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FBI Atlanta Intelligence Note from Domain Management Intelligence Related to the Black Separatist Threat October 07, 2009

Approval:

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Subject: (U/FOUO) Black Separatist Threat within the Atlanta Division Area of Responsibility

Summary:

(U//FOUO) The Atlanta Domain Team assesses with moderate confidence the

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Scope:

(U//FOUO) This domain intelligence note identifies and assesses the black separatist presence and threat to the Atlanta Division's area of responsibility (AOR). Information is current as of 25 September 2009.

(U) The following information was utilized for this domain note: FBI Atlanta information on black separatists, to include source reporting, assessments, and case files; interviews of FBI Atlanta agents and analysts; FBI reporting on black separatists; and open source data to include US Census Data, Southern Poverty Law Center information, and additional Internet searches.

(U/FOUO) This information addresses requirements contained in ______ The Atlanta Domain Team submitted Intelligence Information Needs (IINs) identified in this domain note to the Collection Management Team for further review.

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Key Judgments¹

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Background:

(U//FOUO) The Atlanta Division encompasses the State of Georgia and is home to over nine million diverse residents. The chart below depicts the population increases among the white and black/African American populations in Georgia from 2000 to 2005-2007, according to US Census data; it also includes estimated population percentages for 2015.¹ Historically, black separatist groups have maintained a presence within Atlanta's area of responsibility (AOR). From 1998 to 2001, Khalid Abdul Muhammad, a former leader within Nation of Islam, operated in Atlanta and was the national leader of the New Black Panther Party (NBPP), leading it in a more radical and potentially more violent direction.

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NBPP members have been and continue to be active in the NBPP organization.²

	2000 census	% of total	2007 census	% of total	2015 Estimate
	data	GA pop	data	GA pop	% of total pop
		(2000 data)		(2007 data)	
White	5,327,281	65.1	5,918,880	62.0	59
Black	2,349,542	28.7	2,855,189	29.9	28
Other	509,630	6.2	770,681	8.1	13
Total GA	8,186,453	100%	9,544,750	100%	100%

Details:

(U) The known black separatist extremist groups operating within Atlanta's AOR are the New Black Panther Party (NBPP) and the Nation of Islam (NoI). In addition to these

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ⁱ (U) High Confidence generally indicates that judgments are based on high-quality information from multiple sources or from a single highly reliable source, and/or that the nature of the issue makes it possible to render a solid judgment.

⁽U) Medium Confidence generally means that the information is credibly sourced and plausible, but can be interpreted in various ways, or is not of sufficient quality or corroborated sufficiently to warrant a higher level of confidence.

⁽U) Low Confidence generally means that the information's credibility and/or plausibility is questionable, the information is too fragmented or poorly corroborated to make solid analytic inferences, or that the FBI has significant concerns or problems with the sources.

groups, there is also the potential for an individual with similar ideology to conduct extremist activity within Atlanta's AOR.

(U) New Black Panther Party (NBPP)

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(U) Augusta: Although past reporting	
According to Augusta RA reporting,	
. Most recently in December 2008, NBPP members conducted a protest against the police officers' killing	
of a black individual in the Cherry Tree housing projects area of Augusta. During the	b6 b7C
media reporting on this incident,	
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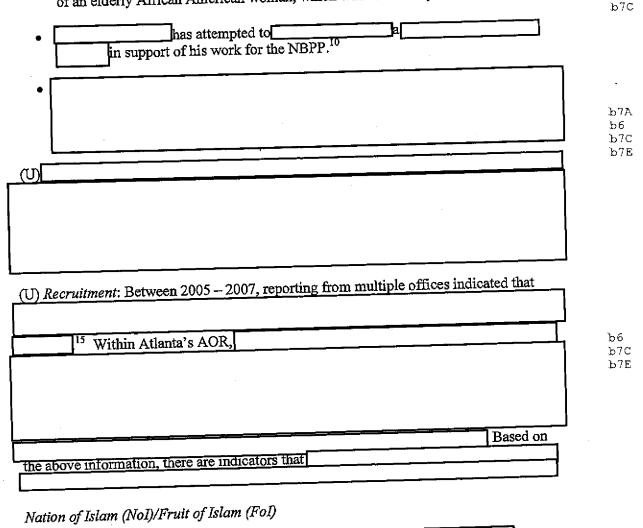
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• (U) In July 2006, NBPP members were noted at former Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney's side during the elections. There were also reports from the news

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media that individuals dressed in NBPP uniforms assaulted reporters when they approached McKinney for comments.⁸ In addition, in November 2006, NBPP initiated a protest and rally following the shooting death by Atlanta police officers of an elderly African American woman, which was covered by the media.⁹

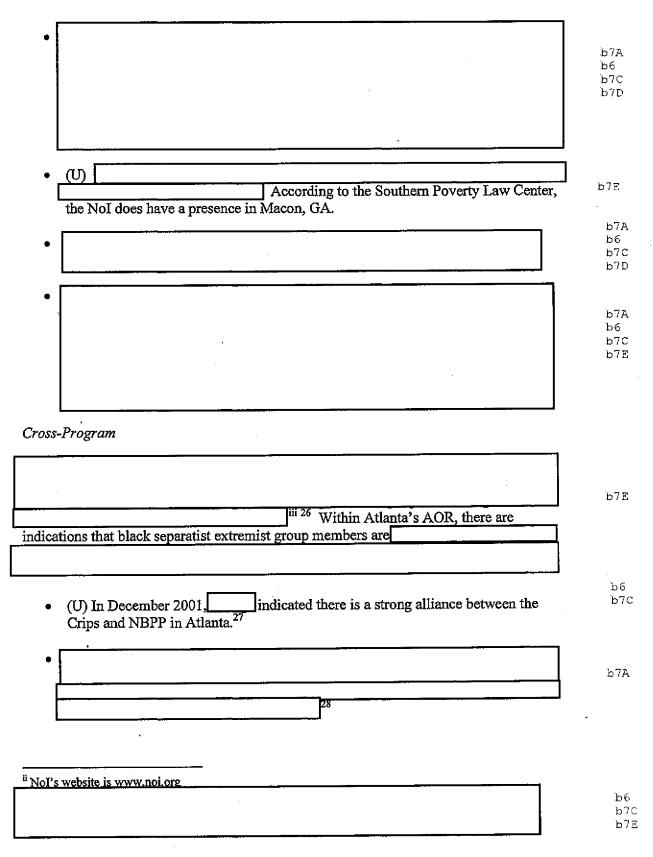


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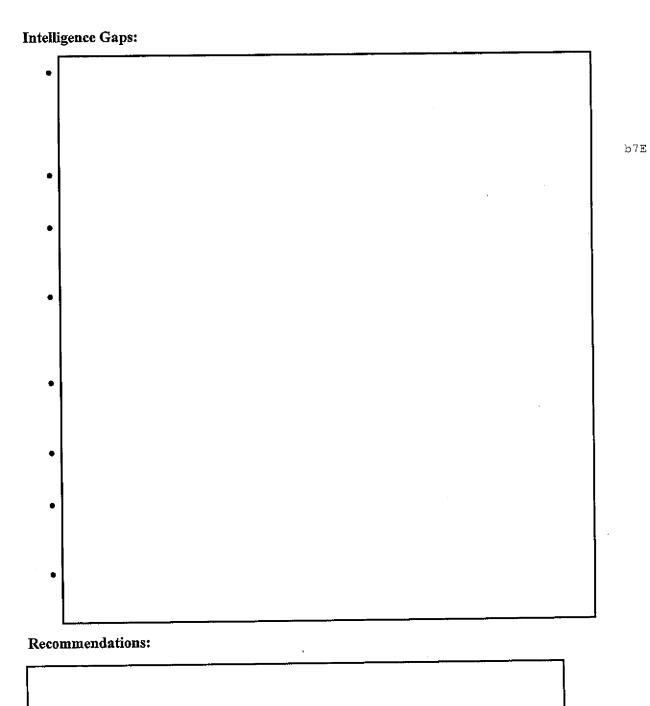
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Appendix A: Threat Justification Matrix

			Confidence	Description
		Threat Level	Level	Description
	Physical Means/Tools			
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Capability	Sophistication			
	Association			
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Intent	Risk			
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Vulnerability	Access			

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(U) Black Separatist Threat Assessment Table

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Capability	Low	Medium	High
Physical Means/Tools	Has identified tools and/or needs	Has the ability to readily obtain materials or already has some materials	Possesses requisite materials and tools
Knowledge	Actors rarely exhibit a specialized skill set and do not seek training	Actors occasionally exhibit a specialized skill set but are actively seeking training related to that skill set	Actors routinely exhibit a specialized skill set and actively seek training related to skill set
Sophistication	Actors have little or no organizational structure, exhibit a limited if not absent ability to adapt and/or modify their techniques	Actors occasionally employ highly structured, long term plans, rarely exhibit an ability to adapt and/or modify their techniques as appropriate	Actors routinely employ highly structured, long- term plans, regularly exhibiting an ability to adapt, modify their techniques as appropriate and avoid detection
Associations	Actors have no connections to persons of concern to the FBI or Intelligence Community	Actors have connections to persons of concern to the FBI or Intelligence Community within Domain	Actors have multiple connections to persons of concern to the FBI or Intelligence Community within and outside domain

(U) Domain Management Threat Assessment Methodology

Intent	· Low	Medium	High
Activity	Actors have vocalized desires but has taken little or no action to achieve goal	Actors have occasionally taken some action to achieve goal	Actors have made continuous and dedicated actions to achieve goal
Acceptance of Risk	Avoids Risk	Willingness to accept minimal risk	Willing to accept substantial risk

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Criticality	Low	Medium	High
Violence	Aggression and violent actions rarely result in death or psychological trauma	Aggression and violent actions typically result in moderate loss of life or bodily harm or is expected to result in severe psychological trauma	Aggression and violent actions typically result in substantial loss of life or severe bodily harm and often include collateral damage
Economic Impact	Actor(s) poses to exact thousands of dollars in loses to US entities	Actor(s) poses to exact millions to tens of millions of dollars in losses to US entities	Actor(s) poses to exact hundreds of millions to billions of dollars in losses to US entities
National Security	Actor(s) specifically targets US entities, potentially resulting in damage to US national security, regional infrastructure or the nation's critical infrastructure	Actor(s) specifically targets US entities, potentially resulting in serious damage to US national security or the nation's critical infrastructure	Actor(s) specifically targets US entities, potentially resulting in grave damage to US national security or the nation's critical infrastructure
Public Trust	Actions affect local levels of public trust only	Actions affect regional levels of public trust only	Actions affect national levels of public trust

Vulnerability	Low	Medium	High
Target Richness	Traditional singular targets	Traditional type pf target but many them in domain	Non-traditional targets, many potential targets in domain
Defenses	Well-protected and difficult to exploit	Simple security that requires threat to have a plan and basic level of skill to overcome	No defenses, target easily attacked or compromised
Access	Actor(s) do not have access to target	Actor(s) have indirect access or the potential to obtain direct access to target	Actor(s) have direct access to target

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Appendix B: Common Operational Pictures (COPS)	
(U/FOUO) The Atlanta Domain Team produced a COP comparing the	
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End Notes:	
¹ Office of Planning and Budget: Policy, Planning, and Technical Support, "Georgia 2015 Population	
Projections," dated 2005 ² FBI documents, 100A-WF-232405, serial 215, dated 04 January 2006, and 100A-AT-94658, serial 269,	
dated 23 November 2004. ³ FBI Augusta RA reporting and The Augusta Chronicle, "200 March After Elmore's Funeral," by Johnny	
The The service of 22, 2008 (http://chronicle.aligusta.com/stories/2000/12/2/11/00 00000 (http://chronicle.aligusta.com/stories/2000/12/2/11/00 00000000)	
A Refer to 266A-AT-96326 for additional information, closed November 2004.	
⁵ FBI EC, 100A-AT-94658, serial 229, dated 31 March 2004.	
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⁷ EPLI etterhead Memorandum (LHM), 100A-WF-232405, serial 215, dated 04 January 2000.	
8 CDT EC 201E-AT-101762 serial 75, dated 20 March 2007.	
⁹ FBI EC, 100A-WF-232405, serial 202, dated 13 December 2006. ¹⁰ FBI LHM, 100A-WF-232405, serial 215, dated 04 January 2006.	
¹¹ FBI LHM, 100A-WF-232405, serial 215, dated 04 Junuary 20001	
¹¹ FBI EC. J dated 02 August 2007. ¹² FBI 302. dated 09 May 2007.	b7E
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¹⁴ FBI source reporting from a collaborative source with good access,	200
dated 14 May 2009. ¹⁵ FBI documents, 100A-AT-232405, multiple serials, dated 2005 – 2007.	
¹⁵ FBI documents, 100A-A1-232403, multiple sectors, duret 2002. ¹⁶ FBI LHM, 100A-AT-94658, serial 1, dated 27 September 2002.	
¹⁷ FRI Situational Intelligence Report "(II//FOLIO)	b7E
dated 19 February 2009.	
¹⁸ FBI documents, 11/2006, dated	b7A
¹⁹ FBI source reporting from a collaborative source with good access dated	
14 May 2009. ²⁰ FBI source reporting from a collaborative source with good access,dated	
06 May 2009. ²¹ FBI source reporting from a collaborative source with good access,dated	
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²³ FBI source reporting from a collaborative source with good access, dated	
06 May 2009. ²⁴ FBI documents, 801F-AT-101762, serial 75, dated 26 March 2007, and 801E-AT-101760, serial 89,	b7P
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²⁶ FBI LHM, 100A-WF-232405, serial 215, dated 04 January 2006.	

²⁷ FBI LHM, 100A-AT-94658, serial 1, dated 27 September 2002.

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²⁸ FBI EC. dated 05 June 2009.	•	b7A
²⁹ FBI 302, 266A-AT-96326, serial 45, dated 01 October 2004.		
³⁰ FBI LHM, 100K-DE-103300, serial 3, dated 08 October 2008.	·	
³¹ FBI source reporting from a collaborative source with good access	نه, <mark></mark>	
dated 09 February 2009.	•	
³² FBI LHM, 100K-DE-103300, serial 3, dated 08 October 2008.		
³³ FBI EC dated 18 June 2009.		

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