MESSAGE FROM FBI COUNTERTERRORISM DIVISION, WASHINGTON, D.C.

[NATIONAL THREAT WARNING SYSTEM—POTENTIAL ANTI-U.S. TERRORIST ATTACKS].

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IN RECENT WEEKS, THE U.S. INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY (USIC) HAS BEEN TRACKING AN INCREASED VOLUME OF THREAT REPORTING EMANATING FROM GROUPS ALIGNED WITH OR SYMPATHETIC TO USAMA BIN LADEN.

THE FBI HAS NO INFORMATION INDICATING A CREDIBLE THREAT OF TERRORIST ATTACK IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE POSSIBILITY OF ATTACK IN THE UNITED STATES CANNOT NOT BE DISCOUNTED. THE APPROACHING INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY ON 7/4/01 MAY FURTHER HEIGHTEN THE POTENTIAL THREAT IN THE UNITED STATES AND AGAINST U.S. TARGETS ABROAD.

BECAUSE OF THESE FACTORS, RECIPIENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO EXERCISE EXTREME VIGILANCE. SHOULD RECIPIENTS RECEIVE OR DEVELOP ANY INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THIS MATTER THEY SHOULD CONTACT THEIR LOCAL FBI OFFICE OR FBI HEADQUARTERS IMMEDIATELY.

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(Attachments)

2. PSWG attendee sign-in sheets.
4. NLETS message dated July 2, 2001, identical to the aforesaid teletype text.
PROTECTIVE SERVICES WORKING GROUP (PSWG)
MEETING HELD AT FBIHQ 7/9/01

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1 - Mr. Rolince
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
1 - GH:gh (10)
1 - Unit file (Liaison - PSWG)

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Updated Threats and Incidents
The information set forth below is updated information of current threats reported in previous editions.

No new updates

Previously Reported Threats and Incidents

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There is no record that this individual has departed the U.S.

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Other Related Intelligence

IRAN/HEZBOLLAH UNIT THREATS

No new items.

MIDDLE EAST UNIT THREATS

No new items.

DRV FROM: Multiple Sources

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--One was arrested in January 1995 in manila for his role in plot to attack u.s. Airlines and the pope was turned over to u.s. authorities and was placed in U.S. custody. (CIR 316/01731-01)

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