

Terrorist groups operating in Mexico and training cartel gangs

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Mexican drug cartels, Hezbollah (Party of God) and other Islamic terrorist groups like Al Qaida are joining forces in Mexico. Hezbollah is synonymous with terror, suicide attacks bombings, kidnappings and beheadings. Other tactics include assassination, hijacking. Numerous reports and public Usama Bin Ladin proclamations indicate strong desire to obtain and utilize biological, chemical and nuclear weapons. Al Qaida the international terrorist network that the United States has singled out as the most serious threat to US security.

Their targets tend to be prominent symbols (public buildings, embassy and military personnel, etc.) of the United States, its allies, and moderate Muslim governments. According to a former CIA Director, "Usama Bin Ladin's organization and other terrorist groups are placing increased emphasis on developing surrogates to carry out attacks. No wonder the criminal organizations in Mexico seem to have adopted many Middle Eastern terrorist tactics with kidnappings and beheadings happening throughout Mexico.

According to authorities global Islamic terrorist have moved into Mexico and other Latin American countries to open the door for Mexican cartels to have excess to Afghanistan opium at bargain basement prices, those profits from those sales are being passed on to Hezbollah and other terrorist organizations worldwide to attack the states from within. Hezbollah is known to be raising money for their cause in the U.S and some Americans say they have brought suite case dirty booms into the U.S. and are waiting for further instructions.

High ranking Mexican army officers claim Hezbollah is currently training Mexican drug cartel enforcement gang members. They are teaching them their gorilla terror tactics that they use in the Middle East. One high ranking Mexican Army officer who will at his request remain anonymous says Hezbollah is now believed to be training Mexican drug cartel enforcers the art of bomb making. It is now feared that there will soon be car and truck bombings of Mexican solders at the many road blocks that they have set up throughout Mexico, their barracks, police stations and even government buildings are at risk. The training is designed to combat the Mexican Army federal police and the American Special Forces and DEA agents now operating in Mexico.

High level Mexican military and government sources revealed that U.S. Special Forces and DEA agents are operating in Mexico. They have been allowed into Mexico to seek clandestine terrorist groups believe operating in Mexico. The government of Felipe Calderón authorized some American Special Forces and US anti-narcotics agents to operate in some states without oversight by Mexican authorities. The permission provides that DEA agents will not be required to issue a report to Mexico on their work in the country. Mexican sources said they have no knowledge of which terrorist groups or drug cartels or drug bosses the group will try to meet with because that information "is reserved and the government of the president of the US, Barack Obama, considers it of national security."

The operation concerns the use of a unilateral strategy in Mexico that the U.S. Military and DEA used in Colombia a decade ago and which has, from the year 2000 to the present,

involved the voluntary surrender of at least 50 important drug bosses, financial operators and leaders of militant killer units of criminal organizations that still operate in that country. The criminals who will agreed to cooperate with the Americans and provide information about terrorist groups operating in Mexico and who are using terrorist training bases to train drug cartels gang members on militant radical Islamic gorilla fighting tactics and are required to submit to a plan of collaboration that requires the drug bosses to share information about the activities and whereabouts of the terrorist and their colleagues.

They also are to reveal the location of the principal location of the terrorist and the routes of transport of narcotics, humans and terrorist to the US. The information provided is in exchange for the obligation of authorities to reduce the penalty charges once the subjects are incarcerated in the US.

Regarding the operation in Mexico, one official emphasized, "This is a unilateral effort of the US government; the Mexican government is totally out of it."

Marisela Morales Ibanez, head of Mexico's "SIEDO" (equiv. DEA) reported that since the current administration took over (Dec. 1, 2006) until March of this year there has been 10,475 homicides linked to organized crime. Of these, 242 have been beheadings and almost 10% of the total (997) was public servants of the three levels of government. That is more violent related deaths than Iraq and Afghanistan combined.

The report also lists the following seizures:

4,263 tons of marihuana
77 tons of cocaine

It is also believed that much of the opium products and by products in Mexico that are reaching the U.S. is coming from Afghanistan.

The report further lists "more than" 131 thousand firearms and 2,770 grenades
337 million U.S. dollars and over 154 million pesos
45 thousand narcotraffickers arrested, including six major leaders.

According to Mexican officials Hezbollah is training the opposition to the Mexican Army and is starting to be seen throughout the country. There are new reports of late, of hit and run tactics against Mexican military set up road blocks where both attackers and Mexican solders have been killed.

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Homeland Security has said that there are Hezbollah members operating in the U.S. and it is reasonable to believe they are in contact with other Hezbollah in Mexico and around the world. In addition to other terrorist attacks, Hezbollah has been tied to the 1983 Marine barracks bombing in Beirut that left 241 U.S. personnel dead, and the 1996 Khobar Towers

attack in Saudi Arabia that left 19 U.S. servicemen dead.

One U.S. law enforcement official, speaking on condition of anonymity, says there is considerable forensic evidence tying Hezbollah bomb experts to roadside explosions in Iraq.

The U.S. is concerned that roadside bombs will be planted along the U.S. Mexican border United States Border Patrol Agent Mike Scioli, says "With all the violence heading on the southside, in Mexico, in case it spills over--the Border Patrol has a plan."

A multi-purpose, tactical armored vehicle that can be called into action in a moment's notice. There are several available all along the border in Texas, New Mexico, California and three of them in the Tucson Sector. Now border agents can be protected and prepared for anything that comes their way.

Says Agent Scioli, "It's similar to the vehicles used by the military to protect soldiers against IEDs and ambushes."

Armored vehicles like this are important because it's never been so violent along the U.S.-Mexico border. Last year, there were 261 assaults against agents in the Tucson Sector (93 so far this fiscal year). Even today, an agent in Nogales was beaten over the head with a cinder block....Click here for the full story

Dennis Lormel, who founded the counterterrorist financing program at the FBI, says the United States has been a cash cow for Hezbollah.

"They raise funds through drug trafficking, and through other criminal activity, business fronts, use of shell companies and through fundraising mechanisms," he says.

Before September 11, 2001, Hezbollah was responsible for more American deaths than any other terrorist organization. Hassan Nasrallah, the group's secretary-general, recently proclaimed, "Death to America was, is, and will stay our slogan."

Mexico's violence of terror along with the world banking and financial crises that are happening today are forcing drastic changes in the rate of tourism to Mexico, especially border regions from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific Ocean. Mexico has been heavily dependent on tourism and American investors and both are drying up. Oil and drugs are now Mexico's official and respectively unofficial main stay for what economy they have.

From Brownsville Texas to San Diego California the drug-related dangers and violence is so staggering that the country has been declared off-limits to all U.S. Military. Residents on the American side of the border have told the U.S. Border Fire Report that they are afraid to cross over to visit family, shop or conduct business anywhere along the border.

Violent spillover from crime-ridden Mexican border cities is a growing concern for Americans. With cartel-related killings in Chihuahua alone now topping over 1200 for the year, officials in the states are increasingly concerned about spillover of crime from neighboring border cities. In El Paso, real effects are being felt at the city's hospital, where officials report dozens of cases of individuals wounded over the border in the Mexican state of Chihuahua being treated at their facility.

Iran, Hezbollah's longtime sponsor, and donations from the Lebanese Diaspora are two sources for a multimillion-dollar budget that helps pay for the militia's armed and political wings and for social projects such as money, food and hospitals in Beirut. But investigations

around the world have shown that Hezbollah also funds itself through drug dealing, arms trafficking, contraband smuggling and other rackets in the Americas, Africa Europe and elsewhere.

The L.A. Times is reporting U.S. and Colombian investigators have dismantled an international cocaine smuggling and money laundering ring in Bogota, Colombia and Madrid Spain, that allegedly used part of its profits to finance Hezbollah, the Lebanon-based Shiite militia, officials said.

Hezbollah presence in Venezuela is also feared

Research group Consulta Mitofsky's annual survey Encuesta Nacional en Viviendas revealed strong public will for drastically strengthening enforcement measures to combat terror in the country.

This is real terror and it's happening right in our own front yard and is expected to escalate and U.S. law enforcement fear it's just a matter of time and we'll be dealing with it right here at home. There already have been reported suspected attacks by these Mexican terrorist in Phoenix Arizona, Las Vegas Nevada, Atlanta Georgia, Dallas Texas Birmingham Alabama and other cities across America.

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