our Constitution.

At this time, TAM-C analysts have identified unofficial documents that note:

> The illegality of the current income tax system including, "irrefutable documentation establishing that the 16th Amendment is void, *ab initio*, due to its failure to be properly ratified, and that any direct, un-apportioned tax on the labor of any American is wholly unconstitutional. The resolution cites the U.S. Supreme Court holding that labor (and the fruits thereof) are, “…the most sacred and inviolable” property of the citizens of the nation."

The unofficial documents state that:

> "the tax resolution also calls for Congress to execute the immediate cessation of the (unlawful) imposition of the practice of withholding of earnings from the paychecks of American citizens and for the Congress to immediately release and

> restore all citizens wrongfully imprisoned as a result of the "unconstitutional application of the income tax" (laws).
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> The Civic Actions recommended by the Congress for the People to end the Income Tax fraud include for the People to contact their local sheriff and demand cooperation with the citizenry to provide protection from (unlawful) federal and state tax enforcement actions (including fraudulent, non-judicial "administrative" IRS liens and levys), that citizens prepare to replace or otherwise recall or impeach any sheriff who refuses to protect their local citizens from "…rogue federal agents acting under color of law," and for citizens to prepare themselves to withhold their monies as a means to secure Redress."

The unofficial documents further include:

> ...the Second Amendment Right to Keep and Bear Arms, the resolution of the Continental Congress declares that all regulations, state and federal, which are repugnant to the express language of the Second Amendment are "…null and void – including but not limited to, illegal and unconstitutional restrictions on open and/or concealed carry."

The arms resolution calls for the citizenry to coordinate with their local county Sheriff in establishing a Constitutional Militia, inherently separate from the state National Guard. Such militia would be a constitutional defense force, "comprising all citizenry capable of bearing arms and under proper authority, in defense of themselves and the states."

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

TAM-C analysts note that anti-government feeling in the United States has reached a dangerous level. A movement that once featured localized pockets of anti-government sentiment has, through modern telecommunications, approached a critical mass that may affect government operations. As cited above, the first things to be affected will be the questioning of government authorities to legislate on matters dealing with taxation and gun possession.

TAM-C analysts note that, while the numbers of people involved in this movement are small when compared to the population of the United States, the "Continental Congress" will have given legitimacy to anti-government groups and individuals. This "legitimacy" may lead to lone-wolf acts of anti-government violence and disputes.

TAM-C analysts suggest:

1) Pennsylvania law enforcement should be made aware of the potential for an increase in people unlawfully carrying concealed weapons as a result of the declaring "null and void" all laws dealing with the regulation of firearms.
2) County sheriffs throughout the Commonwealth of PA should be advised to expect unusual demands from these "patriots."
3) Tax collection personnel should be advised to expect an increase in tax protests.

SECTOR: COMMERCIAL FACILITIES, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Coming Attack on the Blogs

Jihadists are planning a coordinated assault on blogging websites, according to a communication intercepted by TAM-C analysts.

The objectives of the cyber-campaign appear to be two-fold: a) to attack and hack blogs run by what the jihadists perceive as anti-Islamic; b) to use blogs to spread their recruitment message and ideology. The text includes explicit details and instructions needed for this cyber-campaign, named "The Tune of the Bullet Shells".

Sites specifically named in that jihadist communication include:

* Alexa
* Wordpress
* Blogger.com
* Livejournal
* Bloglines
* Blogwise

In a related open source report, Indian police claim that jihadists are using blog talkbacks and rants to convey hidden messages to accomplices. Since a blog could be read by anyone, police note, it makes tracking the messages to their recipient a huge task, if not impossible in some cases.

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

Internet security protocols for blogs and related websites need to be refreshed and updated to account for the possible launch of the jihadist "Bullet Shells" campaign within Commonwealth office and university computers.

SECTORS: GOVERNMENT FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

Jihadist Intelligence Sharing: Passport, Visa Regulations

Jihadist communications sometimes share intelligence regarding legal and regulatory opportunities for promoting their goals. One such example recently occurred when the Egyptian and Algerian national soccer teams met in Sudan for a regionally important match.

The intercepted jihadist communication cited a "rare opportunity to receive official passports for a limited period.... There is a really good chance to get the passports through authorities in Algiers." Sudan eased visa regulations for Algerians ahead of the game, according to the jihadist discussion, which ended with a comment suggesting that the intelligent reader will get the hint behind providing the information.

In a related counterterrorism success, Italian authorities managed to dismantle an international ring involving 17 Algerians who were raising money to finance terrorism. Open source reports noted that the cell sometimes used forged or stolen documents belonging to Algerian soccer players, allowing cell members to move freely through Europe and North Africa.

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

Law enforcement personnel and other officials responsible for checking documents should be aware of increased use of Algerian passports by international jihadists. These documents will not only appear to look official, in many cases they **will** be official.

SECTOR: GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Planned Protest in Pittsburgh

On 4 December 2009 anti-abortion protesters, led by Randall Terry, plan to protest the “child-killing in the healthcare" bill at Senator Robert Casey’s office, 425 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh. Randall Terry has been arrested more than 40 times, including for protesting the commencement visit at the University of Notre Dame by President Barack Obama, who is pro-choice, by defying a court order to stay off the school's property.

SECTORS: COMMERCIAL FACILITIES, GOVERNMENT FACILITIES, NATIONAL ICONS AND MONUMENTS

"Thanksgiving Eve" Protest

On 25 November 2009, from 12-1PM, peace activists are planning to congregate on the west side of Philadelphia's City Hall (15th and Market Streets) – beneath the statue of William Penn - to protest the war in Afghanistan.

The event is organized by the *Brandywine Peace Community* and the *American Friends Service Community*. Organizers have called on demonstrators to wear giant placards ("postcards") that read: "Dear President Obama, Don't Send More Troops to Afghanistan, War is Not the Answer."

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

Analysts of the Targeted Actionable Monitoring Center (TAM-C) note that this "Human Postcards" event is a forerunner of a much larger protest planned for major cities across the United States.

TAM-C analysts reported in PAIB05: 9 November 2009, ***Protesting the President's War Decision***, that anarchist and anti-war groups were preparing to hold nationwide demonstrations the day following President Obama's announcement that he would be sending additional troops to Afghanistan.

TAM-C analysts have since identified the Pennsylvania-specific times and locations for this nationwide "emergency protest" that will take place, again, on the next business day after the President's announcement:

- **Pittsburgh**: Schenley Plaza, 4100 Forbes Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15260 at 6PM.
- **Philadelphia**: West Side of City Hall (15th and Market) from 4:30-6:00PM.

TAM-C analysts have identified the organizers behind the seemingly benign ***Human Postcards*** event on 25 November 2009 as the same organizers behind the Philadelphia version of the nationwide protest. This nationwide protest appears to be more belligerent, judging by the rhetoric and imagery surrounding its planning phases.

TAM-C analysts also note that many of the organizers behind the Pittsburgh version of the nationwide event were leading organizers behind the G-20 riots in September 2009. In fact, they see the upcoming nationwide protest as a continuation of the G-20 protest.

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