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The purpose of this document is to identify the threats, vulnerabilities, and political or terrorist events that impact public safety, critical infrastructure, key assets and resources, and national governance within the District of Columbia, and that also have the potential to affect the security or national interests of the United States of America. The articles provided in this document will support the primary mission of the Washington Regional Threat and Analysis Center (WRTAC) in facilitating the efforts of protection, prevention, deterrine, response, coordination, communication, and policy.

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# 2009 INAUGURATION:

# **DC** Government Inauguration Information Website

The District of Columbia Government is providing updated information for the 2009 Presidential Inauguration on <u>www.inauguration.dc.gov</u> including a calendar of events, closure information, news, city services. A link is included for subscribing to text alerts. Updated street closure and traffic information is available at http://inauguration.dc.gov/getting\_there.asp or at http://app.ddot.dc.gov/services/traffic\_live/viewprojects.asp.

Source: D.C. Government

# FLIGHT ADVISORY National Special Security Event 2009 Presidential Pre-Inauguration Festivities

As a result of the planned 2009 Presidential Pre-Inauguration Festivities in Washington, DC on January 18, 2009, the FAA at the request of the Department of Homeland Security and Department of Defense as part of the airspace security measures will be modifying the Washington Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ) and Washington Metropolitan Flight Restriction Zone (FRZ) with additional flight restrictions between the hours of 1200-1800 local.

Pursuant to 49 USC 40103(B), The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) classifies the airspace defined in these NOTAMs as "National Defense Airspace". Any person who knowingly or willfully violates the rules concerning operations in this airspace may be subject to certain criminal penalties under 49 USC 46307. Pilots who do not adhere to the following procedures may be intercepted, detained and interviewed by Law Enforcement/Security Personnel. Any of the following additional actions may also be taken against a pilot who does not comply with the requirements or any special instructions or procedures announced in this NOTAM:

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- B) The United States government may pursue criminal charges, including charges under Title 49 of the United States Code, Section 46307; or
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View full Advisory at http://www.faa.gov/news/media/public\_advisory\_pre-inaugural\_2009.pdf.

For questions or further details, please contact FAA Air Traffic Systems Operations Security at 866-598-9522.

Source: Federal Aviation Administration

# Inauguration to Impact Metro Service for People with Disabilities, Senior Citizens Escalator/Elevator Availability, Metro Access Service Limited

Metro officials are cautioning people with disabilities and senior citizens about travel conditions they are likely to face when using Metrorail, Metrobus and MetroAccess on Inauguration Day and the days leading up to the event.

"Although Metrobus and Metrorail are fully accessible, and Metro is making every effort to ensure that this historic event is accessible to as many people as possible, security and environmental restrictions will make travel especially challenging for people with disabilities and senior citizens," said Christian T. Kent, Metro's Assistant General Manager of Access Services.

In the Metrorail system, riders may find it difficult to board packed trains and navigate crowded platforms. Many escalators will be turned off at strategic locations to help with crowd control, and customers will have to walk up or down escalators to enter or exit Metrorail stations. Elevator access is likely to be limited by large numbers of people attempting to use them.

Metrobus will operate special service on 23 "Presidential" corridors on Inauguration Day, but buses on local routes will likely be delayed by street closures and heavy traffic throughout the Washington region.

Metro officials are notifying MetroAccess customers traveling to the Inauguration to be prepared for lengthy delays throughout the service area due to heavy traffic and street closures and crowded conditions in the streets and sidewalks in downtown Washington, D.C.

"It will be extremely difficult for MetroAccess drivers to meet customers at prescheduled pick-up and drop-off locations in the District of Columbia," said Kent. "Customers might be required to walk considerable distances due to extensive street closures, and there only will be a small number of accessible restroom facilities available.

"We are advising customers that if they have any concern about being able to navigate or endure these conditions, they should avoid traveling into downtown Washington on these days," Kent said.

MetroAccess will operate its regular schedule on Sunday, January 18, and Monday, January 19, but with limited service to the National Mall area. Customers should expect delays.

On Tuesday, January 20, MetroAccess will operate its regular schedule, but with no service to Inauguration venues and limited, if any, door-to-door service, particularly in the downtown core. Customers should expect major delays throughout the service area.

MetroAccess subscription trips are cancelled, and all other trip reservations for the entire weekend are subject to cancellation if Metro determines that the trip would require MetroAccess to enter restricted or otherwise unserviceable locations.

Riders should sign up for special e-alerts dedicated to the Inauguration at http://www.wmata.com/inauguration. E-alerts will be issued when Metro has news relating to service throughout Inauguration weekend.

Source: Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

# **DIAC Situational Report - State of Delaware Inaugural Events (01/12/09)**

Beginning Friday, January 16, 2009, several events will occur across Delaware in preparation for the state's inauguration of Governor-elect Jack Markell and Lieutenant Governor-elect Matthew Denn. Some of Delaware's events will also coincide with the 2009 week-long Presidential Inaugural festivities.

State of Delaware scheduled inaugural events include:

- Friday, January 16, 2009 at 1900hrs, An Interfaith Prayer Service, Delaware Technical & Community College, Owens Campus, Georgetown, DE.
- Sunday, January 18, 2009 at 1930hrs, Celebration of the Arts, Grand Opera House, Wilmington, DE
- Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at 0001hrs, Swearing-In Ceremony, University of Delaware, Mitchell Hall, Newark, DE

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 at 1100hrs, Inauguration Ceremony, Legislative Hall, Dover, DE Additionally, Wilmington, DE will be one of the stops along the 2009 Presidential Whistle Stop Train Tour from Philadelphia, PA to Washington, D.C. on Saturday, January 17, 2009.

Throughout the remainder of this week and until the State of Delaware's inauguration ceremony, DIAC will provide daily Situational Reports of events and items of interest surrounding the 2009 inauguration. At this time, DIAC does not possess any information to suggest any domestic or international groups are planning to disrupt any of the activities surrounding the State of Delaware's inaugural events. All agencies are reminded to report any in-progress suspicious activity by calling "911" immediately. All other incidents can be reported to the Delaware Anti-Terrorism Tip Line by calling 1-800-FORCE-1-2 (367-2312) 24/7.

Source: Delaware Information & Analysis Center (DIAC)

# DEMONSTRATIONS, ACTIVITY, AND ISSUES: (Citywide)

(Special Note): While most of the below-listed information dates are concrete, information regarding activist's plans regarding these events is fluid, usually up until the event occurs.

#### <u>7 – 17 January – Vigil against Israeli Gaza Incursion at Hay Adams Hotel</u>

CODEPINK Calls for Vigil against Israeli Gaza Incursion at DC Hotel occupied by President Elect Obama Candlelight vigil protesting massacre in Gaza outside Obama's DC hotel.

WHAT: Nightly candlelight vigil to urge President-Elect Obama to speak out, call for ceasefire and stop killing of innocent Palestinians WHEN: 5:30 p.m. every evening WHERE: 16th and H Streets NW (St. John's Episcopal Church across from the Hay-Adams Hotel where Obama is staying) WHO: CODEPINK, other organizations and concerned Americans are gathering outside the Hay-Adams Hotel, where President-Elect Barack Obama is staying this week, to protest the illegal and brutal Israeli assault on Gaza and demand that he speak out against it and call for a ceasefire. We will vigil outside the hotel each night starting at 5:30pm.

#### **15-22 January – Veterans for Peace, Fellowship of Reconciliation, Douglas Mackey**

0800-1800 hrs 1000 participants will assemble to commemorate soldiers killed in Iraq near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

#### <u> 17 January – Grace Tabernacle Church</u>

1100-1500 hrs 3000 participants will assemble at the Washington Monument in support of POTUS Bush.

#### **<u>17-21 January – Presidential Inauguration Activities</u>**

Numerous Inauguration activities are scheduled to take place throughout the National Capital Region. Official events will begin with a Welcome Event on Sunday, followed by a community service day on Monday, Swearing-In Ceremony, Inaugural Parade, Luncheon, and numerous balls on Tuesday, and a prayer service on Wednesday.

#### **<u>19 January – Shoe Throwing at the White House- Anti-War Group (unidentified)</u></u>**

1100-1500 hrs According to the website, participants (total number unknown at this time) are encouraged to gather at the White House and throw shoes in response to the war in Iraq. Website: <u>http://shoebush.org/</u>

#### **20 January - ANSWER**

0600-1800 hrs 20,000 participants supporting the group ANSWER will assemble at various locations along the inauguration parade route for demonstrations.

#### 20 January – Washington Peace Center

0400-2200 hrs 1000 participants will assemble at various locations from Meridian Hill to McPherson Square in support of anti-war rally.

#### <u> 20 January – Yes We Can</u>

0700-1700 hrs 2000 participants will assemble for demonstrations at Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. between 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Streets in support of the group Yes We Can.

#### **<u>21 January – Casa De Maryland</u>**

1000-1900 hrs 2000 participants will assemble for an Immigration Rally in Franklin Square located at 13<sup>th</sup> and I streets, N.W.

#### 22 January – March for Life

0600 – 1900 hrs 100,000 participants are schedule to march from the National Mall to the U.S. Supreme Court in opposition of the <u>Roe vs. Wade</u> decision.

# **DISTRICT (Washington DC):**

## Assault on a Police Officer (Hit & Run): 1365 Wisconsin Avenue, NW

Officer report they responded to a call for Fraud at the above location. Upon arrival, officers observed a B/F exiting the listed location. Bank employees identified the B/F as the Suspect. The Suspect ran from police and got into a 2004 Volvo truck with Suspect (2). Suspect (2) while driving, pointed his vehicle in the direction of the officer attempting to strike her. The officer was able to elude the vehicle and escaped injury. Police initiated a pursuit. The Suspects, during their attempt to flee, struck four parked cars. Both Suspects bailed out of the vehicle at 3000 N Street, NW and fled on foot in an unknown direction. No officers were injured. Lookout for

Suspect (1): B/F, 5'9", 175lbs., short hair with twists, wearing a black coat and green sweater. Suspect (2): identified by license as Oluniyi Bankole, Adecokunbo, unknown clothing. CCN: 006-484.

# Armed Carjacking (Sharp Object): 2500 Porter Street, NW

Complainant reports that while parking his vehicle at the listed location, he was approached by the Suspect holding a sharp object. The Suspect announced the robbery. The Complainant immediately jumped out of his vehicle and ran away. The Suspect jumped into the Complainants vehicle and drove off. Suspect was last scene driving eastbound on Porter Street, NW. The Complainant was not injured. Lookout for Suspect: H/M, 5'5", 150lbs., approximately 40 years of age, armed with a sharp object, wearing a black jacket, black sweater and black glasses. Lookout for stolen vehicle: 1995 white Honda Accord, 4-door, bearing Virginia tag #JLA-1925. CCN: 006-598.

# Assault w/Intent to Rob (Gun): 7th and T Streets, NW

Complainant reports that after exiting the bus, he was approached by Suspect (1) who called Suspect (2-3) over to their location. Suspect (1) demanded money. Complainant informed Suspect that he did not have any money and entered the CVS store to locate a security guard for assistance. Security could not be found so he exited the location. All (3) Suspects following behind the Complainant. While walking the Complainant noticed his cousin (witness) and motioned for him to come over and help. At this time the Suspects fled the scene. Complainant further reports that while at 1825 8th Street, NW, Suspect (1) appeared with a red bandanna over his hand as if he had a (gun) and attempted the robbery again and punched him in the face with his fist. Suspect (1) left the scene on foot eastbound on T Street, NW, toward the Howard/Shaw Metro Station. Complainant was not injured from the assault or was any property obtained. Lookout for (3) B/M's, 5'9"-5'10", 16-19 years of age, wearing all black clothing with black masks, Suspect (1) possible armed with an unknown handgun. Possible video footage of the Suspects as they entered and exited the CVS store. CCN: 006-497.

Source: Metropolitan Police Department SOCC Report

# **REGIONAL (National Capital Region):**

## **Road Signs Theft**

The Shirley Contracting Company (located at 13750-T Barnsfield Drive) reported a theft of approximately 200 road signs. The gate lock had been cut. The signs were located in a storage container that was left unlocked and open. The signs were aluminum, most with an orange backing and all with some sort of construction or roadway symbol or phrase.

Source: Fairfax County Police Department.

# **NATIONAL:**

# Security without Empire: National Organizing Conference on Foreign Military Bases

Friday, February 27th 2009 4:00 Washington, DC USA

There is a sense of relief that many here in the U.S. feel after the presidential election, but we understand this is a time to step up our organizing for peace and economic justice - including the growing movement to close and withdraw the nearly 1,000 U.S. military bases located in foreign nations.

From Okinawa and Guam to Honduras, Germany, Iraq, and beyond people who have suffered from the abuses inherent to foreign military bases have been calling for their withdrawal. People in the U.S. have joined this call, outraged by the damage done by U.S. bases abroad and by their expense, which diverts \$138 billion a year from addressing human needs and revitalizing our economy. Representatives of 13 organizations have come together to organize a national conference or the closing and withdrawal of military bases. The goals of the conference are:

- Share information about U.S. foreign military bases and resistance;
- Develop new strategies and expand the U.S. anti-bases movement;
- Integrate anti-bases organizing into a more coherent movement; Raise the visibility of the U.S. and international anti-bases movements;
- Apply pressure on Congress;
- Close and reduce the number of foreign bases.

The conference will feature base opponents from many "host" nations and will include leading activists as keynote speakers, panelists and workshop facilitators.

Monday, March 2, will be a lobbying day on Capitol Hill, in which we encourage as many conference attendees as possible to participate. We'll provide talking points and group leaders.

#### Location:

American University Battelle - Tompkins, Room T-21 4400 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20016-8003

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Source: American Friends Service Committee

# Pennsylvania Machine Gun Heist

On 21 Dec 08, 26 firearms were stolen from a firearms dealer's vehicle in Upper Merion Township, Pennsylvania. The dealer had finished working at a gun show at the Valley Forge Convention Center and had stopped for dinner when the theft occurred. Stolen from the vehicle were 14 machine guns (fully automatic), 2 silencers, and 10 other rifles. A similar incident occurred on 21 Sep 08, where federally licensed individuals from Carmel, New York reported a break-in of their vehicle in the parking lot of a restaurant in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania. The dealers had been in the King of Prussia area to be a vendor and sell firearms at the Valley Forge Gun Show over the weekend of 19-21 Sep. At this time, 43 firearms were stolen and only one firearm has been recovered.

Source: ATF, 6 Jan 09

# **INTERNATIONAL:**

## **Starbucks Site Firebombed in London**

An attack was staged against a Starbucks coffee shop on Whitechapel Road, London between 2330- 0000hrs on the night of 12-13 January 2009, when three people threw bricks to smash the windows, before hurling a petrol bomb into the shop. Reports suggest that no-one was hurt in the attack and there were no customers in the premises which had already closed for the night.

However, the manager was reportedly trapped in the office at the time of the attack and saw the intruders smashing their way into the premises on the CCTV and had to stay hidden, reportedly then escaping through the fire escape at the back to raise the alarm. The fire damaged the carpet, tables and several glass panels but as the fire brigade were called early fire-fighters managed to prevent flames spreading to the rest of the building.

Scotland Yard have stated that one line of inquiry was that the incident was "racially motivated", followed by the fighting in Gaza and it was carried out by the Asian youths wearing dark tops that may have been seen outside a fast food restaurant earlier.

Police have also stated that just four hours earlier, possibly the same gang of youths hurled a brick at a Tesco delivery van half-a-mile away, then attacked the driver as he drove through Canon Street Road.

The driver was later treated for a head injury and needed seven stitches. The new Tesco Metro supermarket in Stepney's Commercial Road, only a mile away was targeted at the weekend when several windows were

Stepney's Commercial Road, only a mile away was targeted at the weekend when several windows were smashed and the words 'kill Jews' were daubed in paint.

#### Assessment

The attacks are being seen as part of a series of 'hate' incidents in Whitechapel which have included anti-Semitic graffiti, believed to be linked to protests over Israel's operations in Gaza.

The incident at Starbucks followed on from the action on 10 January 2009 against the Kennington

Starbucks shop, when a police steel barricade was thrown through the store window by pro-Palestinian supporters en-route to the Israeli Embassy protest that day. This has received much press coverage and praise from London based activists and could have encouraged further action against the company.

The site of the Whitechapel coffee shop is a mere 300 yards from East London's famous Brick Lane, an area with a high concentration of UK Muslims who have voiced their anger against companies seen to be supporting the Israeli State. The people in this constituency have a history of voting for the RESPECT Party run by George Galloway MP who has also recently called on supporters to "go to shopping centers and shut down Israel's shops" in what was believed to be a reference to retailers with links to Israel. The motive behind targeting Starbucks, apart from the fact it is a US company, is that the company's CEO, Chairman and President Howard Schultz is Jewish and has received numerous awards from the Israeli State over the years for his pro-Israeli stance and for Jewish entrepreneurship. Pro-Palestinian activists have voiced criticism of Starbucks for years because they claim that Schultz, donates money to the Israeli military. The targeting of certain shops has even reached the extent of activists vandalizing American named shops such as the attack against leather clothing retailer 'Top Gun' in Kensington on 10 January 2009. This shop is owned by an Iranian and had its windows smashed and pro-Gaza graffiti sprayed on its walls because of its perceived links to the USA.

The action was posted on activist communications with the signature of SMASH THE WAR MACHINE. It is possible that due to a recent gathering of pacifist anarchists in Edinburgh in November 2008 praising the actions of SMASH EDO and calling for more direct action across the UK that the Starbucks action could also be a direct result of a new wave of direct action. SMASH EDO preaches direct action violence to achieve their aims.

The following companies were then listed possible targets for sustained campaign: BAe, Raytheon, EDO, Carmel Agrexco, Ahava, Veolia, Starbucks, Tesco, Sainsbury's, Waitrose and M&S for links with Israel.

Each head office address was then listed, some incorrectly, with the intention of activists reading the post and them carrying out ad-hoc actions against each company. Such a tactic has a history of success with individuals but it is not expected to be able to generate mass numbers in the same way that a call by an organized group calling for protest action is able to do.

There have been a series of anti-Semitic attacks which have been prompted by the Israeli offensive in Gaza, and these are considered to be of relevance as they indicate the potential for any protest to see direct action as it may be hijacked by extreme elements. Assaults against Jews and arson attacks on

Jewish congregations have taken place in France, Sweden and the UK among others. In the UK, the

Community Security Trust, a Jewish defense group, said it had seen a rise in anti-Semitic incidents since the start of Israel's offensive against Hamas in Gaza. The group said it had recorded twenty to twenty-five incidents across the country in the past two weeks that it believed were connected with Gaza, including an arson attempt at the Brondesbury Park Synagogue in Northwest London on 04 January 2009.

Incidents included the burning of a London synagogue's door, an attack on a Jewish man in North London by three young Middle Eastern-looking men, anti-Semitic graffiti scrawled in Jewish neighborhoods and hate mail sent to synagogues. In one case, a group of fifteen to twenty young men who appeared to be of

Middle Eastern descent ran riot along the main street of the Jewish neighborhood Golders Green in

North West London, shouting anti-Semitic and anti-Israel slogans and entering Jewish restaurants along the street to harass diners.

It was revealed on 07 January 2009 that prominent Jews in Britain are being targeted as "financial supporters of Israel", and are being advised to review their security arrangements. This is significant as it indicates which groups involved in the pro-Palestinian protests are researching and targeting those who are perceived to be assisting and supporting the Israeli offensive. It is therefore possible that activists may research and target other individuals or companies who may be seen as supporting 'the war effort' such as those who have business relationships with the Israeli Government.

In France on 11 January 2009, two Molotov cocktails were hurled at a synagogue north of Paris, the latest attack in what France's interior minister called a "new wave" of anti-Jewish and anti-Muslim attacks over the

violence in Gaza. No one was hurt in the attack, for which no group or individual claimed responsibility, however it was the third time a Jewish place of worship had been targeted by violence in

France since Israel began their military operation in the Gaza Strip.

It cannot therefore be ruled out, and indeed, it may be expected that such violence will continue and quite possibly escalate as the Israeli incursion in Gaza continues. Further pro-Palestinian protests are expected to be planned in London as in other European cites against perceived pro-Israel companies and embassies and consulates. For this reason activists are expected to continue to hold vigils and protests outside the Israeli Embassy in Kensington, London as well as against companies' activists perceive to have links to Israel until a ceasefire has been announced to resolve the conflict.

It is possible that extremist elements responsible for anti-Semitic violence in London in recent days, may attempt to hijack future protests and carry out further direct action and vandalism and that their behavior in particular cannot be predicted as rogue elements are far less likely to adhere to the laws and restrictions regarding protest action.

#### **Recommendations**

The Inkerman Group recommends that management and staff be made aware of what is within the legal bounds of a peaceful protest and where possible be briefed on how to deal with any possible demonstrations that could take place outside the stores. It should also be stressed that they should avoid any confrontation or argument with demonstrators and should be aware of a company contact that any issues or questions can referred to.

Source: Inkerman Group

# **Terrorism Camp for Westerners**

An American who served time in Guantanamo Bay for terrorism offenses has recently told an Australian court that he trained in two remote Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT) camps with other Westerners. The man said that he went to Pakistan with three friends from the U.S. at the urging of an American cleric. He said that trainees underwent extensive physical training, and received instruction on how to use guns and rocket-propelled grenades. When they finished the six-week course in November 2001, the number of English-speaking foreigners had grown from 15 to 40. Lashkar e-Taiba

<u>**Recommendation**</u>: Be aware that terrorist identification is essential to our nation's security, which requires heightened vigilance by Department members.

Source: FDNY The Watchline

# FBI FIELD INTELLIGENCE GROUPS:

# 9 December 2008 Discovery of Radiological Dispersal Device Components, Literature, and Radioactive Material at the Maine Residence of an Identified Deceased US Person

On 9 December 2008, radiological dispersal device components and literature, and radioactive materials, were discovered at the Maine residence of an identified deceased USPER James Cummings. Cummings had possible ties to white supremacist groups.

On 9 December 2008, four one-gallon containers of 35 percent hydrogen peroxide, lithium metal, thermite, aluminum powder, beryllium, boron, black iron oxide, and magnesium ribbon were discovered at the Cummings' residence. (FBI comments: Literature on constructing 'dirty bombs'; information referring to cesium-137, strontium-90, and cobalt-60; and possible evidence linking James ((Cummings)) to white supremacist groups were also discovered.)

(Source comments: Amber ((Cummings)) admitted to the shooting death of her husband James Cummings citing years of mental, physical, and sexual abuse. Amber Cummings retained legal counsel upon being questioned by law enforcement about any involvement with white supremacists. James Cummings was reported to have inherited two million dollars and to have resided in multiple states prior to relocating to Maine.)

Amber ((Cummings)) indicated James was very upset with Barack Obama being elected President. She indicated James had been in contact with 'white supremacist group(s)'. Amber also indicated James mixed chemicals in the kitchen sink at their residence and had mentioned 'dirty bombs'. (Source comment: State authorities detected radiation emissions in four small jars in the residence labeled 'uranium metal', as well as one jar labeled 'thorium.' The four jars of uranium carried the label of an identified US company.) (FBI comment: Further preliminary analysis on 30 December 2008 indicated an unlabeled jar to be a second jar of thorium. Each bottle of uranium contained depleted uranium 238. Analysis also indicated the two jars of thorium held thorium 232.)

An application for membership in the National Socialist Movement, which had been completed by James Cummings was discovered.

FBI comments: Uranium, thorium, cesium-137, strontium-90, and cobalt-60 are radioactive isotopes.

35 percent hydrogen peroxide is a necessary precursor for the manufacture of peroxide-based explosives. Lithium metal, thermite, and aluminum are materials used to sensitize and amplify the effects of explosives.

The identified US Company in this report sold the depleted uranium online.

Source: FBI IIR 4 218 1563 09

# **Stolen Police Rifle and Equipment – Elkridge, MD**

On 14 January 2009 at 9:20 a.m., the MCAC Watch received information regarding the theft of a police rifle and equipment from a marked Howard County Police vehicle. The theft occurred between 13 January 2009 at 6:30 p.m. and 14 January 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in Elkridge, MD. The rifle is a semi-automatic Sig Sauer model 551, .223 caliber, with a serial number of 410046. The rifle is loaded with a 30 round magazine and another two

(2) extra magazines taken, for a total of 90 rounds. The support bar was reported to have the metal attachments, used to secure the locking mechanism to it, bent in a downward fashion. The locking mechanism, which secured the rifle, was missing. Also taken were a Howard County Police Department patrol baseball cap, two (2) pairs of black gloves, Galls lack patrol bag, a department issued black light, and a department issued magnifying glass, penlights and other miscellaneous equipment.

#### Guardian Record ID 121976 BA

## Second Report – Theft from Police Vehicle– Elkridge, MD

On 14 January 2009 at 12:45 p.m., the MCAC Watch received information from the Howard County Police department regarding ammunition taken from a police vehicle. The report is dated 14 January 2009 at 7:10 a.m. and occurred in Elkridge, MD., in the same area as the thefts reported in Guardian Record ID 121976 BA, Stolen Police Rifle and Equipment – Elkridge, MD. Taken from the vehicle was a full box of department issued Speer Gold Dot .40 cal.180 grain hollow point ammunition and a department issued black light. The vehicle's rear driver's side window and rear passenger brake light had been broken. The trunk lock was also damaged. The responding officer observed an empty weapons case, Field Procedures Guide binder, a bottle of cleaner and a Cingular cell phone box (without cell phone) outside the vehicle below the broken window.

Guardian Record ID 122005 BA

## \$4,000 Wired from the United Arab Emirates – Woodlawn, MD

On 14 January 2009 at 2:44 p.m., the FBI Baltimore Field Office received information from an identified complainant who stated that an identified subject has utilized his check cashing business to receive approximately \$4,000 in funds wired from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) over the last two months. The complainant advised that the subject provided a Maryland driver's license as well as a UAE identification card as required by the check cashing business. The complainant noted that the spelling of names on both photo ID's were inconsistent.

Guardian Record ID 121989 BA

## FIRE /HEALTH:

## **Local Concern of Pertussis**

Health officials in Hunterdon County have confirmed a dozen cases of whooping cough in youngsters. Nine cases of pertussis are in Clinton. The other three cases are in Readington, Union and Delaware townships. Officials say those who have the bacterial infection of the respiratory tract range in age from 7 to 12 years old. Health officials say symptoms usually include coughing fits that may be followed by whooping noises and vomiting. The health department says the contagious disease is usually spread through the air by close, indoor, repeated contact.

Source: Hunterdon County Department of Health

Analyst Comments: While there is no outbreak of Pertussis in the NCR at this time, the current outbreak in New Jersey and various parts of Canada, serves as a reminder to parents of young children to ensure all of

their vaccines are current. Pertussis, also known as whooping cough, is a serious bacterial infection of the respiratory tract. Pertussis is a contagious disease usually spread through the air by close, indoor, repeated contact with an infected person, typically by talking, coughing, or sneezing nearby. The illness starts with cold symptoms and a cough that gets progressively worse over 1-2 weeks and may last for months. Symptoms usually include a long series of coughing fits that may well be followed by whooping noises, vomiting, turning blue, or difficulty catching one's breath. Older children, adults, and very young infants may not exhibit the characteristic whoop sound. Coughing often intensifies at night, and cough medicines usually do not provide adequate relief. Symptoms and complications of pertussis generally are less apparent among older children and adults. Serious complications including pneumonia can result among all age groups due to pertussis infection. Although deaths related to pertussis are rare, they do occur, especially among young infants who have not yet started or completed the pertussis vaccinations. While up to approximately 30 percent of persons with pertussis require hospitalization, about 70 percent of these are infants under six months of age. Pertussis can infect anyone. The best way to control the spread of pertussis to the most at-risk population is to make sure that all children under age seven receive all their pertussis vaccinations on time. Coincidentally, the current outbreak affects children aged 7-9 for which there is no currently licensed vaccine. However, the licensed Tdap pertussis booster vaccine for persons 10-64 years of age may provide added protection against pertussis. Remember to cover your cough.

# **OFFICER SAFETY & AWARENESS:**



## **Blast Knuckles Stun Gun**

The stun gun shown boasts a 950,000 volt payload. The Blast Knuckles Stun Gun is shaped like and can be used much the same as "brass knuckles." Sold and promoted as a self-defense mechanism for joggers, women, etc., it is light weight and the grip is made of a rubberized coating. It has a safety switch and "ready for use" red LED light indicator plus a stun gun activation button that delivers a 950,000 volt shock.

On January 5th, 2009: Two patrol officers responded to a family disturbance. A juvenile male suspect was identified as:Sequeira, Marco h/m 05-26-1992

The subject fled the scene on foot before the officers arrival. Sequeira and his girlfriend both live at the address. Dispatch determined that Sequeira had a warrant for Failure to Appear/DWI. Officers located and tried to arrest Sequeira after he was seen with his girlfriend (the complainant) walking on Bitter Creek Dr. nearby. Officers had to fight him and, during the struggle, Sequeira attempted to retrieve what was later found to be a "Blast

Knuckles" stun gun (pictured above) from his waist band. He was arrested for the warrant and Carrying an Unlawful Weapon.

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This weapon is produced by Max Armory and is available to the public on line and in gun stores and costs between \$39.99 and \$52.99. It is unknown at this time where Sequeira obtained or purchased the Max brand Blast Knuckles.

Source: Austin Police Department Intelligence Unit

# CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL, RADIOLOGICAL, NUCLEAR, & EXPLOSIVE:

#### Nothing to Report

## **SIGNIFICANT DATES:**

- 19 Jan Martin Luther King's Birthday
- 20 Jan Presidential Inauguration
- 26 Jan Chinese New Year
- 1-28 Feb Black History Month
- 1 Feb Chinese New Year Parade, Chinatown, Washington, DC
- 1 Feb Super Bowl XLIII, Tampa, FL
- 16 Feb Ford's Theater Reopening, Washington, DC
- 16 Feb Presidents Day Holiday
- 19-21 Feb Washington, DC Boat Show, Washington Convention Center
- 24 Feb Fat Tuesday/Mardi Gras
- 25 Feb Ash Wednesday

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