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10. REPORT RE: Debriefing of [REDACTED]					

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SYNOPSIS:

On February 9, 1990, Special Agent Wayne Schmidt and G/S Hector Berrellez debriefed [REDACTED] concerning intelligence information related to the murder of Manuel BUENDIA-TELLEGIRON an investigative reporter; narcotics trafficking information relating to Ruben ZUNO-Arce; arms trafficking by GERHARD MERTINS; and other related intelligence concerning corrupt Mexican Police Officers and elected Mexican officials.

DETAILS:

[REDACTED] reported the following intelligence information with regard to the murder of Manuel BUENDIA-TELLEGIRON:

Manual BUENDIA-TELLEGIRON was an investigative reporter in Mexico who supported candidate (FNU) DELMASO, PRI party member who inspired to be the President of Mexico. BUENDIA conducted an investigation into the collusion that existed between Manuel BARTLETT-DIAZ, former secretary of the Interior, Miguel ALDANA-Ibarra, former head of the Mexican anti-drug program and Manuel IBARRA-Herrera, former head of the Directorate of Federal Security (DFS) who were acting in consort with narcotic traffickers.

Between 1981 to 1984 BUENDIA received information from another reporter, (FNU) DELMASO, in Vera Cruz, that Guatemalan Guerrillas were training at a ranch owned by Israel CAMO-Quintero in Vera Cruz. [REDACTED] the investigation [REDACTED] he operations/training at the camp were conducted by the American CIA, using the DFS as a cover, in the event any questions were raised as to who was running the training operation. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] reported that representatives of the DFS which was the front for the training camp were in fact acting in consort with major drug overlords to insure a flow of narcotics through Mexico into the United States. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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13. Two individuals who were allegedly involved in the murder of BUENDIA, Comandante (FNU) ESTRELLA and Luis VASQUEZ (DFS), are currently in jail, charged with murder. However, they had been protected by the De La Madrid Party since the murder in 1985 and only recently have been incarcerated over the past year as the result of pressure being asserted by the colleagues on the new administration.

14. ██████████ allegedly was told by the colleagues of BUENDIA that they had been approached by DEA agents sent by Country Attaché Edward Heath (DEA).

The agents allegedly physically handed over a principal file, taken from the BUENDIA office, by the DFS after the murder, and allowed it to be viewed by the colleagues.

15. There was no explanation given by the DEA agents as to how they obtained the file. The colleagues however recognized the file and most of its contents. They indicated that the file was genuine. However, the colleagues also observed that information had been apparently added to the file to implicate BARTLETT-Diaz in CIA arms smuggling and a connection to narcotics traffickers.

16. In exchange for the information in the file, the agents wanted information on DFS credentials signed by José Antonio ZORILLA-Perez and Manuel TEJERA-Herrera which were in possession of various narcotics traffickers at the time of their arrests.

17. It should be noted that the Colleagues of BUENDIA are former Communist Party members and are not affiliated with the PRI or any other political party.

18. ██████████ has learned that a German identified as GERHARD MERTINS had lived at one time (circa) 1981 to 1985, in Mexico City and owned a company identified as MERRY located in Guadalajara. In addition, ██████████ learned that MERTINS allegedly had a connection to the CIA with regard to arms trafficking.

19. At the time of Manuel BUENDIA's death in early 1985, BUENDIA was allegedly working on a story of arms trafficking by the CIA in Mexico and the CIA's involvement with MERTINS.

20. In 1985 MERTINS was allegedly expelled from Mexico as a direct result of revelations in BUENDIA's newspaper column, which linked MERTINS with the CIA.

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21. MERTINS worked for the LEONISI family who were the founders of the University of Guadalajara. The university has support from many Americans living in Mexico; in addition to extreme-right-wing factions of Mexican Politics. Information from VERA-BATIZ (1974-1985) that the CIA was involved in the cocaine traffic in Mexico through the LEONISI family.
22. [REDACTED] has learned that the LEONISI family allegedly control vast and extensive marijuana plantations in the Tijuana and Jalisco areas. This is the same area of Mexico that MERTINS had allegedly at one time sold large quantities of weapons in.
23. [REDACTED] had learned that the reporter from Vera Cruz (PNU) Velasco before his death (1985) was allegedly developing information that, using the DPS as cover, the CIA established and maintained clandestine airfields to refuel aircraft loaded with weapons which were destined for Honduras and Nicaragua.
24. Pilots of these aircraft would allegedly load up with cocaine in Barranquilla, Colombia and in route to Miami, Florida, refuel in Mexico at Harcoctic trafficker operated and CIA maintained airstrips.
25. [REDACTED] reported that the Cubans were working a similar type of refuel operations, picking up cocaine in Medellin, Colombia and flying it thru Cuba into Miami.
26. [REDACTED] speculates that Ruben ZUNO-Arce not only had a hand in trafficking in Mexico but from other information developed, tends to believe was associated with the Cubans.
27. This may be true in that unknown to [REDACTED], a passport seized from Ruben ZUNO-Arce at the time of his arrest bore an official Cuban Immigration Stamp which gave ZUNO-Arce unlimited immigration access into Cuba.
28. Ruben ZUNO-Arce, historically, a heroin trafficker since early 1970's, had access to numerous air strips thru an individual identified as Juan AVINA-Batiz. [REDACTED] is the name of the informant. The informant Ruben ZUNO-Arce is a licensed Mexican pilot #5747 and based upon his original Mexican license had obtained an American pilot license #0022 78854 issued in 1978.
29. The brother of Juan AVINA-Batiz is Eduardo AVINA-Batiz, head of the PRI party in JALISCO and deputy of the 9th Electoral District. [REDACTED]

30. Eduardo AVINA-Batiz is allegedly the former heroin trafficking partner

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of Ruben ZUNO-Arce, [REDACTED] and AVINA-Batiz were engaged in conversation when AVINA-Batiz told [REDACTED] that the flow of drugs into the United States is the best solution to Latin America's problems. The poisoning of american youth is the best answer to the down trodden Latin American masses in retaliation against the Imperialistic Actions of the United States.

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31. [REDACTED] reports that Eduardo AVINA-Batiz is a strong contender for the Governorship of the state of Jalisco following the expected departure of Guillermo COSTO-Vidaurri, uncle of Sera Costa the former paramour of Rafael CARO-Quintero, who purportedly kidnapped and took her to Costa Rica during his flight from justice after the murder of S/A Enrique Camarena.
32. Also in January 1990 [REDACTED] was present at a meeting in the office of EVERARDO ROJAS CONTRERAS, in Guadalajara Mexico.

Also present was Juan CABEZAS de Vaca, a former State Judicial Police Officer.

33. EVERARDO ROJAS-Contreras is an attorney who has done extensive legal work for Rafael CARO-Quintero and Ernesto Fonseca. During the past three years ROJAS has acted as an aid to General Vinicio SANTOYO-Feria, in the administration and purchasing of properties with large sums of money, the origin of which is unexplained.

34. One of the properties, is a ranch in Puerto Vallarta Jalisco adjacent to property owned by Victor LIUREZ aka EL PIRULI a well known latin singer who for the past 1 to 1 1/2 years has been associated with gangster elements in the Puerto Vallarta area.

35. The ranch and property adjacent to the ranch were purchased for \$600,000.00 U.S. by SANTOYO as a summer residence. The \$600,000.00 represents a portion of the money SANTOYO extorted from Miguel FELIX Gallardo and Manuel SALVADO-Uzceta aka Coche Loco when they were arrested at Los Pinos, Guadalajara on November 7, 1988 by elements under the command of SANTOYO. The arrests were as a result of information from DEA Mazatlan and Guadalajara offices.

36. [REDACTED] was present in November 1988 at Gallardo's residence. When employees of GALLARDO stated that they needed money to operate the house because GALLARDO had paid one million dollars to SANTOYO as a bribe and that there was no money left for household expenses.

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