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        ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, FROM CANADA. THE
        SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1990 TOYOTA
        PICKUP WITH BRITISH COLUMBIA PLATES. THE
        OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT.
        OFFICERS FOUND $12,690 INSIDE A GARBAGE
        BAG LOCATED ON THE FLOORBOARD OF THE
        PASSENGER'S SIDE OF THE VEHICLE. THE
        REST OF THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND ON ONE OF
        THE SUBJECTS.

        JUL 19 - AT 1601 HOURS, THE RANKIN COUNTY
        SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSISSIPPI SEIZED
        16 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE FROM A BLACK
        MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-20. THE
        THRALL, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A
        1989 NISSAN PICKUP WITH CALIFORNIA
        PLATES EN ROUTE TO ALABAMA FROM
        CALIFORNIA. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS
        NOT PRESENT. THE COCAINE WAS FOUND
        INSIDE A FALSE COMPARTMENT LOCATED IN
        THE VEHICLE.

        JUL 21 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5
        KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1450 HOURS FROM
        A HISPANIC COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND
        ON 1-5 IN KEN COUNTY, I THE OAKLAND
        CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER
        FROM SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, WERE EN ROUTE
        TO SAN JOSE FROM BEAU CERDEEN. OFFICERS
        FOUND THE COCAINE IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

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JUL 22 - AN OFFICER OF THE CAPITOL AREA NARCOTICS TASK FORCE IN TEXAS SEIZED 36 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1:05 HOURS FROM A HISPANIC COUPLE WITH A CHILD WHO WERE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 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 20 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 1:56 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 A 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 1:45 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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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 DAINATSU 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 MERCEL WITH
CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE
COCAINE TAPE TO THE FIREWALL LOCATED
UNDER THE HOOD OF THE VEHICLE. GREASE HAD BEEN USED AS A MASKING AGENT.
JUL 26 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
SEIZED 227 GRAMS OF MEXICAN BLACK TAR
HEROIN AND 226 GRAMS OF AN UNIDENTIFIED
HEROIN AT 2000 HOURS FROM FOUR HISPANIC
SUBJECTS WHO WERE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND
ON U.S. 77 IN KLEBERG COUNTY. OFFICERS
FOUND THE HEROIN INSIDE THE RENTED 1988
LINCOLN TOWNCAR WITH TEXAS PLATES.

JUL 26 - THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
SEIZED $241,020 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0220
HOURS FROM TWO SUBJECTS TRAVELING
SOUTHBOUND ON I-35 IN MCLENNAN COUNTY.
THE WHITE MALE DRIVER AND HIS HISPANIC
PASSENGER WERE TRAVELING IN AN
UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLE.

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DOLLARS. THIS TELETYPE INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO
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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
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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 WEAVER 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 LAMINATED AS
COMMON, A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS
USED AND ALERTED TO THE VEHICLE.

JUL 05 - THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT
IN MISSOURI SEIZED 16 KILOGRAMS OF
COCAINE AT 0200 HOURS FROM TWO HISPANIC
FEMALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44.
THE LOS ANGELES AREA RESIDENTS WERE
TRAVELING IN A 1999 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.

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-85 IN CUMBERLAND COUNTY. THE MIAMI, FLORIDA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING
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SUBJECT: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE

HIS 1988 TOYOTA 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 113 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND $2,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 07:00 HOURS FROM A WHITE MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN COCONINO COUNTY NEAR FLAGSTAFF. THE YPSILANTI, MICHIGAN, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1992 OLDSMOBILE DELTA 98 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 $17,775 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 23:18 HOURS FROM TWO HISPANIC MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. THE DRIVER, A CUBAN NATIONAL MIAMI RESIDENT, AND HIS PASSENGER FROM KEY WEST AND MIAMI, WERE TRAVELING IN A RENTED 1992 MAZDA MPV WITH FLORIDA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE BUNDLES 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 LOWDDES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED $196,400 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 18:47 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.
JUL 16 - THE OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 107 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 SPRINTER 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.

JUL 17 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED $500,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1033 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
Jul 17 - The California Highway Patrol seized 7 kilograms of cocaine at 07:20 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 softeners were used as masking agents.

Jul 17 - The Camden County Sheriff's Office in Georgia seized $1,503,900 in U.S. currency at 00:05 hours from a Cuban male traveling southbound on I-75. 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 $179,430 in U.S. currency at 09:35 hours from two Black females traveling westbound on I-10 in San Bernardino County. The Cincinnati, Ohio, residents were en route to Ontario, Canada, from Cincinnati in a 1993 Pontiac Grand Am with Ohio plates. Officers found the currency inside suitcases located in the trunk of the vehicle.
JUL 10 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.8 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 07:07 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 00:22 HOURS FROM A HAITIAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-20 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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**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 PASSENGER FROM NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, RESIDENT AND HIS WIFE EN'ROKE 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 2.5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 2024 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE DRIVING IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA OF THE CITY. THE CARS CRUCES, NEW MEXICO, RESIDENT, HAD HIS 1989 CHEVROLET 1500 PICKUP WITH NEW MEXICO PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE COCAINE IN THE BACK OF THE VEHICLE.

CO 001626
THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 8.9 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0030 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.

THE MISSOURI HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 272 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1020 HOURS 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 HODGEN, 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.

THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED APPROXIMATELY 16 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1756 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 IN THE VEHICLE.

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 ALBERTA, THE CO driver left his INDIANA PLATES IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA. THE VEHICLE WENT DIRECTLY TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM LOS ANGELES IN HIS 1988 FORD BRONCO WITH INDIANA PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE 24 PACKAGES OF COCAINE FLOATING INSIDE THE GAS TANK OF THE VEHICLE. EACH OF THE PACKAGES WERE MARKED WITH A THREE-BY-FIVE INCH
JUL 31 - THE LAREDO TASK FORCE IN TEXAS SEIZED $253,765 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0415 HOURS FROM TWO HISPANIC MALES AND A HISPANIC FEMALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-35. THE SUBJECTS WERE TRAVELING IN A 1994 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN RENTAL WITH MEXICO PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND 17 BUNDLES OF U.S. CURRENCY WRAPPED IN CLEAR PLASTIC AND DUCT TAPE IN THE TAILGATE OF THE VEHICLE.

AUG 01 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 9 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 0635 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-40 IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, THE GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM DALLAS, TEXAS, WERE EN ROUTE TO DALLAS, FROM LOS ANGELES IN THE PASSENGER'S 1987 FORD BRONCO WITH TEXAS PLATES. DURING A CONSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE IN THE HEATER CORE COMPARTMENT WHICH EXTENDED INTO THE DASH OF THE VEHICLE.

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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 19:05 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.

JUL 27 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED $120,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY FROM A WHITE COUPLE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE IN EAST BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, AT 1:13 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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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 TOHONO O'ODHAM, ARIZONA, POLICE
DEPARTMENT SEIZED 136 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 1999 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
SP 84369
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
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.

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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
        0846 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
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)

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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELTYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 100 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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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 ORDOZ, TAMAILIPAS, 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 10:20 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 1990 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 OF A DODGE DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND A DETECTED ON THE VEHICLE. THE DRIVER...
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 ALERED ON THE VEHICLE.

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 VOLKSWAGEN 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 ALERED ON THE VEHICLE.

AUG 15 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 524 GRAMS OF OPIUM AND $18,666 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2035 HOURS FROM TWO WHITE MALES TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON STATE ROAD 299 IN TRINITY COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS, BOTH MISSOURI RESIDENTS, WERE EN ROUTE TO EUREKA, CALIFORNIA, FROM MISSOURI. THEY WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S 1988 FORD RANGER WITH MISSOURI PLATES. OFFICERS LOCATED THE OPIUM UNDER THE RAISED PICKUP BED AND THE CURRENCY WAS FOUND HIDDEN WITHIN CLOTHES INSIDE A BACKPACK.


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 10.14 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
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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...
THE OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 106 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2150 HOURS FROM A WHITE FEMALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-70 IN FRESNO 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
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.

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 2006 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 160
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.
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 98 WITH MISSOURI PLATES. THE CONTRABAND WAS FOUND INSIDE TWO DUFFLE BAGS LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.

AUG 18 - THE LOWDES 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 $89,530 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, TAMALIPAS, MEXICO, FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS, IN A 1994 FORD F350 TRUCK. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY HIDDEN IN A FALSE FLOOR OF A TOOL BOX LOCATED IN THE BED OF THE TRUCK.

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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 SEIZED 3.5 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT
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
SIEVER 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
HILLSBURG-HOOD, OREGON, RESIDENT WAS
DRIVING HIS 1988 FORD TAURUS WITH OREGON
PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND 141 KILOGRAMS OF
MARIJUANA IN THE CARGO AREA OF THE VAN
AND 114 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA IN THE
TRUNK OF THE FORD TAURUS.
AUG 14 - THE HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 62 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0630 HOURS FROM THREE HISPANIC MIGRANTS 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 FLOOWN FROM NEW YORK TO HOUSTON TO PICK UP THE COCAINE. OFFICERS FOUND THE 31 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 SHERIFF’S 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 FRESHERNER POWDER HAD BEEN USED AS A HASKING AGENT.

AUG 25 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 112 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND $1,390 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 TUIJUNCA, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM TUIJUNCA 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 26 - THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, SEIZED $274,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1745 HOURS FROM TWO VENEZUELAN MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE HARACAIBO, 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 1975 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 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.

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,
CALIFORNIA, SUBJECT WAS EN ROUTE TO SACRAMENTO FROM MERCED, CALIFORNIA, IN HIS 1980 PONTIAC LEHANS 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.

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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
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
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 PHILPS COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 204 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 2120 HOURS FROM A MALE DRIVING A RENTED TOYOTA TRUCK WITH
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
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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
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ENGINE COMPARTMENT OF THE VEHICLE. THE
OFFICER BECAME SUSPICIOUS WHEN HE
NOTICED THAT PAINT HAD BEEN SCRAPEP 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 NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 568 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE FROM THREE BLACK MALES TRAVELING ON THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE. THE DRIVER, AN EMPIRIA, VIRGINIA, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGERS FROM EMPIRIA 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
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 ASTRO VAN 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-605 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 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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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 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 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 FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 712 KILOGRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AT 2350 HOURS.
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 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 19 - 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.
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 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 1993 MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE WITH TEXAS PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE CONTRABAND HIDDEN ON THE PASSENGER.

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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
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AUG 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 TOP 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.
SEP 06 - 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 “PAMA” 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 TRAVELLING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN MERCEDE 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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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'S AXLE GEAR. THE VAN HAS BEEN USED AS A HAVING 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 $57,900 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1652 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95. THE MICHIGAN MAN WAS ARRESTED....

SEP 29 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 708 GRAMS OF COLOMBIAN HEROIN AT 1940 HOURS FROM A DOMINICAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-95 IN UNION COUNTY. THE 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 I-35 IN OKLAHOMA COUNTY. THE DRIVER AND ONE PASSENGER FROM DETROIT, MICHIGAN.
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 91,477 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 2332 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 9,041,961 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 VIANTA, MEXICALI, MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1985 FLYING PIG 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 1.5 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1759 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-70 IN BOONE COUNTY NEAR IL-LITE, THE LOVE PARK, ILLINOIS, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS, FROM MALACHI, ILLINOIS. IN HIS 1988 FOUR DOOR SUNBIRD WITH ILLINOIS PLATE, OFFICERS FOUND THE SIX PACKAGES OF COCAINE INSIDE.
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.

OCT 01 - The Louisiana State Police in Lafayette seized $183,815 in U.S. currency at 1224 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 9 grams of crack cocaine at 1548 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 duffel bag located under the passenger seat. Both suspects were arrested.

OCT 03 - The Franklin County Sheriff's Office in Missouri seized 1,000 dosage units of anabolic steroids at 1048 hours from a couple traveling eastbound on I-44 near Union. The driver, a Farmington resident, was arrested.
FROM CHANDLER, ARIZONA, WERE TRAVELING IN THE DRIVER'S '96 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 1996 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 1446 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 1996 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-MIAMI FROM DETROIT IN A RENTED 1997 DODGE CARAVAN WITH MICHIGAN PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE CURRENCY INSIDE A TANICAL CAVITY LOCATED BETWEEN 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 1.1 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 1650 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SISKIYOU COUNTY. THE STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING HIS '83 OLDSMOBILE RANCHERO.
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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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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.
OCT 02 - The California Highway Patrol seized 4.2 kilograms of methamphetamine at 1:05 a.m. 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 1:30 a.m. 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 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 26 bundles of marijuana were found hidden inside a plywood box measuring 6 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 8:25 a.m. 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 silicon. A global positioning system (GPS) device, a laptop computer with a
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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
MILFORD, 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
SHERTON, ARIZONA, SUBJECTS WERE EN
ROUTE TO FONTANA, CALIFORNIA. FROM YUMA,
ARIZONA, IN A 1992 CHRYSLER FIFTH AVENUE
SLEEK 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.

OCT 08 - THE PHelps COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN MISSOURI SEIZED 233 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND $2,814 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 40 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 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 TELEYYPE 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
TELEYYPE. 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: Operation Interstate Pipeline
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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THIS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS CURRENT DRUG SEIZURES AND INTELLIGENCE THAT IMPACTS AGENCIES INVOLVED IN HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICATION 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 1336 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 16 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 SUMTER 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 11 - THE BRYAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED 13.6 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0110 HOURS FROM A RESIDENT OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.
TWO MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON 1-75 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 TAM 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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SECTION TWO OF FOUR

SUBJECT: ???? OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE
OPERATION CONVOY
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
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OCT 12 - THE LOWDIES 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 OWNED BY A SUSPECTED DRUG DISTRIBUTOR. BOTH SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.
OCT 13 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 5.7 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 1:00 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 6:16 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 1:33 HOURS FROM A FEMALE TRAVELING WITH A 14-YEAR-OLD MINOR EASTBOUND ON I-40. THE MCALENN, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A STOLEN 1986 CHEVROLET BEARING TEXAS PLATES EN ROUTE TO MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, FROM MCALENN. 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: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE CONVOY
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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 10/16/97

METAMPHETAMINE WERE WRAPPED IN FOIL AND
PLASTIC AND GREASE HAD BEEN USED AS A
MASKING AGENT. THE

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 AVISEA. THE
SONORA, MEXICO, RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO
NOGALES, SONORA, MEXICO, FROM LA MIRADA,
CALIFORNIA, IN A 1996 DODGE CARAVAN 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 4.4 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT
3715 HOURS FROM TWO MEXICAN MALES
TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-65 IN HARDIN
COUNTY. THE DRIVER, A BROWNSVILLE,
TEXAS, RESIDENT AND HIS PASSENGER FROM
MATAMOROS, TAMAILPAS, 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 SPINKLED WITH
BAKING POWDER TO HELP MASK THE ODOR.

OCT 15 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 7.8
KILOGRAMS OF METAMPHETAMINE AT 1845
HOURS FROM A HONDURAN MALE AND A PUERTO
RICOAN 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
1992 GMC VAN DEARING IOWA PLATES.
OFFICERS FOUND THE 10 PACKAGES OF
METAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN BEHIND SPEAKERS
THAT WERE LOCATED IN THE ROOF OF THE
VAN. A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE WAS USED
AND ALERTED TO THE DRUG.
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 ON 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 ON ROUTE TO KANSAS CITY FROM DENVER, COLORADO. OFFICERS FOUND 16 OVAL-SHAPE BALLS OF

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FINAL SECTION OF FOUR

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

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

THE GEORGIA STATE PATROL SEIZED $422,885 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.

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SUBJECT: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE
OPERATION CONVOY
HOSPITAL OUTPATIENT 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 LANIORS 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
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.
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 1998 INTERNATIONAL TRACTOR WITH TEXAS PLATES, PULLING A 1996 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 DUFFEL 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 1994 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 15 - THE GLENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN CALIFORNIA SEIZED 11.4 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT 6900 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 $4,600 IN U.S. CURRENCY WERE ALSO SEIZED AND 10 SUBJECTS WERE ARRESTED.

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 1600 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.

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 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 22 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED $586,675 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
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-10 IN LA PAZ COUNTY. THE
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS EN
ROUTE TO ELDOY, 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.

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 TELETYPING 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
TELETYPING, 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 $1,600 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,
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OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE
OPERATION CONVOY
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 11/01/97

THIS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS CURRENT DRUG SEIZURES AND
INTELLIGENCE THAT IMPACTS AGENCIES INVOLVED IN HIGHWAY DRUG
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INTERPRETATION OF THEIR MEANING. IT IS INTENDED TO ASSIST
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HIGHWAYS. THIS MESSAGE IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY BASED ON
REPORTING RECEIVED AT EPIC DURING THE PREVIOUS WEEK.

OCT 07 - THE NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 2.6
KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AND 156
GRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0856 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.
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 BOWIE COUNTY NEAR NEW BOSTON. THE OKLAHOMA RESIDENT WAS EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, FROM MCALLEN, TEXAS, IN A 1964 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 0906 HOURS FROM A COUPLE WHO WAS TRAVELING

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED] OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE OPERATION CONVOY HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTON WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT WEEK ENDING 11/01/97

WITH A 4-YEAR-OLD NORTHBOUND ON U.S. 77 IN KLEBERG COUNTY. THE SUBJECTS WERE EN ROUTE TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, FROM PROGRESO, 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 COOLING 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 BERNARDINO 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.

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 (NF1) 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

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SUBJECT: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE OPERATION CONVOY
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT WEEK ENDING 11/01/97

COCAINE AT 1303 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-10 IN GONZALES COUNTY. THE NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAILIPAS, 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 0900 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.

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 1990 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.

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 TELETYPING INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTON WEEKLY
Subject: Operation Interstate Pipeline Operation Convoy

Highway Drug Interdiction Weekly Activity Report

Week Ending 11/08/97

****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.

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 Colliad 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 2036 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING IN HENNEPIN 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.


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 '63 - 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 ON 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 VESLACO, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS DRIVING A 1991 HONDA PRELUDE WITH TEXAS PLATES ON ROUTE TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, FROM VESLACO. 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 $119,002 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1427 HOURS FROM TWO MALES TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND 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 $8,100 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 10:10
HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING
SOUTHBOUND ON I-5 IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY.
THE CARLSBAD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENT WAS
DRIVING HIS 1978 GM 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 07:15 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 23:30 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 RUGER 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 04:00 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.
SECTION ONE OF FIVE

SUBJECT: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE OPERATION CONVOY
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 11/22/97

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

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INTELLIGENCE THAT IMPACTS AGENCIES INVOLVED IN HIGHWAY DRUG
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HIGHWAYS. THIS MESSAGE IS PUBLISHED WEEKLY BASED ON
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OCT 26 - THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED
29.7 KILOGRAMS OF METHAMPHETAMINE AT
6:00 PM 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 1996
NISSAN WITH CALIFORNIA PLATES. OFFICERS
FOUND THE METHAMPHETAMINE HIDDEN INSIDE
THREE TRASH BAGS LOCATED IN THE BED OF
THE PICKUP.

NOV 06 - THE SPALDING COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN
GEORGIA SEIZED $419,869 IN U.S. CURRENCY
AT 1:30 PM 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.
NOV 16 - THE LOUISIANA STATE POLICE SEIZED 16.3 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.

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

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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTIO WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT WEEK ENDING 11/22/97

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 BINDLES, AND 28 GRAMS OF CUTTING AGENT WERE ALSO SEIZED FROM THE VEHICLE.
The New Jersey State Police seized 463 grams of heroin at 1900 hours from a Dominican male traveling southbound on the New Jersey Turnpike in Burlington County near Mt. Laurel, New Jersey. The owner was driving from New York in a 1980 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.

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 San Diego, 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.

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 1986 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.

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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HIGHER DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 11/22/97

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 16 - 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 16 - 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 16 - THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE SEIZED 1
KILOGRAM OF CRACK COCAINE AND $1,660 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 HILFORD, 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 0626 HOURS FROM A FEMALE
TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-30. THE
JACKSBORO, TENNESSEE, RESIDENT HAD FLOWN
FROM KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, TO SAN
ANTONIO, TEXAS, WHERE SHE THEN RENTED A
1997 MERCUY 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 2229 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-95 IN VOLUSIA COUNTY. THE SHAKE 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-FOUND BRICKS HIDDEN INSIDE EACH DOOR PANEL OF THE VEHICLE.

NOV 19 — THE FALMOUTH POLICE DEPARTMENT IN TEXAS SEIZED 106 KILOGRAMS OF COCAINE AT 0830 HOURS FROM A MALE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON U.S. 63 IN KILDAUGH 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 "ORO" 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.
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 IN 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.

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 TELETYPICAL 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 TELETYPICAL, 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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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 11/29/97

***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.

NOV 14 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 795 GRAMS OF CRACK COCAINE AND $1,621 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 1996 NISSAN SENTRA WITH COLORADO PLATES EN ROUTE TO DENVER, COLORADO, FROM LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. OFFICERS FOUND THE 10 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 0620 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-15 IN JUAB COUNTY NEAR NEPHI. THE REIDONDO 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.

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 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 $699,640 in U.S. currency and $240 in counterfeit currency at 2216 hours from a male traveling southbound on I-75 in Alexandria, Virginia. The resident was en route to Orlando, Florida, from Pennsylvania in a 1992 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 4.4 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 Reynosa, Tamaulipas, Mexico, in a 1999 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 1656 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 1975 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 1:57 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE AND HIS FEMALE PASSENGER TRAVELING WESTBOUND ON I-80 IN LA SALLE COUNTY. THE LYNNWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO LOS ANGELES FROM CHICAGO IN A RENTED 1974 FORD F-250 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.

NOV 27 - THE KENTUCKY STATE POLICE SEIZED $125,000 AT 6:46 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 1:36 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 13:22 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 1993 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.
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

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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SUBJECT: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE
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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 12/06/97

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DOLLARS. THIS TELETYPE INCLUDES ALL SEIZURES REPORTED TO
EPIC SINCE THE LAST HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY
ACTIVITY REPORT.

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.
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 30 BRICKS OF COCAINE, EACH HALF A KILOGRAM, WERE MARKED WITH 2 RED KING CROWN STAMPED STICKERS.

DEC 62

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 93

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 0930 HOURS FROM THREE MEXICAN MALES TRAVELING NORTHBOUND ON I-5 IN GLENN COUNTY. THE DRIVER AND HIS PASSENGERS, ONE A BOOTHALL, WASHINGTON, RESIDENT, WERE EN ROUTE TO BOOTHALL 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 THE CONTRABAND.
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.

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.

THE ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SEIZED $400,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 1420 HOURS FROM A VENEZUELAN MALE RESIDENT OF MEXICO 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)

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.

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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ASSASSIN, A STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK.
RESIDENT WERE IN THE DRIVER'S 1994 MAZDA
MX3 WITH NEW JERSEY PLATES. DURING A
CONSENSUAL SEARCH, TEN PACKAGES OF
HEROIN WERE FOUND IN A TUPPERWARE
CONTAINER AND THREE PACKAGES INSIDE A
SUITE CASE, ALL LOCATED IN THE TRUNK OF
THE VEHICLE. THE PACKAGES WERE IN
BAGS WRAPPED IN FOIL. A DRUG-
DETECTION CANINE WAS USED AND ALERTED ON
THE VEHICLE.

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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 ON ROUTE TO LOS ANGELES,
CALIFORNIA, FROM FAINTANA, 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.
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SUBJECT: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE
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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICCION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 12/13/97

PLEASE PASS TO ALL HIGHWAY INTERDICCION PERSONNEL!!!

THIS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS CURRENT DRUG SEIZURES AND
INTELIGENCE THAT IMPACTS AGENCIES INVOLVED IN HIGHWAY DRUG
INTERDICCION 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.

NOV 16 - THE BUFFALO GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN
ILLINOIS SEIZED 160 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
SUITECASES 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 $40 BILL, (2) PICTURE OF 'UNCLE
SAM' HOLDING A CIGAR (3) '6' INSIDE
A CIRCLE, (4) 'N', (5) '12', (6) 'CAP',
(7) 'CH', (8) A BLUE STAR OF DAVID, (9)
'XBB', (10) 'HKE', (11) 'RHB', (12)
'ZET', (13) 'PDT', (14) 'RUZ', (15) 'A'
OR '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
CONSSENSUAL SEARCH, OFFICERS FOUND THE
COCAINE HIDDEN UNDER A COAT LOCATED ON
THE FLOORBOARD OF THE VEHICLE. THE
COCAINE WAS WRAPPED IN BLACK CELLOPHANE
MARKED 'MARCEL 97' WITH A PICTURE OF A
TEDDY BEAR.
NOV 25 - THE BRYAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IN GEORGIA SEIZED $99,996 IN U.S. CURRENCY AND $19 IN COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY AT 1726 HOURS FROM A MEXICAN MALE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-75. 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 SIERV 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-75. 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 PALMISTRY 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 666 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 1359 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 1993 FREIGHTLINER TRACTOR PULLING A 1984 TINYTE 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 CONMINGLED WITH A COVER LOAD OF ORANGES. THE SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED.

DEC 03 - THE NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE SEIZED 1.6 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
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 1995 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 $284,000 IN U.S. CURRENCY AT 0828 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING SOUTHBOUND ON I-405 IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY. THE OKLAWAHMA, FLORIDA, RESIDENTS WERE EN ROUTE TO FLORIDA FROM WHITE ISLAND, WASHINGTON, IN THE DRIVER'S 1994 DATSUO 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 1995 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 NEWBERRY 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 ORANGE 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 1994 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 262.926 DOSAGE UNITS OF PSEUDOPHEDRINE AT 0736 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 1978 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL BEARING CALIFORNIA PLATES. THE OWNER OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT PRESENT. OFFICERS FOUND THE 22 CASES OF PSEUDOPHEDRINE IN THE TRUNK OF THE VEHICLE.


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 1998 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.
DEC 11 - THE MISSOURI HIGHWAY PATROL SEIZED 159 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AT 11:00 HOURS FROM A COUPLE TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON I-44 IN GREENE COUNTY, THE GREEN VALLEY, ARIZONA. RESIDENTS WERE ON ROUTE TO SYRACUSE, NEW YORK, FROM TUCSON, ARIZONA, IN THE DRIVER'S 1996 HURRICANE MOTORHOME BEARING UTAH PLATES. OFFICERS FOUND THE PACKAGES OF MARIJUANA THROUGHOUT THE MOTORHOME.

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 INTERDICTIOIN WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, ALTHOUGH NOT REPORTED IN THIS TELETYPE, SEIZURES OF OVER 1 POUND OF COCAINE (454), 16 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: 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 INTERDICKTION 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.

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**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 1999 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**

**DEC 07**
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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HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 12/20/97

TEXT CONTINUES:
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
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 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 1990 HONDA 826 BEARING NEVADA PLATES. A CONSENT TO SEARCH, ALONG WITH A DRUG-DETECTION CANINE ALERT, REVEALED THE
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SUBJECT: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE
OPERATION CONVOY
HIGHWAY DRUG INTERDIGATION 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 GARDIN COUNTY.
THE BENBROOK, TEXAS, RESIDENT WAS
DRIVING A RENTED 1998 CHEVROLET LUMINA
WITH TEXAS 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 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 18
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 JUDG 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: OPERATION INTERSTATE PIPELINE
OPERATION CONVOY
RIVERSIDE DRUG INTERDICTION WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT
WEEK ENDING 12/20/97

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 DAMNERNED DRUGS AND $1,600 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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