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From: DS/ICI/PR - (b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Through: DS/DSS - Jeffrey W. Culver

Subject: WikiLeaks Investigation, Wednesday July 7, 2010

SUMMARY

DS/ICI/PR met with representatives from Department of Justice and Army CID in the morning to discuss developments in the WikiLeaks investigation. During this morning meeting investigative strategies were discussed and courses of action to take in support of prosecution efforts. (b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

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(b)(5); (b)(7)(E) Army CID has developed a plan to conduct surveillance in New York City in mid July at a large gathering of well-known computer hackers. Army CID believes that the WikiLeaks case will be a topic of discussion and have enlisted a cooperating individual (CI) to assist in their investigation. DS agents from the New York Field Office may be asked to participate in the investigative efforts. Army CID anticipates that the founder of WikiLeaks, Julian Assange may attend the conference. Army CID may attempt to detain Assange at the Canadian/New York border if they can get information about his arrival. Preliminarily Army CID has information that Assange will enter the United States by driving across from Canada.

In the afternoon DS/PR and DS/CIF agents/analysts participated in a meeting with several military units working the WikiLeaks investigation including Army

intelligence agents, CID agents, Computer Crime Investigative Unit (CCIU) and Army CID attorneys assigned to this investigation. Army CID case agent reviewed the events of the last two days and confirmed for DS/PR that Army prosecutors in Iraq acted independent of Army CID in the filing of charges against PFC Manning. Army CID attorneys further indicated they had provided guidance to Army prosecutors specific to the charging specifications that were not used in the preparation of the charging document. Army CID attorneys were not aware that charges were going to be filed on Monday July 5, 2010.

Agents from CCIU explained in some detail their findings in order to clarify points in the charging document. There is evidence that PFC Manning downloaded large numbers of Department of State Cables from SIPR Net, which is estimated at approximately 262,000 cables taken from the Net Centric Diplomacy (NCD) server. Of the 262,000 cables there is evidence that 154,000 cable fragments were found in PFC Manning's personal laptop in his unallocated space. Computer forensics identified approximately 309 cables that were wholly intact. From this group of 309 cables approximately 50 or more were classified cables found on the PFC Manning's personal laptop. Based on these findings Specification 4 of the charging document stated that more 50 classified cables believed to be transmitted to WikiLeaks. This belief is based on forensic evidence and chat logs were PFC Manning said he sent classified documents to WikiLeaks. Forensic evidence can only indicate a transfer of data to WikiLeaks but cannot verify the contents of the data. In short there is no "smoking gun" in the investigation so far.

Army CID discussed their desire to interview Manning's (b)(6);
(b)(7)(C) in England as soon as possible and indicated that they have an agent in England that will coordinate with RSO London. RSO London has coordinated with Scotland Yard and received permission to conduct an interview in the UK of Manning's (b)(6);
(b)(7)(C). A Scotland Yard detective will participate in the interview as well as an ARSO from London.

The meeting concluded with a review of the proposed courses of action discussed at the earlier meeting with Department of Justice.

DS/PR reiterated the need to get information as soon as possible to avoid information getting to the press before Department of State officials. Army CID agreed and indicated they too have similar concerns.

DS/PR continued to support DS Public Affairs regarding possible press inquiries into this investigation.

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INVESTIGATIVE DEVELOPMENTS

DS/PR will coordinate with DS New York Filed Office Special Agent in Charge to seek assistance in the planned surveillance operation related to the "Hackers" convention scheduled in mid-July. DS/PR will identify the Army CID point of contact for New York. The Army CID agent will arrive in New York on Wednesday July 7 to conduct a preliminary site survey of the hotel being used for the convention. We anticipate a DS NYFO agent to coordinate on this initial survey of the hotel.

Army CCIU agent provided a disc of information related to this investigation that provides additional information recovered in the last 24 hours from Manning's personal laptop. DS/PR and DS/CIF agents/analysts will review the data. The data provides documentation on some of the cables recovered off of Manning's personal laptop.

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