SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, AKA "AIDS COALITION TO UNLEASH POWER" (ACTUP); FPC-GCM; 00:BR
REQUEST OF FBIHQ: FBIHQ IS REQUESTED TO CHECK INDICES FOR CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION - "AIDS COALITION TO UNLEASH POWER" OR "ACTUP".

LEGAT BERN IS IN RECEIPT OF REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN CAPTIONED MATTER FROM THE CITY POLICE OF BASEL, SWITZERLAND.

ADVISER LEGAT THAT CAPTIONED GROUP IS A RATHER MILITANT AND

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VIOLENT ORGANIZATION OR AIDS ACTIVISTS WHO MOUNTED A
DEMONSTRATION BREAK IN AT THE HEADQUARTERS OFFICES OF THE
HOFFMANN-LAROCHE PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY IN BASEL, SWITZERLAND
IN DECEMBER, CAUSING PROPERTY DAMAGE AMOUNTING TO SEVERAL TENS
OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED
BY THE BASEL POLICE, A GROUP OF ACT UP ACTIVISTS FROM THE
UNITED STATES, BERLIN, GERMANY AND AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND MET IN
ZUERICH ON DECEMBER 8, 1992 TO PLAN FURTHER
DEMONSTRATIONS ACTIONS AND THEY PLAN TO "ATTACK" THE OFFICES
OR PLANTS OF HOFFMANN-LAROCHE IN BOTH BASEL AND IN NUTLEY, NEW
JERSEY IN A SIMULTANEOUS ACTION ON FEBRUARY 9, 1993. BASED ON
THEIR PAST "DEMONSTRATIONS" IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE
DEMONSTRATIONS WILL INCLUDE ATTEMPTS TO ENTER THE PREMISES AND
DAMAGE AND DESTROY PROPERTY OF THE HOFFMANN-LAROCHE FIRM.

ADVISED THAT BASED ON INFORMATION THEY HAVE RECEIVED, ACT UP IS CONNECTED TO A GROUP OF EXTREMIST AND/OR
RADICAL GREENPEACE ACTIVISTS. THEIR STATED GOAL IN TARGETING
HOFFMANN-LAROCHE IS TO ACCELERATE THE BRINGING OF ANTI AIDS
DRUGS ONTO THE MARKET AND AT LOWER PRICES. REQUESTED THE FOLLOWING:

1) DOES THE FBI HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON THIS GROUP
(ACTUP) AND ARE THEY KNOWN AT ALL IN THE UNITED STATES.

2) REQUESTED TO BE ADVISED OF THE IDENTITY OF THE LOCAL POLICE AGENCY IN NUTLEY, NEW JERSEY AND THE NAME OF A CONTACT PERSON IN THAT AGENCY FOR PURPOSES OF ESTABLISHING CONTACT AND EXCHANGING INFORMATION ON THE REPORTED DEMONSTRATIONS TO TAKE PLACE ON 2/9/93.

LEAD: NEWARK AT NEWARK, N.J.

CHECK INDICES AND OTHER LOGICAL SOURCES FOR ANY INFORMATION ON ACTUP.

NEWARK AT NUTLEY, N.J.

ADVISE IDENTITY OF LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND A POINT OF CONTACT FOR BASEL POLICE.

PLEASE SUREL RESPONSE.

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TO LEGAT BERN (163A-BR-5070)/ROUTINE/
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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS AKA "AIDS COALITION TO UNLEASH POWER" (ACTUP) FPC - 6CM; 00: BR.


BUFFALO REVEAL IN SEPTEMBER, 1988, OUR LOS ANGELES (LA), CALIFORNIA, OFFICE ADVISED THEY HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT ACT-UP, AN AIDS RESEARCH ORGANIZATION, WAS PLANNING TO HOLD A DEMONSTRATION ON OCTOBER 11, 1988, IN WASHINGTON, D.C., AT THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) BUILDING. THE GROUP HAD A PERMIT FROM THE ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTEDLY AUTHORIZING A DEMONSTRATION AT A NON-ARREST AREA OF THE FDA

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BUILDING. HOWEVER, THE GROUP WAS PLANNING TO CONDUCT SEVERAL
OTHER DISTURBANCES THROUGHOUT THE "FEDERAL TRIANGLE" AREA. THESE
PLANS INCLUDED TYING UP METRO, TO PRECLUDE ENTRANCE INTO THE CITY
BY COMMUTERS AND BLOCKING THE ENTRANCE TO FDA IN ORDER TO GIVE
PEOPLE INSIDE THE OPPORTUNITY TO "TERRORIZE IT." LA FURTHER
 ADVISED THE GROUP WAS TO ESTABLISH AN "ARREST PANEL" OF THOSE WHO
WERE SUPPOSE TO GET ARRESTED. A SMALLER GROUP OF PEOPLE INTENDED
TO HOLD A "DIE-IN" AT THE FEDERAL BUILDING IN LA ON SEPTEMBER 30,

IN SEPTEMBER, 1989, ACT-UP WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR STAGING A
MARCH IN A PUBLIC PARK IN SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA. THE MARCH
RESULTED IN NUMEROUS CLASHES BETWEEN ACT-UP MEMBERS AND COUNTER-
DEMONSTRATORS. VARIOUS MEMBERS WERE ARRESTED AS A RESULT OF THE
CONFRONTATIONS.

ON OCTOBER 6, 1989, ACT-UP WAS PLANNING A DEMONSTRATION AT
THE FEDERAL BUILDING IN LA. A MEETING WAS HELD AT THE LA POLICE
DEPARTMENT PERTAINING TO THIS MATTER. INFORMATION OBTAINED AT
THE MEETING FROM THE LA SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INDICATED THAT
APPROXIMATELY 100 PEOPLE WERE PREPARED TO BE ARRESTED BY THE
FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE AND THE GROUP WAS TO ATTEMPT TO INCITE
PEOPLE INTO ENGAGING IN CONFRONTATIONS WITH GROUP MEMBERS.

KNOWN AS "ACT-UP", WHICH IS AN ACRONYM FOR "AIDS COALITION TO
UNLEASH POWER," WAS PLANNING A MAJOR DEMONSTRATION ON LABOR DAY,
SEPTEMBER 2, 1991, AT FORMER PRESIDENT BUSH'S SUMMER RESIDENCE.
THE MEMBERS OF THE GROUP PLANNED TO RESIST ANY TYPE OF POLICE
INTERVENTION.

OUR FILES DO NOT INDICATE WHETHER THE ABOVE PLANNED
DEMONSTRATIONS ACTUALLY TOOK PLACE.

IN ADDITION, TWO TELTYPES DATED MAY 11, 1990, AND
OCTOBER 16, 1990, ARE BEING FAXED TO YOUR OFFICE WHICH CONTAIN
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ABOVE MENTIONED GROUP.

OUR FILES CONTAIN NO ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION RE
ACT-UP.

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To: DIRECTOR, FBI
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From: LEGAT, BERN (163A-BR-5070)(C)

Subject: ACTS OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE,
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH;
900 ROCKVILLE PIKE, BETHESDA, MD.,
MAY 21, 1990; ACTUP; CIVIL UNREST;


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SUBJECT: UNSUBS, AKA AIDS COALITION TO UNLEASH POWER (ACTUP);
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RE: LEGAT BERN TT DATED, 2/3/93.

NEWARK INDICES CONTAINS ONE REFERENCE TO CAPTIONED
ORGANIZATION, A FOIPA REQUEST BY A JOURNALIST. 

HOFFMAN-LAROCHE (ML), NUTLEY, NJ, HAS REGULAR CONTACT
WITH NUTLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF ROBERT DELITTA, TELEPHONE
(201) 284-4940. ON 2/3/93, DELITTA ADVISED THAT HE IS AWARE

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OF THE ACT UP DEMONSTRATION PLANNED FOR 2/9/93 AND THAT HL HAS
GOOD SOURCES OF INFORMATION REGARDING ACT UP.

THIS MATTER IS CONSIDERED RUC'D.

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