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REPORT NUMBER: 902-09-11-04-110
REPORT DATE: 2004-11-09
CLASSIFICATION: Unclassified
INCIDENT TYPE: Specific threats
STATUS: Open/Unresolved
CONTAINS US PERSON INFO: No
FROM: 902D MI GP
SUBJECT: Protest Planned at Sacramento Military Entrance Processing Station
SOURCE: A FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

DETAILS: On 11 Nov 2004, a protest against the Iraq war is planned by a sacramento
chapter of a us domestic group at the sacramento military entrance processing
station (MEPS). This specific group is deeply into 'counter-recruiting' and wants to
use MEPS stations as new induction centers for their cause. The groups views MEPS as
their last chance to influence a decision to enlist. The promoter of this event
further states there are 65 MEPS stations and 'maybe one is located near you' and
provides the following hyperlink: http://www.mepcon.mil/mil/meps.htm. A check of
this link shows it does provide a listing of MEPS facilities throughout CONUS.
PERSONS BRIEFED LOCALLY: Federal Protective Service, Fort McPherson CIO
COMMENTS: 1. Based strictly on this information, it appears this protest will most
likely be peaceful, but some type of vandalism is always a possibility.

2. The original report of this information states that only the Sacramento MEPS will
specifically be protested. It cannot be determined based on original reporting if
protests will actually occur at other MEPS stations in CONUS.

INCIDENT SITE: Sacramento chapter of a US domestic group at the Sacramento Military
Entrance Processing Station (MEPS)
INCIDENT CITY: Sacramento
INCIDENT STATE: CA
INCIDENT COUNTRY: US
INCIDENT LATITUDE: 38.695556
INCIDENT LONGITUDE: -121.44334
INCIDENT X/Y: Northing: 427435.28 Easting: 635545.15 Zone: 10S
INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 11-NOV-04
UPDATE: (1) 18-NOV-04
DETAILS: 1. received 11/17/2004 4:35:40 PM

On 10 Nov 2004, the San Francisco JTTF advised the commanders of the Sacramento and
San Jose MEPS of the intended protest at the Sacramento center. Both MEPS were
scheduled to be closed due to the holiday.

Local news reported the following concerning the protest:
A group of military veterans took a different approach to commemorating veterans Day, spending the afternoon trying to discourage men and women from enlisting in the armed services.

The group US ORGANIZATION (Veterans for Peace) held a Veterans Day protest just outside the Military Entrance Processing Station in Sacramento. They were joined by the US ORGANIZATION (Physicians for Social Responsibility).

About 50 members of the group conducted solemn reading of the names of 18 soldiers who came through the processing station and later died in Iraq.

According to members of the group, demonstrating in front of the station could be their last chance to dissuade young people from signing up to serve.

'This is where our children will line up to die in an unjust war that can have no winners,' said US PERSON (last name) the group's president.

The group's president says the protest was the first of a planned weekly series of demonstration at the station.

The demonstration did not go without controversy. A group of approximately a half-dozen military supporters from the US ORGANIZATION (Patriot Watch) turned up in an effort to shout down the veteran protesters.

Despite the difference of opinion, the confrontation ended peacefully. The MEPS Commander reported there was no known vandalism or incidents as a result of the protest.