Protests Planned Against Recruiting Centers in Springfield, IL Area on 18 Mar 05

Source received an e-mail from the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), e-mail address: [redacted], that stated that on March 18-20 a series of protest actions were planned in the Springfield, IL area. For 18 Mar 05, they want to focus on actions at military recruitment offices with the goals to include: raising awareness, education, visibility in community, visibility to recruiters as part of a national day of action focused on military recruiters. The protests are in response to a call for by the UFIR. The AFSC identified three locations and noted there were more recruitment stations in the local area. The identified locations are the Springfield (Federal Building), South Hadley, and Greenfield. The group is preparing a handout for all locations. Further, the e-mail stated, the actions would be simultaneous, beginning around 2pm (schools letting out) and lasting until 6pm (through commuting time).

Currently, the group is organizing one speaker for each location, to help spread the
source: A SPECIAL AGENT OF THE FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. SOURCE IS RELIABLE.

Country: United States (US)/usnorthcom

Address: Springfield township, IL

GeoCoords: Latitude: 39.831085; Longitude: -89.638334

Persons Involved: N/A

Coordinating Agencies: FPS, Atlanta FIG, Fort Knox RD, NCIS, AFOIS, JTTF Chicago

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