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On September 16, 1999, Special Agents (SAs) [redacted]
[redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), [redacted]
Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Criminal Investigation Division,
[redacted] United States Postal Inspection Service (USPS), and
[redacted] United States Immigration and Naturalization
Service (INS), met with a source who has proven reliable in the
past. The source, who is not in a position to testify on this
matter, provided the following information:

Source stated that [redacted]
[redacted]
service based out of his residence [redacted]
(possibly apartment [redacted]) The name of
the business is called [redacted] " which is translated to mean
[redacted] Source stated that [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

Source stated that Somalia is divided into three (3)
regions: Somaliland (northern region), Somalia (southern region)
and Bootyland (phonetic, northeast region). Source stated that
Somaliland is a highly developed and industrialized region of
Somalia, and the tribal warfare is occurring in the southern region
known as Somalia.

Source stated that [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

Source stated that [redacted] contact with
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

Source stated that [redacted]
[redacted] Source stated

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that [redacted] are under surveillance.
Source stated that [redacted]

[redacted]

Source stated that he/she was provided a copy of the INS communication [redacted] The Horn of Africa in San Diego, California. Source stated that [redacted] The Horn of Africa are affiliated with the "non-fundamentalist" group.

Source has become aware that "all" of the Somali food stores in the San Diego area, and an Arab food store located on 45th Street in El Cajon, are involved in a fraud involving EBT cards (food stamp vouchers). Source stated that individuals with EBT cards can enter these businesses and obtain cash from their cards. Source stated that no food purchase is required by the owners and employees of the businesses. Source stated that the businesses will provide the card holders with cash, and then charge a fee for the service.

Source was shown a color copy of a California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) photograph [redacted] with the name and identifiers covered and unreadable. Source was unable to identify the individual pictured, but stated that he looks similar to [redacted] when he came from Africa.

Source was shown a color copy of a DMV photograph of [redacted] with the name and identifiers covered and unreadable. Source was unable to identify the individual pictured.

Source was shown a black and white copy of a DMV photograph of [redacted] with the name and identifiers covered and unreadable. Source stated that the face of the individual pictured was familiar, but was unable to recall his name. Source further recalled having observed the individual at a Somali restaurant near Mid-City Nutrition.

Source was shown a color copy of a DMV photograph for [redacted] with the name and identifiers covered and unreadable. Source was unable to identify the individual pictured.

Source was asked by SA [redacted] if the name of [redacted] The source responded by stating that he/she recalled that the name of the [redacted] In previous contacts the source has provided information that [redacted]

Source was asked by SA [redacted] if he/she could provide any information regarding the Paradise Health Center, located at 3400 E. 8th Street, Suite #207, National City, California, [redacted] The source was unable to provide any information.

Source stated that he/she has been acquainted [redacted]

[REDACTED]

Source was asked if he/she could provide any information regarding [REDACTED] Miracle Publications Company. The source was unable to provide any information.

Source was asked if he/she could provide any information regarding [REDACTED] the Somali Community Center. Source stated that [REDACTED] obtained [REDACTED] degree in England before coming to the U.S. Source is aware that [REDACTED] has in the past applied for the position [REDACTED] [REDACTED] with the San Diego Police Department. Source is aware that [REDACTED] is currently employed [REDACTED] [REDACTED] with the Urban League.

Source provided the following names and associated license plate numbers:

1. [REDACTED]
2. [REDACTED]

A check of DMV computerized records indicated that California license plate number [REDACTED] is assigned to a 1988 Dodge, registered to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

A check of the Lexis Nexis computer database for Amana Foundation provided information that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

A check of DMV computerized records indicated that California license plate number [REDACTED] is assigned to a 1993 Ford, registered to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The DMV check further indicated that this vehicle was recently impounded.