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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
Attn: DRUG SECTION,
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (245D-147) (P) (SQ. 6D)

SUBJECT : [redacted] aka
ET AL;
THE EL RUKN STREET GANG;
OCDE TASK FORCE MATTER;
OO:CHICAGO

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Reference Director's airtel to all SACs and Legats dated September 11, 1991, captioned "Major Gang Initiative".

Enclosed for the Drug Section are two copies of a write-up setting forth background on the above captioned matter.

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The purpose of this communication is to advise the Drug Section that based on referenced airtel, and the enclosed write-up, the Chicago Division has reclassified 245F-147 to 245D-147.

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CASE INFORMATION SCREEN

NAME: EL RUKNS
CASE NO: 245D-0000147
OO: CG
ASSIGNED TO:
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STATUS: C4
OPENED: 09/10/93
ASSIGNED: 09/10/93
DATE:

CASE SQUAD: 8A
HQC/RA: HQ
SUPV: 8A

CLOSED: 09/12/93
REOPEN: 04

TITLE: AKA; ET AL; THE EL RUKN STREET GANG,
REMARKS: OCDE TASK FORCE CASE; ALPHA CHANGED FR B(SEE SUBS)
RECLASS INTO 166E-CG-92198

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The El Rukn Street Gang
Chicago Division
245F-147

The El Rukns is a violence-prone, highly structured street gang that has existed in Chicago since the 1960s. The El Rukns have also been known as the "Blackstone Rangers", and the "Black P-Stone Nation". During their heyday, the El Rukns ruthlessly controlled Chicago's southside illegal drug, gambling, extortion and prostitution rings. The El Rukns are also suspected of committing several hundred murders over the years in order to control and dominate crime on Chicago's southside.

Subsequently, in early 1986, the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), as the lead agency of an Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force including the Chicago Police Department and Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), initiated a series of court authorized wire intercepts at the gang's headquarters in Chicago, Illinois, and Bastrop, Texas, to investigate illegal activities of the El Rukns.

In late March of 1986, a series of conversations were intercepted that indicated that the El Rukns were involved in negotiations with the government of Libya. At this point, the "Rukbom" investigation, Chicago file number 174-2034, was initiated by Chicago's Joint Terrorism Task Force. The subsequent investigation revealed that several El Rukns were in Libya to offer their services for terrorist acts in the United States in return for money. Through the use of an FBI Undercover Agent (UCA), the El Rukns were sold two inert Light Anti-tank Weapons (Law Rockets) in the early part of August, 1986. On August 5, 1986, simultaneous searches were conducted at the Chicago El Rukn Headquarters and a Chicago El Rukn safehouse. The two Law Rockets sold to the El Rukns and 35 other weapons were found in the basement of the Chicago safehouse.

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Rukns were convicted of conspiracy to commit a terrorist act.

El Rukns received sentences ranging from 9 to 64 years.

In addition to the "Rukbom" investigation, captioned case concentrated primarily on the racketeering activities of the El Rukn's with respect to drug and murder violations. Investigation revealed that the El Rukns consisted of approximately 200 individuals in Chicago, Illinois, as well as Rukn chapters in both Milwaukee and Detroit.

On October 27, 1989, a Federal Grand Jury in the Northern District of Illinois (NDI) returned two separate indictments charging a total of 65 members and associates of the El Rukn Street Gang with racketeering, conspiracy, murder, attempted murder, conspiracy to murder, witness intimidation and retaliation, kidnapping, obstruction of justice, drugs, and firearm violations.

At present, 12 major El Rukn members are cooperating with the government, have plead guilty, and will be sentenced after all El Rukn trials have been concluded. The remaining 53 indictees will be brought to trial in six separate trials, the first trial commencing in April of 1991.

In addition to the arrests of the El Rukns members, the main Chicago El Rukn headquarters was federally seized on October 27, 1989, and later turned over to the state. Subsequently, the State of Illinois had the headquarters demolished so that the area could be used for a park.

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Property Type Codes*

Code No	Description
1.	Cash (U.S. and foreign currency)
2.	Stock, Bonds or Negotiable instruments (checks, travelers checks, money orders, certificates of deposit, etc)
3.	General Retail Merchandise (clothing, food, liquor, cigarettes, TVs, etc)
4.	Vehicles (autos, trucks, tractors, trailers, campers, motorcycles, etc)
5.	Heavy Machinery & Equipment (heavy equipment, computers, etc)
6.	Aircraft
7.	Jewelry (including unset precious and semiprecious stones)
8.	Vessels
9.	Art, Antiques or Rare Collections
11.	Real Property
20.	All Other Recoveries (not falling in any category above)

Potential Economic Loss Prevented (PELP) Type Codes*

Code No	Description
22	Counterfeit Stocks, Bonds, Currency or Negotiable Instruments
23	Counterfeit or Pirated Sound Recordings or Motion Pictures
24	Bank Theft Scheme Aborted
25	Ransom, Extortion or Bribe Demand Aborted
26	Theft from, or Fraud Against, Government Scheme Aborted
27	Commercial or Industrial Theft Scheme Aborted
30	All Other Potential Economic Loss Prevented (not falling in any category above)

*Except for cash, the Remarks section must contain an explanation of the computation of the recovery value or loss prevented. An explanation airtel must accompany this report if the recovery is $1 million or more, or if the PELP is $5 million or more.

Subject Description Codes*

- Enter Description Code Only When Reporting a Conviction -

Organized Crime Subjects (Include Family Name Or Group):
- 1A Boss, Underboss or Consigliere
- 1B Capodecina or Soldier
- 1C Possible LCN Member or Associate
- 1D OC Subject Other Than LCN
- 1E Not a Member or Associate of LCN Family or OC Organization

Known Criminals (Other Than OC Members):
- 2A Top Ten or I.O. Fugitive
- 2B Top Thief
- 2C Top Con Man

Foreign Nationals:
- 3A Legal Alien
- 3B Illegal Alien
- 3C Foreign Official Without Diplomatic Immunity
- 3D U.N. Employee Without Diplomatic Immunity
- 3E Foreign Students
- 3F All Others

Terrorists:
- 4A Known Member of a Terrorist Organization
- 4B Possible Terrorist Member or Sympathizer

Union Members:
- 5A International or National Officer
- 5B Local Officer
- 5C Union Employee

Government Officials Or Employees:

Federal	State	Local
6A Presidential Appointee	6J Governor	6R Mayor
6B U.S. Senator	6K Lt. Governor	
6C U.S. Representative	6L Legislator	6S Legislator
6D Judge	6M Judge	6T Judge
6E Prosecutor	6N Prosecutor	6U Prosecutor
6F Law Enforcement Officer	6P Law Enforcement Officer	6V Law Enforcement Officer
6G Fed Empl - GS 13 & above	6Q All Others - State	6W All Others - Local
6H Fed Empl - GS 12 & below		

Bank Officers or Employees:
- 7A Bank Officer
- 7B Bank Employee

All Others:
- 8A All Other Subjects (not fitting above categories)
- 8B Company / Corporation

*If a subject can be classified in more than one of the categories, select the most appropriate in the circumstance.

Instructions

Subject Priorities for FBI Arrest or Locates:

A - Subject wanted for crimes of violence (i.e. murder, manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault) or convicted of such crimes in the past five years.

B - Subjects wanted for crimes involving the loss or destruction of property valued in excess of $25,000 or convicted of such crimes in the past five years.

C - All others

Claiming Non-Federal Arrests, Summonses, Recoveries or Convictions:

It is permissible to claim a local arrest, summons, recovery or conviction **if the FBI significantly contributed to the accomplishment.** A succinct narrative setting forth the basis for the claim must accompany this report. When claiming a local recovery, enter the word "LOCAL" to the right of the amount. Enter "LF" in the "In-Jail" block for all life sentences and "CP" for capital punishment sentences.

Reporting Convictions:

Convictions should not be reported until the sentence has been issued. There are two exceptions to this rule. The conviction information can be submitted by itself if:

1. The subject becomes a fugitive after conviction but prior to sentencing.
2. The subject dies after conviction but prior to sentencing.

An explanation is required in the Remarks section for either of the above exceptions.

Rule 20 Situations:

The field office that obtained the process (normally the office of origin) is the office that should claim the conviction, **not** the office where the subject enters the plea in cases involving Rule 20 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedures.

Investigative Assistance or Techniques (IA/Ts) Used:

-Since more than one IA/T could have contributed to the accomplishment, each IA/T used must be rated.

-The IA/T used must be rated ***each time*** an accomplishment is claimed. (For example - if informant information was the basis for a complaint, an arrest, a recovery and a conviction and if separate FD-515s are submitted for each of the aforementioned accomplishments, the "Informant Information" block must be rated on each FD-515 even if it was the same information that contributed to all the accomplishments.)

Race Codes:

C = Chinese; I = Indian/American; J = [illegible]nese; B = Black; O = All other; U = Unknown; W = White

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