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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 09/21/2001

To: National Security  
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New York

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Attn: NS-2C, SSA [redacted]  
SA [redacted]  
I-21, SA [redacted]

From: Philadelphia  
Squad 13

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Case ID #: (S) [redacted] (Pending)

Title: (S) [redacted] PENTTBOMB

Synopsis: (U) ~~(S)~~ Report results of interviews with [redacted]  
[redacted].

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~~(U) ~~(S)~~ Derived From: G-3  
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(S) ~~(U) ~~(S)~~ [redacted]~~

Details: (U) ~~(S)~~ Information provided by FBI Newark indicated that [redacted] and [redacted] presently detained at the York County Detention Center by INS in York County, Pennsylvania, were associated with 5 Israeli Nationals who were being detained in the New York City area for possibly having prior knowledge of the captioned terrorist attacks. [redacted] and [redacted] are employed by the same company, Urban Moving Systems, Inc., as the New York detainees.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ [redacted], DOB [redacted], was interviewed by FBI Philadelphia on 09/17/2001 and 09/21/2001 with the following results.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On March 21, 2001, [redacted] arrived in U.S. on a 6-month Visa and went directly to Brooklyn, NY. [redacted] stayed in the Jewish-Israeli part of town, residing at a place called "Rivka" (ph). He came to the U.S. to travel as a tourist. He

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came with a friend, [redacted] LNU. He has no family in the U.S. He toured Manhattan, Brooklyn, went sightseeing and shopping. [redacted] stayed here 2-3 weeks.

(U) ~~(S)~~ On approximately April 12, 2001, [redacted] flew to Miami, FL. Israeli's in NY said he should visit Miami to have some fun during his stay in the U.S. While in Miami, he lived with [redacted] (ph) [redacted] and [redacted] in an apartment belonging to [redacted], at [redacted] FL. An Israeli he met in NY arranged for him to stay with [redacted]. Here, [redacted] met [redacted]. He went to clubs and bars and stayed there 3-4 weeks.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On approximately May 10, 2001, [redacted] returned to Brooklyn and rented a room on [redacted] and Quentin, where he stayed for 1 month.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On approximately June 10, 2001, [redacted] returned to Miami and stayed again with [redacted] obtained a Florida Driver's license during this visit, with issue date of July 31, 2001. [redacted] states his reason for getting a driver's license was to cut down on transportation costs and borrow a friend's car to drive places. [redacted] stayed with [redacted] for 1-2 weeks.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Sometime after July 31, 2001, (based on the issue date of the driver's license), [redacted] returned to New York to the same rented room as before. By this time, [redacted] girlfriend, [redacted] had joined him in New York from Israel. A business card for [redacted] was found in his belongings, indicating that she had a job as a sales associate for [redacted] New York, telephone [redacted], Ext. 205. [redacted] refused to admit that this card belonged to his girlfriend and insisted that she did not work in the U.S. [redacted] did state, though, that [redacted] had family in the Brooklyn area.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Sometime in the beginning of August, 2001, [redacted] visited Massachusetts with a friend of [redacted] named [redacted] (ph) LNU. They didn't visit a city, but a place with a lake in the countryside, the name of which [redacted] could not recall.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On approximately August 27, 2001, [redacted] and [redacted] were both in Brooklyn. [redacted] worked for Urban Moving Systems, Inc., Weehauken, New Jersey, and asked [redacted] for help in a furniture delivery to Arkansas.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On September 10, 2001, [redacted] agreed to help [redacted] with another furniture delivery to Ohio. [redacted] and [redacted] visited the Urban Moving Systems storage location (same as the office location) in Weehauken, New Jersey, on the same day to pick-up the furniture. They departed New Jersey Monday evening, driving a Penske truck. At 11:30 pm, they were stopped by the Pennsylvania State Police for a traffic violation, on the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On September 11, 2001, [redacted] and [redacted] arrived in Worthington, Ohio, to deliver furniture. At the customer's residence, they saw on television what has happened in New York with regard to the hijackings. They subsequently contacted their friends and family to inquire about their safety. FBI Philadelphia contacted the customer, [redacted] [redacted] Ohio, telephone number [redacted], who verified [redacted] statements.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ A toll receipt was later found in the Penske truck indicating that they entered the Chicago Skyway at 8:00 pm on September 11, 2001. [redacted] denied being in Chicago, although, perhaps he did not understand the question, as his English is limited. FBI Philadelphia contacted [redacted] [redacted] Illinois, telephone number [redacted] informed Philadelphia that two Middle Eastern males delivered two chairs and a table to his residence at approximately 10:00 pm on September 11, 2001. Evanston is located just north of Chicago.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ On September 12, 2001, returning home to New Jersey, through Pennsylvania, they were stopped again by the Pennsylvania State Police and detained upon learning of their employment with Urban Moving Systems. After examining their passports and other documentation, INS took custody of [redacted] and [redacted] and they were transported to the York County Detention Center in York, Pennsylvania.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ [redacted] was born near Haifa, Israel. After finishing 12 years of school, he served his required 3 years in the Israeli Army. His service included 1 year in Lebanon and 2 years doing security work within Israel. [redacted] was discharged from the Israeli Army approximately 5 years ago and has been working for Electra, selling television and air conditioning parts. He planned to take the entrance exam for the university in October, 2001. [redacted] was asked about [redacted] [redacted] and stated that they wouldn't want him anyway because he wasn't "motivated" (or strong) enough. [redacted] stated that he

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didn't receive any specialized training and did not have a security clearance.

(S) ~~(S)~~ Butbol took a polygraph and showed deception, with the most reaction to question [redacted]

[redacted] After the polygraph, [redacted] admitted to being untruthful regarding his employment status (he stated he wasn't getting paid by Urban Moving, but only helping [redacted]..later, he admitted that he was, in fact, getting paid directly by Urban Moving), the employment status of his girlfriend (he stated that she didn't work at all and was visiting from Israel...he later admitted that she did work in the U.S. selling jewelry, but didn't want to get her in trouble). When questioned about whether he was untruthful about matters pertaining to the terrorist incident, [redacted] said absolutely not.

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~~(S)~~ Based on the polygraph results and upon learning new information from FBI Newark, [redacted] was re-interviewed on 09/21/2001. During the subsequent interview, [redacted] admitted that he was working for Urban Moving Systems and was getting paid in cash for his services. [redacted] also admitted that his girlfriend did work in New York [redacted] reiterated [redacted]

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(S) [redacted]

~~(U)~~ More information was ascertained regarding Urban Moving Systems during the subsequent interview. [redacted] stated that Max Movers is the same company as Urban Moving. [redacted] stated that [redacted] LNU, who is half Israeli and half Chinese, perhaps, although he did speak Hebrew. [redacted] wife, name unknown, an Israeli National, also works for Urban Moving. There is an Israeli male named [redacted] LNU who works dispatch and who is usually there every morning between 7-7:30 am. There are also between 10-12 Russians who work at Urban Movers as helpers, periodically.

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~~(S)~~ Based on the information provided by [redacted] during the second interview as well as documentation seized by FBI Newark during the search of the Penske truck, it was determined [redacted] was being truthful [redacted]

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(S) [redacted] and did not have any prior knowledge of the terrorist attacks that occurred on 09/11/2001. [redacted] contacted the Israeli Consul at the end of this interview, and spoke with [redacted] at the Israeli Consulate in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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