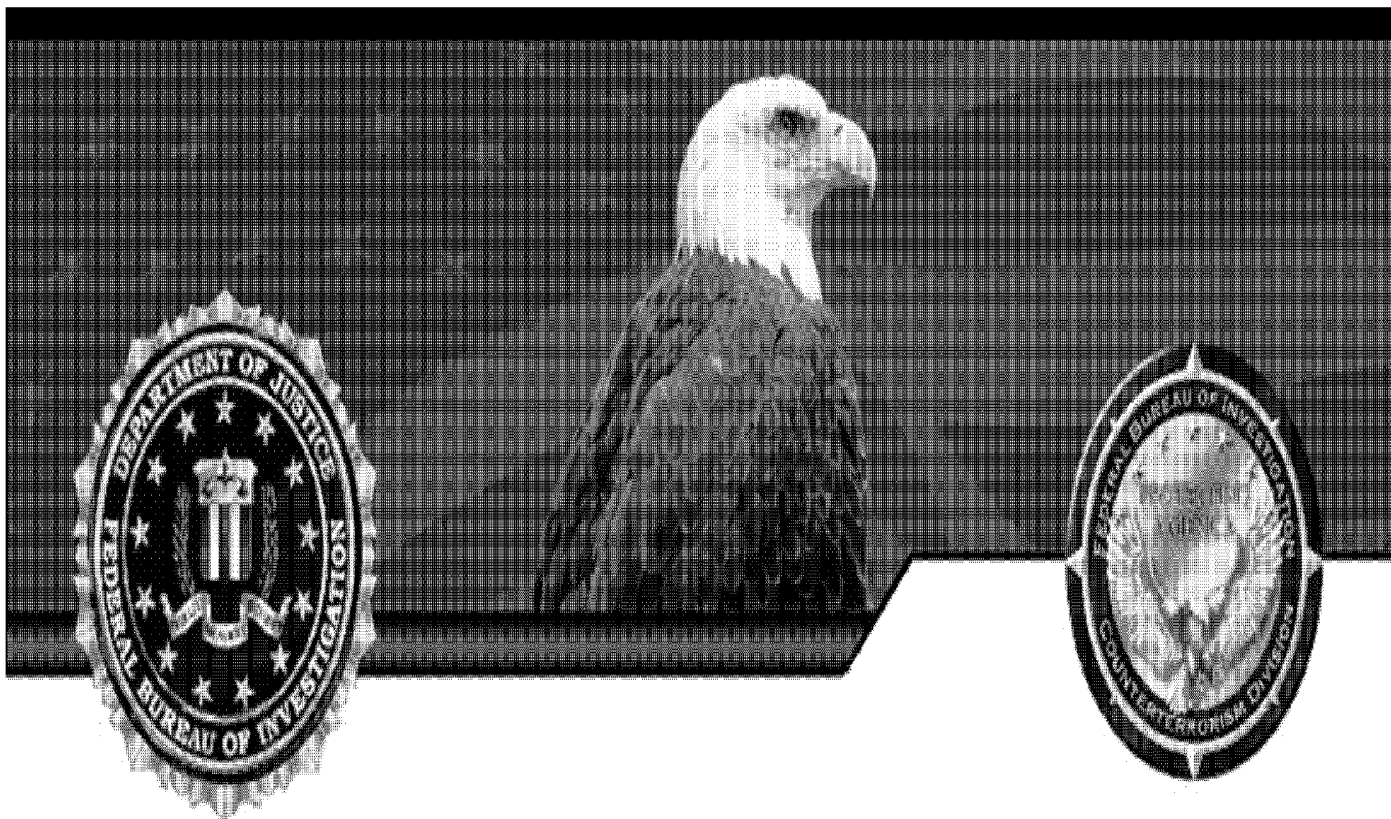




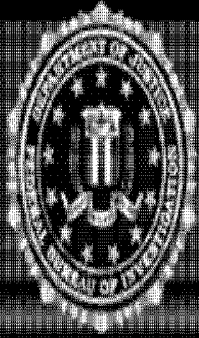
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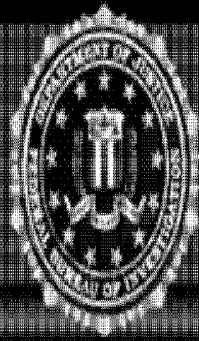
FBI Terrorism Definition

the unlawful use of force or violence against persons in order to intimidate or coerce a government, the civilian population, or any segment thereof, in furtherance of political or social objectives.



Elements of Domestic Terrorism





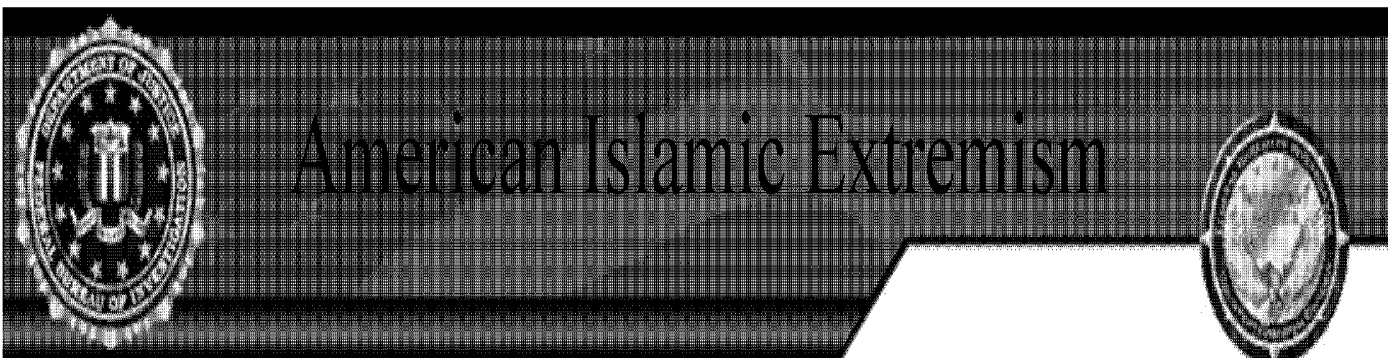
Domestic Terrorism Ideologies



- Abortion Extremism
- American Islamic Extremism
- Anarchist Extremism
- Animal Rights/Environmental Extremism
- Black Separatist Extremism
- Puerto Rican Extremism
- Militia Extremism
- Sovereign Citizen Extremism
- White Supremacy Extremism

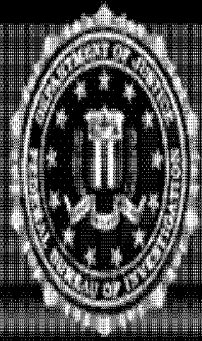


- Individuals who support abortion extremism ideologies engage in criminal activity or advocacy of the use of force or violence in furtherance of issues involving abortion rights and practices.
- Criminal Activity:
 - Murder
 - Use of improvised explosive/incendiary devices
 - Threats
 - FACE Act violations



- US persons committing criminal activity in furtherance of a radical Islamic agenda, without foreign direction. These individuals are often radicalized within the United States and commit their criminal activity without aid or direction from a recognized foreign power or terrorist organization.

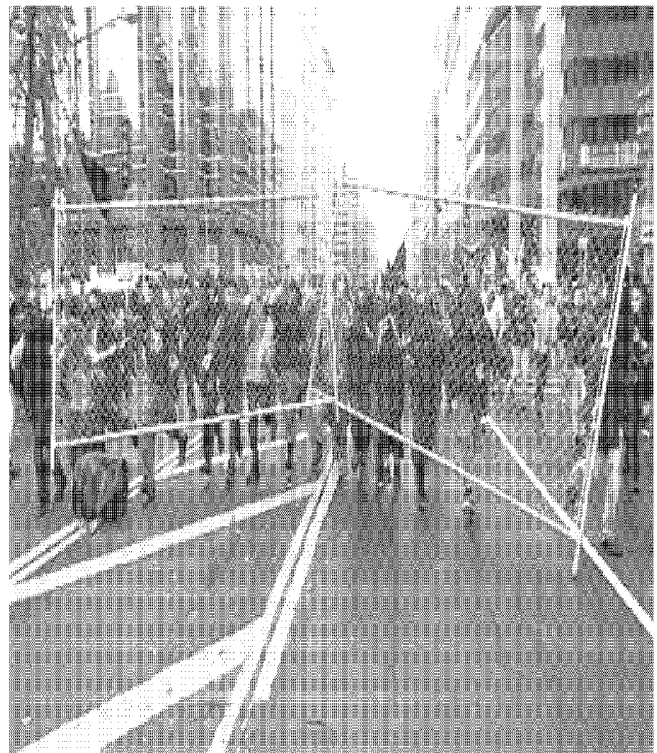
- Criminal Activity
 - Firearms violations
 - Sedition
- Targets
 - Government facilities
 - Military
 - Law enforcement
 - Infrastructure



Anarchist Extremism



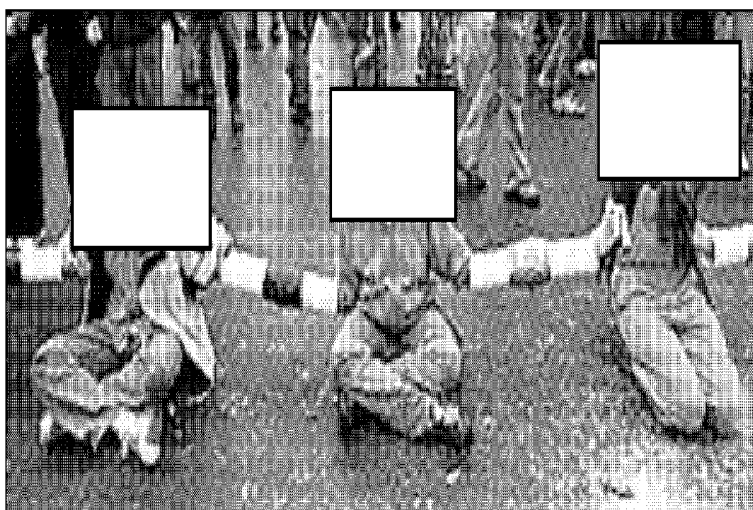
- Anarchist extremists are anti-capitalist , anti-authoritarian, and reject organization
- Anarchist groups are event driven and can surface at any time, espousing anti-globalization/anti-capitalism beliefs.
- Targets
 - International Monetary Fund
 - Federal Government facilities
 - World Bank conferences
 - Political conventions

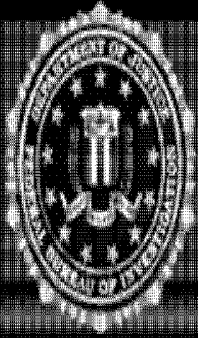




- Blockades (“Sleeping Dragons”)
- Vandalism / Property Damage
- Arson / Attempted Arson
- Assault
- Protective gear to counter pepper spray or tear gas
- Stockpiling of bodily waste, homemade weapons, and crude incendiary devices

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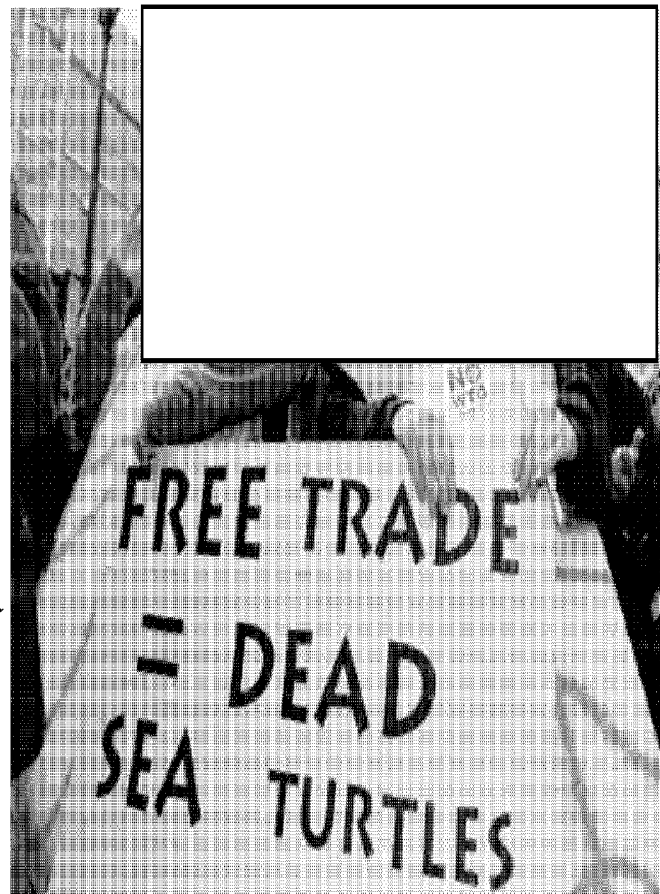




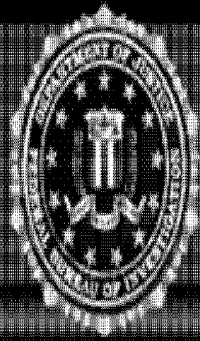
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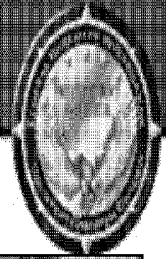
- “Green Anarchists”
- Believes government and capitalism harms nature
- Individuals should “get back to nature”
- Ecosystem must be preserved
- Free trade organizations promote policies that favor third world industrialization without regard for the environment



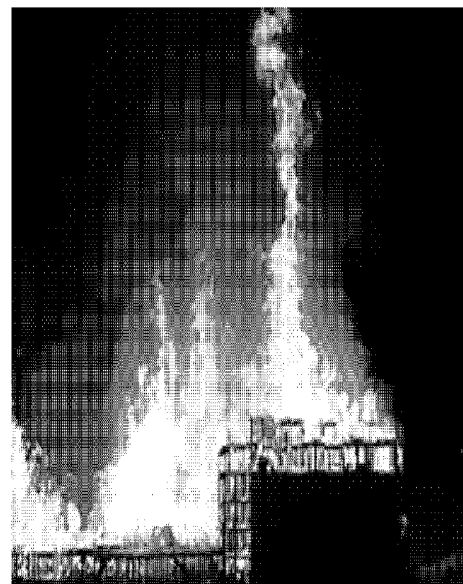
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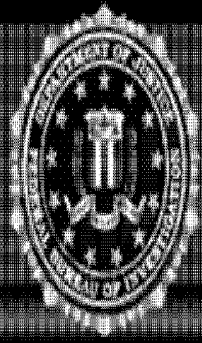


Animal Rights/Environmental Extremism



- Animal Rights Extremism
 - View animals to be equal to humans and attempt to promote equal rights for animals
- Environmental Extremism
 - View any industry perceived to profit from the misery or exploitation of the earth as a potential target

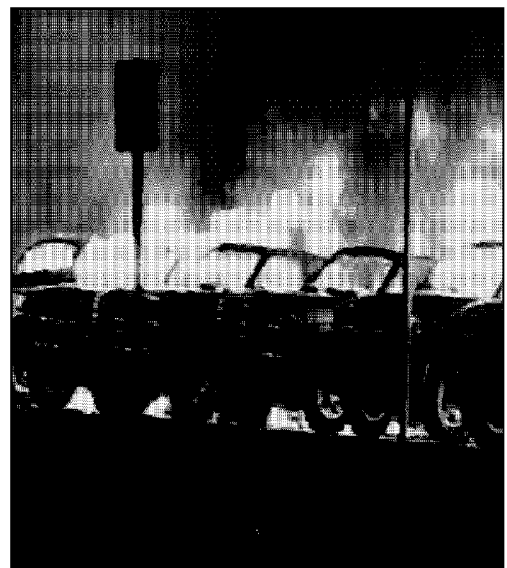




Animal Rights/Environmental Extremism



- Leaderless Resistance
 - Small cells formed to deliberately avoid large conspiracy charges
 - Strike targets of their own choosing
 - Relative anonymity
 - Operational Security
 - Hinders law enforcement
- Claim actions on behalf of ideologies
 - Animal Liberation Front
 - Earth Liberation Front



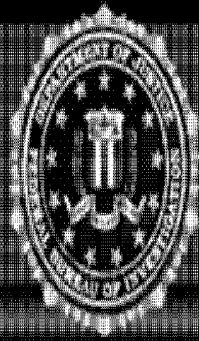


- Targets

- Fur industry
- Research laboratories and universities
- Animal shelters & government services
- Logging industry
- Construction industry
- Energy industry

- Tactics

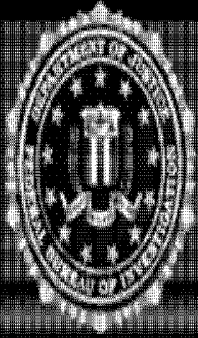
- Theft
- Threats (telephonic, email, mail)
- Property damage
- Denial of service attacks
- Use of improvised explosive/incendiary devices



Black Separatist Extremism



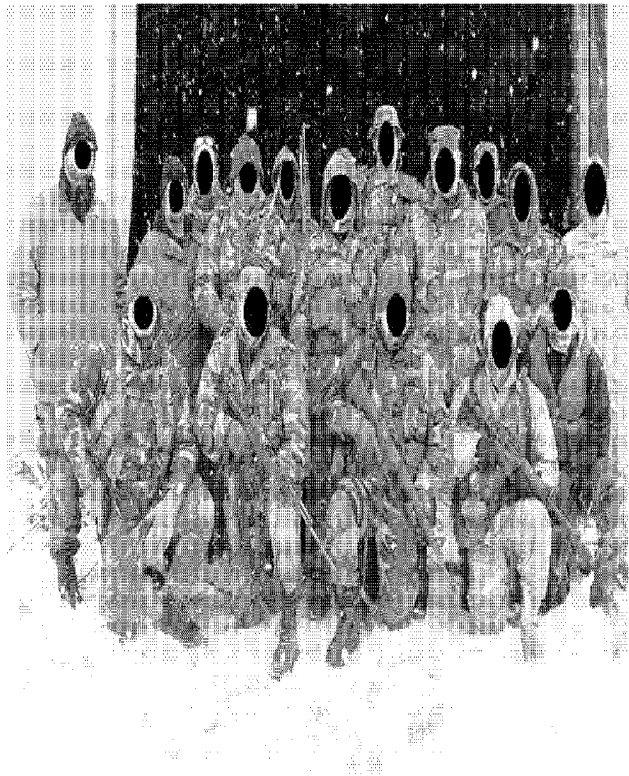
- Espouse self-determination for African-Americans through a system focused on the establishment of an autonomous region in the United States
- Oppose integration and inter-racial marriage and advocate separate institutions or independent communities for African-Americans
- Criminal Activity:
 - Fraud / Mortgage Fraud
 - Extortion
 - Threats against law enforcement
- Targets
 - Government facilities
 - Law enforcement

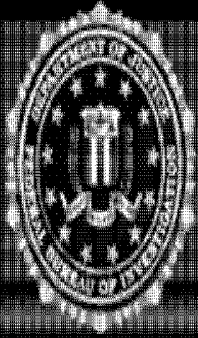


Militia Extremism



- Militia extremists believe they are the only true defenders of the US Constitution, are willing to commit criminal acts in order to prevent or fight restrictions on the right to bear arms to preserve their way of life





Militia Extremism



- Criminal Activity:
 - Illegal weapons
 - Explosives violations
 - Threats to law enforcement
 - Assault
 - Felon in possession

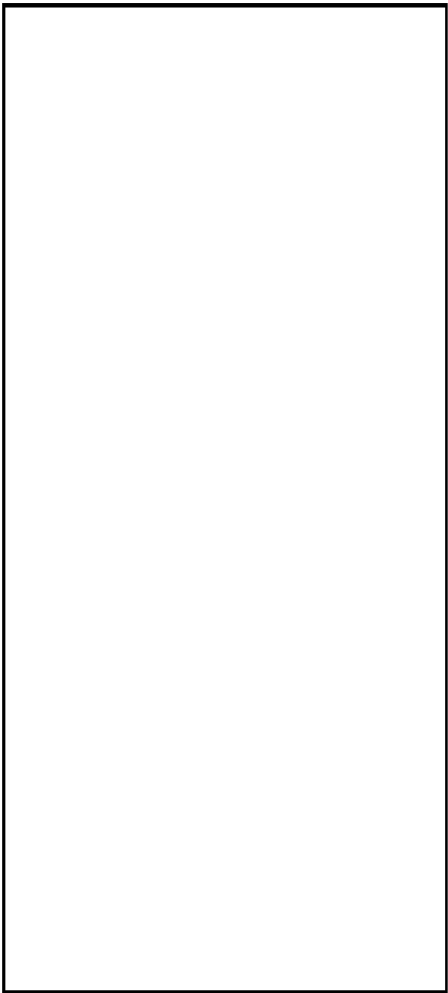


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- Targets
 - Law enforcement
 - Government



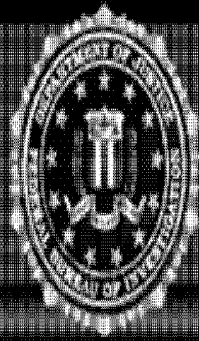
- Individuals strive for complete autonomy and sovereignty for Puerto Rico from the United States
- Criminal Activity:
 - Illegal weapons
 - Explosives violations
 - Threats to law enforcement
 - Assault
 - Robbery
 - Murder



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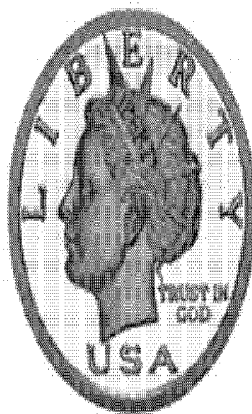
- Puerto Rican Nationalist extremists view themselves as champions against the perceived negative effects of capitalism, including environmental degradation
- Targets:
 - American Military Personnel
 - American Corporations
 - Law Enforcement
 - Infrastructure

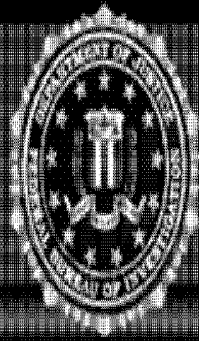


Sovereign Citizen Extremism



- Believe the US government is operating outside of its jurisdiction, and they generally do not recognize federal, state, or local laws, policies, or governmental regulations.
- Subscribe to a number of conspiracy theories, including a prevalent view the US government became bankrupt and began using citizens as collateral in trade agreements with foreign governments

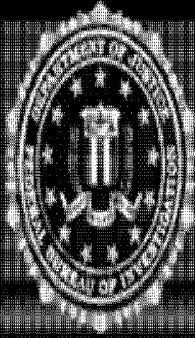




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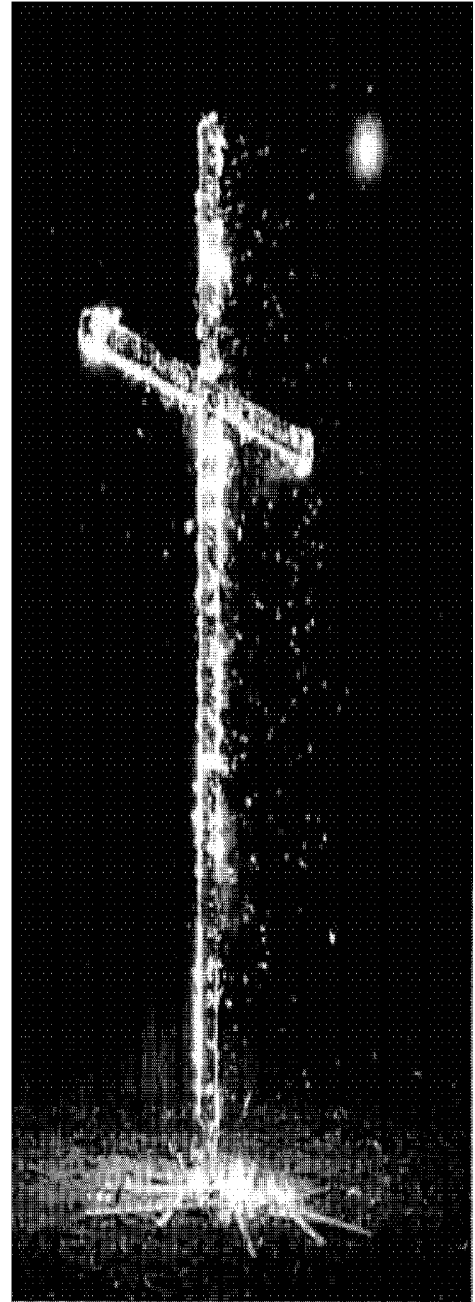
- Criminal Activity:
 - Bank, mail, mortgage and wire fraud
 - “Redemption” (Bogus financial documents)
 - Fictitious liens
 - Impersonating law enforcement
 - Tax violations
 - Threats to judges and law enforcement
- Tactics:
 - Refusal to acknowledge authority
 - Claim copyright of their name
 - Claim diplomatic status
 - False documents
 - Creation of currency

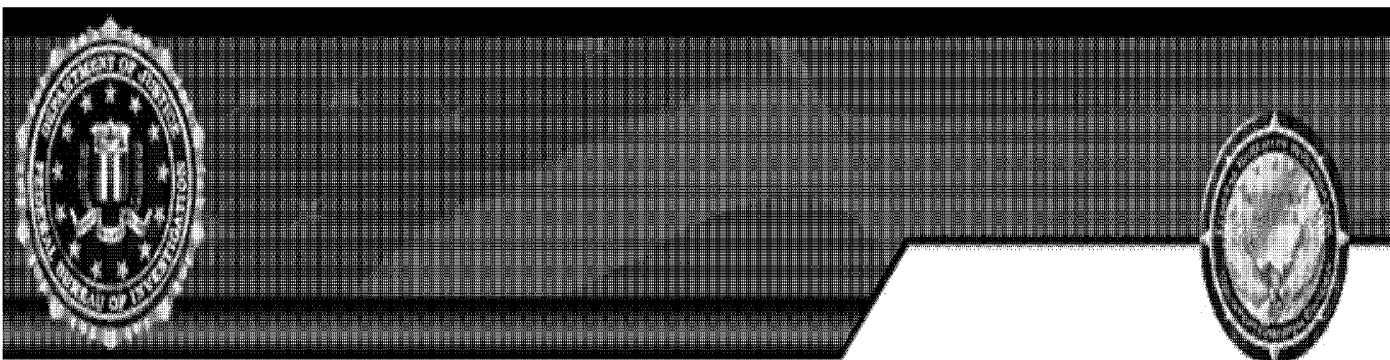


White Supremacy Extremism



- Individuals believe in the superiority of the white race and often target minorities, homosexuals, the Jews and the Federal Government
- Criminal Activity:
 - Hate crimes
 - Illegal weapons procurement
 - Bombings
 - Counterfeiting
 - Armored car robberies
 - Bank robberies
 - Murder





QUESTIONS?