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SUBJECT: OKBOMB; MAJOR CASE 117; EID; OO: OKLAHOMA CITY.

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RE OKLAHOMA CITY COMMAND POST TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU AND ALL FIELD OFFICES, DATED APRIL 19, 1995; SUMMARY TELETYPES TO THE BUREAU AND ALL FIELD OFFICES, DATED APRIL 20, 1995, TO PRESENT; AND OKLAHOMA COMMAND POST TELETYPE TO CHARLOTTE DATED JANUARY 21, 1996.

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AS CHARLOTTE IS AWARE, [REDACTED] IS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THIS INVESTIGATION BECAUSE OF HIS ASSOCIATION TO ELOHIM CITY (EC), A PARAMILITARY SURVIVALIST COMPOUND LOCATED IN EASTERN OKLAHOMA. MCVEIGH CALLED THE COMPOUND ON APRIL 5, 1995. AS INDICATED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE, INFORMATION HAS ~~BEEN~~ BEEN RECEIVED FROM SOURCES OF

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[REDACTED] INDICATING THAT [REDACTED] MET MCVEIGH [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AND THAT MCVEIGH CALLED THE COMPOUND PRIOR TO THE BOMBING ASKING FOR [REDACTED]

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ON JANUARY 26, 1996, SPECIAL AGENT (SA) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MOBILE DIVISION, MONTGOMERY RESIDENT AGENCY (RA), ADVISED SHE HAD RECEIVED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER, WHO ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

HE HAD JUST OBTAINED INFORMATION FROM A HIGHLY RELIABLE SOURCE THAT [REDACTED] HAD FLED [REDACTED] ABOUT SEVEN DAYS AGO. THE SAME SOURCE ALSO SAID THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

THIS IS ALL THE

INFORMATION THE SOURCE COULD PROVIDE.

[REDACTED]

IS A KNOWN

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WHITE SUPREMIST AND AREA LEADER OF AN ORGANIZATION CALLED

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

TIMOTHY MCVEIGH'S

[REDACTED]

CALLED THE

OKLAHOMA CP ON JANUARY 27, 1996, AND SPOKE TO INSPECTOR-IN-

CHARGE (IIC) DANNY DEFENBAUGH.

[REDACTED]

STATED HE HAD CREDIBLE

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INFORMATION THAT

[REDACTED]

ON

[REDACTED]

WHO WAS NOW

[REDACTED]

NO FURTHER INFORMATION

WAS PROVIDED BY

[REDACTED]

OTHER THAN "THEY" MADE TWO TELEPHONE

CALLS TO

[REDACTED]

TO

[REDACTED]

LAST INFORMATION RECEIVED BY OKLAHOMA CP IS THAT

[REDACTED]

WENT TO

[REDACTED]

AFTER

LEAVING EC. A RELIABLE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT (CI) OF THE

CINCINNATI DIVISION ADVISED HE/SHE SAW

[REDACTED]

AT

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

IN

[REDACTED]

AT THAT TIME

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[REDACTED] SAID HE LEFT OKLAHOMA BECAUSE "THINGS WERE TOO HOT

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OUT THERE." CI CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THAT

[REDACTED]

WAS

REFERRING TO THE BOMBING. THE SAME CI TRAVELLED TO

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

THE WEEK OF

[REDACTED]

TO DETERMINE IF

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[REDACTED] WAS STILL THERE. THE CI MET WITH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE
DEFINITIVELY IF [REDACTED] WAS STILL IN THE AREA.
[REDACTED] AS WELL AS [REDACTED] IS RECEIVING MUCH
MEDIA ATTENTION. IN AN ARTICLE IN THE "DALLAS MORNING NEWS,"
DATED JANUARY 27, 1996, LYONS, WHO IS CLAIMING TO REPRESENT
STRASSMEIR IN HIS BID ^{FOR PERMANENT RESIDENCY,} ~~TO BECOME A U.S. CITIZEN,~~ STATED THAT
STRASSMEIR MAY HAVE MET MCVEIGH AT A TULSA GUN SHOW A YEAR AND
A HALF BEFORE THE BOMBING AND GIVEN MCVEIGH THE TELEPHONE
NUMBER TO EC. LYONS WENT ON TO SAY, "IT WAS A CHANCE MEETING,
THEY TRADED SOME ITEMS-WINTER CLOTHING, THAT KIND OF STUFF.
ANDY SEEMED TO LIKE THE GUY, FOUND OUT HE WAS OUT OF THE ARMY
TOO, AND ANDY GAVE HIM AN ELOHIM CITY CARD." LYONS SAID THAT
STRASSMEIR WAS PROBABLY AT EC WHEN THE CALL FROM MCVEIGH CAME
IN. LYONS ALSO SAID HE ARRANGED FOR STRASSMEIR TO MOVE TO EC
SEVERAL YEARS AGO.

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IN A "DAILY OKLAHOMAN" ARTICLE DATED JANUARY 28, 1996,
LYONS STATED THAT STRASSMEIR RETURNED TO GERMANY AFTER LEAVING
THE EC COMPOUND. LYONS ALSO INDICATED THAT STRASSMEIR HAS

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BEEN INTERVIEWED BY A DEFENSE INVESTIGATOR WORKING ON MCVEIGH'S BEHALF.

[REDACTED] OF EC, HAS ALSO MADE STATEMENTS TO THE PRESS INDICATING THAT A RESIDENT OF THE COMPOUND TOOK A CALL FROM A MALE WHO DID NOT IDENTIFY HIMSELF. THE RESIDENT (NOT IDENTIFIED) STATED THE CALLER SAID HE MET ONE OF THEIR PEOPLE [REDACTED] AND WANTED TO KNOW IF HE COULD COME AND VISIT IN A WEEK OR SO. THE RESIDENT STATED [REDACTED] SAID HE DID NOT REMEMBER MEETING THIS PERSON AND SHE WAS UNSURE WHETHER THE CALL WAS RETURNED.

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b7c -2,-5,-6

LEADS. CHARLOTTE DIVISION AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN LIGHT OF THE ADMISSIONS MADE BY [REDACTED] TO THE PRESS, OKLAHOMA CP REQUESTS THAT HE BE THOROUGHLY INTERVIEWED REGARDING THESE STATEMENTS. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE FOLLOWING AREAS BE THOROUGHLY COVERED:

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1. MCVEIGH AND [REDACTED] MET AT [REDACTED] IN TULSA 1.5 YEARS AGO. (WHO ELSE WAS PRESENT; WHY WOULD [REDACTED] GIVE MCVEIGH THE NUMBER TO EC; ETC.)

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b7c -6

2. MCVEIGH AND [REDACTED] TRADED ITEMS (WAS [REDACTED] OR MCVEIGH EXHIBITORS OR WERE THEY JUST BARTERING?).

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3. [REDACTED] WAS AT EC WHEN THE CALL FROM MCVEIGH CAME IN, BUT HE KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT IT?

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4. [REDACTED] ARRANGED FOR [REDACTED] TO LIVE AT EC SEVERAL YEARS AGO (WHY? WHAT IS [REDACTED] ASSOCIATION WITH [REDACTED])

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IT IS ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS BE ASKED:

1. IF [REDACTED] IS [REDACTED] WHEN AND WHY DID HE LEAVE? WHO IS HE STAYING WITH?

2. IS HE COMING BACK [REDACTED] IF SO, WHEN?

3. WILL [REDACTED] ARRANGE FOR [REDACTED] TO BE INTERVIEWED?

b6 -5,-6

b7C -5,-6

4. WAS [REDACTED] STAYING FOR A PERIOD OF TIME AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WITH [REDACTED]

5. HAS [REDACTED] EVER MET MCVEIGH, [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

6. DOES HE KNOW OF ANYONE ASSOCIATED WITH THE CAUSE FOUNDATION WHO WOULD KNOW THESE SUBJECTS?

7. ON APRIL 26, 1995 [REDACTED] REPORTED TO THE FBI THAT

[REDACTED] MAY BE UNSUB #2 [REDACTED] INDICATED HE MET

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[REDACTED] ON APRIL 18, 1995, AT A BRANCH DAVIDIAN MEMORIAL

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SERVICE. QUESTION [REDACTED] AS TO WHY HE THINKS [REDACTED] COULD

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BE UNSUB #2. SAN ANTONIO DIVISION INTERVIEWED [REDACTED] AND DESCRIBED HIM AS HAVING A BEARD, THICK GLASSES, AND NOT APPEARING TO BE IDENTICAL TO UNSUB #2.

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8. WHERE WAS [REDACTED] ON APRIL 19, 1995?

DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS TO SA [REDACTED] OKLAHOMA CITY CP, TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

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