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TO: Captain Donald Saltzman, Commander of the Intelligence Section
FROM: Detective Raymond Ayon # 77019
DATE: May 18, 2000
SUBJECT: Ongoing Investigation of DAN, Direct Action Now

Information was developed by members of the Denver Police Intelligence Section that an umbrella organization, known as DAN was being formed in Denver, Colorado. The organization was initially formed in February 1999, in Seattle, Washington. The interim body was made up of 12 regional spokespeople, creating a continental network of activist. The purpose of the DAN Network was to mobilize large numbers more easily, coordinate direct action and share resources with local activist groups. Groups affiliated with DAN are well known for civil disobedience that target corporate globalization.

R/D Ayon developed information that a meeting was taking place on May 8, 2000 at 901 West 14th Avenue. The purpose of the meeting was to organize a DAN Chapter in Denver, Colorado. Acting on this information R/D Ayon advised his immediate supervisor Sgt. Alan Miller of the Intelligence Section.

Plans were then formulated to place an undercover officer in the meeting. Since most of the Intelligence personnel were well known to local activists, we went outside the Intel Section and asked Detective Larry Valencia # 82089 of the Vice/Drug Control Bureau if he would attend this meeting in an undercover capacity. Detective Larry Valencia agreed and at approximately 7:00 p.m. he responded to 901 West 14th Avenue, American Service Committee. Detective Larry Valencia would attend a second meeting at the same location on May 16, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. also in an undercover capacity.

The intelligence information that was developed during this ongoing investigation was as follows;

1. A chapter of Dan is in fact being established in the Denver metro area, that will eventually service local activist groups.
2. A rally is planned for May 24, 2000 by Jobs with Justice at 17th & Welton Street at 9 a.m.
3. A Green Party Convention is being held at the Renaissance Hotel in June 2000.
4. An organization known as the Global Exchange will hold a demonstration in Aspen, Colorado on August 20, 2000, where Henry Kissinger will be the guest speaker.

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5. The Chiapas Coalition plans a demonstration on June 1, 2000 at the Mexican Embassy, they plan a two pronged assault, one group will picket outside and the second will enter the Embassy.
6. An activist group, possibly the Ancient Forest Rescue are planning a large rally, protesting logs being removed from White River National Forest near Vail, Colorado.

The intelligence information developed in this short time will greatly enhance the mission of the Intelligence Section.

Respectfully Submitted,

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cc. Sgt. A. Miller