



JUL 22 - AN OFFICER OF THE CAPITOL AREA NARCOTICS TASK FORCE IN TEXAS SEIZED 30 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1505 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC COUPLE WITH A CHILD WHO WERE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN CALDWELL COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE IN A 1987 MERCURY SABLE WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND 28 PACKAGES OF COCAINE UNDER THE REAR SEAT AND IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

JUL 22 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.5 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1656 HOURS FROM TWO WHITE MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM ELKINS, ARKANSAS, WERE EN ROUTE TO ARKANSAS FROM RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, IN THE PASSENGER'S 1993 FORD F-150 WITH ARKANSAS PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE BEHIND THE SPEAKERS IN THE CAB OF THE PICKUP. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 24 - THE ROANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TENNESSEE SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 137 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1945 HOURS FROM A BLACK MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40. THE NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO NORFOLK FROM ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, IN A 1992 FORD CROWN VICTORIA WITH VIRGINIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND INSIDE LUGGAGE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. TWENTY-FIVE AIR FRESHENERS WERE FOUND THROUGHOUT THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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WEEK ENDING 07/26/97

JUL 24 - THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AND 113 GRAMS OF COCAINE HCL AT 1939 HOURS FROM A MALE HAITIAN NATIONAL WHO WAS TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN HOLMES COUNTY. THE NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A RENTED 1998 TOYOTA CAMRY WITH FLORIDA PLATES EN ROUTE TO PENSACOLA. AFTER RECEIVING CONFLICTING STATEMENTS, A CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND HIDDEN IN THE HEADLINER OF THE VEHICLE. AN UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE, WITH A MALE HAITIAN DRIVER AND A BLACK MALE FROM MIAMI, WAS TRAVELING WITH THE TOYOTA AS AN ESCORT VEHICLE.

JUL 25 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1220 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN THOMAS COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, FROM SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1987 DAIHATSU WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE THE DOOR PANEL OF THE VEHICLE.

JUL 25 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0930 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN GLENN COUNTY. THE SPRINGFIELD, OREGON, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO SPRINGFIELD FROM TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA, IN HIS 1988 MERCURY WITH OREGON PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE TAPED TO THE FIREWALL LOCATED UNDER THE HOOD OF THE VEHICLE. AXLE GREASE HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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WEEK ENDING 07/19/97

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THIS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS CURRENT DRUG SEIZURES AND INTELLIGENCE THAT IMPACTS AGENCIES INVOLVED IN HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION THROUGHOUT THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES. IT BRIEFLY DISCUSSES THE EVENTS AND GIVES LIMITED INTERPRETATION OF THEIR MEANING. IT IS INTENDED TO ASSIST PLANNERS IN DETERMINING DRUG MOVEMENT PATTERNS ON U.S. HIGHWAYS. THIS MESSAGE IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY BASED ON REPORTING RECEIVED AT EPIC DURING THE PREVIOUS WEEK.

- JUL 02 - THE OKLAHOMA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1519 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON U.S. 270 IN BEAVER COUNTY NEAR SLAPOUT. THE SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1995 TOYOTA WITH WASHINGTON PLATES EN ROUTE TO OREGON OR WASHINGTON FROM TEXAS. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND BY OFFICERS INSIDE A 5-POUND SACK LABELED AS CORNMEAL. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.
- JUL 05 - THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN MISSOURI SEIZED 10 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0200 HOURS FROM TWO HISPANIC FEMALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44. THE LOS ANGELES AREA RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1990 CADILLAC WITH INDIANA PLATES EN ROUTE TO INDIANA. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE CONCEALED IN AN ELECTRICALLY-CONTROLLED FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED BEHIND THE REAR SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN GREEN OR BROWN CONTACT PAPER.

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JUL 10 - THE NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 4.5 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0555 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-80 IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY NEAR WINNEHUCCA. THE TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1990 CHEVROLET CORSICA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, FROM TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE CONCEALED IN AN ELECTRICALLY-CONTROLLED FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED BETWEEN THE BACK SEAT AND THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. OFFICERS GAINED ACCESS TO THE COMPARTMENT BY HOTWIRING THE TWO ELECTRONIC TRUNK LOCKS WHICH ALLOWED THE BACK OF THE REAR SEAT TO FALL FORWARD. RED AXLE GREASE HAD BEEN USED TO MASK THE ODOR OF THE METHAMPHETAMINE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

JUL 10 - THE NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.4 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 1500 HOURS FROM A BLACK MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-95 IN CUMBERLAND COUNTY. THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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HIS 1988 DODGE COLT WITH FLORIDA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH OFFICERS FOUND THE CRACK COCAINE IN AN EXISTING CAVITY LOCATED UNDER THE VEHICLE'S WINDSHIELD WASHING LIQUID CONTAINER. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

JUL 13 - THE ARIZONA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 133 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND \$2,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0730 HOURS FROM A WHITE MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN COCONINO COUNTY NEAR FLAGSTAFF. THE YPSILANTI, MICHIGAN, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1992 OLDSMOBILE DELTA 88 WITH MICHIGAN TAGS EN ROUTE TO GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN, FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

JUL 15 - THE DOOLY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$117,795 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2318 HOURS FROM TWO HISPANIC MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE DRIVER, A CUBAN NATIONAL MIAMI RESIDENT, AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM KEY WEST AND MIAMI, WERE TRAVELING IN A RENTED 1992 MAZDA MPV WITH FLORIDA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF CURRENCY WRAPPED IN ALUMINUM LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 16 - THE LOWNDES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$196,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1047 HOURS FROM A BLACK MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO MIAMI FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA, IN A RENTED 1997 MITSUBISHI DIAMANTE WITH FLORIDA PLATES. THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND INSIDE A SUITCASE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

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JUL 16 - THE OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 187 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1330 HOURS FROM TWO WHITE MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-80 IN LUCAS COUNTY NEAR TOLEDO. THE DRIVER, A ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM EDINA, MINNESOTA, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1990 SPRINT WITH COLORADO PLATES EN ROUTE TO BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA ON THE FLOOR AND IN THE BATHROOM OF THE MOTORHOME. A 4-INCH DEEP EMPTY FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE CEILING OF THE VEHICLE WAS ALSO FOUND.

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JUL 17 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED \$500,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1853 HOURS FROM TWO COLOMBIAN MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE IN GLOUCESTER COUNTY. THE DRIVER, AN ELMHURST, NEW YORK, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM LONG ISLAND CITY, NEW YORK, WERE TRAVELING IN THE PASSENGER'S 1992 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL WITH NEW YORK PLATES. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO MIAMI, FLORIDA, FROM NEW YORK, NEW YORK. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY HIDDEN

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INSIDE TWO CARDBOARD BOXES LOCATED IN THE TRUNK. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 17 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1820 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, IN HIS 1991 NISSAN PICKUP WITH UTAH PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE CONCEALED INSIDE THE GAS TANK OF THE VEHICLE. OIL AND FABRIC SOFTENER WERE USED AS MASKING AGENTS. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 17 - THE CAMDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$1,003,900 IN U. S. CURRENCY AT 0003 HOURS FROM A CUBAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE KEY LARGO, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO KEY LARGO FROM NEW YORK, NEW YORK, IN HIS 1994 DODGE VAN WITH KENTUCKY PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY IN SEVERAL FALSE COMPARTMENTS WITHIN THE VAN. TWO COMPARTMENTS WERE LOCATED IN THE ROOF, ONE UNDER THE FLOOR BEHIND THE DRIVER'S SEAT, AND ANOTHER IN THE STEP ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 18 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED \$179,450 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0935 HOURS FROM TWO BLACK FEMALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE CINCINNATI, OHIO, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO ONTARIO, CANADA, FROM CINCINNATI IN A RENTED 1997 PONTIAC GRAND AM WITH OHIO PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY INSIDE SUITCASES LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

JUL 18 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.8 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0707 HOURS FROM THREE MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN GLENN COUNTY. THE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1991 MERCURY TOPAZ WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE 5 PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

JUL 19 - THE GEORGIA STATE PATROL SEIZED \$205,629 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0022 HOURS FROM A HAITIAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95 IN GLYNN COUNTY. THE CONWAY, SOUTH CAROLINA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO FLORIDA FROM SOUTH CAROLINA IN A 1986 CADILLAC WITH FLORIDA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE TROOPER BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN HE NOTICED FRESH SCRATCH MARKS ON THE GAS TANK AND SAW SOME PLASTIC COMING OUT OF THE BUMPER. THE PLASTIC-WRAPPED PACKAGES OF CURRENCY WERE FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE A NATURAL VOID LOCATED BEHIND THE BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE.

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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WEEK ENDING 07/19/97

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SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES FOR (INCLUSION IN THIS MESSAGE ARE DEFINED AS FIVE (5) KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE; ONE HUNDRED (100) KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA; TWENTY-EIGHT (28) GRAMS OF HEROIN; FIVE HUNDRED (500) GRAMS OF CRACK; ONE (1) KILOGRAM OF METHAMPHETAMINE; AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS. THIS TELETYPE INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 10 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28 GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE SIGNIFICANT SEIZURE CRITERIA WAS SET BECAUSE OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

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JUL 09 - THE SULPHUR SPRINGS TASK FORCE IN TEXAS SEIZED 45 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AND \$2,752 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0900 HOURS FROM A BLACK COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-30 IN FRANKLIN COUNTY. THE ANTIPOCH, TENNESSEE, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, WERE EN ROUTE TO NASHVILLE, FROM ARLINGTON, TEXAS, IN A RENTED 1997 FORD CONTOUR WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE 20 COMPRESSED BRICKS OF COCAINE WERE FOUND INSIDE TWO CARDBOARD BOXES LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 23 - THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5.5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0300 HOURS FROM A BLACK COUPLE AND TWO JUVENILES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-35 IN BREVARD COUNTY. THE YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO YOUNGSTOWN, FROM MIAMI FLORIDA, IN THE PASSENGER'S 1989 OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS WITH OHIO PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE AN ELECTRONIC-CONTROLLED COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE REAR DOOR OF THE VEHICLE. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

JUL 25 - THE EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TEXAS SEIZED 22 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2024 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE DRIVING IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA OF THE CITY. THE LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS IN HIS 1989 CHEVROLET 1500 PICKUP WITH NEW MEXICO PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE IN THE BACK OF THE VEHICLE.

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JUL 27 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 8.9 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0830 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND A MEXICAN JUVENILE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO ST. PAUL FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1987 MERCURY SABLE WITH MINNESOTA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND 24 PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE, 1/2 POUND EACH, IN THE ROCKER PANELS OF THE VEHICLE. THE OFFICERS NOTICED FRESH BONDO AND PAINT ON THE UNDERSIDE OF THE ROCKER PANELS WHERE THE ACCESS PLATES WERE LOCATED. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 27 - THE MISSOURI HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 272 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1828 HOURS FROM TWO WHITE MALES WHO WERE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON U.S. 54 IN COLE COUNTY NEAR JEFFERSON CITY. THE TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, DRIVER AND HIS PASSENGER FROM JEROME, IDAHO, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1990 KENWORTH TRACTOR PULLING A GREAT DANE REFRIGERATED TRAILER LOADED WITH VARIOUS KINDS OF FRUIT. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO HODGKINS, ILLINOIS, FROM MCALLEN, TEXAS. THE COMPRESSED BRICKS OF MARIJUANA WERE WITHIN CRATES OF LOOSE LIMES. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE TRAILER.

JUL 30 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 16 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1750 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1994 JEEP WRANGLER WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO HUNTINGTON BEACH FROM FONTANA. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE UNMARKED PACKAGES OF COCAINE HIDDEN IN THE REAR SPARE TIRE OF THE VEHICLE. COFFEE HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 31 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 30 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1718 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN GOVE COUNTY NEAR OAKLEY. THE SOUTHBEND, INDIANA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM LOS ANGELES IN HIS 1989 FORD BRONCO WITH INDIANA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE 16 PACKAGES OF COCAINE FLOATING INSIDE THE GAS TANK OF THE VEHICLE. EACH OF THE PACKAGES WERE MARKED WITH A THREE-BY-FIVE INCH

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JUL 08 - THE OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1 KILOGRAM OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1510 HOURS FROM A LATIN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN PREBLE COUNTY. THE SUBJECT WAS EN ROUTE TO DETROIT, MICHIGAN, FROM COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO. HE WAS TRAVELING IN A 1986 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS WITH MICHIGAN PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE DRIVER WAS A RESIDENT OF DETROIT. A PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH OF THE CAR REVEALED TWO DUCT TAPE WRAPPED PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE CONCEALED IN THE DRIVER'S SIDE FENDER WELL. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN NUMEROUS LAYERS OF DUCT TAPE AND A LAYER OF CLEAR PLASTIC. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

JUL 15 - THE NEW MEXICO STATE POLICE SEIZED 1 KILOGRAM OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1000 HOURS FROM TWO WHITE MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN QUAY COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A BERRYVILLE, ARKANSAS, RESIDENT, AND THE PASSENGER, A EUREKA SPRINGS, ARKANSAS, RESIDENT, WERE EN ROUTE TO EUREKA SPRINGS, FROM SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1994 HYUNDAI ELANTRA WITH ARKANSAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE WITHIN A GYM BAG IN THE TRUNK. A 9MM TAURUS PISTOL WAS FOUND UNDER THE FRONT SEAT. THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

JUL 18 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1000 DOSAGE UNITS OF ROHYPNOL AND 73 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A WHITE COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN THOMAS COUNTY. THEY WERE EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON, D.C., FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. THE SUBJECTS, BOTH RESIDENTS OF WASHINGTON, D.C., WERE TRAVELING IN A RENTED 1997 OLDSMOBILE 88. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA AND THE ROHYPNOL

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CONCEALED INSIDE TWO DUFFLE BAGS IN THE  
VEHICLE TRUNK. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE  
WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

JUL 26 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED 131 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT  
1905 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND A  
WHITE FEMALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10  
IN EL PASO COUNTY. THEY WERE EN ROUTE TO  
OREGON FROM EL PASO. THE SUBJECTS, BOTH  
HERMISTON, OREGON, RESIDENTS, WERE  
TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1992 FORD LTD  
WITH OREGON PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL  
SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA  
WRAPPED IN PAPER INSIDE DUFFLE BAGS  
LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

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JUL 27 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED  
\$120,811 IN U.S. CURRENCY FROM A WHITE  
COUPLE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON THE NEW  
JERSEY TURNPIKE IN EAST BRUNSWICK  
TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, AT 1813  
HOURS. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO  
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, FROM NEW YORK  
CITY. THE DRIVER, AN ALBUQUERQUE  
RESIDENT, AND THE PASSENGER, A TRUTH OR  
CONSEQUENCES, NEW MEXICO, RESIDENT, WERE  
TRAVELING IN A 1986 CHEVROLET VAN WITH  
NEW YORK PLATES. A VISUAL CHECK OF THE  
VEHICLE REVEALED THAT THE UNDERCARRIAGE  
HAD BEEN RECENTLY COATED, AND APPEARED  
TO HAVE BEEN ALTERED. DURING A  
CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND TWO  
HIDDEN COMPARTMENTS ON THE FRAME OF THE  
VEHICLE WHERE THE FIFTEEN BUNDLES OF  
CURRENCY WRAPPED IN CLEAR PLASTIC, WERE  
DISCOVERED. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS  
USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. ACCESS  
WAS GAINED BY SCRAPING AWAY THE  
UNDERCOAT, AND PRYING OPEN THE ENTRY DOOR.

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AUG 01 - THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5.6 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1430 HOURS FROM A COLOMBIAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-75 IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY. HE WAS EN ROUTE TO TAMPA, FLORIDA, FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA. THE HOMESTEAD, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1994 BUICK ROADMASTER WITH FLORIDA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND SOME OF THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE UNDERNEATH THE PANEL TRIM IN THE SIDE PANELS, INSIDE A NATURAL CAVITY AREA UNDER THE CARPETING OF THE VEHICLE. THE REST OF THE COCAINE WAS FOUND INSIDE THE SPARE TIRE. THE DRIVER WAS ARRESTED.

AUG 02 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 128 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND \$13,897 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2000 HOURS ON U.S. 59 IN PANOLA COUNTY. TWO BLACK MALES AND THREE WHITE FEMALES WERE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND IN THREE SEPARATE VEHICLES: A PRIVATELY-OWNED 1995 CHEVROLET CORSICA WITH TEXAS PLATES, A RENTED 1995 OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS WITH TENNESSEE PLATES, AND A PRIVATELY-OWNED 1990 HONDA ACCORD WITH VIRGINIA PLATES. THEY WERE EN ROUTE TO RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS, WHEN OFFICERS STOPPED THEM FOR VARIOUS BLATANT TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS. THE OFFICERS RECEIVED CONFLICTING STORIES FROM ALL SUBJECTS AND SUBSEQUENTLY REQUESTED

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CONSENT TO SEARCH THE VEHICLES. THE SEARCH REVEALED TWO LARGE DUFFLE BAGS FILLED WITH MARIJUANA IN THE CORSICA'S TRUNK. OFFICERS ARRESTED THE CHEVROLET'S LONE WHITE FEMALE DRIVER, A RESIDENT OF PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA; THE OLDSMOBILE'S OCCUPANTS, A WHITE FEMALE DRIVER AND BLACK MALE PASSENGER, BOTH RESIDENTS OF WASHINGTON, D.C.; AND A BLACK MALE DRIVER AND WHITE FEMALE PASSENGER IN THE HONDA, BOTH RESIDENTS OF MIAMI, FLORIDA. AN INVENTORY SEARCH OF THE VEHICLES AND SUBJECTS REVEALED THE CURRENCY, IN VARIOUS AMOUNTS, ON THE SUSPECTS.

AUG 05 - THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 4.5 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1635 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN MOHAVE COUNTY. THEY WERE EN ROUTE TO DALLAS, TEXAS, FROM BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA. THE SUBJECTS, BOTH LAMONT, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1989 FORD THUNDERBIRD WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE TROOPERS RECEIVED A WRITTEN CONSENT TO SEARCH. THEY NOTED NON-FACTORY SCREWS IN THE SPEAKERS LOCATED IN BOTH QUARTER PANELS. THE ARMRESTS, PANEL TRIM, AND SPEAKER COVERS WERE LOOSE. THE SPEAKERS WERE ALSO NON-FACTORY. AFTER REMOVING THE SCREWS, COVERS, AND SPEAKERS, ACCESS WAS GAINED TO THE TWO COMPARTMENTS. ALL OF THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND IN THE DRIVER'S SIDE REAR QUARTER PANEL COMPARTMENT. EACH 1 POUND PACKAGE WAS WRAPPED IN SEVERAL LAYERS OF PLASTIC AND SMEARED WITH GREASE.

AUG 05 - THE TONONO O'ODHAM, ARIZONA. POLICE DEPARTMENT SEIZED 138 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2029 HOURS FROM TWO UNKNOWN SUBJECTS TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON FEDERAL ROUTE 34 IN PIMA COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE COMING FROM MEXICO, TRAVELING IN A STOLEN 1990 CHEVROLET LUMINA WITH ARIZONA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA WRAPPED IN CELLOPHANE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECTS WERE ABLE TO ESCAPE.

AUG 05 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 18.5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1035 HOURS FROM TWO LATIN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SHASTA COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, FROM LOS ANGELES. BOTH WERE LOS ANGELES RESIDENTS. THE DRIVER WAS ORIGINALLY FROM MEXICO. THEY WERE TRAVELING IN A 1991 CHEVROLET CAPRICE WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE IN A HIDDEN COMPARTMENT INSIDE

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THE SUBJECT'S DRUG DETECTION CANINE  
WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

AUG 06 - THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 96  
KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1900 HOURS FROM  
A WHITE MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-75  
IN BROWARD COUNTY. THE SUBJECT WAS EN  
ROUTE TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, FROM MIAMI,  
FLORIDA. THE PORT CHARLOTTE, FLORIDA,  
RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1993 FORD 3500  
PICKUP TRUCK, TOWING A TRAILER. BOTH  
VEHICLES HAD FLORIDA PLATES, AND WERE

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OWNED BY THE SAME COMPANY. DURING A  
PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND A  
FALSE COMPARTMENT BUILT UNDERNEATH THE  
FLOOR OF THE TRAILER WHERE THE COCAINE  
WAS CONCEALED. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE  
WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. THE  
SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

AUG 07 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 198  
KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A WHITE MALE  
TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-35 IN CHASE  
COUNTY. THE DUMAS, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS  
DRIVING A 1981 CHEVROLET PICKUP WITH  
TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE  
WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE  
MARIJUANA IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED  
IN THE BED OF THE TRUCK.

AUG 07 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 3.5  
KILOGRAMS OF MEXICAN BLACK TAR HEROIN AT  
0905 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING  
NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SHASTA COUNTY. HE

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WAS EN ROUTE TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON,  
FROM WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA. THE  
SEATTLE RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1983  
CHEVROLET PICKUP WITH WASHINGTON PLATES.  
THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT  
PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH,  
OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF HEROIN,  
WRAPPED IN PLASTIC AND TAPE, IN A HIDDEN  
COMPARTMENT LOCATED ON THE LEFT SIDE  
KICK PANEL. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS  
USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

AUG 07 - THE SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED  
3.1 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 1700  
HOURS FROM A BLACK MALE TRAVELING  
NORTHBOUND ON I-95 IN JASPER COUNTY. THE  
SUBJECT WAS EN ROUTE TO SPARTANBURG,  
SOUTH CAROLINA, FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA.  
THE MIAMI RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A RENTED  
1997 CHEVROLET LUMINA WITH FLORIDA  
PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH,  
OFFICERS FOUND THAT THE AIR FILTER HAD  
BEEN TAKEN OUT AND THE CRACK COCAINE  
PLACED IN THE BREATHER OF THE VEHICLE.  
A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND  
ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT WAS  
ARRESTED.

AUG 07 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 9.8  
KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND \$1,055  
IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1230 HOURS FROM A  
WHITE MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40  
IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE SUBJECT  
WAS EN ROUTE TO COWETA, OKLAHOMA, FROM  
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA. THE COWETA  
RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1989 CHEVROLET  
SUBURBAN WITH OKLAHOMA PLATES. THE  
OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT.  
DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS  
FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE IN THE RIGHT  
REAR SIDE PANEL OF THE VEHICLE.

AUG 07 - THE GEORGIA STATE PATROL SEIZED \$196,000  
IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0157 HOURS FROM A  
LATIN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95  
IN LIBERTY COUNTY. THE SUBJECT, AN  
ASTORIA, NEW YORK, RESIDENT, WAS DRIVING  
A 1989 LINCOLN TOWNCAR WITH NEW YORK  
PLATES. THE CURRENCY WAS WRAPPED WITH  
RUBBER BANDS AND WAS FOUND INSIDE A  
DUFFLE BAG, A HOME STEREO SYSTEM, AND  
TWO SPEAKERS, ALL LOCATED IN THE TRUNK.  
MORE CURRENCY WAS FOUND UNDER THE  
PASSENGER'S FRONT SEAT INSIDE A  
CIGARETTE CARTON. [REDACTED]

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AUG 07 - THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE SEIZED 944 GRAMS OF HEROIN AT 1015 HOURS FROM A LATIN FEMALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-95. THE SUBJECT, A DOMINICAN REPUBLIC NATIONAL, WAS EN ROUTE TO PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA. THE DRIVER IS A RESIDENT OF PHILADELPHIA. SHE WAS DRIVING HER 1986 FORD TAURUS WITH PENNSYLVANIA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND 75 PELLETS OF HEROIN, WRAPPED IN PLASTIC AND DIPPED IN PARAFFIN WAX, INSIDE THE SUBJECT'S PURSE. THE SUSPECT HAD PICKED UP THE HEROIN FROM A DRUG COURIER WHO HAD INGESTED THE PELLETS IN GUATEMALA, THEN TRAVELED TO THE U.S. VIA COMMERCIAL AIR.

AUG 08 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.9 KILOGRAMS OF MEXICAN BLACK TAR HEROIN AT 0840 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN GLENN COUNTY. HE WAS EN ROUTE TO REDDING, CALIFORNIA, FROM MENLO PARK, CALIFORNIA. THE MENLO PARK RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1989 NISSAN SENTRA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE TAPE-WRAPPED PACKAGES OF HEROIN HIDDEN IN THE REAR BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE.

AUG 08 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 100 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 0830 HOURS NEAR NEPHI, JUAB COUNTY, PURSUANT TO A TRAFFIC STOP. THE DRIVER, A WHITE MALE, AND THE PASSENGER, A LATIN MALE, WERE EN ROUTE TO SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA, TRAVELING IN A 1994 ISUZU RODEO WITH UTAH PLATES. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE RESIDENTS OF SANDY, UTAH. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS

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... THE SUBJECT IN THE BACK OF THE  
VEHICLE, COVERED WITH A BLANKET.

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AUG 09 - THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED 2.7 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE  
FROM A COMPTON, CALIFORNIA, MALE  
RESIDENT, TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN  
COCONINO COUNTY. THE DRUGS WERE FOUND  
IN THE SUBJECT'S VEHICLE, WHICH BORE  
MARYLAND PLATES. (NFI)

SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES FOR INCLUSION IN THIS MESSAGE ARE  
DEFINED AS FIVE (5) KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE; ONE HUNDRED (100)  
KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA; TWENTY-EIGHT (28) GRAMS OF HEROIN;  
FIVE HUNDRED (500) GRAMS OF CRACK; ONE (1) KILOGRAM OF  
METHAMPHETAMINE; AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000)  
DOLLARS. THIS TELETYPE INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO  
EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY  
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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS  
TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 10  
POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28  
GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF  
METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS  
OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE  
CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE  
SIGNIFICANT SEIZURE CRITERIA WAS SET BECAUSE OF THE SHEER  
NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

PLEASE ADDRESS QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS TO  
RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS DOMESTIC UNIT, [REDACTED]

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\*\*\*PLEASE PASS TO ALL HIGHWAY INTERDICTION PERSONNEL\*\*\*\*

THIS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS CURRENT DRUG SEIZURES AND INTELLIGENCE THAT IMPACTS AGENCIES INVOLVED IN HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION THROUGHOUT THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES. IT BRIEFLY DISCUSSES THE EVENTS AND GIVES LIMITED INTERPRETATION OF THEIR MEANING. IT IS INTENDED TO ASSIST PLANNERS IN DETERMINING DRUG MOVEMENT PATTERNS ON U.S. HIGHWAYS. THIS MESSAGE IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY BASED ON REPORTING RECEIVED AT EPIC DURING THE PREVIOUS WEEK.

AUG 01 - THE LA JOYA, TEXAS, POLICE DEPARTMENT SEIZED 129 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2135 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON U.S. 83 IN HIDALGO COUNTY. THE SUBJECT, AN ORDAZ, TAMAULIPAS, MEXICO, RESIDENT, WAS DRIVING A 1988 FORD CROWN VICTORIA BEARING TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND FOUR PACKAGES OF MARIJUANA LOCATED IN THE TRUNK. THE OTHER PACKAGE WAS FOUND ON THE BACK SEAT IN PLAIN VIEW.

AUG 02 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1020 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SHASTA COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO PORTLAND, OREGON, FROM EAST PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA. THE DRIVER, AN EAST PALO ALTO RESIDENT, AND HIS PASSENGER, A SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1993 SATURN WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE DRUGS HIDDEN ON TOP OF THE FUEL TANK. ACCESS WAS GAINED BY DROPPING THE FUEL TANK.

AUG 07- THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1900 HOURS FROM A CUBAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE IN BROWARD COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENT, WAS EN ROUTE TO ORLANDO, FLORIDA, FROM MIAMI. THE SUBJECT WAS DRIVING A 1997 RENTED MITSUBISHI MONTERO WITH FLORIDA PLATES. DURING A PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND PLASTIC WRAPPED PACKAGES OF COCAINE UNDER THE BACK SEAT. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. THE DRIVER [REDACTED]

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AUG 11 -

THE LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, METRO TASK FORCE SEIZED 2.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND 2.5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2300 HOURS IN CLARK COUNTY. A MEXICAN COUPLE AND THREE SMALL CHILDREN WERE TRAVELING WESTBOUND (UNKNOWN HIGHWAY), EN ROUTE TO ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA, FROM FRESNO, CALIFORNIA. THE DRIVER, A PACOIMA, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT, AND HER PASSENGER, A DINUBA, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1989 NISSAN SENTRA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND A 38-INCH METAL TUBE INSIDE THE REAR BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE WHERE THE DRUGS WERE LOCATED. THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE WERE WRAPPED IN DUCT TAPE AND THE METHAMPHETAMINE IN CLEAR CELLOPHANE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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HOURS FROM THREE LATIN MALES TRAVELING ON I-80 IN RENO, WASHOE COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1994 SUZUKI SWIFT WITH IDAHO PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN BENEATH THE REAR PASSENGER SEAT. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS DESTINED FOR RUPERT, IDAHO, FROM SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.

AUG 14 -

THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5.4 KILOGRAMS OF MEXICAN BLACK TAR HEROIN AND 2.7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0900 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SHASTA COUNTY. THE SUBJECT WAS EN ROUTE TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, FROM SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, DRIVING A 1994 VOLKSWAGON JETTA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE DRUGS IN AN ELECTRONICALLY-OPERATED FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED INSIDE THE AIRBAG AREA. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

AUG 14 -

THE COLORADO STATE PATROL SEIZED 1.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1510 HOURS FROM TWO LATIN MALES. THE DRIVER, A LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT, AND HIS PASSENGER, A WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1993 BMW WITH COLORADO PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE DRUGS INSIDE A GYM BAG LOCATED IN THE TRUNK.

THE NEW MEXICO STATE POLICE SEIZED 377 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1235 HOURS FROM THREE MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON STATE ROAD 90 IN HIDALGO COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1988 FORD F150 PICKUP, TOWING A HORSE TRAILER. AS THE OFFICER APPROACHED THE VEHICLE, TWO OF THE SUBJECTS FLED ON FOOT. THE THIRD SUBJECT DROVE OFF AT HIGH RATE OF SPEED. THE OFFICERS FIRED TWO SHOTS INTO THE VEHICLE'S LEFT REAR TIRE. THE VEHICLE BECAME STUCK IN THE SAND, AND THE DRIVER FLED ON FOOT. OFFICERS FOUND TEN BURLAP BAGS CONTAINING THE MARIJUANA INSIDE THE TRAILER. THE THREE SUBJECTS WERE EVENTUALLY ARRESTED.

AUG 15 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 524 GRAMS OF OPIUM AND \$18,866 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2035 HOURS FROM TWO WHITE MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON STATE ROAD 299 IN TRINITY COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS, BOTH MISSOULA, MONTANA, RESIDENTS, WERE EN ROUTE TO EUREKA, CALIFORNIA, FROM MISSOULA. THEY WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1988 FORD RANGER WITH MONTANA PLATES. OFFICERS LOCATED THE OPIUM UNDER THE RAISED PICKUP BED AND THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND HIDDEN WITHIN CLOTHES INSIDE A BACKPACK.

AUG 16 - THE OKLAHOMA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 4.5 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 0245 HOURS FROM A BLACK MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44 IN TULSA COUNTY. THE SUBJECT WAS EN ROUTE TO FLORISSANT, MISSOURI, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. THE FLORISSANT RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1992 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX WITH MISSOURI PLATES. DURING A PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE CRACK COCAINE IN A HIDDEN COMPARTMENT IN THE DASHBOARD. AN ELECTRONIC CONTROL BUTTON WAS FOUND UNDERNEATH THE STEERING COLUMN. HOWEVER, THE EXACT SEQUENCE TO OPEN THE COMPARTMENT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

AUG 16 - THE ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, SHERIFF'S OFFICE SEIZED 5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AND \$1,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0300 HOURS FROM TWO BLACK MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10. THEY WERE EN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FROM PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS. THE SUBJECTS, BOTH RESIDENTS OF MEMPHIS, WERE TRAVELING IN A RENTED 1998 FORD VAN WITH TENNESSEE PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE INSIDE THE QUARTER PANELS OF THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

AUG 16 - THE RANKIN COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, SHERIFF'S OFFICE SEIZED 18.16 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2100 HOURS FROM A LATIN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-20. HE WAS EN ROUTE TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA, FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS, TRAVELING IN A 1992 FORD PICKUP WITH GEORGIA PLATES. THE COCAINE WAS FOUND INSIDE THE GAS TANK. THE SUBJECT, A HOUSTON RESIDENT WAS ARRESTED.

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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 08/23/97

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AUG 03 - THE PHELPS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 220 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A WHITE FEMALE AND HER THREE-YEAR-OLD JUVENILE WHO WERE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44 NEAR ROLLA. THE NEW PORT, KENTUCKY, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO CINCINNATI, OHIO, FROM MCALLEN, TEXAS, IN A RENTED TOYOTA TRUCK WITH TEXAS PLATES. TWO BLACK MALE CINCINNATI, OHIO, RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING WITH THE LOAD VEHICLE IN A RENTED 1997 MERCURY MARQUIS WITH OHIO PLATES. THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND INSIDE TWO LARGE BOXES LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE TRUCK.

AUG 03 - THE MISSOURI HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 36 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM TWO POLISH MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44 IN PHELPS COUNTY. THE CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO FROM LOS ANGELES IN THE DRIVER'S COMPANY-OWNED 1992 KENWORTH TRACTOR PULLING A 1990 UTILITY TRAILER BEARING ILLINOIS PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE INSIDE TWO DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED IN THE SLEEPER COMPARTMENT OF THE TRACTOR. THE TRAILER WAS CARRYING A CARGO OF CELERY.

AUG 06 - THE NEW YORK STATE POLICE SEIZED 510 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AND \$4,740 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2145 HOURS FROM A BLACK FEMALE AND TWO PUERTO RICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-87 IN ULSTER COUNTY. THE UTICA, NEW YORK, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO UTICA FROM NEW YORK, NEW YORK, IN THE DRIVER'S 1990 HONDA CIVIC WITH NEW YORK PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CRACK COCAINE IN PLASTIC BAGS INSIDE A SHOE BOX LOCATED IN THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

AUG 08 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.3 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN AT 2220 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN GLENN COUNTY. THE EUGENE, OREGON, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1985 AUDI 500 WITH OREGON PLATES EN ROUTE TO EUGENE FROM EAST PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT

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AUG 11 - THE OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 106  
KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2150 HOURS  
FROM A WHITE FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND  
ON I-70 IN PREBLE COUNTY NEAR EATON. THE  
SPRING VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT, WAS  
EN ROUTE TO HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT, FROM  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, IN A RENTED  
1997 BUICK SKYLARK WITH CALIFORNIA  
PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH,  
OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA IN THE  
TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION  
CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE  
VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

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AUG 13 - THE NEW YORK STATE POLICE SEIZED 887  
GRAMS OF HEROIN AT 1700 HOURS FROM A  
DOMINICAN MALE WHO WAS TRAVELING  
NORTHBOUND ON I-95 IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY  
NEAR NEW ROCHELLE. THE LAWRENCE,  
MASSACHUSETTS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO  
LAWRENCE FROM BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, IN A  
RENTED 1997 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER WITH  
MASSACHUSETTS PLATES. THE THREE BAGS OF  
HEROIN IN PELLET FORM WERE FOUND INSIDE  
A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE  
DASHBOARD LOCATED UNDER THE STEERING  
WHEEL OF THE VEHICLE.

AUG 14 - THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE SEIZED 15  
KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1150 HOURS FROM  
THREE HISPANIC MALES WHO WERE TRAVELING  
EASTBOUND ON I-80 IN MERCER COUNTY. THE  
DRIVER AND ONE PASSENGER, DOMINICAN  
NATIONALS RESIDING IN NEW YORK, NEW  
YORK, AND THE OTHER PASSENGER RESIDING  
IN NOGALES, SONORA, MEXICO, WERE EN  
ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK FROM TUCSON  
IN A 1990 PONTIAC TRANSPORT WITH NEW  
YORK PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE  
WAS NOT PRESENT. THE PACKAGES OF  
COCAINE WERE FOUND INSIDE AN

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ELECTRICALLY CONTROLLED FALSE  
COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE FLOOR OF THE  
VAN. AIR FRESHENER SHEETS, USED IN THE  
AIR VENTS IN HOMES, WERE USED AS A  
MASKING AGENT. A DRUG-DETECTION DOG WAS  
USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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- AUG 14 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED 161 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM  
A HISPANIC COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON  
I-30 IN HOPKINS COUNTY. THE LAREDO,  
TEXAS, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO  
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FROM SAN ANTONIO,  
TEXAS, IN A RENTED 1996 JAGUAR WITH  
TEXAS PLATES. TWO BALES OF MARIJUANA  
WERE FOUND INSIDE A BLACK BAG LOCATED ON  
THE BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-  
DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON  
THE TRUNK WHERE ADDITIONAL BALES OF  
MARIJUANA WERE FOUND.
- AUG 15 - THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED 161 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT  
1445 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE  
TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-6 IN PINAL  
COUNTY. THE NOGALES, ARIZONA, RESIDENT  
WAS EN ROUTE TO PHOENIX FROM NOGALES IN  
A 1985 NISSAN WITH ARIZONA PLATES.  
DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS  
FOUND THE MARIJUANA IN BURLAP SACKS  
LOCATED IN THE BED OF THE PICKUP.
- AUG 15 - THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 223  
KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2000 HOURS FROM  
TWO HISPANIC MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND  
ON I-10 NEAR THE FLORIDA/ALABAMA STATE  
LINE. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO  
MIAMI, FLORIDA FROM MCALLEN, TEXAS. THE  
MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING  
IN A COMPANY-OWNED 1987 PETERBILT  
TRACTOR WITH FLORIDA PLATES PULLING A  
FLATBED TRAILER THAT WAS HAULING A LOAD  
OF MEXICAN TILE. THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE  
WERE FOUND CONCEALED INSIDE THE TWO  
SUPPORT BEAMS THAT RAN THE FULL LENGTH  
OF THE TRAILER. THE PACKAGES HAD A  
GREEN AND RED LEOPARD STAMPED ON THEM.  
THE DRIVER'S BRIEFCASE WITH \$6,400 IN  
U.S CURRENCY WAS ALSO SEIZED. A DRUG-  
DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND DID NOT  
ALERT ON THE TRAILER. ALLEGEDLY THREE  
PREVIOUS LOADS HAD BEEN DELIVERED THAT  
HAD ORIGINATED OUT OF REYNOSA, MEXICO.
- AUG 16 - THE NEBRASKA STATE PATROL SEIZED  
10,599,035 DOSAGE UNITS OF PCP AT 1200  
HOURS FROM A BLACK MALE TRAVELING  
EASTBOUND ON I-80 IN HALL COUNTY. THE  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN  
ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FROM LOS  
ANGELES IN A 1985 CHEVROLET CELEBRITY

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WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE WHERE 14 GALLONS OF PCP WERE FOUND IN 2.5 GALLON GAS CONTAINERS HIDDEN INSIDE SUITCASES LOCATED IN THE TRUNK.

AUG 17 - THE OKLAHOMA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 127 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2000 HOURS FROM A WHITE COUPLE AND A JUVENILE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN OKLAHOMA COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE IN A 1986 CHEVROLET PICKUP WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE 141 COMPRESSED BRICKS OF MARIJUANA WERE CONCEALED INSIDE A THREE-INCH DEEP RAISED FLOOR COMPARTMENT THAT COVERED THE ENTIRE FLOOR AREA OF THE CAB. THREE TRAP DOORS WERE FOUND, ONE UNDER THE SEAT AND TWO IN THE FLOOR BOARD AREA. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE TRUCK. THE DRIVER TRIED TO CONFUSE THE OFFICER BY TELLING HIM THAT HE HAD MARIJUANA HIDDEN INSIDE THE GAS TANK WHICH WAS COVERED WITH FRESH MUD. WHEN THE GAS TANK WAS CHECKED A FALSE COMPARTMENT WAS FOUND BUT WAS EMPTY.

AUG 17 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 100 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1352 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC FEMALE AND A WHITE MALE WHO WERE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN TREGO COUNTY. THE PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO RHODE ISLAND FROM SAN DIEGO IN A RENTED LINCOLN CONTINENTAL WITH NEVADA PLATES. THE BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA WERE WRAPPED IN WOOD GRAIN SHELF PAPER AND PLACED INSIDE THREE DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A TIJUANA, MEXICO, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM RHODE ISLAND WAS TRAVELING IN A 1994 TOYOTA CAMRY WITH RHODE ISLAND PLATES AS AN ESCORT VEHICLE WITH THE LINCOLN. THE PASSENGER IN THE ESCORT VEHICLE WAS THE OWNER OF THE LINCOLN AND ALL FOUR SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

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AUG 18 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1000  
DOSAGE UNITS OF ROHYPNOL AND 73  
KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1448 HOURS  
FROM A WHITE COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND  
ON I-70 IN THOMAS COUNTY. THE DRIVER,  
A MELROSE, MASSACHUSETTS, RESIDENT AND  
HIS PASSENGER FROM BOSTON WERE EN ROUTE  
TO WASHINGTON, D.C., FROM LOS ANGELES,  
CALIFORNIA, IN A RENTED 1997 OLDSMOBILE  
88 WITH MISSOURI PLATES. THE CONTRABAND  
WAS FOUND INSIDE TWO DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED  
IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

AUG 18 - THE LOWNDES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN  
GEORGIA SEIZED \$111,830 IN U.S. CURRENCY  
AT 0615 HOURS FROM THREE CUBAN MALES  
TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE  
MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE  
TO MIAMI IN A RENTED 1997 CHEVROLET  
LUMINA WITH FLORIDA PLATES. DURING A  
CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE  
CURRENCY WRAPPED IN BUNDLES WITHIN  
PLASTIC BAGS HIDDEN INSIDE THE DOOR  
PANEL OF THE VEHICLE. THE OFFICER  
BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN HE NOTICED THAT  
THE WINDOWS WOULD NOT GO ALL THE WAY  
DOWN AND HE COULD STILL HEAR THE MOTOR  
WORKING. A DRUG DETECTION-CANINE WAS  
USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

AUG 18 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED \$890,530 IN U.S. CURRENCY FROM A  
HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-  
10 IN AUSTIN COUNTY. THE PASADENA,  
TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO NUEVO  
LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS, MEXICO, FROM  
HOUSTON, TEXAS, IN A 1994 FORD F350  
TRUCK. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY

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HIDDEN IN A FALSE FLOOR OF A TOOL BOX  
LOCATED IN THE BED OF THE TRUCK.

AUG 20 - THE JEFFERSON COUNTY TASK FORCE IN TEXAS  
SETZED 3.5 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT

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2215 HOURS FROM A BLACK MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 NEAR BEAUMONT. THE WINNSBORO, LOUISIANA, RESIDENT, WAS DRIVING A 1995 BUICK SKYLARK WITH LOUISIANA PLATES EN ROUTE TO MONROE, LOUISIANA. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS STOPPED THE VEHICLE FOR A TRAFFIC VIOLATION AND NOTICED THE SUBJECT THROW THE CRACK COCAINE OUT OF THE WINDOW. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

AUG 21 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 11.5 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0358 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC COUPLE AND A WHITE FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS, WERE TRAVELING IN A RENTED 1997 CADILLAC DEVILLE WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE 22 PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE IN THE BOTTOM OF THE REAR SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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AUG 08 - THE COLORADO STATE POLICE SEIZED 46 GRAMS OF HEROIN AT 1230 HOURS FROM THREE MEXICAN INDIVIDUALS TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-25 IN HUERFANO COUNTY. THE MALE DRIVER, A RESIDENT OF ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, AND HIS MALE AND FEMALE PASSENGERS, RESIDENTS OF ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO, AND COMMERCE CITY, COLORADO, RESPECTIVELY, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1983 MERCURY WITH TEMPORARY NEW MEXICO PLATES. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO DENVER FROM ALBUQUERQUE. OFFICERS FOUND THE HEROIN WRAPPED IN CLEAR PLASTIC UNDER THE BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. ALL THREE OF THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

AUG 13 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 205 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM TWO WHITE MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN SEVIER COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN SEPARATE VEHICLES EN ROUTE TO INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA. A TUCSON RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1985 CHEVROLET VAN BEARING UTAH PLATES AND THE OWNER WAS NOT PRESENT. THE HILLSBOROUGH, OREGON, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1988 FORD TAURUS WITH OREGON PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND 91 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN AND 114 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA IN THE TRUNK OF THE FORD TAURUS.

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AUG 14 - THE HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 62 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0630 HOURS FROM THREE HISPANIC MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN HARRIS COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK FROM HOUSTON IN A COMPANY-OWNED 1987 PETERBILT TRACTOR WITH A TRAILER BEARING TEXAS PLATES. THE SUBJECTS HAD FLOWN FROM NEW YORK TO HOUSTON TO PICK UP THE COCAINE. OFFICERS FOUND THE 51 PACKAGES OF COCAINE INSIDE TWO DUFFLE BAGS HIDDEN INSIDE A WOODEN BOX LOCATED IN THE TRAILER THAT WAS CARRYING A CARGO OF CUT-UP DENIM CLOTH.

AUG 19 - THE SPALDING COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED 147 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1402 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE TUCSON, ARIZONA, RESIDENTS, WERE EN ROUTE TO TAMPA, FLORIDA, FROM TUCSON IN A RENTED FORD VAN WITH ARIZONA PLATES. THE EIGHT COMPRESSED BALES OF MARIJUANA WERE WRAPPED IN SHELF PAPER AND WERE FOUND UNDER BLANKETS AND SHEETS IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. CARPET FRESHENER POWDER HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

AUG 25 - THE CONWAY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN ARKANSAS SEIZED 10 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0250 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND A HISPANIC FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN FAULKNER COUNTY. A 7-YEAR-OLD GIRL WAS IN THE CAR WITH THE COUPLE. THE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1991 LINCOLN TOWNCAR WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. THE OFFICER BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN HE NOTICED NEW BOLTS ON THE STRAP THAT HELD THE GAS TANK IN PLACE AND SAW BLACK RUBBER SEALANT OVERSPRAY ON THE GAS TANK AND ON THE FRAME OF THE CAR NEAR THE GAS TANK. THE PASSENGER'S SIDE OF THE TANK SOUNDED SOLID AND THE OTHER SIDE SOUNDED HOLLOW WHEN THE OFFICER TAPPED THE TANK WITH HIS FLASHLIGHT. THE CONTRABAND WAS FOUND CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE GAS TANK.

AUG 25 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 112 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND \$1,500 IN

U.S. CURRENCY AT 0310 HOURS FROM TWO WHITE MALES AND ONE WHITE FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A TUJUNGA, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM TUJUNGA AND JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, RESPECTIVELY, WERE EN ROUTE TO NORTH CAROLINA FROM SUN VALLEY, CALIFORNIA. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A RENTED 1994 CORONADO MOTORHOME WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND BEHIND A WOOD PANEL THAT HAD BEEN SCREWED ON TO THE STORAGE COMPARTMENT LOCATED UNDER THE BED IN THE MOTORHOME.

AUG 25 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1016 GRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND \$13,647 IN U.S. CURRENCY FROM TWO WHITE MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE WINSLOW, INDIANA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM DUBOIS, INDIANA, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1981 FORD FLATBED TRUCK WITH INDIANA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND INSIDE THE TOOL BOX LOCATED ON THE BED OF THE TRUCK. THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND ON THE FRONT SEAT OF THE TRUCK AND IN THE WALLET OF ONE OF THE SUBJECTS.

AUG 26 - THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, SEIZED \$294,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1745 HOURS FROM TWO VENEZUELAN MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE MARACAIBO, VENEZUELA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO MIAMI, FLORIDA, FROM NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, IN A RENTED 1997 CHEVROLET LUMINA WITH NEW YORK PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY INSIDE LUGGAGE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

AUG 26 - THE PANHANDLE REGIONAL NARCOTIC TASK FORCE IN TEXAS SEIZED 378 KILOGRAMS OF

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MARIJUANA AND \$1,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0820 HOURS FROM A WHITE MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN POTTER COUNTY NEAR AMARILLO. THE EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FROM EL CAJON IN A 1995 DODGE PICKUP TOWING A 1988 BAYLINER BOAT ON A 1990 PACIFIC TRAILER WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE 192 BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA, WRAPPED IN CELLOPHANE WITH FABRIC SOFTENER SHEETS, WERE FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE A COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE HULL OF THE BOAT. ACCESS TO THE COMPARTMENT WAS GAINED BY LIFTING THE DRIVER'S SEAT WHICH WAS ATTACHED TO THE TRAP DOOR.

AUG 27 - THE NASHVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TENNESSEE SEIZED 16 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1739 HOURS FROM TWO HISPANIC MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN DAVIDSON COUNTY. THE DALLAS, TEXAS, AREA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO DALLAS FROM NEW YORK, NEW YORK, IN THE DRIVER'S 1993 NISSAN WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE 16 KILOGRAM-SIZE PACKAGES OF COCAINE WERE FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE THE PANELS OF THE REAR DOORS. THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED AND THE VEHICLE WAS SEIZED.

AUG 28 - THE HANCOCK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSISSIPPI SEIZED 10 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0019 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10. THE HISPANIC DRIVER, A RESIDENT OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, AND HIS PASSENGER FROM MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO HIALEAH FROM LAREDO, TEXAS, IN A 1986 OLDSMOBILE WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE THE DOOR PANELS AND IN THE BACK SEAT AREA OF THE VEHICLE. THE VEHICLE WAS SEIZED AND THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

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AUG 29 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 50 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AND 15 KILOGRAMS OF WHITE HEROIN AT 2340 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND A BLACK FEMALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 77 IN REFUGIO COUNTY. THE MCALLEN, TEXAS, AREA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO HOUSTON FROM MISSION, TEXAS, IN A COMPANY-OWNED 1983 FREIGHTLINER TRACTOR (WITHOUT PLATES) PULLING A 1992 KENWORTH TRAILER WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE CONTRABAND WAS CONCEALED IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE KINGPIN AREA OF THE TRACTOR. AN ADDITIONAL SUBJECT, A HISPANIC MALE FROM MISSION, WAS ARRESTED AND HIS 1983 FREIGHTLINER TRUCK TRACTOR WAS SEIZED WHEN HE ARRIVED TO ACCEPT DELIVERY OF THE DRUGS.

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AUG 19 - THE LA JOYA POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 142 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1928 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON U.S. 83 IN HILDALGO COUNTY. THE ROMA, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1985 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS WITH TEXAS PLATES EN ROUTE TO MCALLEN.

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[REDACTED] THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND 54 BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA WRAPPED IN BROWN TAPE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK AND BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

AUG 28 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 6.8 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1925 HOURS FROM A WHITE MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 101 IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY. THE FREMONT, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1974 CHEVROLET VAN WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO FREMONT FROM MORGAN HILL, CALIFORNIA. OFFICERS WERE ABLE TO SEE THE CLANDESTINE LAB MATERIALS IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND INSIDE A 5-GALLON BUCKET WITH THE LAB MATERIALS.

AUG 29 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 13 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1600 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON STATE ROUTE 99 IN STANISLAUS COUNTY. THE ATWATER,

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CALIFORNIA, SUBJECT WAS EN ROUTE TO SACRAMENTO FROM MERCED, CALIFORNIA, IN HIS 1980 PONTIAC LEMANS WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND WITHIN THE DRIVER'S CLOTHING.

- SEP 01 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0021 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY. THE HILLSBORO, OREGON, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO HILLSBORO FROM POMONA, CALIFORNIA, IN THE DRIVER'S 1993 CHEVROLET TRUCK WITH OREGON PLATES. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND ON THE FEMALE AFTER OFFICERS NOTICED LARGE BULGES ON HER ABDOMEN AREA.
- SEP 01 - THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 18 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 2022 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND A HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN YAVAPAI COUNTY. THE DRIVER FROM EL CAJON AND HER PASSENGER FROM NATIONAL CITY, CALIFORNIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO EL PASO, TEXAS, FROM SAN DIEGO IN A RENTED 1997 FORD TAURUS WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE 37 PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE WERE FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE THE REAR DOOR PANELS OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 03 - THE WILLIAMSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT IN KENTUCKY SEIZED \$112,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2222 HOURS FROM FOUR HISPANIC MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-75 IN WHITLEY COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM SAN ANTONIO AND LAREDO, TEXAS, AND TAMPICO, MEXICO, WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1997 MITSUBISHI MONTERO WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND INSIDE THE VEHICLE'S SPARE TIRES.
- SEP 03 - THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 609 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AND 280 GRAMS OF POWDER COCAINE AT 2232 HOURS FROM A BLACK COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-95 IN VOLUSIA COUNTY. THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO NEW ORLEANS IN A 1981 FORD FAIRMONT WITH NORTH CAROLINA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND

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THE CONTRABAND IN THE FEMALE DRIVER'S  
PURSE DURING A CONSENT SEARCH.

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A GTO WAS ISSUED IN MID AUGUST 1996, TARGETING COLOMBIAN MONEY LAUNDERERS. A TOTAL OF \$2,134,561 IN U.S. CURRENCY WAS SEIZED ON I-75 BETWEEN AUGUST - NOVEMBER 1996 IN THE STATES OF FLORIDA AND GEORGIA. FOR THE SAME TIME FRAME, \$1,168,373 IN U.S. CURRENCY WAS SEIZED ON I-95 IN THE STATES OF DELAWARE, FLORIDA, GEORGIA, MARYLAND, NEW JERSEY, NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA. AS THE CURRENT GTO WAS ISSUED SO RECENTLY, NO LARGE CURRENCY SEIZURES HAVE YET BEEN REPORTED TO EPIC WHICH COULD BE ATTRIBUTED TO IT.

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SEP 09 - THE OREGON STATE POLICE SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 10 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0600 HOURS FROM THREE INDIVIDUALS TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 97 IN KLAMATH COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS TWO FEMALE PASSENGERS FROM REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO YAKIMA, WASHINGTON, FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1987 FORD MUSTANG WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS SEIZED THREE BUNDLES OF COCAINE, THAT HAD FALLEN OUT OF THE RIGHT FRONT WHEEL WELL, AND NINE BUNDLES FROM THE LEFT WHEEL WELL.

SEP 10 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5.4 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1325 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN JUAB COUNTY NEAR NEPHI. THE DRIVER, A LYNWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1983 TOYOTA CELICA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE INSIDE THE REAR BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE.

SEP 12 - THE NEW YORK STATE POLICE SEIZED 567 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 2005 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON STATE ROAD 17 IN ORANGE COUNTY. THE SYRACUSE, NEW YORK, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO SYRACUSE FROM NEW YORK CITY IN

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A 1986 BUICK WITH NEW YORK PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE INSIDE A PAPER BAG THAT WAS LOCATED UNDER THE BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE.

- SEP 19 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 140 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1335 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-470 IN SHAWNEE COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A TULAROSA, NEW MEXICO, RESIDENT AND HIS FEMALE PASSENGER FROM RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO, WERE EN ROUTE TO KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, FROM LAS CRUCES. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A RENTED 1997 DODGE INTREPID WITH NEW MEXICO PLATES. WHEN OFFICERS BEGAN A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, THE SUBJECT JUMPED INTO THE VEHICLE AND SPED AWAY. THE VEHICLE WAS LATER FOUND ABANDONED WITH 84 PACKAGES OF COMPRESSED MARIJUANA INSIDE THE TRUNK.
- SEP 21 - THE ST. CHARLES POLICE DEPARTMENT IN MISSOURI SEIZED 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND \$21,908 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0400 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN ST CHARLES COUNTY. THE SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO ST. CHARLES FROM EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA, IN THE DRIVER'S 1992 NISSAN SENTRA WITH MISSOURI PLATES. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. OFFICERS ALSO SEIZED A 25 CALIBER BERETTA HANDGUN.
- SEP 22 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 150 GRAMS OF HEROIN AND 850 GRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0800 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN JUAB COUNTY. THE OGDEN, UTAH, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1988 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE BEARING MEXICO PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND CONCEALED IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT OF AN IGLOO ICE CHEST. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.
- SEP 22 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.6 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND \$2,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1350 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-15 IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY. THE TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE, MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO PHOENIX, ARIZONA, FROM LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1993 NISSAN

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SENTRA. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE'S DASHBOARD WHERE THE DRUGS AND CURRENCY WERE FOUND.

- SEP 22 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.6 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1030 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN EMERY COUNTY. THE HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM BELL GARDEN, CALIFORNIA, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1990 FORD PICKUP WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE CONCEALED INSIDE PVC PIPES THAT WERE LOCATED IN THE GAS TANK OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 23 - THE OKLAHOMA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 136 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 0100 HOURS FROM THREE MALES TRAVELING ON I-44 IN OKLAHOMA COUNTY. THE HOUSTON AREA RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1987 TOYOTA CAMRY WITH TEXAS PLATES. DURING A PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE FRESHLY CULTIVATED MARIJUANA INSIDE SIX BURLAP SACKS.
- SEP 24 - THE KENTUCKY STATE POLICE SEIZED 7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AND \$1,089 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1500 HOURS FROM A CUBAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-75 IN FAYETTE COUNTY NEAR LEXINGTON. THE MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A RENTED 1997 FORD ESCORT WITH FLORIDA PLATES EN ROUTE TO COLUMBUS, OHIO, FROM MIAMI BEACH. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE AND CURRENCY INSIDE A SUITCASE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. THE COCAINE WAS WRAPPED WITH SARAN WRAP, SEALED WITH BROWN TAPE, PLACED INSIDE THE INNER RUBBER LAYER OF A HOT-WATER BOTTLE, AND THEN SEALED AGAIN WITH BROWN TAPE. AN EMBLEM THAT RESEMBLED A KEYHOLE WAS EMBOSSED ON EACH OF THE BRICKS OF COCAINE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 24 - THE PHELPS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 204 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2120 HOURS FROM A MALE DRIVING A RENTED TOYOTA TRUCK WITH

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CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE TOYOTA WAS BEING ESCORTED BY TWO MALES, ONE FEMALE, AND TWO MINOR CHILDREN TRAVELING IN A 1977 OLDSMOBILE ROYALE BEARING TEXAS PLATES. THE SUBJECTS, ALL FROM LAS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, WERE GOING EASTBOUND ON I-44 EN ROUTE TO INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, FROM LAS CRUCES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COMPRESSED MARIJUANA HIDDEN INSIDE SEVEN CARDBOARD BOXES LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE TRUCK. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

SEP 25 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 129 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1551 HOURS FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-8 IN IMPERIAL COUNTY. THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND INSIDE FIVE DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE 1989 FORD VAN WITH BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE MEXICO PLATES.

UPDATE: THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY RECENTLY NOTIFIED EPIC THAT TWO SEIZURES ON JULY 19 AND AUGUST 29 OF THIS YEAR INITIALLY REPORTED AS WHITE HEROIN, WERE ACTUALLY AMPHETAMINE MANUFACTURED IN MEXICO. BOTH SEIZURES, 6.4 KILOGRAMS ON JULY 19 AND 15 KILOGRAMS ON AUGUST 29, INITIALLY FIELD TESTED POSITIVE FOR THE PRESENCE OF HEROIN, BUT WERE LATER CONCLUSIVELY IDENTIFIED BY TXDPS CHEMISTS AS AMPHETAMINE.

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AUG 29 - THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN MISSOURI SEIZED \$174,885 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0130 HOURS FROM TWO HISPANIC FEMALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-70. THE ST. LOUIS RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO LOS ANGELES FROM ST. LOUIS IN THE DRIVER'S 1976 CADILLAC EL DORADO WITH MISSOURI PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND 9 VACUUM-SEALED PACKS OF CURRENCY HIDDEN INSIDE THE REAR QUARTER PANEL OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE CURRENCY. AN IONSCANNER MEASURED A HIGH READING OF COCAINE ON THE CURRENCY.

SEP 04 - THE DELAWARE STATE POLICE SEIZED 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE FROM A JAMAICAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95 IN KENT COUNTY NEAR DOVER. THE STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN A RENTED 1997 CHEVROLET LUMINA WITH PENNSYLVANIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE INSIDE THE AIR FILTER LOCATED IN THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT OF THE VEHICLE. THE OFFICER BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN HE NOTICED THAT PAINT HAD BEEN SCRAPED ON THE SCREW THAT HELD THE AIR FILTER IN PLACE.

SEP 05 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 50 GRAMS OF UNIDENTIFIED WHITE HEROIN AT 1141 HOURS FROM TWO BLACK MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON GARDEN STATE PARKWAY IN OCEAN COUNTY. THE

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PLEASANTVILLE, NEW JERSEY, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO ATLANTA CITY, NEW JERSEY, FROM NEW YORK, NEW YORK, IN A 1991 NISSAN MAXIMA WITH NEW JERSEY PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE 500 DECKS OF HEROIN WERE FOUND HIDDEN IN THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT OF THE VEHICLE. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

- SEP 10 - THE LAS VEGAS METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT IN NEVADA SEIZED 6 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1835 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE, ALONG WITH A FEMALE AND THEIR THREE SMALL CHILDREN, TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN CLARK COUNTY. THE RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1992 CHEVROLET WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO DENVER FROM RIVERSIDE. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE IN THE SIDE WALL PANEL LOCATED BETWEEN THE METAL FRAME AND THE PLASTIC WALL OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 10 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 568 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE FROM THREE BLACK MALES TRAVELING ON THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE. THE DRIVER, AN EMPORIA, VIRGINIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM EMPORIA AND BALTIMORE RESPECTIVELY, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1987 4-DOOR LINCOLN WITH VIRGINIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND LOCATED ON THE FLOORBOARD OF THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.
- SEP 10 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 7.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1835 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SAN DIEGO, COUNTY. THE BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE, MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO SAN DIEGO FROM CHULA VISTA, CALIFORNIA, IN HIS 1985 FORD THUNDERBIRD WITH BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE PLATES. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND BY OFFICERS AFTER A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE ALERTED TO AN OPEN BOX LOCATED ON THE RIGHT FRONT SEAT OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 11 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.8 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1720 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING

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NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 101 IN MONTEREY COUNTY. THE TACOMA, WASHINGTON, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO SAN FRANCISCO FROM PASO ROBLES, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1989 CHEVROLET ASTROVAN WITH WASHINGTON PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND INSIDE THE NATURAL VOID LOCATED BEHIND KICK PANEL ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE VEHICLE.

- SEP 11 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.4 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1400 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON STATE ROUTE 99 IN MERCED COUNTY. THE BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1990 NISSAN PICKUP WITH WASHINGTON PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE GAS TANK OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 12 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 245 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1410 HOURS FROM TWO JAMAICAN MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN JEFFERSON COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM PATERSON, NEW JERSEY, WERE EN ROUTE TO BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, FROM MCALLEN, TEXAS. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN THE PASSENGER'S 1992 KENWORTH TRACTOR WITH NEW JERSEY PLATES PULLING A 1990 GREAT DANE UTILITY TRAILER WITH FLORIDA PLATES. THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND INSIDE 9 LARGE CARDBOARD BOXES LOCATED IN THE CENTER OF THE TRAILER UNDER A LOAD OF LIMES.
- SEP 12 - AT 0840 HOURS THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.6 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE FROM TWO HISPANIC MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN JOAQUIN COUNTY. THE WOODLAND, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO WOODLAND FROM SAN BERNARDINO IN A RENTED 1998 BUICK SKYLARK WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE SUBJECTS HAD TRAVELED ON I-505 TO I-10 PRIOR TO ENTERING ON I-5. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE IN THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-

DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

- SEP 12 - THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN NORTH CAROLINA SEIZED 27 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A HISPANIC FEMALE TRAVELING WITH TWO JUVENILES NORTHBOUND ON I-95. THE FORT LAUDERDALE RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FROM FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, IN HER 1995 CHEVROLET LUMINA VAN WITH FLORIDA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE HIDDEN IN THE SIDE PANELS OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 13 - THE BEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TEXAS SEIZED 108 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1457 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON U.S. 59. THE HOUSTON, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO HOUSTON FROM LAREDO IN A 1988 INTERNATIONAL TRACTOR WITH TEXAS PLATES PULLING A 46 FOOT FLATBED TRAILER WITH MINNESOTA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE TRACTOR OR TRAILER WAS NOT PRESENT. THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE WERE FOUND INSIDE FALSE COMPARTMENTS LOCATED INSIDE THE FUEL TANKS ON THE TRACTOR. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE FUEL TANKS.
- SEP 14 - THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE SEIZED 248 GRAMS OF UNIDENTIFIED WHITE HEROIN AT 1800 HOURS FROM TWO PUERTO RICAN FEMALES AND A CAPE VERDEAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-80 IN MERCER COUNTY. THE FEMALE DRIVER, A CLEVELAND, OHIO, RESIDENT AND HER PASSENGERS FROM BROCKTON, AND FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS, RESPECTIVELY, WERE EN ROUTE TO CLEVELAND FROM BROCKTON IN A 1994 GEO PRISM WITH MASSACHUSETTS PLATES. THE CAPE VERDEAN MALE PASSENGER WAS THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE. THE HEROIN, IN COMPRESSED PELLET FORM, WAS FOUND INSIDE TWO ZIPLOCK BAGS THAT WAS TAPED TO THE DRIVER'S LEG. A SMITH & WESSON 9MM LOADED WITH 17 ROUNDS WAS FOUND INSIDE A BAG LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 15 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 307 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2025

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HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING ON U.S. 83 IN HIDALGO COUNTY NEAR WESLACO. THE MISSION, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1988 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN WITH TEMPORARY TEXAS PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH OFFICERS FOUND 294 PACKAGES OF COCAINE IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VEHICLE. ONE OF THE PACKAGES WAS MARKED WITH A PICTURE OF A BLACK AND WHITE SOCCER BALL AND THE OTHER PACKAGE HAD A COMPUTER BAR CODE ON IT. THE REST OF THE PACKAGES WERE UNMARKED. THREE HISPANIC MALE SUBJECTS FROM MISSION, TEXAS, WERE ACCOMPANYING THE LOAD VEHICLE IN A 1988 CHEVROLET PICKUP WITH TEXAS PLATES. ALL FOUR OF THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

SEP 15 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 603 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 0609 HOURS FROM AN ABANDONED 1992 FORD VAN THAT HAD BEEN TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON STATE ROAD 118 IN BREWSTER COUNTY NEAR ALPINE. THE MEXICAN MALE, WHO FLED THE SCENE AT THE TIME OF THE STOP, WAS APPREHENDED TWO DAYS LATER AND STATED THAT HE WAS EN ROUTE TO DALLAS FROM SANTA ELENA, TEXAS. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE 51 BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA THAT WEIGHED APPROXIMATELY 51 POUNDS EACH AND WERE FOUND IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VEHICLE.

SEP 15 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 631 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2144 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 59 IN VICTORIA COUNTY. THE ORANGE GROVE, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO DEER PARK, TEXAS, FROM ORANGE GROVE IN A 1987 INTERNATIONAL TRACTOR PULLING A 1975 KARIKOOL TANKER TRAILER BEARING TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND 75 BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA CONCEALED INSIDE THE TANKER.

SEP 15 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED \$109,860 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0650 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA, FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA, IN A 1989 MAZDA 323 WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS

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FOUND THE CURRENCY CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE FLOOR COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

- SEP 16 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 299 GRAMS OF HEROIN AT 1612 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 101 IN MONTEREY COUNTY. THE WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO WATSONVILLE FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1988 CHEVROLET BERETTA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE OFFICERS FOUND THE HEROIN IN A SHOE THAT WAS INSIDE A PLASTIC BAG LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 16 - THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN CALIFORNIA SEIZED \$129,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1315 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-5. THE PHOENIX, ARIZONA, RESIDENTS WERE DRIVING IN THEIR 1991 GMC TRUCK WITH ARIZONA PLATES EN ROUTE TO YUMA, ARIZONA, FROM BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE GAS TANK OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 17 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 364 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1012 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 59 IN JACKSON COUNTY NEAR GRANDO. THE LA FERIA, TEXAS, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS, IN A 30 FOOT 1996 RENTAL TRUCK BEARING ARIZONA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA INSIDE OLD LOCKED CABINETS THAT WERE LOCATED AT THE NOSE OF THE TRAILER. NEW FURNITURE WAS VISIBLE WHEN THE DOORS WERE FIRST OPENED, HOWEVER, OLD JUNK FURNITURE WAS IN THE FRONT OF THE CARGO AREA. A HISPANIC MALE FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS, WAS ACCOMPANYING THE RENTAL TRUCK IN HIS 1995 CHEVROLET PICKUP WITH TEXAS PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND 11 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT IN THE TOOLBOX THAT WAS LOCATED IN THE BED OF THE TRUCK.
- SEP 17 - THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 712 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 2350 HOURS

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FROM THREE BLACK MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND IN VOLUSIA COUNTY. THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, IN A 1998 FORD CONTOUR WITH FLORIDA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CRACK COCAINE UNDER A PILLOW LOCATED ON THE BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE.

- SEP 18 - THE CORPUS CHRISTI POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 18 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1300 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE WHO WAS TRAVELING IN A 1986 CADILLAC WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE SUBJECT WAS A RESIDENT OF HOUSTON, TEXAS. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE 18 PACKAGES OF COCAINE INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED UNDER THE ARM REST OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 18 - THE EL PASO POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 1,241 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA WHEN OFFICERS WERE CALLED TO INVESTIGATE A 1986 CHEVROLET VAN BEARING TEXAS PLATES THAT WAS STOPPED ON I-10 NEAR AN EASTBOUND EXIT. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA WRAPPED IN PLASTIC PACKETS THAT WERE COVERED WITH A TARP IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. THE VEHICLE HAD BROKEN DOWN BECAUSE OF TWO FLAT REAR TIRES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. TWO HISPANIC MALES, EL PASO RESIDENTS WERE CHARGED AND ARRESTED FOR POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA.
- SEP 18 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 148 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND \$3,992 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0222 HOURS FROM TWO BLACK MALES AND ONE BLACK FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, IN THE DRIVER'S 1992 CHEVROLET ONE-TON PICKUP WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA INSIDE LUGGAGE THAT WAS IN THE BED OF THE TRUCK. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. THE DRIVER WAS FROM THE VIRGIN ISLANDS.
- SEP 18 - THE SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TENNESSEE SEIZED 6.4 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1029 HOURS FROM A PUERTO RICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40.

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THE CAROLINE, PUERTO RICO, RESIDENT HAD FLOWN FROM PUERTO RICO TO HOUSTON AND WAS EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK IN A RENTED 1997 CHRYSLER BEARING NEW YORK PLATES. THE COCAINE WAS FOUND INSIDE THE GAS TANK.

- SEP 18 - THE SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TENNESSEE SEIZED 20 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2310 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40. THE DRIVER, A MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1987 CHEVROLET VAN WITH ONTARIO PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND INSIDE THE BACK DOOR OF THE VEHICLE. THE COCAINE WAS WRAPPED IN GREEN CELLOPHANE AND HAD A MARKING OF A BLACK OUTLINED GOLD CROWN. BELOW THE CROWN WAS THE WORD "DOMINO" AND BELOW THAT THE WORDS "PRODUCTO DE ALTA CALIDAD". THERE HAVE BEEN 5 REPORTED CASES SHOWING COCAINE SEIZED WITH THESE MARKINGS IN THE U.S FROM APRIL 1996 THROUGH JULY 1997. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT WAS 206 PACKAGES SEIZED IN FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA IN AUGUST 1995, AND 99 PACKAGES SEIZED IN TEXAS IN JULY 1997.
- SEP 18 - THE ALABAMA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 12 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1800 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-65 IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY. THE EL SOCORRO, TRINIDAD, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK FROM NEW ORLEANS IN A RENTED 1997 DODGE STRATUS WITH NEW YORK PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE HYDROCHLORIDE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 19 - THE HAYWARD POLICE DEPARTMENT IN CALIFORNIA SEIZED 20 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2234 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 101 IN ALAMEDA COUNTY. THE HAYWARD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO HAYWARD FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1985 MERCEDES 500 WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. THE OFFICERS BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN THEY DISCOVERED THE FLOOR CARPET HAD BEEN

GLUED DOWN AND THE SEATS SHOWED SIGNS OF BEING RECENTLY REMOVED. THE KILOGRAM-SIZED PACKAGES OF COCAINE WERE FOUND CONCEALED INSIDE A RAISED FALSE FLOOR COMPARTMENT. ACCESS TO THE COMPARTMENT WAS GAINED BY REMOVING THE FRONT SEATS.

SEP 19 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 103,680 TABLETS OF PSEUDO EPHEDRINE AT 2120 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-580 IN ALAMEDA COUNTY. THE SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO SAN JOSE FROM STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1989 LINCOLN TOWNCAR WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE TABLETS, THAT WERE PACKAGED IN 60MG SIZE BOXES, IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE AFTER A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

SEP 19 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 2,640 DOSAGE UNITS OF VALIUM AND 16 VIALS OF STEROIDS AT 1725 HOURS FROM TWO WHITE MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-35 IN MEDINA COUNTY. THE HOUSTON AREA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE POSSIBLY TO HOUSTON FROM LAREDO, TEXAS, IN A 1995 MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND HIDDEN ON THE PASSENGER.

SEP 19 - THE MEMPHIS POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TENNESSEE SEIZED 271 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND \$2,601 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1649 HOURS FROM A WHITE COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SHELBY COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A MISSION, TEXAS, RESIDENT AND HIS FEMALE PASSENGER FROM PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA, WERE EN ROUTE TO INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, FROM MISSION, TEXAS, IN THE DRIVER'S 1993 GMC PICKUP PULLING A 1994 HORSE TRAILER BEARING TEXAS PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA HIDDEN IN A FALSE WALL COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE HORSE TRAILER. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED AND THE VEHICLE AND TRAILER WAS SEIZED.

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SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES FOR INCLUSION IN THIS MESSAGE ARE DEFINED AS FIVE (5) KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE; ONE HUNDRED (100) KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA; TWENTY-EIGHT (28) GRAMS OF HEROIN; FIVE HUNDRED (500) GRAMS OF CRACK; ONE (1) KILOGRAM OF METHAMPHETAMINE; AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS. THIS TELETYPE INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 10 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28 GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE SIGNIFICANT SEIZURE CRITERIA WAS SET BECAUSE OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

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AUGU 19 - THE NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 2118 HOURS FROM THREE HISPANIC SUBJECTS TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN CLARK COUNTY. THE MALE DRIVER AND FEMALE PASSENGER, FROM NEW HOPE, MINNESOTA, AND THE MALE PASSENGER FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO CHAKOPEE, MINNESOTA, FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1989 PONTIAC. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND BY OFFICERS IN THE LEFT FRONT WHEEL WELL OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

AUG 27 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED \$150,020 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0334 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON U.S. 281 SOUTH OF SAN MANUEL IN HIDALGO COUNTY. THE MCALLEN, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO MCALLEN FROM HOUSTON IN HIS 1987 TOYOTA WITH TEXAS PLATES. OFFICERS NOTICED THAT THE TWO BOLTS, WHICH HELD THE BOTTOM OF THE BACK SEAT TO THE VEHICLE, HAD SCRATCHES ON THE HEADS WHICH INDICATED THAT THEY HAD BEEN RECENTLY REMOVED. THE OFFICERS KNOCKED ON THE RIGHT REAR QUARTER PANEL ON THE OF THE VEHICLE AND HEARD A DULL THUD SOUND. AFTER OFFICERS REMOVED THE INTERIOR UPHOLSTERY QUARTER PANEL ON THE RIGHT SIDE THEY FOUND 15 BUNDLES OF CURRENCY WRAPPED IN DARK BROWN TAPE.

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- SEP 03 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 125 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 0955 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC FEMALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN FRESNO COUNTY. THE VISTA, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO SAN JOSE FROM VISTA IN HIS 1985 MERCURY WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND INSIDE THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 06 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 416 GRAMS OF UNIDENTIFIED HEROIN AND 1.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1930 HOURS FROM THREE MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN GLENN COUNTY. THE PORTLAND, OREGON, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO PORTLAND FROM OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1986 CADILLAC SEVILLE WITH OREGON PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE CONTRABAND WAS FOUND IN THE FIRE WALL AREA OF THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 06 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED \$184,746 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1250 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-35 IN HAYS COUNTY. THE LAREDO, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1990 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN WITH TEXAS PLATES EN ROUTE TO LAREDO FROM AUSTIN, TEXAS. THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND INSIDE A DUFFEL BAG LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. RESIDUE WAS FOUND INSIDE THE BAG THAT TESTED POSITIVE FOR THE PRESENCE OF COCAINE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.
- SEP 09 - THE ANGELINA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TEXAS SEIZED 19 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A HISPANIC MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON LOOP 287 NEAR LUFKIN, TEXAS. THE MINNESOTA RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO TENNESSEE FROM HOUSTON IN A 1995 PICKUP TRUCK WITH TENNESSEE PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE COCAINE WAS FOUND BY OFFICERS INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED BEHIND THE TOOL BOX SITTING AT THE FRONT OF THE BED IN THE PICKUP. THE WALL OF ANOTHER PICKUP HAD BEEN WELDED ON TO THE PICKUP TO CONSTRUCT THE FALSE WALL. THE LETTERS "PALA" WERE WRITTEN

WITH MAGIC MARKER ON THE TAN DUCT-TAPED PACKAGES. AXLE GREASE HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

SEP 09 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 10 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0100 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN MERCED COUNTY. THE MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1996 FORD THUNDERBIRD WITH WASHINGTON PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE COCAINE WAS FOUND INSIDE A SPECIALLY CONSTRUCTED COMPARTMENT LOCATED BETWEEN THE BACK SEAT AND TRUNK AREA OF THE VEHICLE.

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SUBJECT: ██████████ OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
OPERATION CONVOY

HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 10/04/97

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SEP 05 - THE CAMDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED 5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0126 HOURS FROM THREE MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-95. THE NEW YORK AREA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA, IN THE DRIVER'S 1986 FORD VAN WITH NEW YORK PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED ON THE UNDERCARRIAGE OF THE VAN. AXLE GREASE HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. ALL OF THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

SEP 16 - THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN NORTH CAROLINA SEIZED \$105,506 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1652 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE MIAMI

1997 MERCURY MYSTIQUE WITH FLORIDA  
PLATES EN ROUTE TO MIAMI FROM BALTIMORE,  
MARYLAND. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY  
UNDER THE BACK SEAT AND BEHIND THE  
CARPETING LOCATED ON THE SIDE WALLS OF  
THE TRUNK IN THE VEHICLE.

SEP 23 - THE BRYAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN  
GEORGIA SEIZED \$122,000 IN U.S.  
CURRENCY AT 0003 HOURS FROM THREE MALES  
TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE  
DRIVER, A HIGHPOINT, NORTH CAROLINA  
RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM  
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, WERE TRAVELING IN A  
1993 FORD EXPLORER WITH NORTH CAROLINA  
PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS  
NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS BECAME SUSPICIOUS  
WHEN THEY NOTICED THE CARPET IN THE BACK  
SEAT AREA WAS A DIFFERENT SHADE THAN THE  
REST OF THE CARPETING. THEY ALSO  
NOTICED FRESH SCRATCH MARKS ON THE BOLTS  
THAT HELD THE BACK SEATS IN PLACE. WHEN  
THE OFFICER LOOKED UNDER THE VEHICLE HE  
SAW A MOTOR ATTACHED TO THE  
UNDERCARRIAGE. THE CURRENCY WAS THEN  
FOUND INSIDE AN ELECTRONIC COMPARTMENT  
IN THE FLOORBOARD LOCATED BEHIND THE  
BACKSEAT OF THE VEHICLE. THE ORIGINAL  
FRAME OF THE EXPLORER HAD BEEN CUT OPEN  
AND WELDED BACK TOGETHER, REPAINTED, AND  
NEW CARPET INSTALLED. THE CURRENCY WAS  
WRAPPED IN GREEN CELLOPHANE AND BLACK  
ELECTRICAL TAPE.

SEP 29 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 700  
GRAMS OF COLOMBIAN HEROIN AT 1940 HOURS  
FROM A DOMINICAN MALE TRAVELING  
SOUTHBOUND ON I-95 IN UNION COUNTY. THE  
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, RESIDENT WAS  
TRAVELING IN A 1997 LEASED TOYOTA VAN  
WITH PENNSYLVANIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO  
PHILADELPHIA FROM NEW YORK, NEW YORK.  
OFFICERS FOUND THE TWO PACKAGES OF  
HEROIN INSIDE A KNAPSACK LOCATED IN THE  
PASSENGER AREA OF THE VEHICLE.

SEP 29 - THE OKLAHOMA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED  
\$155,665 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0445 HOURS  
FROM THREE MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON

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I-35 IN OKLAHOMA COUNTY. THE DRIVER AND  
ONE PASSENGER FROM DETROIT, MICHIGAN,

AND THE OTHER PASSENGER FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA, WERE EN ROUTE TO TUCSON FROM DETROIT IN A RENTED 1997 CHEVROLET ASTRO VAN WITH MICHIGAN PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY INSIDE A CLOTHING BAG LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

SEP 30 - THE NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 6.6 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AND \$1,479 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2333 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN CLARK COUNTY. THE CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1988 CHEVROLET VAN EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO FROM CENTRAL CITY, CALIFORNIA. OFFICERS FOUND 7 PACKAGES OF COCAINE INSIDE A FALSE FLOOR COMPARTMENT THAT EXTENDED FROM THE REAR OF THE VAN TO THE FIREWALL. THREE OF THE PACKAGES HAD A STICKER ON THEM THAT DEPICTED A GREEN GIRAFFE DRINKING WATER. ACCESS TO THE COMPARTMENT WAS GAINED BY REMOVING SIX SMALL PANELS THAT WERE SECURED WITH SCREWS.

SEP 30 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 9,841,961 DOSAGE UNITS OF PCP AT 1615 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN SHERMAN COUNTY. THE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, AREA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO CLEVELAND, OHIO, FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1982 FORD PICKUP WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND 13 GALLONS OF PCP CONCEALED IN THE REAR TANK OF THE DUAL TANK PICKUP.

SEP 30 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 135 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1330 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE COLONIA VIARTA, MEXICALI, MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1985 PLYMOUTH VAN WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, FROM MEXICO. THE SUBJECT HAD TRAVELED STATE ROUTES 86 AND 11 BEFORE GETTING ON I-10 TO REACH HIS FINAL DESTINATION. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND FOUR LARGE BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA UNDER A BLANKET LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

SEP 30 - THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SEIZED 6 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1759 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-90 IN BOONE COUNTY NEAR JOLIET. THE LOVESPARK, ILLINOIS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS, FROM CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, IN HIS 1994 PONTIAC SUNBIRD WITH ILLINOIS PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE SIX PACKAGES OF COCAINE INSIDE

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A CONTAINER WAS LOCATED BEHIND THE DRIVER'S SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. THE PACKAGES WERE SEALED WITH BLACK ELECTRICAL TAPE.

OCT 01 - THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SEIZED \$1,052,418 IN U.S. CURRENCY, 25 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE, AND TWO MONEY COUNTING MACHINES AT 1024 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-55 IN WILL COUNTY. THE BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE, MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS TRAVELING IN A 1974 CHEVROLET EL CAMINO WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND AND CURRENCY INSIDE LUGGAGE LOCATED ON THE FLOOR OF THE VEHICLE. SEVEN COCAINE PACKAGES WEIGHED 2 KILOGRAMS EACH AND THE REMAINING 16 PACKAGES WEIGHED 1 KILOGRAM EACH.

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OCT 01 - THE LOUISIANA STATE POLICE IN LAFAYETTE SEIZED \$183,815 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1424 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN ST. MARTIN PARISH. THE EL PASO, TEXAS, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO EL PASO FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA, IN A RENTED 1997 CHEVROLET LUMINA WITH FLORIDA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY IN THE BACK SEAT, INSIDE LUGGAGE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK, AND IN THE DASH OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

OCT 02 - THE NEW YORK STATE POLICE SEIZED 558 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 1540 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-87 IN ROCKLAND COUNTY NEAR CLARKSTON. THE ALBANY, NEW YORK, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO ALBANY FROM MANHATTAN IN A 1991 HONDA ACCORD WITH NEW YORK PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT DURING AN INVENTORY SEARCH. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND INSIDE A PLASTIC BAG LOCATED UNDER THE PASSENGER'S SEAT. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

OCT 03 - THE FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 6,000 DOSAGE UNITS OF ANABOLIC STEROIDS AT 1100 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44 NEAR UNION. THE DRIVER, A FARMINGTON HTL'S

FROM CHANDLER, ARIZONA, WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1996 CHEVROLET CORVETTE WITH ARIZONA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE STEROIDS INSIDE A DUFFLE BAG IN THE VEHICLE.

OCT 03 - THE LAREDO POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 15 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0100 HOURS FROM TWO SUBJECTS WHO WERE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-35 IN WEBB COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO DALLAS FROM LAREDO IN A 1990 NISSAN MAXIMA BEARING TEXAS PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND 15 BUNDLES OF METHAMPHETAMINE WRAPPED IN BLACK ELECTRICAL TAPE, INSIDE THE GAS TANK. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

OCT 03 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1448 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY. THE DRIVER AND HIS PASSENGER FROM NOGALES, MEXICO WERE EN ROUTE TO TUCSON FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1989 OLDSMOBILE 98 BEARING ARIZONA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE IN THE BACK SEAT, IN THE REAR SPEAKERS AND IN THE DASH COMPARTMENT OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

OCT 03 - THE SPALDING COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$143,211 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0025 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE DETROIT, MICHIGAN, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO MIAMI FROM DETROIT IN A RENTED 1997 DODGE CARAVAN WITH MICHIGAN PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY INSIDE A NATURAL CAVITY LOCATED BEHIND THE LEFT REAR SPEAKER. ACCESS WAS GAINED BY REMOVING THE SPEAKER. GREASE HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT, HOWEVER, A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

OCT 03 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1116 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SISKIYOU COUNTY. THE STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1983 OLDSMOBILE BROUGHAM

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WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO DORRIS, CALIFORNIA, FROM STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND IN THE TRUNK AFTER A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

CORRECTION: THE HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING 09/27/97 REPORTED THAT THE KENTUCKY STATE POLICE SEIZED 7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AND \$1,089 IN U.S. CURRENCY ON 09/24/97. THE KENTUCKY VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT GROUP LOCATED IN FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY, ACTUALLY MADE THIS SEIZURE.

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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
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SEP 03 - THE CONNECTICUT STATE POLICE SEIZED 662 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 2341 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON STATE ROAD 15 IN NEW HAVEN COUNTY NEAR WOODBRIDGE. THE DRIVER FROM HARTFORD AND HIS PASSENGER FROM MANCHESTER WERE EN ROUTE TO CONNECTICUT FROM NEW YORK IN A 1992 NISSAN MAXIMA WITH CONNECTICUT PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND AND A LOADED .44 SMITH AND WESSON HANDGUN CONCEALED IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED UNDER THE FRONT CONSOLE OF THE VAN. THE COMPARTMENT MEASURED 3 FEET WIDE AND 6 INCHES DEEP. THE OFFICERS BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN THEY NOTICED THAT THE PLASTIC MOLDING ON THE CONSOLE WAS LOOSE AND THAT NONFACTORY SCREWS WERE BEING USED TO HOLD THE CONSOLE IN PLACE. THE CARPETING IN THE BACK OF THE VAN WAS LOOSE AND WHEN THE OFFICERS LOOKED UNDER THE VEHICLE THEY COULD SEE A METAL PLATE WHICH HAD BEEN WELDED ONTO THE FRAME FOR THE BOTTOM OF THE FALSE COMPARTMENT. WHEN THE OFFICERS REMOVED THE CONSOLE THEY SAW A HANDMADE BLACK METAL ROD WHICH WAS A HYDRAULIC JACK USED TO ACCESS THE COMPARTMENT. THIS MECHANISM WAS POWERED BY WIRES WHICH LED TO A FUSE

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OCT 01 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 8.5 POUNDS OF PSEUDOEPHEDRINE TABLETS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM WINTON, CALIFORNIA, WERE IN A 1990 CHEVROLET LUMINA BEARING UTAH PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO PARK CITY, UTAH, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND HIDDEN IN NEW BLANKETS LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

OCT 02 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1557 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN GRAY COUNTY. THE PHOENIX, ARIZONA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FROM PHOENIX IN A 1991 GMC JIMMY BLAZER WITH ARIZONA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE OFFICERS FOUND SEVERAL STUFFED ANIMALS INSIDE CRATES IN THE VEHICLE. AND THEY NOTICED THAT THE

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BOARDS SURROUNDING ONE OF THE ANIMALS  
WERE NOT SECURED THE SAME WAY AS THEY  
WERE ON THE OTHER CRATES. THREE  
PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE WERE FOUND  
INSIDE THE STUFFED ANIMAL IN THE CRATE  
THAT SHOWED SIGNS OF TAMPERING.

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OCT 02 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 4.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1815 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE, WHO WERE TRAVELING WITH THREE SMALL CHILDREN NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO OGDEN, UTAH, FROM LONG BEACH IN A 1988 MERCURY COUGAR WITH UTAH PLATES. THE CONTRABAND WAS FOUND BEHIND THE SPARE TIRE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT.

OCT 04 - THE BEXAR COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TEXAS SEIZED 80 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1930 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10. THE SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO SAN ANTONIO FROM CONVERSE, TEXAS, IN A 1992 FORD F-150 PICKUP. THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE WERE WRAPPED IN YELLOW PLASTIC AND MARKED WITH THE LETTERS "TOYOTA" IN BLACK ABOVE THE TOYOTA EMBLEM IN RED, AND HAD THE LETTERS "NADA LE PASA" WHICH MEANS "NOTHING WILL HAPPEN" STAMPED IN BLACK BELOW THE EMBLEM. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED.

OCT 05 - THE PHELPS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 347 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A MALE SUBJECT TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44 NEAR ROLLA. THE LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1984 CHEVROLET 3500 PICKUP WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO NEW JERSEY FROM EL PASO, TEXAS. THE 28 BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA WERE FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE A PLYWOOD BOX MEASURING 8 FEET BY 4 FEET BY 2 FEET LOCATED UNDER THE SHELL OF THE PICKUP. THE BOX HAD BEEN CLOSED WITH WOOD SCREWS AND WOOD GLUE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. THROUGH FURTHER INVESTIGATION IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THIS SUBJECT HAD MADE PREVIOUS TRIPS TO TULSA, BIRMINGHAM, AND CHICAGO. THIS SEIZURE IS CONNECTED TO THE SAME GROUP THAT WAS INVOLVED IN A SEIZURE DESTINED TO INDIANAPOLIS ON 09/24/97.

OCT 05 - THE PHELPS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 146 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1925 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-44. THE TUCSON RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1996 GMC PICKUP WITH ARIZONA PLATES FROM TUCSON. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA CONCEALED IN A "T"-SHAPED STEEL BOX THAT EXTENDED THE LENGTH AND WIDTH OF THE BED. THE COMPARTMENT HAD BEEN WELDED TO THE BED AND THE CONTRABAND WAS ACCESSED FROM A TRAP DOOR LOCATED FROM THE UNDERCARRIAGE OF THE TRUCK. THE ACCESS PANEL HAD BEEN CLOSED WITH RIVETS AND SEALED WITH SILICONE. A GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS) DEVICE. A LAP TOP COMPUTER WITH A

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DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON  
THE TRUCK.

- OCT 05 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0915 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 59 IN PANOLA COUNTY. THE LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1988 MERCEDES BENZ WITH TEXAS PLATES EN ROUTE TO LAWRENCE FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE GAS TANK OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- OCT 05 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 4 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1240 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN COLUSA COUNTY. THE LOS ANGELES RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO MEDFORD, OREGON, FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1997 NISSAN MAXIMA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A CONSENSUAL SEARCH WAS OBTAINED AND OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND HIDDEN IN THE REAR BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE.
- OCT 06 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 106 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1435 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND TWO FEMALES, ONE A MEXICAN NATIONAL, TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE SOMERTON, ARIZONA, SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO FONTANA CALIFORNIA. FROM YUMA, ARIZONA, IN A 1992 CHRYSLER FIFTH AVENUE BEARING ARIZONA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE EXTERIOR OF THE VEHICLE. OFFICERS FOUND THE 129 PACKAGES OF MARIJUANA INSIDE FOUR DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED ON THE FLOOR AND ONE DUFFLE BAG LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.
- OCT 07 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 2200 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SHASTA COUNTY. THE STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, FROM STOCKTON IN A 1986 FORD MUSTANG WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE DRUGS CONCEALED INSIDE AN ELECTRONIC FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE DASH ABOVE THE GLOVE BOX OF THE VEHICLE.

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- OCT 07 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1100 HOURS FROM TWO COLOMBIAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-35 IN OSAGE COUNTY. THE HOUSTON, TEXAS, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS, IN A 1991 BUICK PARK AVENUE WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE COCAINE WAS FOUND CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED UNDER THE BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN PLASTIC, TIN FOIL, AND CLEAR TAPE. GREASE HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT.
- OCT 08 - THE PHELPS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 233 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND \$2,414 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2245 HOURS FROM FIVE MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44 IN TWO SEPARATE VEHICLES. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA HIDDEN INSIDE FOUR CARDBOARD BOXES LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF A RENTED 1996 GMC TRUCK BEARING OHIO PLATES. THE CURRENCY WAS SEIZED FROM THE SUBJECTS TRAVELING IN A RENTED 1997 DODGE INTREPID BEARING VIRGINIA PLATES. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, FROM PHOENIX, ARIZONA. THE OCCUPANTS IN THE TWO VEHICLES WERE ALL RESIDENTS OF NORFOLK OR VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- OCT 09 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 401 GRAMS OF MEXICAN TAR HEROIN AT 2015 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY. THE DRIVER FROM CHANDLER, ARIZONA, AND HIS PASSENGER FROM PHOENIX WERE EN ROUTE TO POMONA, CALIFORNIA, FROM PHOENIX IN A 1982 BUICK WITH ARIZONA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE HEROIN HIDDEN INSIDE THE HEATER VENT LOCATED IN THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT OF THE VEHICLE.
- OCT 09 - THE OKLAHOMA CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN OKLAHOMA SEIZED 7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0900 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-35 IN OKLAHOMA COUNTY. THE DRIVER FROM LOS ANGELES AND HIS PASSENGER FROM LAS VEGAS WERE EN ROUTE TO WICHITA, KANSAS, FROM LOS ANGELES IN THE DRIVER'S 1989 MAZDA 323 BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS NOTICED THE MAZDA'S TRUNK WAS FROM A DIFFERENT VEHICLE OF THE SAME MAKE AND HAD BEEN INSTALLED INSIDE THE EXISTING TRUNK. THE TWO PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE WERE FOUND INSIDE A 5-INCH VOID LOCATED BETWEEN THE TWO TRUNKS. THE COMPARTMENT EXTENDED FROM THE BACK OF THE REAR SEAT TO THE REAR BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE. A METAL HATCH HAD BEEN BOLTED BACK OVER THE OPENING OF THE

OCT 10 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0424 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO LAS VEGAS FROM ONTARIO IN THE DRIVER'S 1984 LINCOLN M-7 BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND BEHIND THE TRUNK LINER OF THE VEHICLE.

SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES FOR INCLUSION IN THIS MESSAGE ARE DEFINED AS FIVE (5) KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE; ONE HUNDRED (100) KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA; TWENTY-EIGHT (28) GRAMS OF HEROIN; FIVE HUNDRED (500) GRAMS OF CRACK; ONE (1) KILOGRAM OF METHAMPHETAMINE; AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS. THIS TELETYPE INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 10 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28 GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED], OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
[REDACTED], OPERATION CONVOY  
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 10/11/97

METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE SIGNIFICANT SEIZURE CRITERIA WAS SET BECAUSE OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

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NORTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL

SECTION ONE OF FOUR

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
[REDACTED] OPERATION CONVOY  
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 10/18/97

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THIS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS CURRENT DRUG SEIZURES AND INTELLIGENCE THAT IMPACTS AGENCIES INVOLVED IN HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION THROUGHOUT THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES. IT BRIEFLY DISCUSSES THE EVENTS AND GIVES LIMITED INTERPRETATION OF THEIR MEANING. IT IS INTENDED TO ASSIST PLANNERS IN DETERMINING DRUG MOVEMENT PATTERNS ON U.S. HIGHWAYS. THIS MESSAGE IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY BASED ON REPORTING RECEIVED AT EPIC DURING THE PREVIOUS WEEK.

SEP 23 - THE LA JOYA POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 249 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1330 HOURS FROM A 1995 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN, BEARING TEXAS PLATES, THAT HAD BEEN TRAVELING EAST ON U.S. 83 IN HIDALGO COUNTY. OFFICERS FOUND THE BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. THE SUBJECT FLED THE SCENE ON FOOT AND WAS NOT APPREHENDED.

OCT 08 - THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN FLORIDA SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 10 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1636 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE, THE CLARKSTON, GEORGIA. SUBJECT WAS EN ROUTE TO ATLANTA FROM MIAMI IN HIS 1992 NISSAN MAXIMA BEARING GEORGIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE INSIDE A TOTE BAG LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT HAD BEEN STOPPED ON MAY 14 BY THE SUMNER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN FLORIDA AND \$495,000 IN U. S. CURRENCY WAS SEIZED FROM HIM. HE WAS TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75 AT THE TIME OF THE STOP.

OCT 09 - THE HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED \$409,910 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0910 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA OF HOUSTON, THE PASADENA, TEXAS. RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A RENTED 1995 LINCOLN BEARING TEXAS PLATES. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE A BAG THAT WAS LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

OCT 11 - THE BRYAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED 13.6 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0700 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-75

TRAVELING NORTH BOUND ON I-75 NEAR  
RICHMOND HILL. THE MIAMI, FLORIDA,  
RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO BOSTON,  
MASSACHUSETTS, FROM MIAMI IN A RENTED  
1997 NISSAN QUEST BEARING FLORIDA  
PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE 12 PACKAGES  
OF COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE A NATURAL VOID  
LOCATED IN THE SLIDING PASSENGER DOOR.  
THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN CELLOPHANE  
AND SEALED WITH TAN PACKAGING TAPE. TWO  
OF THE PACKAGES WERE MARKED WITH THE  
LETTERS 'GSS' AND THE WORDS 'TIME TO  
FREEZE.' BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

OCT 12 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED 257 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND 3  
KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1726 HOURS FROM

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
[REDACTED] OPERATION CONVOY  
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 10/18/97

TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S.  
281 NEAR PREMONT IN JIM WELLS COUNTY.  
THE EDINBURG, TEXAS, RESIDENTS WERE EN  
ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM  
WESLACO, TEXAS, IN THE DRIVER'S 1988  
PETERBILT TRACTOR PULLING A 1986  
REFRIGERATED UTILITY TRAILER WITH A  
CARGO OF LIMES. THE TRACTOR AND TRAILER  
BOTH HAD TEXAS PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND  
THE CONTRABAND INSIDE A FALSE  
COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE NOSE OF THE  
TRAILER. ONE PACKAGE OF COCAINE WAS  
FOUND INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED  
IN THE REFRIGERATION UNIT OF THE  
TRAILER. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

OCT 12 - THE LOWNDES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN  
GEORGIA SEIZED \$149,324 IN U.S. CURRENCY  
AT 1125 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING  
SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE NASHVILLE,  
TENNESSEE, RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING IN  
THE DRIVER'S 1994 FORD CROWN VICTORIA  
BEARING TENNESSEE PLATES. THE SUBJECTS

WAS IN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FROM NASHVILLE. THE CURRENCY WAS CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A SECOND TRUNK FLOOR HAD BEEN INSTALLED OVER THE EXISTING TRUNK FLOOR WHICH CREATED A FOUR-INCH VOID. ACCESS WAS GAINED BY DROPPING THE GAS TANK AND UNSCREWING THE METAL PANEL NEAR THE FRONT OF TRUNK.

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OCT 13 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5.7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1100 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY. THE RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO RIVERSIDE FROM CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1986 CHEVROLET CAPRICE WITH BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE, MEXICO, PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE THE HEATER CORE LOCATED IN THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT OF THE VEHICLE.

OCT 14 - THE NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0100 HOURS FROM A MALE AND A MEXICAN FEMALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN CLARK COUNTY. THE CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, FROM LOS ANGELES IN THE DRIVER'S 1990 NISSAN SENTRA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE THE REAR BUMPER. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN CELLOPHANE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

OCT 14 - THE CRITTENDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN ARKANSAS SEIZED 11.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1433 HOURS FROM A FEMALE TRAVELING WITH A 14-YEAR-OLD MINOR EASTBOUND ON I-40. THE MCALLEN, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A STOLEN 1986 CHEVROLET BEARING TEXAS PLATES EN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FROM MCALLEN. OFFICERS NOTICED THAT THE SCREWS ON THE GAS TANK HAD BEEN TAMPERED WITH AND THAT THERE WAS FRESH PAINT AND BONDO ON THE BACK PORTION OF THE TANK. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY FOUND INSIDE A SPECIALLY-BUILT COMPARTMENT THAT CONSISTED OF ONE-THIRD OF THE GAS TANK. THE PACKAGES OF

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 10/18/97

METHAMPHETAMINE WERE WRAPPED IN FOIL AND  
PLASTIC AND GREASE HAD BEEN USED AS A  
MASKING AGENT. THE [REDACTED]

OCT 14 - THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED \$146,300 IN U.S. CURRENCY FROM A  
MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10  
IN MARICOPA COUNTY NEAR AVONDALE. THE  
SONORA, MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO  
VOGALES, SONORA, MEXICO, FROM LA MIRADA,  
CALIFORNIA, IN A 1996 DODGE CITRUS WITH  
MEXICO PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE  
WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE  
CURRENCY HIDDEN IN AN ELECTRONICALLY  
CONTROLLED FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN  
THE AIR BAG AREA INSIDE THE DASHBOARD OF  
THE VEHICLE. THE AIR CONDITIONING UNIT  
AND THE LOCKS ON THE PASSENGER DOORS  
WERE NOT OPERATIONAL.

OCT 14 - THE KENTUCKY VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT GROUP  
SEIZED 114 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT  
2715 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES  
TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-65 IN HARDIN  
COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A BROWNSVILLE,  
TEXAS, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM  
NATAMOROS, TAMAULIPAS, MEXICO, WERE EN  
ROUTE TO CHICAGO FROM BROWNSVILLE IN THE  
DRIVER'S 1990 KENWORTH TRACTOR PULLING  
A 1984 FRUEHAUF TRAILER WITH TEXAS  
PLATES. THE BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA WERE  
FOUND INSIDE FIVE CARDBOARD BOXES  
LOCATED IN THE SLEEPER AREA OF THE  
TRACTOR. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN  
CLING WRAP AND HAD BEEN SPRINKLED WITH  
BAKING POWDER TO HELP MASK THE ODOR.

OCT 15 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 7.8  
KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1845  
HOURS FROM A HONDURAN MALE AND A PUERTO  
RICAN FEMALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-  
15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE DES  
MOINES, IOWA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO  
IOWA FROM LOS ANGELES. IN THE DRIVER'S  
1985 GMC VAN BEARING IOWA PLATES,  
OFFICERS FOUND THE 10 PACKAGES OF  
METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN BEHIND SPEAKERS  
THAT WERE LOCATED IN THE ROOF OF THE  
VAN. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED  
AND ALERTED TO THE DRIVER.

OCT 16 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 80 GALLONS OF FREON, 20 POUNDS OF IODINE, AND 25 POUNDS OF RED PHOSPHORUS AT 1400 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN GLENN COUNTY. THE GRANTS PASS, OREGON, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO PORTLAND FROM OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA IN A RENTED 1995 FORD VAN WITH NORTH CAROLINA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND AMONG A COVER LOAD OF FURNITURE LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. THESE CHEMICALS HAD THE POTENTIAL OF MANUFACTURING UP TO 100 POUNDS OF METHAMPHETAMINE.

OCT 16 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 9 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1655 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN SHERMAN COUNTY NEAR GOODLAND. THE KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1994 DODGE INTREPID WITH KANSAS TEMPORARY PLATES EN ROUTE TO KANSAS CITY FROM DENVER, COLORADO. OFFICERS FOUND 16 OVAL-SHAPED BALLS OF

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
[REDACTED] OPERATION CONVOY  
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 10/18/97.

METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN IN THE AIR BAG COMPARTMENT. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN CLEAR PLASTIC AND COVERED WITH GREASE.

OCT 17 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 214 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 0124 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN AUSTIN COUNTY. THE ELSA, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A LEASED 1986 PONTIAC WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE 10 BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA WERE FOUND IN THE TRUNK AND THE PASSENGER AREA OF THE VEHICLE.

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001 11 THE GEORGIA STATE PATROL SEIZED \$422,000  
IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0330 HOURS FROM A  
MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95 IN  
MCINTOSH COUNTY. THE BUFFALO, NEW YORK,  
RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A RENTED 1997 FORD  
TAURUS WITH NEW YORK PLATES EN ROUTE TO  
MIAMI FROM NEW YORK CITY. OFFICERS  
FOUND THE CURRENCY HIDDEN INSIDE TWO  
SUITCASES LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE  
VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS  
USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES FOR INCLUSION IN THIS MESSAGE ARE  
DEFINED AS FIVE (5) KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE; ONE HUNDRED (100)  
KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA; TWENTY-EIGHT (28) GRAMS OF HEROIN;  
FIVE HUNDRED (500) GRAMS OF CRACK; ONE (1) KILOGRAM OF  
METHAMPHETAMINE; AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000)  
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EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY  
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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS  
TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 10  
POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28  
GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF  
METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS  
OF BANGLEBOS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE  
CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE  
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NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
[REDACTED], OPERATION CONVOY

HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 10/25/97

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SEP 27 - THE COLORADO HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 2.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1211 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-25 IN LAS ANIMAS COUNTY. THE COACHELLA, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO, FROM INDIO, CALIFORNIA. IN A RENTED 1997 BUICK SKYLARK WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE FIVE PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE INSIDE A DUFFLE BAG LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

SEP 27 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 109 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2121 HOURS FROM A FEMALE AND A JUVENILE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 77 IN LAVACA COUNTY NEAR HALLETTSVILLE. THE INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, FROM HARLINGEN, TEXAS, IN A 1984 GMC PICKUP TRUCK WITH PENNSYLVANIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS NOTICED AN UNUSUAL BULGE IN THE TOP OF THE BED AND ALSO ONE UNDER THE BED WHEN THEY LOOKED AT THE UNDERCARRIAGE OF THE PICKUP. A FALSE BED HAD BEEN BUILT UNDER THE ORIGINAL BED OF THE TRUCK. AFTER THE TAILGATE SECTION WAS REMOVED THE OFFICERS COULD SEE THE 68 PACKAGES OF MARIJUANA IN THE FALSE COMPARTMENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

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OCT 05 - THE ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE SEIZED 16 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-30 IN HEMPSTEAD COUNTY. THE MORTON, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, FROM EL PASO, TEXAS, IN HIS 1988 INTERNATIONAL TRACTOR WITH TEXAS PLATES, PULLING A 1986 UTILITY REFRIGERATED TRAILER WITH NEW MEXICO PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND A TWO-FOOT WIDE COMPARTMENT THAT HAD BEEN BUILT ONTO THE NOSE OF THE TRAILER THAT ALSO SURROUNDED THE REFRIGERATION UNIT. A HOLE HAD BEEN CUT IN FRONT OF THE REFRIGERATION UNIT TO ALLOW BREATHING ROOM. THIS COMPARTMENT COVERED THE WIDTH AND HEIGHT OF THE TRAILER. THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE FIVE DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED IN THE FALSE COMPARTMENT. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN PLASTIC AND DUCT TAPE AND SOME OF THEM WERE PAINTED BLACK. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE TRAILER. A LOADED 12 GAUGE STEVENS SHOTGUN WAS ALSO SEIZED.

OCT 14 - THE CRITTENDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN ARKANSAS SEIZED 10 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A PUERTO RICAN FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN CRITTENDEN COUNTY. THE HOUSTON, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FROM HOUSTON IN A 1988 ISUZU PICKUP WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND PACKAGES OF COCAINE CONCEALED IN TWO ELECTRONICALLY-CONTROLLED FALSE COMPARTMENTS IN THE SIDE PANELS LOCATED BEHIND THE SPEAKERS OF THE TRUCK.

OCT 14 - THE MEMPHIS POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TENNESSEE SEIZED 151 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1510 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SHELBY COUNTY. THE IRVING, TEXAS, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FROM IRVING IN A 1990 FORD PICKUP WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS NOTICED FRESH SILICONE AROUND THE FUEL FILLING VENT IN THE DIESEL REFUELING TANK WHICH WAS MOUNTED IN THE BED OF THE TRUCK. THE DOUBLE-KILOGRAM SIZED PACKAGES OF COCAINE WERE FOUND INSIDE THE TANK AFTER THE FUEL FILLING VENT WAS REMOVED. THE MAJORITY OF THE PACKAGES BORE THE MARKINGS OF A MISER PUTTING A QUARTER IN A PURSE AND UNDER THE PICTURE WAS THE WORD "SAM". THE LETTERS "CX", THE WORD "URGENTE", A BLACK TRIANGLE WITH THE FIGURES "70" AND "M" INSIDE, AND THE LETTERS "RR". TWO OF THE PACKAGES WERE MARKED WITH ONLY THE LETTERS "RR". TOOTH PASTE, VASELINE, AND AXLE GREASE WERE USED AS MASKING AGENTS. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND DID NOT ALERT UNTIL THE CAP WAS REMOVED FROM THE FUEL TANK IN THE BED OF THE PICKUP.

OCT 15 - THE GLENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN CALIFORNIA SEIZED 11.4 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0900 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES AND A MEXICAN FEMALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE DRIVER FROM BALDWIN PARK, CALIFORNIA, AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM BEAUMONT, CALIFORNIA, AND BALDWIN PARK WERE TRAVELING IN THE PASSENGER'S 1982 CHEVROLET VAN WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN IN THE REAR PANELS OF THE VAN. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE DRUGS. SUBSEQUENT TO THE SEIZURE, FIVE HOUSES WERE SEARCHED WHICH LED TO THE SEIZURE OF 150 GALLONS OF METHAMPHETAMINE OIL FOUND IN A LAB CAPABLE OF PRODUCING 600 TO 1000 POUNDS OF METHAMPHETAMINE. THREE VEHICLES ALONG WITH \$4,800 IN U.S. CURRENCY WERE ALSO SEIZED AND 10 SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

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OCT 15 - THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND 53 GRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN LA PAZ COUNTY. THE GREENSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO SOUTH CAROLINA FROM CALIFORNIA IN A RENTED 1998 FORD. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND IN BOXES LOCATED IN THE TRUNK

OCT 16 - THE MISSOURI HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 499 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1000 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44 IN JASPER COUNTY. THE CALIFORNIA RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA, IN A COMPANY-OWNED 1997 FREIGHTLINER TRACTOR PULLING A 1988 BOX TRAILER BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA UNDER A COVER LOAD OF CHARCOAL.

OCT 16 - THE LOUISIANA STATE POLICE SEIZED 5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0905 HOURS FROM A FEMALE AND TWO JUVENILES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN ST. MARTINVILLE. THE HOUSTON, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI, FROM HOUSTON IN A 1996 RANGE ROVER WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE THE AIRBAG COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE DASHBOARD OF THE VEHICLE.

OCT 18 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 443 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1800 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN THOMAS COUNTY. THE WARRENSVILLE HEIGHTS, OHIO, RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1995 FORD VAN WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO CLEVELAND, OHIO. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA INSIDE DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN.

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OCT 19 - THE COLORADO STATE PATROL SEIZED 4.5 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0940 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-25 IN HUERFANO COUNTY. THE KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO DENVER, COLORADO, AND KANSAS CITY FROM PHOENIX, ARIZONA, IN A 1987 NISSAN SENTRA WITH ARIZONA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN THEY NOTICED THE BOLTS THAT HELD THE GAS INTAKE SENDING UNIT HAD BEEN TAMPERED WITH. AFTER REMOVING THE GAS TANK THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND CONCEALED IN FOURTEEN 8-INCH PVC PIPES.

OCT 19 - THE PHELPS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 107 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1845 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44. THE FIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1991 MAZDA PROTEGE WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. FROM RIALTO, CALIFORNIA. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA INSIDE CARDBOARD BOXES LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A 1989 DODGE CARAVAN BEARING GEORGIA PLATES WAS TRAVELING WITH THE MAZDA AS AN ESCORT VEHICLE. THE DRIVER OF THE ESCORT VEHICLE WAS A LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGERS WERE FROM STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA, AND JENNINGS, MISSOURI. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE MAZDA.

OCT 21 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0110 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SHASTA COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A MT. VERNON RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER WERE EN ROUTE TO MT. VERNON FROM SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1991 NISSAN SENTRA WITH WASHINGTON PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE WRAPPED IN PLASTIC AND CONCEALED IN A NATURAL CAVITY LOCATED BETWEEN THE FIREWALL AND GLOVE BOX OF THE VEHICLE. GREASE AND RED LIQUID PEPPER HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

OCT 21 - THE DELAWARE STATE POLICE SEIZED 589 GRAMS OF HEROIN AT 1302 HOURS FROM A COLOMBIAN FEMALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND WITH A CHILD IN NEW CASTLE COUNTY. THE QUEENS, NEW YORK, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, FROM NEW YORK, NEW YORK, IN A 1989 OLDSMOBILE WITH NEW YORK PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE HEROIN CONCEALED INSIDE AN ELECTRONICALLY-CONTROLLED COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE REAR SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. OFFICERS BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN THEY LOWERED THE CENTER ARM REST IN THE BACK SEAT AND NOTICED THAT THERE WAS NO GIVE IN THE BACK SEAT. THE OFFICERS ALSO OPENED THE TRUNK AND TAPPED AT THE BACK WALL UNTIL THEY FOUND A HOLLOW SPOT LOCATED IN THE CENTER. AFTER REMOVING THE BACK SEAT, OFFICERS SAW A PIECE OF SHEET METAL THAT HAD BEEN PLACED ON THE BACK OF THE REAR SEAT. THIS PLATE HAD ELECTRONIC LOCKS AT EACH END. THE HEROIN WAS FOUND IN A SECOND ELECTRONIC COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE CENTER THAT WAS BEHIND THE SHEET METAL ON THE BACK SEAT. WHEN THE FIRST ELECTRONIC COMPARTMENT WAS ACTIVATED THE BACK OF THE REAR SEAT WOULD FOLD FORWARD. WHEN THE SECOND ELECTRONIC COMPARTMENT WAS ACTIVATED A PANEL WOULD OPEN TO THE AREA WHERE THE DRUGS WERE FOUND. THE PACKAGES OF HEROIN HAD THE NUMBERS "250" WRITTEN ON THEM WITH A BLACK MARKER.

OCT 22 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED \$580,075 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0336 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE ELLENBURG DEPOT, NEW YORK, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1997 CHEVROLET TAHOE BEARING GEORGIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY CONCEALED INSIDE AN ELECTRONICALLY-CONTROLLED COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE GAS TANK. ACCESS TO THE COMPARTMENT WAS GAINED BY ACTIVATING A TRAP DOOR THAT WAS LOCATED ABOVE THE SPARE TIRE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE CURRENCY.

OCT 22 - THE CRITTENDEN SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN ARKANSAS SEIZED 25 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1518 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN FEMALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40. THE INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM INGLEWOOD IN A 1988 VOLKSWAGEN WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE CONCEALED IN A RAISED FLOOR COMPARTMENT LOCATED UNDER THE BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. ACCESS

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WAS GAINED BY REMOVING THE BACK SEAT AND THE CARPETING WHICH HAD BEEN GLUED ON WITH FRESH SILICONE. THE PACKAGES WERE MARKED WITH AN ARROWHEAD AND BLUE HANDWRITTEN LETTERS "IRES".

OCT 22 - THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-19 IN LA PAZ COUNTY. THE BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO ELOY, ARIZONA, FROM BAKERSFIELD IN HIS 1993 OLDSMOBILE WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. A CONSENSUAL SEARCH RESULTED IN THE SEIZURE OF TWO DUCT-TAPED PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE CONCEALED IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED BEHIND THE DASHBOARD ON THE PASSENGER SIDE OF THE VEHICLE. ACCESS WAS GAINED THROUGH THE GLOVE BOX. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED AND THE VEHICLE WAS SEIZED.

OCT 22 - THE NEW MEXICO STATE POLICE SEIZED 1.8 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1555 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN CIBOLA COUNTY. THE DRIVER FROM SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND HIS PASSENGER FROM LA MESA, TEXAS, WERE EN ROUTE TO SAN ANTONIO FROM INDIO, CALIFORNIA, IN THE DRIVER'S 1983 MERCEDES BENZ BEARING TEXAS PLATES. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND INSIDE A TOOL BOX LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 10 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28 GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE SIGNIFICANT SEIZURE CRITERIA WAS SET BECAUSE OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

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- OCT 07 - THE NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.6 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND 156 GRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0050 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN CLARK COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A FONTANA, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER WERE EN ROUTE TO SOUTH BEND, INDIANA, FROM FONTANA IN THE DRIVER'S 1994 FORD PICKUP WITH INDIANA PLATES. OFFICERS SAW THE SUBJECTS THROW THE METHAMPHETAMINE OUT OF THE VEHICLE WHILE THEY WERE IN PURSUIT. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.
- OCT 22 - THE OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 243 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2315 HOURS FROM A COUPLE WHO WERE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN PREBLE COUNTY. THE SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, AREA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO, FROM PHOENIX, ARIZONA, IN THE DRIVER'S 1991 WINNEBAGO MOTORHOME WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE 51 PACKAGES OF MARIJUANA WERE FOUND THROUGHOUT THE MOTORHOME. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. A CONTROLLED DELIVERY WAS MADE IN YOUNGSTOWN WHICH RESULTED IN THE ARREST OF ONE DEFENDANT.
- OCT 23 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 369 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 0130 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-35 IN FORT BEND COUNTY NEAR HOUSTON. THE RULE, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1991 FORD F250 PICKUP WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA IN THE CAB AND IN THE BED OF THE PICKUP. THE PACKAGES OF MARIJUANA IN THE BED OF THE PICKUP WERE COVERED WITH PLYWOOD.

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OCT 26 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 908 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1356 HOURS FROM A MALE WHO HAD A 13-YEAR-OLD TRAVELING WITH HIM EASTBOUND ON I-30 IN ROWIE COUNTY NEAR NEW BOSTON. THE OKLAHOMA RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM MCALLEN, TEXAS, IN A 1984 CHEVROLET MOTORHOME WITH TEXAS PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA HIDDEN THROUGHOUT THE MOTORHOME. A CONTROLLED DELIVERY IN CHICAGO RESULTED IN THE ARREST OF TWO ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS.

OCT 26 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 27 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0900 HOURS FROM A COUPLE WHO WAS TRAVELING

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WITH A 4-YEAR-OLD NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 77 IN KLEBERG COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, FROM PROGRESS, TEXAS, IN A 1990 FORD PICKUP WITH TEXAS PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE A NATURAL CAVITY LOCATED IN THE WALL OF THE CAB.

OCT 27 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1800 HOURS FROM THREE MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 101 IN SONOMA COUNTY. THE DRIVER, AN ATWATER, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM ATWATER AND MERCED, CALIFORNIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO CLOVERDALE FROM MERCED IN A 1987 NISSAN SENTRA BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE A NATURAL VOID LOCATED IN THE ENGINE COWLING VENT AREA. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

OCT 28 - THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED \$131,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1900 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-70 IN THOMAS COUNTY. THE BOULDER, COLORADO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO BOULDER FROM GREAT BARRINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS, IN A RENTED 1997 DODGE INTREPID WITH COLORADO PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE 13 BUNDLES OF CURRENCY HIDDEN INSIDE 2 DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

OCT 28 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 8.6 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 2115 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDING COUNTY. THE EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA, FROM EL MONTE IN THE PASSENGER'S 1989 NISSAN MAXIMA. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT THAT HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED IN THE TOP PORTION OF THE GAS TANK. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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OCT 28 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 409 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 77 IN KLEBERG COUNTY NEAR KINGSVILLE. THE SUBJECTS, ONE FROM MICHIGAN AND THE OTHER FROM FLORIDA, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1994 MOTORHOME (NFI) WITH MICHIGAN PLATES. THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND HIDDEN THROUGHOUT THE MOTORHOME. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

OCT 29 - THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE SEIZED \$500,040 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1315 HOURS FROM TWO COLOMBIAN MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-78 IN LEHI COUNTY NEAR BETHLEHEM. THE BLOOMINGTON, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, FROM NEW YORK, NEW YORK, IN A RENTED 1997 CHRYSLER WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY INSIDE A SUITCASE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

OCT 29 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 13 KILOGRAMS OF SECTION THREE OF FOUR

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COCAINE AT 1303 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN GONZALES COUNTY. THE NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS, MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, FROM NUEVO LAREDO IN HIS 1990 NISSAN SENTRA WITH TEXAS PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE WRAPPED IN BROWN PLASTIC TAPE HIDDEN INSIDE THE QUARTER PANELS OF THE VEHICLE. BRACKETS HAD BEEN WELDED INSIDE THE QUARTER PANELS, SO WHEN THEY WERE TAPPED, THEY WOULD SOUND HOLLOW. A WAX SUBSTANCE, SIMILAR TO CITRONELLA, WAS USED AS A MASKING AGENT ON THE

OCT 31 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 11.5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0810 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE DETROIT, MICHIGAN, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. IN HIS 1995 FORD F150 WITH MICHIGAN PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE ROOF OF THE CAMPER SHELL. 4

OCT 31 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 9 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1400 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE KENNEWICK, WASHINGTON, RESIDENTS WERE COMING FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1996 OLDSMOBILE VAN. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND SOME PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE DASH OF THE VEHICLE. ADDITIONAL PACKAGES WERE FOUND IN THE UNDERCARRIAGE AREA NEAR THE LEFT REAR SUSPENSION OF THE VEHICLE.

OCT 31 - THE SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 8 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0400 HOURS FROM A DOMINICAN COUPLE AND A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-95 IN JASPER COUNTY. THE NEW YORK, NEW YORK AREA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA, IN A RENTED 1998 MITSUBISHI MONTERO WITH FLORIDA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE INSIDE LUGGAGE LOCATED ON THE SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. A SUBSTANCE SMELLING OF MINT WAS USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

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- OCT 15 - THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SEIZED \$608,408 IN U.S. CURRENCY FROM A COLOMBIAN MALE WHO WAS STOPPED FOR A TRAFFIC VIOLATION IN THE CHICAGO AREA. THE CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1996 TOYOTA PICKUP WITH ILLINOIS PLATES AT THE TIME OF THE STOP. THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND INSIDE TWO DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED IN THE PICKUP. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE CURRENCY.
- OCT 22 - THE NASHVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TENNESSEE SEIZED \$196,700 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1200 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-40 IN DAVIDSON COUNTY. THE HOUSTON, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1986 MERCEDES 560 SEL WITH VIRGINIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO HOUSTON FROM WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY HIDDEN IN A COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE GAS TANK. THE OFFICERS SAW THE COVER TO THE COMPARTMENT LOCATED ON THE TOP OF THE GAS TANK AFTER IT WAS REMOVED FROM THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- OCT 22 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 102 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 0910 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON U.S. 59 IN GOLIAD COUNTY. THE PHARR, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1996 FORD TRUCK WITH IDAHO PLATES EN ROUTE TO JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, FROM MISSION, TEXAS. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA INSIDE TWO BOXES THAT WERE AMONG JUNK FURNITURE AND APPLIANCES IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE TRUCK. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE TRUCK.

OCT 24 - THE MINNEAPOLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT IN MINNESOTA SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 1 KILOGRAM OF CRACK COCAINE AT 2030 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING IN HENNINGEN COUNTY. THE CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO MINNEAPOLIS FROM CHICAGO IN THE PASSENGER'S 1989 CHEVROLET ASTRO VAN WITH MINNESOTA PLATES. DURING AN INVENTORY SEARCH OFFICERS FOUND THE CRACK COCAINE IN PLASTIC BAGS THAT HAD BEEN PLACED UNDER THE BATTERY OF THE VEHICLE.

OCT 25 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 1 KILOGRAM OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 2026 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-20 IN MITCHELL COUNTY. THE LAFAYETTE, GEORGIA, RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1990 FORD PROBE WITH GEORGIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND IN THE DRIVER'S DUFFLE BAG LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE AND ON THE PASSENGER'S PERSON. OFFICERS ALSO FOUND A BOOK THAT CONTAINED INFORMATION REGARDING THE LOCATION OF THE VEHICLE'S NATURAL VOIDS, MAINTENANCE INFORMATION ON THE VEHICLE, AND INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW THE VEHICLE WAS CONSTRUCTED.

OCT 29 - THE SOUTHERN NEVADA TASK FORCE IN LAS VEGAS SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 2045 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN CLARK COUNTY. THE SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO SIOUX FALLS IN THE PASSENGER'S 1988 LINCOLN BEARING SOUTH DAKOTA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE A SUITCASE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. OFFICERS ALSO SEIZED A .22 CALIBER SEMI-AUTOMATIC PISTOL, A 9MM SEMI-AUTOMATIC PISTOL, AND 3 OUNCES OF MARIJUANA THAT WERE FOUND ON THE BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE.

NOV 03 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 12 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1705 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE DRIVER, AN ARVADA, COLORADO, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM DENVER, COLORADO, WERE EN ROUTE TO DENVER FROM EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1996 PONTIAC GRAND AM WITH COLORADO PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE A HOLLOWED OUT REAR BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE.

NOV 03 - THE CRITTENDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN ARKANSAS SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 9 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1430 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40. THE SUBJECT, A MORELOS, MEXICO. RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1997 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA WITH MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, PLATES EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM MEXICO CITY. OFFICERS FOUND 17 PACKAGES OF COCAINE WRAPPED IN BROWN AND CLEAR TAPE HIDDEN INSIDE THE REAR BUMPER OF THE VEHICLE. A CLUSTER OF PURPLE GRAPES HAD BEEN DRAWN ON ONE OF THE PACKAGES. THE OTHER PACKAGES WERE UNMARKED.

NOV 04 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 6 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2120 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 281 IN HIDALGO COUNTY. THE WESLACO, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1991 HONDA PRELUDE WITH TEXAS PLATES EN ROUTE TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, FROM WESLACO. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE HIDDEN IN THE REAR QUARTER PANEL OF THE VEHICLE. ALL OF THE PACKAGES HAD THE MARKING OF GRAPES ON THEM.

NOV 04 - THE GEORGIA STATE PATROL SEIZED \$119,082 IN U.S CURRENCY AT 1427 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING SCUTHBOUND ON I-85 IN BANKS COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM KNIGHTDALE, NORTH CAROLINA, WERE TRAVELING IN THE PASSENGER'S 1993 HONDA CIVIC WITH NORTH CAROLINA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND \$109,900 IN A SUITCASE LOCATED ON THE REAR PASSENGER FLOOR, AND \$8,000 IN A SUITCASE WITH MARIJUANA RESIDUE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. THE REMAINING CURRENCY WAS FOUND ON THE SUBJECTS.

NOV 05 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1455 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO SALT LAKE CITY FROM BELL GARDENS, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1989 CHEVROLET CELEBRITY BEARING UTAH PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE LOCATED UNDER THE COWLING OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

- NOV 05 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 158 GRAMS OF MEXICAN BROWN HEROIN AT 1010 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY. THE CARLSBAD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1978 GMC WITH BAJA CALIFORNIA NORTE, MEXICO, PLATES EN ROUTE TO TIJUANA, MEXICO, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. THE HEROIN WAS FOUND INSIDE THE POCKET OF A JACKET LOCATED ON THE FRONT SEAT OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE JACKET.
- NOV 06 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0715 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE FLORA VISTA, NEW MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO FLORA VISTA FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA IN A 1985 PONTIAC BEARING NEW MEXICO PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE INSIDE A BOOM BOX SPEAKER LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.
- NOV 06 - THE JACKSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSISSIPPI SEIZED 7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2330 HOURS FROM A DOMINICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10. THE LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1992 FORD EXPLORER WITH TEXAS PLATES EN ROUTE TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE INSIDE A COMPARTMENT THAT HAD BEEN RIVETED ON TO THE REAR OF THE VEHICLE LOCATED ABOVE THE GAS TANK. A 9MM RUGAR SEMI-AUTOMATIC HANDGUN WAS FOUND IN THE COMPARTMENT WITH THE COCAINE.
- NOV 07 - THE ST LOUIS COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN MISSOURI SEIZED 47 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0400 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44. THE MICHIGAN RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO DETROIT, MICHIGAN, FROM LOS ANGELES IN THE DRIVER'S 1995 FORD TAURUS BEARING MICHIGAN PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE CONCEALED IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED BETWEEN THE BACK SEAT AND THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. TWO OF THE FORTY-SEVEN PACKAGES WERE MARKED WITH THE LETTERS "LULO" ON TOP, TWO TOMATOES SIDE BY SIDE, AND THE LETTERS "LULO" UNDER THEM. THE MARKINGS LOOKED LIKE THEY HAD BEEN COMPUTER GENERATED AND WERE BLACK LETTERS ON WHITE BACKGROUND. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

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OCT 26 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 29.7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0600 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-5 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY NEAR SANTA CLARITA. THE SYLMAR, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1990 NISSAN WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE THREE TRASH BAGS LOCATED IN THE BED OF THE PICKUP.

NOV 08 - THE SPALDING COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$419,869 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1630 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE DETROIT, MICHIGAN, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO MIAMI FROM DETROIT IN A 1990 DODGE RAM WITH MICHIGAN PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND \$359,869 CONCEALED INSIDE TWO ELECTRICALLY-CONTROLLED METAL COMPARTMENTS THAT HAD BEEN CONSTRUCTED WITH SPECIAL WELDING THAT RAN FROM WHEEL WELL TO WHEEL WELL ON BOTH SIDES OF THE UNDERCARRIAGE OF THE VAN. WHEN ONE OF THE ELECTRONIC COMPARTMENTS WAS ACTIVATED, A DOOR LOCATED IN THE RIGHT FRONT PASSENGER STEP AREA WOULD RELEASE AND GIVE ACCESS TO THE COMPARTMENT. THE BUNDLES OF CURRENCY, WHICH WERE ATTACHED TO A STRAP, COULD THEN BE PULLED OUT OF THE COMPARTMENT. WHEN THE OTHER ELECTRONIC COMPARTMENT, LOCATED ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE, WAS ACTIVATED A DOOR RUNNING THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE FLOOR WOULD DROP DOWN TO ALLOW ACCESS TO THE PACKAGES. APPROXIMATELY \$60,000 WAS FOUND INSIDE THE WALLS OF THE VAN. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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NOV 16 - THE LOUISIANA STATE POLICE SEIZED 10.3 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1009 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN ST. MARTIN PARISH. THE LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO BATON ROUGE FROM LAKE CHARLES IN A 1991 FORD EXPLORER WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND NINE PACKAGES OF COCAINE CONCEALED INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE FLOOR OF THE CARGO AREA OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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NOV 14 - THE VIRGINIA STATE POLICE SEIZED 561 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AND 28 GRAMS OF

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HEROIN FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95 IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY NEAR DALE CITY. THE RICHMOND AREA RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO RICHMOND FROM NEW YORK CITY IN A 1998 FORD CONTOUR WITH VIRGINIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. THE CONTRABAND WAS FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE A BOX LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. A STAMP, 600 WAX PAPER BUNDLES, AND 28 GRAMS OF CUTTING AGENT WERE ALSO SEIZED FROM THE VEHICLE.

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THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 21 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1430 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-25 IN SIERRA COUNTY. THE SUBJECT WAS EN ROUTE TO SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, FROM EL PASO, TEXAS. IN A 1990 CHEVROLET TRUCK WITH NEW MEXICO PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE BRICKS OF MARIJUANA HIDDEN UNDER A COVERLOAD OF OLD LUMBER AND SHEETROCK. A RUBBER BED LINER HAD BEEN PLACED OVER THE BRICKS OF MARIJUANA THAT CREATED A VOID BETWEEN THE BED OF THE TRUCK AND THE LINER. BABY POWDER HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

NOV 17 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 463 GRAMS OF HEROIN AT 1903 HOURS FROM A DOMINICAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE IN BURLINGTON COUNTY NEAR MT. LAUREL. THE FLUSHING, NEW YORK, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING FROM NEW YORK IN A 1988 TOYOTA CAMRY BEARING NEW JERSEY PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND 16 PELLETS OF HEROIN CONCEALED IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED ABOVE THE GLOVE BOX OF THE VEHICLE.

NOV 18 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1800 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES AND ONE PERUVIAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON STATE ROUTE 152 IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A BLOOMINGTON, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO SAN JOSE FROM MERCED, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1991 CHEVROLET BLAZER WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN IN THE TAILGATE OF THE BLAZER. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

NOV 18 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 254 GRAMS OF HEROIN FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN KERN COUNTY. THE NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1988 MERCURY SABLE WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES EN ROUTE TO SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, FROM NORTH HOLLYWOOD. OFFICERS FOUND THE HEROIN HIDDEN INSIDE A NATURAL VOID IN THE INTERIOR PANEL LOCATED ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE VEHICLE.

NOV 18 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 51,840 BOTTLES OF PSEUDOEPHEDRINE FROM AN INDIAN NATIONAL TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE BURBANK, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO UPLAND, CALIFORNIA, FROM

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OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA. IN A RENTED  
1997 GMC TRUCK BEARING OHIO PLATES.  
OFFICERS FOUND THE 45 CASES OF  
PSEUDOEPHEDRINE INSIDE A SUITCASE  
LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE TRUCK.

- NOV 18 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED 277 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT  
1649 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING  
NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 77 IN REFUGIO COUNTY.  
THE DRIVER, A RESIDENT OF MCALLEN,  
TEXAS, AND HIS PASSENGER FROM MISSION,  
TEXAS, WERE EN ROUTE TO HOUSTON FROM  
EDINBURG, TEXAS. IN A 1984 FORD PICKUP  
PULLING A 1984 GOOSENECK TRAILER BEARING  
TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE  
WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE 33  
BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA CONCEALED IN A  
FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE FRONT  
WALL OF THE TRAILER'S CARGO AREA.
- NOV 18 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 454  
GRAMS OF HEROIN AND \$2,407 IN U.S.  
CURRENCY AT 0724 HOURS FROM THREE  
DOMINICAN MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON  
THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE IN MIDDLESEX  
COUNTY NEAR CRANBURY. THE NEW YORK CITY  
RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO PHILADELPHIA  
FROM NEW YORK IN A 1996 DODGE VAN  
BEARING PENNSYLVANIA PLATES. THE OWNER  
OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT.
- NOV 18 - THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE SEIZED 1  
KILOGRAM OF CRACK COCAINE AND \$1,000 IN  
U.S. CURRENCY AT 0313 HOURS FROM TWO  
MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95 IN  
BALTIMORE COUNTY. THE DRIVER, AN  
ENGLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY, RESIDENT AND HIS  
PASSENGER FROM NEW MILFORD, NEW JERSEY.  
WERE TRAVELING IN A 1995 NISSAN QUEST  
WITH NEW JERSEY PLATES. THE OWNER OF  
THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS  
FOUND THE THREE BAGS OF CRACK COCAINE IN  
AN ELECTRONICALLY-CONTROLLED COMPARTMENT  
LOCATED IN THE REAR FLOOR AREA OF THE  
VEHICLE.
- NOV 18 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
SEIZED 89,685 DOSAGE UNITS OF XANAX AND  
VALIUM ALONG WITH \$1,879 IN U.S.  
CURRENCY AT 0026 HOURS FROM A FEMALE  
TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-30. THE  
JACKSBORG, TENNESSEE, RESIDENT HAD FLOWN  
FROM KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, TO SAN  
ANTONIO, TEXAS, WHERE SHE THEN RENTED A  
1997 MERCURY TO RETURN TO KNOXVILLE WITH  
THE CONTRABAND. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE  
WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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NOV 18 - THE FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 11 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2129 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-95 IN VOLUSIA COUNTY. THE SHAKER HEIGHTS, OHIO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO CLEVELAND IN A 1987 CHEVROLET CAPRICE WITH OHIO PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE NINE BRICKS OF COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE A CARDBOARD BOX LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE CAPRICE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

NOV 19 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 6 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1620 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN BEAVER COUNTY.  
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THE AURORA, COLORADO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO DENVER FROM LOS ANGELES IN HIS 1990 NISSAN SENTRA WITH COLORADO PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE 18 ONE-POUND BRICKS HIDDEN INSIDE EACH DOOR PANEL OF THE VEHICLE.

NOV 19 - THE PALMVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 164 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0830 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON U.S. 83 IN HILDAGO COUNTY IN RIO GRANDE CITY. THE RIO GRANDE CITY RESIDENT WAS COMING FROM RIO GRANDE CITY IN A 1994 CHRYSLER WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE BRICKS OF COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE FOUR CARDBOARD BOXES AND TWO COOLERS LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. SOME OF THE PACKAGES WERE STAMPED WITH THE NUMBER "70" IN BLACK INK, AND ONE PACKAGE HAD THE LETTERS "DRG" HANDWRITTEN IN RED ON IT. THE PACKAGES HAD BEEN VACUUM-SEALED IN PLASTIC OR CELLOPHANE.

NOV 19 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 6 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0845 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN BEAVER COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A DENVER, COLORADO, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM EMPERADORES, MEXICO, WERE EN ROUTE TO DENVER FROM LAS VEGAS IN A 1997 CHEVROLET TRUCK WITH COLORADO PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE WRAPPED IN TOWELS AND PLACED INSIDE A GYM BAG LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE VEHICLE. THE PACKAGES HAD BEEN VACUUM-SEALED IN PLASTIC AND HAD AN IMPRESSION OF A UNICORN'S HEAD ON THEM.

NOV 20 - THE SHELBY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TENNESSEE SEIZED 5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1939 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40. THE NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO NEW BRITAIN FROM TEXAS IN A 1992 PLYMOUTH VAN WITH CONNECTICUT PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE HIDDEN IN THE SIDE WALL ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE OF THE VAN. THE SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED AND THE VEHICLE WAS SEIZED.

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SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES FOR INCLUSION IN THIS MESSAGE ARE DEFINED AS FIVE (5) KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE; ONE HUNDRED (100) KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA; TWENTY-EIGHT (28) GRAMS OF HEROIN; FIVE HUNDRED (500) GRAMS OF CRACK; ONE (1) KILOGRAM OF METHAMPHETAMINE; AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS. THIS TELETYPE INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (434), 10 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28 GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE SIGNIFICANT SEIZURE CRITERIA WAS SET BECAUSE OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

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- NOV 14 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 795 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AND \$1,821 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0717 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE IN BURLINGTON COUNTY. THE CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO CAMDEN FROM NEW BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY, IN THE DRIVER'S 1992 MAZDA BEARING NEW JERSEY PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CRACK COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE A BAG LOCATED ON THE BACK SEAT OF THE VEHICLE.
- NOV 19 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 8.1 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1620 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN BEAVER COUNTY. THE AURORA, COLORADO, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1990 NISSAN SENTRA WITH COLORADO PLATES EN ROUTE TO DENVER, COLORADO, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. OFFICERS FOUND THE 18 ONE-POUND BRICKS OF COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE THE DOOR PANELS OF THE VEHICLE.
- NOV 19 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 56 GRAMS OF MEXICAN BLACK TAR HEROIN AND 1 KILOGRAM OF COCAINE AT 0820 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN JUAB COUNTY NEAR NEPHI. THE REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1995 SUZUKI WITH UTAH PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND HIDDEN INSIDE A SMALL BAG BETWEEN TOWELS THAT WERE LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE VEHICLE. THE COCAINE WAS WRAPPED IN YELLOW MATERIAL AND CLEAR PLASTIC. THE HEROIN WAS WRAPPED IN CLEAR PLASTIC AND SEALED WITH DUCT TAPE. PEPPER HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

NOV 20 - THE NEW MEXICO STATE POLICE SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 6.7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0905 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN BERNALILLO COUNTY NEAR ALBUQUERQUE. THE LOS ANGELES RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO LUBBOCK, TEXAS, FROM LOS ANGELES IN THE DRIVER'S 1987 MAZDA B2200 PICKUP WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE 11 BRICKS OF COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE A COMPARTMENT THAT WAS LOCATED UNDERNEATH THE CAMPER BETWEEN THE CAB AND BED OF THE PICKUP. 2

NOV 20 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 130 GRAMS OF HEROIN AT 1340 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN KERN COUNTY. THE DRIVER, AN ARVIN, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM LAMONT, CALIFORNIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO LAMONT FROM LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1989 FORD MUSTANG BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES.

NOV 20 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 11.4 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2230 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN CHAMBERS COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A FLORIDA RESIDENT, AND HER PASSENGER FROM GEORGIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO GEORGIA FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN THE PASSENGER'S 1995 FORD ASPIRE BEARING GEORGIA PLATES. OFFICERS BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN THEY RAISED THE HOOD OF THE CAR AND SAW TAPE COVERING AN EXISTING, FACTORY-MADE HOLE LOCATED IN THE FIREWALL. DURING FURTHER INSPECTION, THE OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE CONCEALED IN AN ELECTRONICALLY-CONTROLLED COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE PASSENGER'S AIR BAG COMPARTMENT. TO ACCESS THE COMPARTMENT, A WIRE, LOCATED UNDER THE BRAKE PEDAL, WAS USED TO ACTIVATE THE COVER WHICH OPENED UPWARDS LIKE A GARAGE DOOR.

NOV 22 - THE OLDHAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN TEXAS SEIZED 17.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 2030 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40. THE MODESTO, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO AMARILLO, TEXAS, FROM MODESTO, CALIFORNIA, IN A RENTED 1997 NISSAN STANZA ALTIMA BEARING NEW MEXICO PLATES. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND HIDDEN INSIDE TWO SUITCASES LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VEHICLE THAT HAD BEEN RENTED IN ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO. OFFICERS CONDUCTED A CONTROLLED DELIVERY TO AMARILLO, TEXAS, WHICH RESULTED IN THE ARREST OF AN 18-YEAR-OLD MALE.

NOV 22 - THE CAMDEN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$399.640 IN U.S CURRENCY AND \$240 IN COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY AT 2210 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO ORLANDO, FLORIDA, FROM PENNSYLVANIA IN A 1982 VOLKSWAGEN VANAGON WITH PENNSYLVANIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY CONCEALED IN AN ELECTRONICALLY-CONTROLLED COMPARTMENT IN THE FLOOR LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA ON THE DRIVER'S SIDE OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

NOV 24 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 5.4 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1225 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 281 IN HIDALGO COUNTY NEAR SAN MANUEL. THE EL PASO, TEXAS, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO EL PASO FROM REYNOSO, TAMAULIPAS, MEXICO, IN A 1967 FORD THUNDERBIRD. OFFICERS FOUND THE FIVE PACKAGES OF COCAINE HIDDEN BEHIND THE REAR QUARTER PANELS OF THE VEHICLE. ACCESS TO THE COCAINE WAS GAINED THROUGH THE SPEAKER PANELS.

NOV 24 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.8 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1050 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SHASTA COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A YAKIMA, WASHINGTON, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON, WERE EN ROUTE TO YAKIMA FROM REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1985 OLDSMOBILE CALAIS BEARING WASHINGTON PLATES AND THE OWNER WAS NOT PRESENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED TO THE LEFT SIDE PANEL WHERE THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND.

NOV 25 - THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE SEIZED 500 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 1400 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING IN THE CITY OF HARRISBURG IN A 1993 TOYOTA 4-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE WITH GEORGIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CRACK COCAINE IN A FREEZER BAG LOCATED ON THE FLOOR IN THE CARGO AREA. THE BAGS HAD THE NUMBERS '500' WRITTEN IN BLACK MARKER ON THEM. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

NOV 25 - THE MISSOURI HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 7.7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1200 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING IN KANSAS CITY. OFFICERS FOUND SEVENTEEN PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE A TELEVISION CONSOLE LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE 1986 CHEVROLET VAN THAT HAD TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT.

NOV 25 - THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SEIZED \$324.065 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1457 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND HIS FEMALE PASSENGER TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-80 IN LA SALLE COUNTY. THE LYNWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO LOS ANGELES FROM CHICAGO IN A RENTED 1994 FORD F-350 PICKUP TRUCK THAT WAS TOWING A 1980 VOLKSWAGEN TRUCK. THE FORD AND THE VOLKSWAGEN BOTH HAD CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY CONCEALED IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE WALLS OF THE VOLKSWAGEN. 4

NOV 27 - THE KENTUCKY STATE POLICE SEIZED \$125,000 AT 0646 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75 IN FAYETTE COUNTY NEAR LEXINGTON. THE DRIVER, A FOREST PARK, GEORGIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM DECATUR, GEORGIA, WERE EN ROUTE TO DECATUR FROM OHIO. IN A 1997 LEASED FORD EXPEDITION WITH GEORGIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY HIDDEN INSIDE A JACKET THAT WAS LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE VEHICLE. THERE WAS ALSO A LOADED PISTOL IN THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. MARIJUANA RESIDUE WAS FOUND ON THE FLOOR OF THE VEHICLE.

NOV 27 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.3 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1136 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 395 IN INYO COUNTY. THE FT. MEADE, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1989 PONTIAC WITH FLORIDA PLATES EN ROUTE TO CALDWELL, IDAHO, FROM SOUTHGATE, CALIFORNIA. THE METHAMPHETAMINE WAS FOUND CONCEALED INSIDE A STEEL COMPARTMENT THAT HAD BEEN WELDED INTO THE DASHBOARD LOCATED ABOVE THE GLOVE COMPARTMENT. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

NOV 28 - THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 71.5 KILOGRAMS OF EPHEDRINE AT 1332 HOURS FROM A JORDANIAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-80 IN LA SALLE COUNTY. THE MORENO VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO LAS VEGAS FROM CHICAGO IN A 1995 HONDA PRELUDE WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE EPHEDRINE PILLS LOOSE INSIDE TWO GARBAGE BAGS THAT WERE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

INTELLIGENCE NOTES

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PROVIDED INFORMATION OBTAINED AFTER A METHAMPHETAMINE SEIZURE THAT THE TRAFFICKERS WERE USING THE FOLLOWING CIRCUITOUS ROUTES FROM PHOENIX, ARIZONA TO SIOUX CITY:

- U.S. 60 EAST - PHOENIX, AZ TO SOCORRO, NM
- I-25 NORTH - SOCORRO, NM TO ALBUQUERQUE, NM
- I-40 EAST - ALBUQUERQUE, NM TO TUCUMCARI, NM
- U.S. 54 - EAST - TUCUMCARI, NM TO PRATT, KS
- U.S. 281 NORTH - PRATT, KS TO GRAND ISLAND, NE
- I-80 EAST - GRAND ISLAND, NE TO LINCOLN, NE
- U.S. 77 NORTH - LINCOLN, NE TO SIOUX CITY, IA

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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 10 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28 GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE SIGNIFICANT SEIZURE CRITERIA WAS SET BECAUSE OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
[REDACTED] OPERATION CONVOY

HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 12/06/97

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NOV 11 THE OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 681 GRAMS OF HEROIN AT 1000 HOURS FROM A FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-80 IN SUMMIT COUNTY. THE CLEVELAND RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1988 TOYOTA CAMRY WITH OHIO PLATES EN ROUTE TO YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO FROM CLEVELAND, OHIO. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A CONSENSUAL SEARCH REVEALED 1200 BINDLES OF WHITE HEROIN IN A SHOE BOX IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

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NOV 30

THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 20 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0918 HOURS FROM A DOMINICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-80 IN WARREN COUNTY NEAR HOPE. THE SUBJECT WAS DRIVING A RENTED 1997 MERCURY MYSTIQUE BEARING ILLINOIS PLATES EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK, NEW YORK, FROM MEXICO. A PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH REVEALED THE CONTRABAND INSIDE A CARDBOARD BOX LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. THE 38 BRICKS OF COCAINE, EACH HALF A KILOGRAM, WERE MARKED WITH 2 RED KING CROWN STAMPED STICKERS.

DEC 02

THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 1.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1935 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, FROM PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA. THE SOUTH GATE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1993 EAGLE TALON WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. AFTER VERBAL AND WRITTEN CONSENT TO SEARCH WAS RECEIVED, A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE DASHBOARD. OFFICERS DISCOVERED THE CONTRABAND IN AN ELECTRONICALLY CONTROLLED COMPARTMENT IN THE SPACE PROVIDED FOR THE PASSENGER SIDE AIR BAG.

DEC 03

THE GEORGIA STATE PATROL SEIZED \$229,529 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1500 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75 IN MONROE COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER, AN AKRON, OHIO, RESIDENT WERE EN ROUTE TO FT. LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1997 DODGE RENTAL VAN BEARING MINNESOTA PLATES. A PROBABLE CAUSE SEARCH ALONG WITH A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE ALERT RESULTED IN THE SEIZURE OF THE CURRENCY THAT WAS LOCATED IN THE SIDE PANELS OF THE VAN.

DEC 03

THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0950 HOURS FROM THREE MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN GLENN COUNTY. THE DRIVER AND HIS PASSENGERS, ONE A BOTHELL, WASHINGTON, RESIDENT, WERE EN ROUTE TO BOTHELL FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1997 FORD RENTAL VAN BEARING WASHINGTON PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS REVEALED A FALSE MOTOR BEING TRANSPORTED AS CARGO CONTAINING THE CONTRABAND.

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DEC 04

THE DOOLEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$177,915 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0313 HOURS FROM TWO CUBAN MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO MIAMI FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA. A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, ALONG WITH A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE ALERT, RESULTED IN THE SEIZURE OF THE CURRENCY THAT WAS LOCATED IN THE SIDE PANEL OF THE 1998 FORD WINDSTAR RENTAL BEARING FLORIDA PLATES.

DEC 04

THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SEIZED 148 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1611 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-80 IN LA SALLE COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A SANFORD, FLORIDA, RESIDENT, AND HIS PASSENGER, A LAKE MONROE, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WERE EN ROUTE TO CLEVELAND, OHIO, FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN THE PASSENGER'S 1993 FORD LTD BEARING WEST VIRGINIA PLATES. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE TRUNK, WHERE THE MARIJUANA WAS FOUND. THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED WITH CONTACT PAPER.

DEC 04

THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SEIZED \$400,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1420 HOURS FROM A VENEZUELAN MALE RESIDENT OF MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS, TRAVELING IN COOK COUNTY. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE BAGS OF CURRENCY LOCATED IN THE REAR OF THE VAN. (NFI AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME)

DEC 04

THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 9.5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1945 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING WITH AN INFANT GOING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THEY WERE EN ROUTE TO DETROIT, MICHIGAN, FROM LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA. THE DRIVER, A DETROIT RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER, A LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WERE TRAVELING IN A 1991 DODGE VAN BEARING MICHIGAN PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, ALONG WITH A DRUG DETECTION-CANINE AND STETHOSCOPE, REVEALED THE COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE THE SPARE TIRE.

DEC 05

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE SEIZED 1 KILOGRAM OF HEROIN AT 1452 HOURS FROM TWO NIGERIAN MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-76 IN BEDFORD COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO DETROIT, MICHIGAN, FROM PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA. THE DRIVER, AN ORANGE, NEW JERSEY, RESIDENT AND HIS

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SECTION THREE OF THREE SECTIONS

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 12/06/97  
PASSENGER, A STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK.  
RESIDENT WERE IN THE DRIVER'S 1994 MAZDA  
RX3 WITH NEW JERSEY PLATES. DURING A  
CONSENSUAL SEARCH, TEN PACKAGES OF  
HEROIN WERE FOUND IN A TUPPERWARE  
CONTAINER AND THREE PACKAGES INSIDE A  
SUITCASE, ALL LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF  
THE VEHICLE. THE PACKAGES WERE IN  
BAGGIES WRAPPED IN FOIL. A DRUG-  
DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON  
THE VEHICLE.

DEC 05 THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 143  
KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND \$5,000 IN  
U.S. CURRENCY AT 1154 HOURS FROM TWO  
MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-  
10 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS  
WERE EN ROUTE TO LOS ANGELES,  
CALIFORNIA, FROM FONTANA, CALIFORNIA.  
THE DRIVER, A RIALTO, CALIFORNIA,  
RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER, A SOUTH  
GATE, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WERE  
TRAVELING IN A 1995 FORD TRUCK WITH  
CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE  
VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A CONSENSUAL  
SEARCH ALONG WITH A DRUG-DETECTION  
CANINE ALERT REVEALED 79 PACKAGES OF  
MARIJUANA FOUND INSIDE TWO CARPET KIT  
BENCH SEATS LOCATED IN THE BED OF THE  
TRUCK. THE COMPARTMENTS WERE  
ELECTRONICALLY OPERATED. THE CURRENCY  
WAS FOUND ON THE SUBJECTS.

SECTION ONE OF TWO SECTIONS

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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NOV 18 - THE BUFFALO GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN ILLINOIS SEIZED 100 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A RUSSIAN NATIONAL WHO WAS STOPPED IN A 1994 JEEP CHEROKEE FOR A TRAFFIC VIOLATION. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE COCAINE CAME FROM FLORIDA. THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE WERE FOUND INSIDE TWO SUITCASES LOCATED ON THE FLOOR IN THE REAR AREA OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE. AN ADDITIONAL 175 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE WERE SEIZED BY OFFICERS DURING A SEARCH WARRANT AT A RESIDENCE. THE PACKAGES HAD THE FOLLOWING MARKINGS ON THEM: (1) PICTURE OF A SAIL BOAT, (2) PICTURE OF 'UNCLE SAM' HOLDING A COCAINE BAG, (3) 'S' INSIDE A CIRCLE, (4) 'XX', (5) '12', (6) 'GAP', (7) 'DM', (8) A BLUE STAR OF DAVID, (9) 'XXB', (10) 'NIKE', (11) 'RMBI', (12) 'ZTL', (13) 'PDTD', (14) 'RUBI', (15) 'R DR B UB', AND (16) A PICTURE OF A WATCH BAND WITH A SOCCER BALL FOR THE FACE ON A GREEN SOCCER FIELD.

NOV 25 - THE FT. WORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 11.8 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2215 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND IN FT. WORTH. THE DRIVER, A RESIDENT OF DEL RIO, TEXAS, AND HIS PASSENGER, A RESIDENT OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1990 DODGE MINIVAN WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE HIDDEN UNDER A COAT LOCATED ON THE FLOORBOARD OF THE VEHICLE. THE COCAINE WAS WRAPPED IN BLACK CELLOPHANE MARKED 'MARCELA 97' WITH A PICTURE OF A TEDDY BEAR.

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- NOV 25 - THE BRYAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$99,990 IN U.S. CURRENCY AND \$10 IN COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY AT 1728 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO MARGATE, FLORIDA, FROM RHODE ISLAND IN A RENTED 1997 DODGE CARAVAN BEARING RHODE ISLAND PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY HIDDEN IN THE DOOR PANELS OF THE VEHICLE.
- NOV 26 - THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 8.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1900 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN SEVIER COUNTY. THE MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO DENVER, COLORADO, FROM LOS ANGELES IN A RENTED VEHICLE BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE INSIDE A BRIEFCASE LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. THE
- NOV 30 - THE BRYAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED 10 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2348 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-95. THE BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK FROM MIAMI IN A 1992 DODGE CARAVAN WITH NEW YORK PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF COCAINE HIDDEN INSIDE THE LEFT REAR QUARTER PANEL OF THE VEHICLE. BUSINESS CARDS AND LAPEL/HAT POLICE BADGES WERE ALSO FOUND IN THE VEHICLE.
- DEC 01 - THE LOUISIANA STATE POLICE SEIZED 686 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1339 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-20 IN MADISON COUNTY. THE ROMA, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA, FROM EDINBURG, TEXAS, IN A 1990 FREIGHTLINER TRACTOR PULLING A 1984 TIMPTE REFRIGERATED TRAILER BOTH BEARING TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA HIDDEN IN THE NOSE OF THE TRAILER COMMINGLED WITH A COVER LOAD OF ORANGES. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.
- DEC 03 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 1.8 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 2300 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON ROUTE 9 IN OCEAN COUNTY. THE NEW JERSEY RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO NEW JERSEY FROM PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, IN HIS 1987 CHEVROLET VAN BEARING NEW JERSEY PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE 3 PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE INSIDE A LARGE PLASTIC BAG IN THE CARGO AREA OF

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- DEC 04 - THE BRYAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED \$185,570 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2250 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND A COLOMBIAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO MIAMI FROM NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, IN A RENTED 1993 BUICK SKYLARK WITH FLORIDA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND \$100,000 OF THE CURRENCY INSIDE A SLEEPING BAG THAT WAS STILL IN ITS ORIGINAL BOX. THE PASSENGER HAD \$7,500 ON HIS PERSON AND THE REMAINDER OF THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND IN A SMALL BAG INSIDE A SUITCASE LOCATED IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- DEC 06 - THE WASHINGTON STATE PATROL SEIZED \$264,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0828 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-405 IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY. THE OCKLAWAHA, FLORIDA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO FLORIDA FROM WHITEY ISLAND, WASHINGTON, IN THE DRIVER'S 1984 DATSUN PICKUP BEARING FLORIDA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY IN A DUFFLE BAG STUFFED BEHIND THE SEAT OF THE TRUCK.
- DEC 07 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 272 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1100 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 77 IN KLEBERG COUNTY NEAR RICARDO, THE MISSION, TEXAS. RESIDENTS WERE IN THE DRIVER'S 1988 OVERLAND MOTORHOME EN ROUTE TO MIAMI, FLORIDA, FROM MISSION, TEXAS. THE PACKAGES OF MARIJUANA WERE FOUND CONCEALED IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT IN THE GAS TANK. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.
- DEC 08 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 6.4 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE, 24 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA, 12.3 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE, AND 223 GRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE OIL AT 2100 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY NEAR NEW BERRY SPRINGS, THE MORENO VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA, FROM MORENO VALLEY IN THE DRIVER'S 1992 TOYOTA PREVIA WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE MARIJUANA INSIDE PACKAGES WRAPPED WITH CHRISTMAS PAPER. THE METHAMPHETAMINE OIL WAS INSIDE A ONE-GALLON SIZE CRANGE JUICE CONTAINER LOCATED UNDER THE DRIVER'S SEAT. THE PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND COCAINE, WRAPPED IN CELLOPHANE AND SHAPED LIKE HOT DOGS THAT WEIGHED ABOUT ONE POUND EACH, WERE FOUND HIDDEN IN THE SIDE PANELS OF THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

DEC 10 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 600 GRAMS OF MEXICAN BROWN HEROIN AT 2025 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE DENVER, COLORADO, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO DENVER FROM SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA, IN THE DRIVER'S 1991 MAZDA PICKUP WITH COLORADO PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE DUCT-TAPED WRAPPED HEROIN PACKAGE TAPED TO THE TRANSMISSION'S SUPPORT BEAM LOCATED UNDER THE TRUCK. THE PACKAGES HAD BEEN COVERED WITH GREASE WHICH WAS USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

DEC 10 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 268,920 DOSAGE UNITS OF PSEUDOEPHEDRINE AT 0930 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN NATIONAL MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN KERN COUNTY WITH A BABY. THE SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO EITHER STOCKTON OR SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, FROM LOS ANGELES IN A 1990 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE 32 CASES OF PSEUDOEPHEDRINE IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

DEC 10 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 24.5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1200 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 281 IN HIDALGO COUNTY. THE DONNA, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1983 BLDGBILE CUTLASS BEARING TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE 22 PACKAGES OF COCAINE, WRAPPED IN CLEAR PLASTIC AND BROWN PACKAGING TAPE, HIDDEN IN A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED BETWEEN THE REAR SEAT AND TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

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DEC 11 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 11.8 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0005 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-10 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO VAN NUYS FROM SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA, IN A 1988 JEEP CHEROKEE BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE 27 PACKAGES OF METHAMPHETAMINE INSIDE THE SPARE TIRE LOCATED IN THE VEHICLE. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

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SUBJECT:

OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
OPERATION CONVOY

HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 12/20/97

THIS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS CURRENT DRUG SEIZURES AND INTELLIGENCE THAT IMPACTS AGENCIES INVOLVED IN HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION THROUGHOUT THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES. IT BRIEFLY DISCUSSES THE EVENTS AND GIVES LIMITED INTERPRETATION OF THEIR MEANING. IT IS INTENDED TO ASSIST PLANNERS IN DETERMINING DRUG MOVEMENT PATTERNS ON U.S. HIGHWAYS. THIS MESSAGE IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY BASED ON REPORTING RECEIVED AT EPIC DURING THE PREVIOUS WEEK.

SIGNIFICANT SEIZURES FOR INCLUSION IN THIS MESSAGE ARE DEFINED AS FIVE (5) KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE; ONE HUNDRED (100) KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA; TWENTY-EIGHT (28) GRAMS OF HEROIN; FIVE HUNDRED (500) GRAMS OF CRACK; ONE (1) KILOGRAM OF METHAMPHETAMINE; AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) DOLLARS. THIS TELETYPE INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT.

NOV 28 AT 0820 HOURS, THE NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-80 WEST OF RENO. THE DRIVER, A RESIDENT OF SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, AND HIS PASSENGER, A RESIDENT OF MODESTO, CALIFORNIA, WERE TRAVELING IN A 1989 NISSAN WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE ALERTED TO FALSE COMPARTMENTS IN THE REAR BUMPER WHERE THE DRUGS WERE CONCEALED.

DEC 05 AT 1335 HOURS, THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED 163 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN GONZALES COUNTY. THE BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS 1993 CHEVROLET PICKUP, PULLING HIS 1997 UTILITY TRAILER BOTH BEARING TEXAS PLATES. OFFICERS NOTICED FRESH WELDS AND COULD SMELL FRESH PAINT ON THE TRAILER. FURTHER INSPECTION OF THE TRAILER RESULTED IN THE OFFICERS DISCOVERING THAT AN EXTRA I-BEAM WAS WELDED ON EACH SIDE OF THE ORIGINAL I-BEAM CREATING A HOLLOW VOID APPROXIMATELY 5' WIDE RUNNING THE FULL LENGTH OF THE TRAILER. A DRUG DETECTION CANINE ALERTED ON THE LEFT REAR OF THE TRAILER AND A CONSENSUAL SEARCH OF THE TRAILER REVEALED 25 BUNDLES OF MARIJUANA CONCEALED IN THE I-BEAM FALSE COMPARTMENTS. THE BUNDLES WERE WRAPPED IN DUCT TAPE AND ACCESS WAS GAINED THROUGH THE FRONT OF THE TRAILER.

DEC 07 AT 1115 HOURS, THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 11.4 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN COLUSA COUNTY. THE SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A RENTAL TRUCK TOWING HIS ALLEGEDLY DISABLED 1988

DODGE DAKOTA WITH WASHINGTON PLATES EN ROUTE TO SEATTLE FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. INSPECTION OF THE PICKUP TRUCK DETERMINED THE VEHICLE TO BE OPERATIONAL. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE IN THE PICKUP'S GAS TANK. THE GASOLINE ODOR WAS USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

DEC 11 AT 1939 HOURS, THE EAGLE PASS POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 107 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON U.S. 277

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SUBJECT.

OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
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IN EAGLE PASS. THE SUBJECT WAS DRIVING A RENTED 1997 CADILLAC WITH TEXAS PLATES EN ROUTE TO EAGLE PASS FROM SECO MINES, TEXAS. WHEN OFFICERS ATTEMPTED TO STOP THE VEHICLE FOR NON-OPERATIONAL TAIL LIGHTS, THE DRIVER FAILED TO YIELD, SPED AWAY, AND EVENTUALLY WRECKED THE VEHICLE. THE CONTRABAND WAS FOUND IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

DEC 11 AT 1200 HOURS, THE ROBSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 421 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 77 IN NUECES COUNTY. THE HOUSTON, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1991 KENWORTH TRACTOR PULLING A 1985 TRAILER BOTH BORE TEXAS PLATES. HE WAS EN ROUTE TO NORTH CAROLINA FROM EDINBURG, TEXAS. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND HIDDEN IN A 2' DEEP BY 5' HIGH FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN THE SLEEPER BACK AREA OF THE TRACTOR. THE OWNER OF THE TRAILER WAS ARRESTED AFTER HE

DEC 13 AT 1100 HOURS, THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 1.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE FROM A MEXICAN COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT, AND HIS PASSENGER, AN ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WERE EN ROUTE TO EITHER ELK GROVE OR LAGUNA, CALIFORNIA, FROM ONTARIO. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1990 GMC PICKUP WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN BEHIND THE LEFT DOOR PANEL OF THE TRUCK.

DEC 16 AT 1106 HOURS, THE NEBRASKA STATE PATROL SEIZED 203 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A COUPLE WITH TWO JUVENILES ALONG WITH TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING IN SEPARATE VEHICLES. THEY WERE STOPPED HEADING EASTBOUND ON I-86 IN HALL COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM PHOENIX, ARIZONA. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND IN FOUR SUITCASES UNDER A HARD TRUCK BED COVER OF THE 1995 FORD F150 PICKUP BEARING ILLINOIS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. BOTH OCCUPANTS OF THE PICKUP ARE RESIDENTS OF Nampa, IDAHO. THE DRIVER OF THE ESCORT VEHICLE, A PHOENIX, ARIZONA, RESIDENT, AND HIS PASSENGER, A CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, RESIDENT WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1994 MERCURY COUGAR XR7 BEARING ARIZONA PLATES.

DEC 16 AT 1356 HOURS, THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 2.9 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. THE LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, RESIDENT WAS TRAVELING IN HIS 1988 MAZDA 626 BEARING NEVADA PLATES. A CONSENT TO SEARCH, ALONG WITH A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE ALERT, REVEALED THE

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
OPERATION CONVOY  
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
WEEK ENDING 12/20/97  
METHAMPHETAMINE WRAPPED IN DUCT TAPE.  
CONCEALED IN THE RIGHT FRONT PASSENGER  
DOOR OF THE VEHICLE.

DEC 17 AT 1251 HOURS, THE OKLAHOMA HIGHWAY  
PATROL SEIZED 111 KILOGRAMS OF  
MARIJUANA FROM A FEMALE TRAVELING  
NORTHBOUND ON I-35 IN GARVIN COUNTY.  
THE BENBROOK, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS  
DRIVING A RENTED 1998 CHEVROLET LUMINA  
WITH TEXAS PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL  
SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND 3 DUFFLE BAGS  
WITH MARIJUANA LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF  
THE VEHICLE.

DEC 17 AT 1812 HOURS, THE COLORADO STATE  
PATROL SEIZED 138 KILOGRAMS OF  
MARIJUANA FROM A MALE TRAVELING  
EASTBOUND ON HWY-34 IN FT. MORGAN  
COUNTY. THE ROCKLAND, MAINE, RESIDENT  
WAS EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK FROM ARIZONA  
DRIVING A 1988 CHEVROLET RENTAL WITH  
ARIZONA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL  
SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND 11 PACKAGES OF  
MARIJUANA, WRAPPED IN CELLOPHANE, AND  
COVERED WITH WHITE POWDER, INSIDE  
PLASTIC TRASH BAGS LOCATED IN THE  
TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. AIR FRESHENER  
WAS USED AS A MASKING AGENT.

DEC 17 AT 0330 HOURS, THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC SAFETY SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 10  
KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A FEMALE  
TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-30 IN HOPKINS  
COUNTY NEAR SULPHUR SPRINGS. THE  
COLDWATER, MISSISSIPPI, RESIDENT WAS  
EN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FROM  
DALLAS, TEXAS. THE SUBJECT WAS  
DRIVING A RENTED 1997 TOYOTA CAMRY  
BEARING TEXAS PLATES. DURING A  
CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE  
PACKAGES OF COCAINE HIDDEN IN THE REAR  
QUARTER PANELS WHERE ACCESS WAS GAINED  
THROUGH THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE. SOME  
OF THE PACKAGES WERE WRAPPED IN BROWN  
PACKING TAPE AND OTHERS IN CLEAR TAPE  
WITH THE MARKING OF A JACK O' LANTERN.  
A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND  
ALERTED ON THE VEHICLE.

DEC 18 AT 1520 HOURS, THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY  
PATROL SEIZED 1 KILOGRAM OF  
METHAMPHETAMINE FROM A MEXICAN MALE  
TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN SAN

FALLS FROM LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA. HE WAS DRIVING A 1992 BUICK WITH IDAHO PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. A CONSENT TO SEARCH, ALONG WITH A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE ALERT, REVEALED THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN IN A NATURAL VOID IN THE VEHICLE'S DASH.

DEC 18 THE KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 124 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA FROM A FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN THOMAS COUNTY. THE TUCSON, ARIZONA, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO FORT LEE, NEW JERSEY, FROM ARIZONA, DRIVING A RENTED 1997 CHEVROLET LUMINA WITH UTAH PLATES. A CONSENSUAL SEARCH REVEALED THE MARIJUANA IN 5 BUNDLES IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED], OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE  
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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT  
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TEXT CONTINUES:

ERRONEOUSLY STATED THAT THE UTAH HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 8.2 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE ON NOVEMBER 26, 1997. THAT SEIZURE WAS MADE BY THE SEVIER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, UTAH.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 10 POUNDS OF MARIJUANA (4,540 GRAMS), 1 OUNCE OF CRACK (28 GRAMS), A GRAM OR MORE OF HEROIN, 454 GRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF LSD, 100 DOSAGE UNITS OF DANGEROUS DRUGS AND \$1,000 IN DRUG-RELATED CURRENCY ARE CAPTURED IN EPIC'S HIGHWAY SEIZURE DATABASE. THE SIGNIFICANT SEIZURE CRITERIA WAS SET BECAUSE OF THE SHEER NUMBER OF SEIZURES RECEIVED AT EPIC.

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