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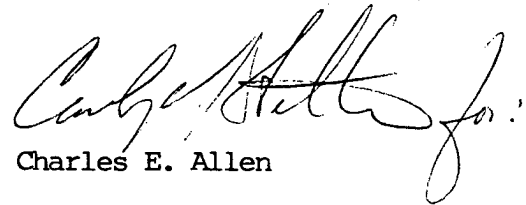
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

FROM: Charles E. Allen
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SUBJECT: Terrorism Warning and Forecast Report

Representatives of the Intelligence Community met on 23 January 1987 to discuss the following issues: threat to the Islamic Summit; terrorist threats in Colombia; and operational intelligence requirements of JSOC. Attached is my report.



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Warning Report - Terrorism

Because of the inclement weather, only a few persons convened for an abridged warning and forecast meeting. [REDACTED]

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1. Terrorist Threat to the Islamic Summit

A brief discussion of the threats revealed consensus that some acts of terrorism and/or sabotage should be expected during the conference which convenes on 26 January. It was agreed that the recent simultaneous explosions at the oil facilities were most likely sabotage, despite official denials. INR considered the threat from the Abu Nidal group to be diminished as a result of Syria's decision to participate. Because of the enhanced security at the conference site, delegations may be attacked enroute to or from the site. Alternatively, softer peripheral targets may be chosen. [REDACTED]

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2. Terrorist Threats in Colombia

An INR representative led a thorough discussion of terrorist threats in Colombia. We believe that US Embassy personnel are at increased risk because of joint targetting by terrorists and narcotraffickers. [REDACTED]

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The following major points were made:

- The apparent collaboration between the Nation Guerrilla Coordinating Group (CNG) and the Medellin Cartel of narcotics traffickers presents a significant new threat. It apparently has begun to implement its threats to eliminate those favoring the extradition treaty as seen in the shooting of Colombia's Ambassador to Hungary.
- M-19, Colombia's strongest terrorist group, suffered serious setbacks last year, is suffering financially, and appears to be in disarray. It probably needs to take some dramatic action to enhance its image and draw new recruits. An attack on US interests could serve that purpose.
- ELN, the rural-based terrorist group, has made more than 20 attacks on the pipeline since July, was surprised by its success, and plans to increase further its activities in 1987. It is financially well off from revenues derived by kidnappings and extortion against the oil companies.
- There may be a new terrorist group, Causa Caribe which has been conducting indiscriminate bombings in Baranquilla.
- The implications of closing the embassy because of a terrorist threat may be far-reaching.
- Information [REDACTED] indicates that significant terrorist activities may occur during February. US facilities and personnel are high risk targets. [REDACTED]

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3. Operational Requirements of JSOC

A representative of the Counterterrorism Joint Task Force [redacted] presented a brief overview of the organization's history, mission, and structure. An invitation was extended to all to visit both the Analysis Division and to observe one of the exercises that it regularly conducts. Interested persons should contact Mr. Brian Boyd, telephone 919-396-0270 to arrange for a visit. [redacted]

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The speaker described the data bases available to and developed by JSOC to support operational planning for hostage rescue/barricade situations. He emphasized the need for rapid communications with Community analysts during a crisis situation and noted that JSOC depends heavily on the Flashboard system for this. Attached to this report are the essential elements of information that JSOC needs when preparing for a mission. [redacted]

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Attendees

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