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[IS - IRAQ] (BUFILE: [62-77787-282]) (S)

RE NEW YORK NITELS, JANUARY 15 AND 22, 1975.

[UNIDENTIFIED INDIVIDUAL FROM POWDER SPRINGS, GEORGIA, TO
BE CONTACTED BY [WILLIAM] [PAIKAN] (PHONETIC) BY PHONE ON [S]

[JANUARY 13, 1975] MAY BE MITCHELL LIVINGSTON WEBBELL, III,
MITCHELL WEBBELL

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195-5082.

ON AUGUST 19, 1974, ROBERT WOOD, BROWN TRANSPORT, STONE

MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA, ADVISED PHONE CALL RECEIVED BY CLERK OF

THAT OFFICE FROM UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL WHO SAID HE WAS DEFENSE JAN 23 1975

SYSTEMS AND WHO INQUIRED IF BROWN TRANSPORT WOULD SHIP

ASSEMBLED MACHINE GUNS TO SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, FOR EXPORTATION

TO ["THE ARAB NATIONS"] (S)

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ON OCTOBER 3, 1974, AN ARTICLE APPEARING IN THE "ATLANTA CONSTITUTION", AN ATLANTA DAILY NEWSPAPER, REVEALED MITCHELL L. WERBELL, IV., AND HOWARD E. HERNDON ARRESTED BY FEDERAL AGENTS WHEN THEY SOLD SEVEN HAND-HELD MACHINE GUNS AND FOUR SILENCERS FOR \$1,200 AT A DEKALB COUNTY MOTEL. "ALSO NAMED IN THE INDICTMENT WAS DEFENSE SERVICES CO., THE POWDER SPRINGS MUNITIONS FIRM OPERATED BY WERBELL AND HIS FATHER, MITCHELL WERBELL, III, AN ARMAMENTS EXPERT ONCE LINKED TO AN ABORTED ATTEMPT BY MERCENARIES TO INVADE HAITI AND SET UP AN ANTI-CASTRO BASE THERE."

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ON DECEMBER 7, 1974, AN ARTICLE APPEARING IN THE "ATLANTA CONSTITUTION" REVEALED UNITED STATES TREASURY DEPARTMENT AGENTS CONFISCATED MORE THAN \$300,000 WORTH OF GUNS AND SILENCERS FROM WERBELL, III. WERBELL SAID AGENTS SEIZED 2,000 AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND 1,500 SILENCERS. MOST OF THE WEAPONS WERE INGRAM SUBMACHINE GUNS EQUIPPED WITH SILENCERS.

ON JANUARY 22, 1975, SPECIAL AGENT GEORGE THOMAS, BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, ADVISED GEORGE H. SALESKY AND WERBELL, III, CO-OWNED MILITARY ARMAMENT CORPORATION, 440 GLOVER, S.E., MARIETTA, GEORGIA, UNTIL APPROXIMATELY ONE AND ONE HALF YEARS AGO, WHEN THEY SPLIT

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2037 DEBORAH DRIVE N.E.

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AND WERBELL SET UP DEFENSE SYSTEMS. SALESKY STILL OPERATES MILITARY ARMAMENT CORPORATION, A COMPETITOR OF DEFENSE SYSTEMS, AND HAS CLASS 3 FIREARMS LICENSE, WHICH ALLOWS MANUFACTURE AND EXPORT OF FULLY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. HE DESCRIBED SALESKY AS A WHITE MALE, 5'10", 50-52 YEARS OLD, 180-185 POUNDS, GRAYING BLACK HAIR, WEARS GOLD WIRE-RIMMED GLASSES; WELL DRESSED.

SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE DIRECTORY FOR GREATER ATLANTA AREA INDICATES GEORGE H. SALESKY RESIDES AT 2037 DEBORAH DRIVE, N.E., DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA, AND SUBSCRIBES TO TELEPHONE NUMBER 325-3767. TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR MILITARY ARMAMENT CORPORATION IS 428-3342.

ATLANTA INDICES NEGATIVE CONCERNING SALESKY.

ATLANTA FILE 105-5782 REFLECTS THE BELGIAN SECURITY SERVICE ADVISED LEGAT, PARIS, THAT ON OCTOBER 25, 1974, A SHIPMENT OF THREE CASES OF 146 KILOGRAMS OF "S.M.G. AND SURPRESSORS, 6M PEN 9MM, 1M PEN 45, 26M II/.380" ARRIVED NATIONAL AIRPORT, ZAVENTEM, BELGIUM, FOR EDGARD M. XLEMMENS, SUSPECTED SUPPLIER OF ARMS TO IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY AND THE EUZKADI TA AZKATASUNAT, BASQUE TERRORIST GROUP. THE SHIPMENT WAS SENT BY MILITARY ARMAMENT CORPORATION, 4400 GLOVER, MARIETTA, GEORGIA. BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TABACCO AND FIREARMS ADVISED (S)

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SHIPMENT WOULD INCLUDE SIX MODEL 10 MACHINE GUNS, CALIBER 9MM;
ONE MODEL 10 MACHINE GUN, .45 CALIBER; AND 26 MODEL 11
MACHINE GUNS, .380 CALIBER. MACHINE GUNS DESIGNED TO BE
FITTED WITH SOUND SURPRESSORS. (S)

NO INTERVIEWS IF WERBELL, III, OR SALESKY CONTEMPLATED
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