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PHYSICAL SECURITY

AMBER / FOUO | ST, PT AND OTRB ISACS SPECIAL REPORT: HOMEGROWN VIOLENT EXTREMISTS (HVES). "In light of recent incidents and reports involving homegrown violent extremists (HVEs) in Europe and North America, the Surface Transportation (ST), Public Transportation (PT), and Over the Road Bus (OTRB) ISACs are providing this special report for your general security awareness… Through the aggressive use of modern technology, including the internet, terrorist leaders began to employ what is commonly referred to as the leaderless resistance model of terrorism favored by other terrorist movements, including white supremacist and environmental extremist groups. For decades this model encouraged individuals and groups already residing in the West to rise up and launch attacks on their own at home. Although these homegrown violent extremists (HVEs) generally lack some of the technical capabilities of their predecessors, their limited direct involvement with formalized terrorist groups complicates government efforts to identify and thwart potential attacks before they occur…" The complete ST, PT AND OTRB ISACs special report is attached.

AMBER / FOUO | FBI: SOVEREIGN CITIZEN EXTREMISM—A PRIMER. "Sovereign citizen ideology is a belief system that leads adherents to reject their US citizenship and government authority. The ideology is based upon a conspiracy-laden view of the past and interpretation of historical documents fundamental to American history such as the Declaration of Independence, US Constitution, Bill of Rights, Articles of Confederation, various treaties and Supreme Court decision. This primer identifies basic ideological beliefs and common claims made by sovereign citizens, understanding these differ by individual and change over time. Sovereign citizen claims thus often appear nonsensical, incomplete, and at times, contradictory..."

AMBER / FOUO | KENTUCKY INTELLIGENCE FUSION CENTER: ANALYSIS OF POTENTIAL THREATS TO LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY-AREA LODGING ESTABLISHMENTS DURING THE 141st KENTUCKY DERBY AND FESTIVAL. "This document was prepared to provide awareness of potential threats to

Louisville, Kentucky-area lodging establishments during the 141st Kentucky Derby and Festival. It is intended to support the 'See Something Say Something' suspicious activity campaign and the safety and security efforts of government and private sector partners in deterring, preventing, and responding to potential threats during the 141st Kentucky Derby and Festival. Key Judgments:

- The KIFC assess the threat to Louisville, Kentucky-area lodging establishments during the 141st Kentucky Derby and Festival as low due to a lack of current, credible threat reporting and no trend line indicating a domestic threat against the lodging sector.
- International terrorist organizations and homegrown violent extremists (HVEs) likely view lodging establishments as legitimate attack targets because of the potential to cause mass casualties, the destruction to property, and the opportunity to create significant economic consequences. The wealth of targets in the United States however makes it difficult to predict exactly where a terrorist may strike.
- Commercial facilities such as restaurants, hotels, entertainment facilities, and other areas of mass gathering have been identified by terrorists as desirable targets. Facilities near mass gatherings or iconic landmarks could also possibly be impacted by secondary effects of explosive devices or shooting attacks.
- Aspirational terrorists planning to attack a lodging establishment, such as a hotel, within the United States would most likely utilize small arms and explosives.
- Implementation of a variety of protective measures, remaining alert to potential indicators of terrorist activity—along with promptly reporting such activity—may aid in deterring an incident."

AMBER / FOUO | NEW YORK STATE INTELLIGENCE CYBER BULLETIN: TERRORIST GROUP UTILIZES SOCIAL MEDIA TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL TARGETS IN THE UNITED STATES. "Media sources have reported that an online group claiming affiliation with the Islamic State (or ISIS) terrorist group has threatened members of the American military and their families. The threats were conveyed after the group posted an online list containing the names, addresses, and photos of 100 US service members with a call to kill those members. This latest threat follows a pattern of terrorist groups calling for attacks against military, law enforcement and other government personnel…"

AMBER / FOUO | NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND PREPAREDNESS: AL-QAEDA INFLUENCE OVER GLOBAL NODES WANING. "Al-Qaeda is struggling to maintain leadership over affiliates because of the growing appeal of the Islamic State (IS), the impact of military operations in the Middle East and North Africa, and the affiliates' prioritization of regional rather than global aims. In the next year, we assess al-Qaeda's diminished oversight of its affiliate network will reduce the group's ability to recruit, fundraise, and strike the West, including the United States…" The complete product is attached.

AMBER / FOUO | NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND PREPAREDNESS: AL-QAEDA WOULD STRUGGLE TO FILL AL-NUSRAH FRONT VOID. "Al-Qaeda would lose access to vital territory in Syria and further struggle in its efforts to regain the vanguard of the global jihad if the Syria-based al-Nusrah Front officially split from it. On 4 March, Western press reported that al-Nusrah was contemplating severing ties with al-Qaeda because it was seeking financial and materiel support from the Qatari Government. Doha supports al-Nusrah's fight against the Syrian Assad regime and wants to bolster al-Nusrah's capabilities vis-à-vis the group's rival, the Islamic State (IS)…" The

complete product is attached.

AMBER / FOUO | **NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND PREPAREDNESS: ISLAMIC STATE SUPPORTERS USING FUNDRAISING SCHEMES.** "Fundraisers for the Islamic State of Iraq (IS) recently have employed fraudulent tactics to solicit college students and pension holders for donations. To date, there have been no Suspicious Activity Reports in New Jersey related to these activities…" The complete product is attached.

OTHER PHYSICAL SECURITY PRODUCTS AVAILABLE ON THE RE-ISAC SECURE PORTAL:

- AMBER / FOUO |**TENNESSEE FUSION CENTER: INCREASE IN SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING INVOLVING US ARMED FORCES RECRUITING STATIONS AND MILITARY PERSONNEL IN TENNESSEE (27 MAR)**
- AMBER / FOUO | **NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND PREPAREDNESS: (MAP OF) SYRIA AND IRAQ FOREIGN FIGHTER SOURCE COUNTRIES (17 MAR)**
- AMBER / FOUO | **BOSTON REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER: SECURITY BRIEF (26 MAR)**
- AMBER / FOUO | **MSA ANALYSIS: GERMANWINGS CO-PILOT DELIBERATELY BROUGHT DOWN PLANE (26 MAR)**
- AMBER / FOUO **| MSA ANALYSIS: ONE DEAD IN FORT MEADE BREACH ATTEMPT (30 MAR)**

CYBERSECURITY

AMBER / FOUO | **CIS/MS-ISAC CYBER ALERT: UPDATED - ACTOR @VIKINGDOM2015 TARGETING STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEBSITES**. "On March 30, 2015, Vikingdom posted a new threat on Soundcloud, threatening to once again target all U.S. websites. The Center for Internet Security/Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC) assesses this threat is moderately credible based on the group's previous activity and typically successful track record. Since March 16, 2015, Vikingdom has claimed distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks against at least 40 state and local government websites in 27 states…" The complete Center for Internet Security (CIS) and Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC) product is attached.

GREEN / FOUO **| VFC CYBER WIRE.** "This weekly report contains information received or collected from open source websites, local, state, and federal agencies, and private sector partners." Content: Significant News & Updates (Cyber Actors Stealing Sensitive Business Data; Encrypted Messaging Application May Facilitate Illegal Activity; Scammers Posing as the Virginia Office of Attorney General in Emails; TeslaCrypt Ransomware on the Rise, Gaming Attacks Trending; New Point-of-Sale Malware PoSeidon Exfiltrates Card Data to Russia; DDoS Attacks Distracting Security Teams With Shorter Attacks); Vulnerability & Intrusion Updates; Trends & News in Social Media; /Root/ - Review of Online Terminology.

AMBER / FOUO | **PACIC: SOCIAL ENGINEERING, PHISHING ATTACKS, AND ONLINE SCAMS.** "Social engineering is a method cyber attackers use to deceive victims into performing an action that compromises information technology, such as opening malicious webpages or downloading malicious file attachments. Attackers use human interaction and social skills to obtain or compromise personal data or information about an organization and its computer systems.

Attackers might seem unassuming and respectable, claiming to be new employees, support personnel, or researchers. Some attackers even provide fraudulent credentials to support their identity. By interacting with their victims and asking questions, attackers can possibly piece together enough information to infiltrate an organization's network, steal or compromise personal, financial, and/or other sensitive data. When attacking an organization, multiple employees might be targeted in order to obtain all of the necessary information…"

OTHER CYBER PRODUCTS AVAILABLE ON THE RE-ISAC SECURE PORTAL:

- **AMBER / FOUO |PENNSYLVANIA CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER: CYBER REPORT (APR 2015)**

NATURAL HAZARDS

OTHER NATURAL HAZARDS PRODUCTS AVAILABLE ON THE RE-ISAC SECURE PORTAL:

- **AMBER / FOUO |DHS NATIONAL PROTECTION AND PROGRAMS DIRECTORATE: CURRENT SITUATION REPORT-FIRE AT EXXON MOBIL PLANT (30 MAR)**

OTHER / Nothing Significant to Report

Respectfully,

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