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ALLEGED THREAT TO ASSASSINATE FORMER PRIME MINISTER MARGARET THATCHER; INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM - PROVISIONAL IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

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For your information, captioned matter pertains to an FBI investigation into an alleged threat to assassinate former British Prime Minister, Lady Margaret Thatcher. Lady Thatcher is presently scheduled to visit Washington D.C. on 9/14/92, to begin a multi-city U.S. and Canadian speaking tour, ending on 9/26/92, on behalf of the Thatcher Foundation. Lady Thatcher was the target of a Provisional Irish Republican Army (PIRA) assassination attempt in 1984, in Brighton, England.

FBI investigation has determined that two individuals, who are members of the PIRA are in the United States and have discussed assassinating Lady Thatcher. These individuals are capable of carrying out such an act based upon their backgrounds and technical expertise.

These individuals have been identified as [redacted]

[redacted] aka [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] is wanted by the Metropolitan Police of London for questioning in connection with a bomb that was found in a podium at the Royal Overseas League (ROL), Park Place, London on 9/27/90, where an anti-terrorism conference was scheduled featuring several distinguished speakers. [redacted] was employed at the ROL. His fingerprints were found on the podium and traces of explosives were found on a jacket believed to belong to him. [redacted] did not report to work after 9/26/90 and has not been seen since.

[redacted] was a member of a PIRA Active Service Unit (ASU) on the European continent whose members were apprehended by police in the Netherlands. [redacted] escaped capture and was known

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to have rented the safe house used by the ASU in which weapons and semtex were found. He is also known to have [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] are currently believed to be in New York, but investigation to date has not located them. Investigation is presently underway in New York to determine the location of [REDACTED] through likely PIRA contacts.

A point of contact in this matter at each FBI field office on Lady Thatcher's itinerary has been designated. You will be kept apprised of this matter on a timely basis.

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