HOW TO MAKE PEACEFUL PROTESTORS OF AMERICA'S TORTURE SCHOOL LOOK LIKE TERRORISTS

In 2001, it was uncorroborated reports that anarchists would be joining peace activists.

The Columbus Police Department and Muscogee County Sheriffs office are coordinating well on this matter and have made extensive operational and contingency plans. These agencies have collected UNCORROBORATED, NON-SOURCED intelligence that allegedly anarchist elements will travel to Columbus to cause problems.

In 2003, Anti-Free Trade of Americas protests were dubiously invoked (they were also invoked to investigate peace protestors in Pittsburgh that year).

Synopsis: To request that the Miami Divsion, Domestic Terrorism Intelligence Squad, provide any all relevant intelligence to the Atlanta-CRA acquired prior to, during, and post resulting from the Anti-Free trade Area of The Americas Anarchist Movement (AFTRA) protest.

In 2007, the FBI tied the event with four other open cases, including two government trespass ones, a bank robbery, and a corruption case.

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In 2009, it was the expected presence of peace activists under investigation (among other things) for ties to Palestinians and Colombia's FARC.

As in 2008, a small contingent of FBI personnel, acting in an undercover capacity, will be present at this protest to monitor the activities of predicated subjects of FBI-Minneapolis who are expected to attend. These subjects have never expressed or exhibited a propensity for violence at any time. The FBI personnel will not be monitoring or conducting surveillance of the protest itself or any uninvolved persons, only the predicated subjects of the above noted matter. Due to the nature of this investigation and the fact that Undercover Employees (UCB) need to maintain their cover, local and state law enforcement will not be notified in advance of their presence at this open and public event. The Minneapolis case agent (SA

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has been provided with all of the Columbus RA
personnel contact telephone numbers. FBI-Atlanta (SA
will meet the FBI-Minneapolis case agent prior to the
above protest. FBI-Minneapolis has requested and received SACAtlanta concurrence for travel of personnel.

The two undercover officers who long tracked this group, "Karen Sullivan" and "Daniela Cardenas" attended that year to spy on the event.

Year after year, however — from 2000 until 2009, when consultation with the FBI's own domestic investigations guide finally led the FBI to shut the long-running investigation down — the FBI found an excuse to track the annual protest of the School of the Americas in the name of counterterrorism preparedness, as FOIAed documents released today reveal in detail.

In other words, year after year, even while recording how peaceful the event was, the FBI still tracked and coordinated with the Columbus, GA police in the guise of counterterrorism preparedness because a bunch of people use their First Amendment rights to protest the murder and torture propagated by the SOA.

Update: I originally got the year this investigation started wrong: it was opened in 2000.