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DEA PHOENIX FD: FIM [b](b)(C),(b)(F)
DEA TUCSON DO: GS [b](b)(C),(b)(F)
DEA ATLANTA FD FOR FIM [b](b)(C),(b)(F)
DEA SAN DIEGO FD: FIM [b](b)(C),(b)(F)
DEA CHICAGO FD: FIM [b](b)(C)
DEA MIDLAND RO: RESIDENT AGENT IN CHARGE (RAC) [b](b)(C),(b)(F)
DEA ALPINE RO GS [b](b)(C),(b)(F)
DEA MEXICO CITY COUNTRY OFFICE (CO): ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTOR [b](b)(C)

SUBJECT: QFM7-10-9448; SOUTHWEST BORDER INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION PLAN
(CIUDAD JUAREZ (CDJ), CHIHUAHUA (CH), MEXICO (MX) VIOLENCE ASSESSMENT, SECOND EDITION)

REFERENCE (A): CDJ, CH, MX VIOLENCE ASSESSMENT, REFERENCE TELETYPE DTG: 232348Z NOV 09

SUMMARY:

THIS REPORT CONTAINS A SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS OF VIOLENCE WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN CDJ, CH, MX, AND SURROUNDING AREAS, DURING THE TIME FRAME OF NOVEMBER 2009 TO JULY 2010. THE VIOLENCE IN CDJ GOES BEYOND WHAT WAS ONCE PERCEIVED AS A BATTLE FOR CONTROL OF THE CDJ PLAZA.
REFERENCE (A) LISTED THREE CATEGORIES OF VIOLENCE AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY DEA AS DEFINED BY 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INTRA-CARTEL VIOLENCE IS A CARTEL'S METHOD OF SELF-POLICING. THIS TYPE OF VIOLENCE IS TYPICALLY THE RESULT OF INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS ENGAGED IN UNAUTHORIZED SMUGGLING, STEALING FROM THE CARTEL, CHANGING ALLEGIANCES, COOPERATING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, ACTIONS RESULTING IN UNWANTED ATTENTION ON THE CARTEL OR OTHERWISE BECOMING A LIABILITY TO THE CARTEL. THESE ACTIVITIES CONTINUE TO OCCUR THROUGH THE PERIOD OF CARTEL WARFARE. THE [REDACTED] CARTEL, IN PARTICULAR HAS BEEN HEAVILY ENGAGED IN POLICING THEIR RANKS.

GANG ON GANG:


OPPORTUNISTS:

5. THIS TYPE OF VIOLENCE CONSISTS PRIMARILY OF EXTORTIONS, VIOLENT ROBBERIES AND KIDNAPPINGS PERPETRATED BY INDEPENDENT CRIMINAL ELEMENTS WHO ARE NOT DIRECTLY ASSOCIATED TO DRUG TRAFFICKING. THE OPPORTUNISTIC CRIMINAL ELEMENT FULLY EXPLOITS THE STATE OF LAWLESSNESS IN A COMMUNITY AND THEREBY, EXACERBATING THE ALREADY HIGH LEVEL OF VIOLENCE. THIS TYPE OF CRIME IS OFTEN MISCONSTRUED AS DRUG RELATED VIOLENCE.

PREVALENT CATEGORIES OF VIOLENCE OCCURRING IN CDJ:

CARTEL VS GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO:
7. ON JUNE 20, 2010, THE MAYOR OF GUADALUPE, CH, A SMALL TOWNSHIP SOUTHEAST OF CDJ, WAS GUNNED DOWN BY UNKNOWN ASSAILANTS IN THE PRESENCE OF HIS WIFE AND CHILD AT HIS HOME IN CDJ. MAYOR JESUS MANUEL LARA RODRIGUEZ ALLEGEDLY MOVED TO CDJ BECAUSE DEATH THREATS AGAINST MEMBERS OF HIS COUNCIL STAFF IN GUADALUPE WERE INCREASING.


FURTHERMORE, REPORTING INDICATED THAT THE CAR BOMB WAS REMOTELY DETONATED WITH THE USE OF A CELL PHONE. A NARCOMANTA WAS FOUND IN CDJ ON JULY 19, 2010, WHICH WARNED OF MORE BOMB ATTACKS, THIS TIME USING 100 KILOS C-4 EXPLOSIVES, IF US LAW ENFORCEMENT FAILED TO PURSUE MEXICAN LAW ENFORCEMENT WHO SUPPORT THE (b)(7)(C) WITHIN A 15 DAY DEADLINE. (b)(7)(C)

ENFORCEMENT ARM OF THE (b)(7)(C) COMPRISED OF FORMER MEXICAN POLICE OFFICERS. AT THIS TIME IT IS BELIEVED (b)(7)(C) WAS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ATTACK. (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E)

GANON GANG:

10. TO REITERATE, THE (b)(7)(C) OPERATES SEMI-AUTONOMOUSLY UNDER THE OVERALL UMBRELLA OF AUTHORITY OF THE (b)(7)(C) HOWEVER, IS HEAVILY INVOLVED IN THE OPERATION OF NUMEROUS LOCAL DRUG SALES POINTS IN CDJ AS A MEANS TO GENERATE REVENUE FOR THE GANG'S OWN OPERATIONS. REFERENCE (A) DOCUMENTED THE HIGH LEVEL OF KILLINGS STEMMING FROM DRUG SALES POINTS THAT HAVE BEEN INFRINGED UPON BY BOTH (b)(7)(C) AND RIVAL GANG MEMBERS. DEA EPFD STRONGLY ASSESS THAT THIS TYPE OF VIOLENCE IS EXTREMELY PREVALENT AND OCCURS MULTIPLE TIMES ON A DAILY BASIS IN CDJ AS GANGS RESORT TO VIOLENCE TO CONTROL AND PROTECT THEIR DRUG SALES POINTS. (b)(7)(E)

11. THE (b)(7)(C) HIT SQUAD LACKS THE PROFESSIONALISM AND COORDINATION IN COMPARISON TO OTHER (b)(7)(C) HIT SQUADS, BUT HAVE BEEN UTILIZED BY THE (b)(7)(C) FOR ATTACKS AGAINST THE (b)(7)(C) THE (b)(7)(C) WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN EXECUTING SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE US CONSULATE IN CDJ IN MARCH 2010. (b)(7)(E)
OPPORTUNISTS:

13. THIS TYPE OF VIOLENCE IS DIFFICULT TO ASSESS BECAUSE IT CONSISTS PRIMARILY OF EXTORTIONS, VIOLENT ROBBERS AND KIDNAPPINGS PERPETRATED BY BOTH DRUG TRAFFICKERS AND NON-DRUG TRAFFICKERS ALIKE AND THEREFORE, IT IS DIFFICULT TO ASCERTAIN THE BACKGROUND OF PERPETRATORS OF THIS TYPE OF VIOLENCE. AS THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO STRUGGLE WITH CONTROLLING THE VIOLENCE, COPY CATS AND THE INDEPENDENT CRIMINAL ELEMENT RAPIDLY INVOLVE THEMSELVES IN THIS TYPE OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. THUS, THE KIDNAPPINGS, ASSAULTS AND ROBBERS HAVE EXPLODED IN CDJ, EXTORTED BUSINESSES RUN THE GAMUT FROM LARGE STORES, JUNKYARDS, FUNERAL HOMES, RESTAURANTS AND BARS TO BUS DRIVERS AND STREET VENDORS. PERPETRATORS OF THIS TYPE OF VIOLENCE HAVE EVEN VICTIMIZED TEACHERS IN CDJ WHO HAVE BEEN EXTORTED FOR THEIR CHRISTMAS BONUSES.

DEATH TOLL:


NEGATIVE IMPACTS ON CDJ ECONOMY

15. THE RAMPANT VIOLENCE AND EXTORTIONS OF BUSINESSES HAVE BEEN CATASTROPHIC TO THE CDJ ECONOMY. OVER 6,000 CDJ BUSINESSES HAVE CLOSED THEIR DOORS SINCE 2008 IN RESPONSE TO THE VIOLENCE.
AND EXTORTIONS. MANY OF THOSE BUSINESSES HAVE RELOCATED TO EL PASO. IN 2009, THE EL PASO HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE COUNSELED MORE THAN 200 CDJ BUSINESS PEOPLE LOOKING TO START OPERATIONS IN EL PASO.