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FEDERAL

1. House renews Patriot Act, but Senate could balk (AP, 14 Dec 2005)

The House easily approved renewing a modified USA Patriot Act on Wednesday, but with the bill facing a Senate filibuster, its Republican leader began talks with the White House on instead extending the current law unchanged for a year. The House voted 251-174 to approve a House-Senate compromise that would modify and make permanent most of the Patriot Act's 16 expiring provisions. But a group of Republican and Democratic senators is lobbying for more time to add additional safeguards on the law. CABLE Gram Suggested URL:

<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/10467408/>

2. U.S. List of Potential Terror Targets 1 Year Late (Global Security Newswire, 14 Dec 2005)

The U.S. Homeland Security Department has yet to finalize a list of potential terror targets that was due in December 2004, *USA Today* reported today (see [GSN](#), Dec. 9, 2004). President George W. Bush in 2003 ordered preparation of the list, which is expected to include sites such as chemical facilities, bridges and skyscrapers. Federal officials will use the database to determine security priorities for various locations. It will also support the security efforts of private business and local and state governments. The delay is "appalling," said Representative Bennie Thompson of Mississippi, ranking Democrat on the House Homeland Security Committee. A Republican lawmaker also expressed frustration. "We have heard, you know, this plan's going to be coming out, it's going to be coming out, it's going to be coming out. We tend to look with a little skepticism," Representative Dan Lungren (R-Calif.) said at a committee hearing in October. Lawmakers previously have criticized the list for including miniature golf courses, water parks and other nonessential sites. Those have all been removed from the database, which should be completed in early 2006, said Homeland Security Infrastructure Protection head Robert Stephan.

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http://www.nti.org/d_newswire/issues/2005_12_14.html#8F4D393E

3. DHS Rule delay cheered by travel agents (The Press-Enterprise, 15 Dec 2005)

The Department of Homeland Security has backed off a New Year's Eve deadline that would have required Americans returning from air or cruise trips to Caribbean, Central and South American nations to show passports to get back into the United States. While most Central and South American nations require U.S. travelers to have a passport, most Caribbean nations have long permitted Americans to enter without showing a passport. Therefore, the rule's biggest impact would have been on travelers to the Caribbean, forcing them to get passports for the sole purpose of proving they could re-enter the United States. The government decided in September to postpone the deadline a year, in part, to give the government more time to review complaints about the new rule and to give American travelers more time to get passports.

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4. New TSA Surveillance Tactic Curtailed (Washington Post, 15 Dec 2005)

Just two days into an experimental program that would place undercover air marshals in train, bus, ferry and other mass transit stations, the Transportation Security Administration yesterday said its test has been scaled back, owing to confusion over the rollout. TSA officials had planned to deploy teams of air marshals, local law enforcement officers and bomb-sniffing dogs at seven locations around the nation this week to test whether the agency could deter criminals in public transportation stations and conduct surveillance of suspicious activity.

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5. TSA Unveils Enhanced Security Screening Procedures (Government Technology, 14 Dec 2005)

Beginning December 22, airline travelers can expect to see more random screenings, fewer prohibited items and a Transportation Security Administration (TSA) workforce more dedicated to detecting and defeating more serious threats, such as explosives. These changes are part of an update to security procedures announced recently by Assistant Secretary Kip Hawley, to address the ever-evolving threat to commercial aviation. The specific changes include more additional screenings of passengers and their bags using a variety of methods selected at random. Passengers will also once again be able to carry small tools and scissors on-board aircraft. These changes will allow TSA to focus resources on more serious threats.

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http://www.govtech.net/magazine/channel_story.php/97614

6. TSA Wants To Expand Air Marshals To Ferries (KOMO News, 14 Dec 2005)

SEATTLE - The Transportation Security Administration wants to expand the use air marshals to Washington state ferries. But Washington state ferry spokeswoman Susan Harris says there's no agreement yet. Washington State Patrol Sergeant Monica Hunter says state officials met Tuesday with TSA representatives and they're still working out logistics and details. She says the air marshal would be coordinated with overall security that includes the Coast Guard. Washington runs the largest ferry fleet in the nation, with 28 vessels that carry 26 million passengers a year.

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<http://www.komotv.com/stories/40745.htm>

7. Air marshals test patrols on land (BBC, 14 Dec 2005)

US air marshals are expanding their work to bus and train stations, ferries and other mass transit facilities under a three-day test programme. Undercover marshals and uniformed officers will be conducting anti-terror surveillance, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) said. The TSA is trying to expand the role of air marshals to bolster home security and give officers more career paths. The exact number of air marshals working across the US is classified.

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<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/americas/4529208.stm>

8. US no-fly list vexes travelers from babies on up (Reuters, 15 Dec 2005)

WASHINGTON - Sarah Zapolsky was checking in for a flight to Italy when she discovered her 9-month-old son's name was on the United States' "no-fly" list of suspected terrorists. "We pointed down to the stroller, and he sat there and gurgled," Zapolsky said, recalling the incident at Dulles International Airport outside Washington in July. "The desk agent started laughing. ... She couldn't print us out a boarding pass because he's on the no-fly list." Zapolsky, who did not want her son's name made public, said she was initially amused by the mix-up. "But when I found out you can't actually get off the list, I started to get a bit annoyed." Zapolsky isn't alone. According to the Transportation Security Administration, more than 28,000 people have applied to the TSA redress office to get on the "cleared list," which takes note of individuals whose names are similar to those on the terrorism watch list, but does not guarantee an end to no-fly list hassles.

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9. Mexico Criticizes U.S. Over Border Plans (AP, 15 Dec 2005)

Mexico's president on Wednesday criticized the U.S. decision to complete a wall along the border and use drones to increase security, calling it "disgraceful and shameful." On Monday, a U.S. judge lifted the final legal obstacle for the completion of a border fence along the Mexico-California border. Plans call for two additional fences running parallel to the existing steel barrier, with sensors and cameras tracking any movement. The fences will run along the final 3 1/2 miles of the border before it meets the Pacific.

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<http://www.wtop.com/?nid=105&sid=649509>

10. 21 public health departments get grants to boost exchange participation (Government Health IT, 14 Dec 2005)

Twenty-one state and local health departments and public health institutes have received grants worth as much as \$100,000 from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to support their participation in health information exchanges. Organizations taking part in regional health information organizations often must make financial contributions to start the exchanges. Cash-strapped public health departments often lack discretionary funds that

they could invest. "To protect the public from health threats like a flu pandemic, bioterrorism or chronic diseases, we need to do better at sharing information between public health departments, hospitals and clinics and community health organizations," said Stephen Downs, the foundation's senior program officer, in a statement. "Health care providers have been leading the way in the use of information technology, and it is our goal to help public health agencies apply their ideas and expertise to IT solutions to improve the public's health." The foundation, based in Princeton, N.J., has launched a program, called InformationLinks, to accelerate the use of IT by state and local health agencies.

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<http://govhealthit.com/article91729-12-14-05-Web>

11. Jordanian admits human smuggling - More than 200 Iraqis and Jordanians illegally entered U.S. (CNN, 13 Dec 2005)

WASHINGTON - A Jordanian citizen has pleaded guilty to helping operate a multimillion dollar human smuggling ring that brought hundreds of illegal immigrants from Iraq and other Middle East countries into the United States, authorities announced Tuesday. Thaer Omran Ismail Asaifi, 35, admitted in U.S. District Court to participating in a conspiracy in which about 200 Iraqis and Jordanians paid as much as \$20,000 each to enter the United States.

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<http://www.cnn.com/2005/LAW/12/13/human.smuggling/index.html>

12. Swede charged in Manhattan with Oregon terror camp plot (AP, 13 Dec 2005)

NEW YORK - A Lebanese-born Swede has been charged in a plot to set up a terrorist training camp in Oregon, federal prosecutors announced Tuesday. A criminal complaint charging Oussama Kassir with conspiring to provide material support to terrorists was unsealed in U.S. District Court in Manhattan, U.S. Attorney Michael J. Garcia said in a release. The case relates to an indictment in Manhattan already charging Mustafa Kamel Mustafa and Haroon Aswat in the plot. Mustafa and Aswat are being detained in England while awaiting extradition to the United States. Kassir, 39, was arrested in Prague, Czech Republic, on Sunday after a warrant was filed with Interpol, Garcia said. He remains detained in Prague as the United States pursues his extradition.

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13. Jihad on Campus (New York Sun Editorial, 14 Dec 2005)

At Columbia, the course catalog indicates that this spring the anthropology professor, Nicholas DeGenova, who called for "a million Mogadishus" and said "the only true heroes are those who find ways that help defeat the U.S. military," will be teaching a graduate class on "The Metaphysics of Antiterrorism." At least he isn't teaching spelling. At the University of South Florida, our Josh Gerstein reports elsewhere on this page, there's talk of rehiring Sami Al-Arian, whose lawyers conceded during a recent trial that he had "an affiliation" with the people in Palestinian Islamic Jihad. That is a deadly terrorist group. Meanwhile, Harvard and Georgetown universities announced this week that they had received \$10 million each from a Saudi Arabian prince, Alwaleed bin Talal,

to fund Islamic studies. Alwaleed, the so-called Saudi Warren Buffett, has also amassed sizable stakes in Citigroup and in Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation, owner of Fox News Channel and of the New York Post. The prince became notorious when Mayor Giuliani turned down a \$10 million gift from him after September 11, 2001, because the gift came with a statement saying that America should tilt its foreign policy more in favor of the Palestinian Arabs.

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<http://www.nysun.com/article/24407>

14. Smuggling ring busted; 2,000 birds seized (Chicago Tribune, 15 Dec 2005)

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL - Brazilian authorities raided warehouses in five states Wednesday and arrested nine people accused of smuggling rare birds for sale in Europe and the United States. Police also seized about 2,000 birds awaiting shipment during the raid--the first in Brazil to uncover an international wildlife smuggling ring, according to Ibama, the government environmental protection agency. The birds seized included macaws, toucans, cardinals and canaries, as well as seed-finches.

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15. "Agroterrorists" Needn't Bother (Opinion Piece by Counterpunch, 15 Dec 2005)

"In the war on terrorism, the fields and pastures of America's farmland might seem at first to have nothing in common with the towers of the World Trade Center or busy seaports. In fact, however, they are merely different manifestations of the same high-priority target, the American economy." That's Senator Susan Collins (R-ME) warning us about "agroterrorism", a specter that she and others in Washington say is stalking rural America. Here in the Great Plains, we're all being exhorted to keep a round-the-clock lookout for agroterrorists lurking around farms or feedlots.

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<http://www.counterpunch.org/cox12152005.html>

16. Canada Installs First Port Radiation Detector (Global Security Newswire, 14 Dec 2005)

As part of a plan to install radiation detectors at all major ports in the country, Canada began operating its first at St. John in New Brunswick two week ago, the Canadian Press reported yesterday (see [GSN](#), Dec. 8). "It is the first port in Canada to have the equipment up and running," said Jennifer Morrison of the Canada Border Services Agency. "It is designed to detect shipments of nuclear or radiological materials entering Canada." The detectors are part of Canada's \$150 million effort to boost maritime security following the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the United States, CP reported. Detectors should be only the first step in blocking radioactive material from entering the country, one terrorism expert said.

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http://www.nti.org/d_newswire/issues/2005_12_14.html#077AC0AC

17. Honduras Cooperates with U.S. in Port Inspection Program - Focus to be on detection of hidden nuclear and radioactive materials in cargo (Dept. of State, 15 Dec 2005)

Honduras is the latest nation to agree to work with the United States in a joint program to inspect suspicious cargo for nuclear and radioactive materials.

Under the agreement, announced in a December 15 National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) news release, the two countries will work together to install detection equipment and train personnel to identify and inspect high-risk containers in Honduran ports.

The nonproliferation and counterterrorism program involves both the Department of Homeland Security's Container Security Initiative and the NNSA Megaports Initiative. Working in cooperation with the Honduran government, U.S. customs officials will help that nation establish capabilities for targeting, pre-screening and rapidly inspecting cargo in shipments bound for the United States for hidden materials that can be used as weapons. "[W]e will be able to further international nonproliferation efforts and better protect not only Honduran and U.S. citizens, but the rest of the international community," said an NNSA official.

Similar agreements have been reached with Oman, Netherlands and Greece and, according to the NNSA statement, the United States is in discussions with representatives from Europe, Asia, South America, the Middle East and the Caribbean to add monitoring systems in key port facilities worldwide.

STATE AND LOCAL NEWS

18. AZ: Explosive detection devices to be tested at Sky Harbor (Business Journals 13 Dec 2005)

A federal contract will place updated explosive detection systems at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport. The U.S. Transportation Security Administration has awarded a Lockheed Martin-led team a \$1.1 million contract to begin field testing advanced certified explosives detection systems at Sky Harbor and the John Wayne Orange County Airport. The money will be used to design and develop new technology enhancements to existing bomb detection machines.

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http://phoenix.bizjournals.com/phoenix/stories/2005/12/12/daily14.html?jst=b_in_hl

19. AZ: Workers charged with smuggling claim border officials' approval (AP, 15 Dec 2005)

TUCSON - Two humanitarian aid workers charged with human smuggling claim that border officials had approved transporting illegal immigrants in medical emergencies. Shanti Sellz and Daniel Strauss, members of the humanitarian cooperative No More Deaths, testified Wednesday in U.S. District Court here during the first part of a hearing on their attorneys' motion to dismiss charges. Sellz, of Prescott, and Strauss, of Tucson, were arrested July 9 with three illegal immigrants in Sellz's car.

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<http://www.azcentral.com/news/articles/1215BorderAid15-ON.html>

20. CA: Fuel explosion possible in Bay Area, deemed unlikely (Inside Bay Area, 13 Dec 2005)

As Europe's largest peacetime industrial fire continued to burn out of control Monday, California safety experts said there is little risk of a similar fuel fire in the Bay Area, which has five refineries and dozens of fuel storage facilities. An explosion Sunday at a fuel depot north of London injured 43 people, damaged countless homes and sent firefighters scrambling for safety after fires flared at 12 of the 20 fuel tanks in the Buncefield storage yard. The fire was still raging Monday night. Investigators haven't determined what caused the blast or what circumstances caused it to spread. For that reason, it's not possible to say with certainty whether it could have been prevented. Still, Bay Area oil industry experts didn't rule out the possibility that it could happen here. Richmond, Martinez, Benicia and Rodeo all have refineries nearby, and numerous fuel distribution and storage depots pose a risk to other Bay Area communities.

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http://www.insidebayarea.com/businessnews/ci_3304737

21. CA: Identity-Theft Unit Created for D.A.'s Office (Los Angeles Times, 14 Dec 2005)

The Board of Supervisors on Tuesday approved creation of an identity-theft unit in the county district attorney's office. The board's unanimous vote authorized more than \$970,000 over the next 18 months to pay for one investigator and three deputy district attorneys, each of whom will focus on a different part of the county. Dist. Atty. Michael A. Ramos told supervisors that his office had filed 313 identity-theft cases this year, compared with 68 cases five years ago.

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22. CA: Identity theft thwarted in Kelseyville (Record-Bee, 12 Dec 2005)

KELSEYVILLE - Rabbi Yeshai Vera, known as Rabbi Jessie, got some information recently about applying for a federal grant to support his work. A week later, he received a phone call that said he had received a grant, and the caller asked if he could confirm his identity. "Which I thought was odd," said Vera, "as I hadn't applied for the grant yet." Grants also require filling out a lot of paperwork, which he hadn't done yet. But what really caught his attention was hearing numerous voices in the phone call's background speaking in Farsi, the language used in Iran and most of Afghanistan, and Arabic, which is used in most Muslim countries.

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<http://www.record-bee.com/Stories/0,1413,255~26901~3165196,00.html>

23. FL: Successful Pilot Program Leads to New Training (Emerald Coast Military Community Web Site, 13 Dec 2005)

After completing a successful pilot course at Eglin Air Force Base, Naval School Explosive Ordnance Disposal will conduct its first full class starting Jan. 6 at Eglin. The

pilot was launched shortly after the construction of the Advanced Explosive Device Disposal Training Facility as a way to intensify the training for experienced technicians in the program. The new \$7 million facility, which opened its doors Sept. 23 and began its pilot course Nov. 2, is a joint-service course run by the Navy on Eglin Air Force Base, designed to train and evaluate the ability of EOD personnel to diagnose, disable, contain and dispose of sophisticated Improvised Explosive Devices in varied environments; including battlefield operations, peacekeeping operations and homeland defense.

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<http://community.emeraldcoast.com/military/news/article.showarticle.db.php?a=2891>

24. GA: McDonald focused on readying Catoosa for the worst (The Catoosa County News, 14 Dec 2005)

An emergency director can quickly become the person that everyone is clamoring to find in a disaster. While flooding and weather related incidents seem to be the most prevalent of disasters in Catoosa's recent history, the county could face any type of disaster, such as hazardous materials spills, nuclear, terrorism, or natural disasters. New Catoosa Emergency Management Agency Director William "Merv" McDonald sees the work ahead as a way of serving and protecting on a wider scale and helping the public be prepared for the worst.

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<http://makeashorterlink.com/?S6F22615C>

25. IN: Explosives Trace Detection Portal Machines Deployed to Indianapolis International Airport (PRNewswire, 14 Dec 2005)

WASHINGTON - The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) today announced that it has deployed three explosives detection trace portals to passenger security checkpoints at Indianapolis International Airport (IND). TSA continues to deploy state-of-the-art technology to our nation's airports in an ongoing effort to prevent weapons and explosives from getting on aircraft. "These sophisticated machines will further enhance our Transportation Security Officers' explosives detection capabilities while, at the same time, providing customers with an efficient and effective screening process," said Acting Federal Security Director David Kane.

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<http://makeashorterlink.com/?Q3E22115C>

26. LA: Louisiana governor blames Katrina failures on levees (By Elaine S. Povich, CongressDaily, 15 Dec 2005)

Even as Congress was trying to settle differences over how much money to give New Orleans and the Mississippi Gulf Coast areas devastated by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the blame game continued Wednesday in the House Select Hurricane Katrina Committee looking into the disasters. Louisiana Gov. Kathleen Blanco, in asking for more relief aid, blamed the failure of the levees. The evacuation plans of the city of New Orleans and the state, she said, were amazingly successful -- getting more than 1 million people out -- despite the 100,000 or so left behind. Members of the panel, mostly Republicans, blamed state and local officials for not making the evacuation mandatory sooner despite warnings from weather forecasters and federal government officials.

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http://www.govexec.com/story_page.cfm?articleid=33017&dcn=e_gvet

27. MI: Bruce board approves resolution to protect against identity theft (The Romeo Observer, 14 Dec 2005)

Bruce Township officials unanimously approved a resolution Wednesday, Dec. 7, that will fulfill a state mandate and help protect small contractors and their employees from identity theft. Trustee Mark Falker was absent. According to the policy, "no person shall knowingly acquire, disclose, transfer or unlawfully use the Social Security number of any township employee or other individual unless in accordance with the procedures and rules established by this policy."

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<http://www.romeobserver.com/story.asp?storyid=5923>

28. MO: Officials play roles in agroterrorism exercise (The Marshall Democrat-News, 14 Dec 2005)

"What if?" That was the question of the day last Thursday during an agroterrorism awareness and planning meeting held in Marshall as part of a series of meetings around the state sponsored by the Missouri Department of Agriculture. Southern District Commissioner Dick Hassler reported Tuesday morning that about 22 persons, including several veterinarians, attended the Dec. 8 meeting despite the first big snow event of the winter. The day-long meeting focused on how county officials and others, including veterinarians and law enforcement agencies, would react in the event of an agroterrorism event or ag-related disease hitting the county. It also outlined which entities are responsible for which functions in the event of an emergency.

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<http://www.marshallnews.com/story/1131457.html>

29. TN: East Tenn. Chapter of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers claims national awards (Oakridger.com, 15 Dec 2005)

The East Tennessee Chapter of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers and four of its members were recognized for awards at the annual Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers national meeting in St. Louis, Mo., on Sept. 2. ETCHMM was one of four chapters nationally to receive the Honor Roll of Champions Award. Additionally, four ETCHMM members, Linda Lawhorn, Tom Perry, Steve Douglas and Bob Hunt were among 42 other ACHMM recipients of the Champions of Excellence Award. Lawhorn, Hunt, Douglas and Perry met stringent criteria to qualify for the award. Each has been an active member of the chapter and has served in various leadership positions.

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http://www.oakridger.com/stories/121505/new_20051215013.shtml

30. TX: Feds say district official took construction bribes (AP, 14 Dec 2005)

McALLEN, Texas - A longtime Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District trustee was arrested Wednesday for allegedly accepting bribes to help an architect and contractor get school construction contracts. Aaron Luis Gonzalez, 41, is charged in a three-count federal indictment with conspiracy to commit extortion, mail fraud, bribery relating to a

federally funded government program, and interstate travel in aid of a bribery scheme. Gonzalez appeared before a U.S. magistrate judge and was released on \$50,000 bond. CABLE Gram Suggested URL:

<http://www.dfw.com/mld/startelegram/news/state/13408020.htm>

31. TX: Sheriff Heads To Prison For Extortion (All Headline News, 14 Dec 2005)

Brownsville, Texas - A former Texas sheriff is heading to federal prison for extorting money from drug dealers. Conrado Cantu, the former sheriff of Cameron County, faces more than 24 years in prison. The county is located along the Texas-Mexico border.

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GANG ACTIVITY

32. CA: Gang killer 'Tookie' is executed (Reuters, 13 Dec 2005)

The former Crips gang leader and convicted murderer Stanley "Tookie" Williams was executed by lethal injection in California today. Last-minute appeals by his lawyers and a clemency petition to the state's governor, Arnold Schwarzenegger, were unsuccessful.

Amnesty International today condemned the execution as a "travesty of justice."

Williams, 51, was convicted in 1981 of murdering four people during robberies carried out in 1979. He has always maintained he did not commit the murders, but did apologise for founding the Crips gang in Los Angeles in 1971. The gang has been blamed for hundreds of deaths during decades of fighting with rival gangs.

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33. CA: Horseshoe pits at Hale Park used by gang to hide weapons, police say (Lodi News-Sentinel, 14 Dec 2005)

Hale Park is a regular hangout for the Lodi-based Surenos gang, but Lodi Police are working with the city's Parks and Recreation Department to dissuade it from staying that way. Local police say that the pair of horseshoe pits at the park have been used by the nearly-300 member gang as a place to hide weapons and drug paraphernalia, but the parks department is working on a plan to have the pits removed at the request of police.

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34. CA: 3 suspected gang members convicted (Union-Tribune, 15 Dec 2005)

Jurors have convicted three alleged members of the Mexican Mafia on charges ranging from extortion to conspiracy, residential robbery and kidnapping, the county district attorney announced yesterday. Francisco Gongora, 38, Arthur Torres, 48, and Julio Contreras, 26, face possible life sentences, District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis said. The three were indicted with 32 others in the Mexican Mafia, or *La Eme*, and their associates in January 2004. The investigation that led to the indictments began with a tip that the Mexican Mafia was planning to kill a National City police officer.

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<http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/metro/20051215-9999-7m15briefs.html>

35. CA: SF gang leader expected to get 23 years for role in shooting (AP, 15 Dec 2005)

SAN FRANCISCO - The leader of San Francisco's notorious Big Block gang and another high-ranking member both pleaded guilty to a series of drug-related shootings involving turf disputes in a crime-plagued neighborhood, authorities said. Douglas Stepney, 33, and Kim Ellis, 31, acknowledged during a hearing this week in federal court the gang's involvement in five shootings in the city's Bayview-Hunters Point neighborhood, and admitted that gang members used armed assaults to protect crack cocaine profits, prosecutors said Wednesday. Stepney, the gang's leader, and Ellis entered guilty pleas to a series of gun and drug charges and are expected to receive prison sentences of 23 years and 20 years, respectively.

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36. GA: Athens man sentenced to 30 years in prison in gang shooting (AP, 15 Dec 2005)

An Athens man was sentenced Thursday to 30 years in prison for his role in a 2004 drive-by shooting that injured three outside an apartment complex where residents were celebrating a girl's 15th birthday. Prosecutors said the conviction of Miguel Hidalgo-Lopez, the first person in Athens-Clarke County to be tried under a 1998 anti-gang law, sends a message to other gang members. "This won't be tolerated, period," said prosecutor Matt Karzen. "You do this kind of thing and you will be taken out."

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http://www.accessnorthga.com/news/ap_newfullstory.asp?ID=69000

37. NJ: Reputed mob chief pleads guilty to racketeering conspiracy (AP, 14 Dec 2005)

NEWARK, N.J. - Lawrence Dentico _ identified by prosecutors as the highest-ranking Genovese crime family member in New Jersey _ pleaded guilty Wednesday to racketeering conspiracy. Dentico, 81, also known as "Little Larry" or "Little Guy," admitted in federal court in Newark that he ran illegal gambling businesses, which included sports and numbers betting, in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. Federal authorities say Dentico was part of the small Genovese "Administration" running the crime family after boss Vincent "The Chin" Gigante was convicted of racketeering conviction in 1997. Dentico, of Seaside Park, also admitted that he conspired to use extortion to collect on loans extended to business owners in the Greek community.

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38. PA: Warlocks clubhouse was firebombed (Philadelphia Inquirer, 15 Dec 2005)

The Kensington clubhouse of the Warlocks motorcycle gang was firebombed with a Molotov cocktail early yesterday morning, police said. "The Warlocks have plenty of enemies," said Lt. Jim Miller of the East Detective Division. "This is a case where we don't have a lack of suspects; we have too many." Three Warlocks - the youngest in his 40s and the oldest in his 60s - told police they didn't know who would target them.

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39. SC: Richland Co. sheriff warns of new gang entering Columbia (WIS10, 12 Dec 2005)

The Richland County Sheriff is concerned about a new gang coming to Columbia. The gang is called "MS-13," or the "Mara Salvatrucha" gang. Police say it's the most dangerous gang in the country. It started in El Salvador and its original members were violent guerillas in a civil war.

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<http://www.wistv.com/Global/story.asp?S=4236499>

40. TX: Bay City Police on watch for new gang (Bay City Tribune, 14 Dec 2005)

The MS-13 (Mara Savatrucha) gang is a growing problem in Texas and has the potential to come here, said Bay City Police Chief Mike Baker at Monday's 100 Club meeting. "We have not identified any MS-13 members in Bay City yet, but I'm sure it's just a matter of time," said Baker.

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<http://www.baycitytribune.com/story.lasso?wcd=5379>

41. Australia: A clockwork mobile: feral gang used phone to record death spree (Sidney Morning Herald, 16 Dec 2005)

A GANG who used a mobile phone to film themselves kicking a barman in a "happy slapping" spree of violence straight out of the novel *A Clockwork Orange* have been found guilty of killing their victim. Dubbed the Sargeant Crew, the four were convicted of the manslaughter of David Morley, 37, a survivor of the Admiral Duncan hotel bombing in Soho six years ago. They attacked him as he chatted to a friend on a bench on the South Bank of London. Witnesses said one member, a 15-year-old girl, had put the last boot into his skull. The gang later watched the attack at home on the mobile phone.

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NARCO TRAFFICKING

42. U.S. statistics on cocaine fight challenged (Knight Ridder Newspapers, 14 Dec 2005)

WASHINGTON — A new congressional report questions the reliability of key U.S. government data on cocaine trafficking, price and purity levels. The 52-page report by the Government Accountability Office, the investigative arm of Congress, raises fresh doubts about Bush administration claims of progress in the war on drugs. The report also warned that an overstretched military, aging equipment, and new tactics by traffickers could hamper the ability of U.S. law enforcement to intercept drug shipments in the future. The GAO report says that data used to evaluate the effectiveness of U.S. drug interdiction were "problematic," and numbers on U.S. drug usage tended to be outdated and hard to obtain.

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43. Congress Seeks Cleanup for Ex-Meth Homes (AP, 13 Dec 2005)

WASHINGTON - The House voted Tuesday to help clean up the toxic after-effects from the drug methamphetamine, so that old meth labs broken up by the police don't become health hazards for unsuspecting families. On a voice vote, lawmakers agreed to launch research to identify the health dangers posed by makeshift meth labs in homes and apartments and issue guidelines to states for the proper disposal and cleanup of such sites. The process of cooking chemicals to create meth leaves a toxic residue, and officials are increasingly worried that families who unwittingly move into shut-down labs are exposed to serious health risks.

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<http://www.federalnewsradio.com/index.php?nid=78&sid=324982>

44. Flawed drug test mistakes cheese for cocaine (news.scotsman.com, 15 Dec 2005)

AN INTERNATIONALLY recognised test for cocaine is flawed - and can throw up positive results from powdered milk and parmesan cheese, say scientists. Laboratory research shows that the "Scott test" can fail to detect the drug in some samples and can wrongly identify it in some substances where no cocaine is present. The test, introduced in 1973, is used by many police forces as a preliminary check on substances they suspect to be cocaine. A positive result is not enough to secure a conviction, but can lead to suspects being detained until a forensic laboratory completes a detailed analysis using mass spectrometry.

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<http://news.scotsman.com/scitech.cfm?id=2410152005>

45. CA: Drug-Smuggling Border Agent Learns Fate (NBCSandiego.com, 13 Dec 2005)

SAN DIEGO - A former Border Patrol agent will spend the next five years in prison. Luis Higareda was found guilty of helping to smuggle 750 pounds of marijuana into the United States. According to prosecutors, Higareda was armed and in uniform while taking part in the crime.

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<http://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/5526933/detail.html>

46. GA: 50 pounds of cocaine seized from vehicle (Main Street News, 14 Dec 2005)

A Texas woman was charged by the Banks County Sheriff's Office Monday night with trafficking cocaine. Rahundria J. Burkes, 30, Stratford, Texas, was pulled over by the Georgia State Patrol on I-85 in Banks County at 11:35 p.m. A nearby canine unit was called to the scene, and alerted officers to the presence of drugs. Burkes consented to the search, according to Sheriff Charles Chapman, and 50 pounds of suspected cocaine was found in the car.

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<http://www.mainstreetnews.com/2005/December/B1214B.html>

47. LA: Cocaine, firearms found in raid - 10 immigrants living in St. Rose booked (Times-Picayune, 15 Dec 2005)

A tip has led to the arrest of 10 undocumented Mexican immigrants on drug and firearms charges by the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Greg Champagne said deputies raided a rented house at 612 Turtle Creek Lane in St. Rose on Tuesday about 10 p.m. and found a brick of pure cocaine with a street value of \$18,000, firearms and a New Orleans Police Department jacket. "There was some equipment at the house that indicated that they were in the roofing trade, but it's clear that they were here to sell drugs," Champagne said. Police also found two handguns and a .410-gauge shotgun, along with a total of 42 grams of marijuana, 157 grams of cocaine, \$1,024 in cash, and fraudulent forms of identification.

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<http://www.nola.com/news/t-p/metro/index.ssf?/base/news-12/113463272531310.xml>

48. PA: Drug bust brings in cocaine, cash (The Patriot-News, 15 Dec 2005)

Percy Harris lived the typical suburban lifestyle, with the SUV parked outside the quarter-million-dollar home in a Linglestown Road development, according to court documents. He fit in, except he was a "high-level dealer," according to authorities who said they found more than 4 pounds of crack cocaine and \$40,000 in cash in his home. Dauphin County District Attorney Edward M. Marsico Jr. called the drug bust one of the biggest in the county in the past few years.

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49. PA: Troopers 'overwhelmed' by size of cocaine bust (The Sentinel, 13 Dec 2005)

Talk about timing. Trooper Jeff Kolodzi finished a nationally recognized training course Wednesday designed in part to help police officers spot potential drug traffickers on the highways. Working his first shift since the training, Kolodzi came face-to-face Sunday with two men and a U-Haul trailer loaded with what authorities say was \$2 million worth of dope. All he had to do was find it. Kolodzi performed a traffic stop on the U-Haul at 10:43 a.m. after he spotted the vehicle speeding north on Interstate 81 through South Middleton Township. "During the interview some things just didn't add up and led me to be suspicious," the trooper says.

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50. TX: Cocaine stash worth \$1.8 million is seized (Denton Record-Chronicle, 13 Dec 2005)

Denton County sheriff's narcotics officers seized \$1.8 million worth of powder cocaine Saturday. Investigators said they found 42 pounds of cocaine hidden in a Chevrolet pickup at an undisclosed location. A man was arrested, and the truck was seized. The narcotics officers worked on the case with members of the federal North Texas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area task force, said Capt. Jeff Wawro, who supervises the sheriff's drug enforcement unit. "This was very, very high-grade cocaine," he said. "It came from a major supplier in Mexico."

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51. WI: Federal jury convicts four on drug charges in gang-related crime (AP, 14 Dec 2005)

MADISON, Wis. - A federal jury has convicted four men of a gang-related, years-long conspiracy to distribute cocaine and other drugs on a northern Wisconsin American Indian reservation. The latest convictions bring to 36 the number of people sent to prison in an investigation into drug trafficking on and around the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Reservation near Hayward, Assistant U.S. Attorney John Vaudreuil said.

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<http://www.wctrib.com/ap/index.cfm?page=view&id=D8EG4TF80>

52. Canada: Meth addicts use Vonage in identity theft ring (ZDNet, 15 Dec 2005)

A troubling piece in today's USAToday describes how a small group of methamphetamine addicts in Edmonton, Alberta used Vonage to facilitate their identity theft pursuits. Identity theft, of course, to get more money to feed their habit. The piece describes how "Frank," now 22 and back in jail after being caught in the company of a known meth dealer with a credit card swipe machine and laptop in his possession - worked with now-clean addict, Mary, 37 to use Vonage to steal money from hijacked bank accounts in the U.S. and transfer it for their use.

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<http://blogs.zdnet.com/ip-telephony/?p=802>

53. Brazil seeks to stem flow of Bolivian cocaine (Reuters, 14 Dec 2005)

BRASILIA, Brazil - Brazil is tightening border controls with Bolivia to stem the flood of cocaine from the valleys of the Andes to its city streets. Brazilian authorities blame political instability in Bolivia for the wave of cocaine and are wary it could become worse if Evo Morales, leader of Bolivia's coca farmers, wins the presidency in next Sunday's election. "With the strikes and all those problems, coca production increased and nobody knows what will happen after Dec. 18," said Getulio Bezerra, head of the federal police's department on organized crime.

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<http://www.alertnet.org/thenews/newsdesk/N13345685.htm>

54. Italy: Mafia arms, drugs, prostitution ring smashed (AFX, 13 Dec 2005)

ROME - A Mafia drugs, arms and prostitution network was smashed overnight in an operation spanning six European countries and involving dozens of arrests, Italian police said. Most of the 80 arrests took place in Italy and Albania while others were detained in Germany, Ukraine, Kosovo and Croatia, in an operation codenamed 'Harem'. Police said profits from the criminal network went to the Calabrian Mafia in Italy.

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<http://www.forbes.com/home/feeds/afx/2005/12/13/afx2387594.html>

CYBERTHREAT & THEFT

55. Cyber Security Group Flunks Washington (Internet News, 13 Dec 2005, Contributed by Rick Forno)

WASHINGTON - Neither the Bush administration nor Congress is providing significant leadership or legislation to secure the United States against cyber attacks, a security trade association charged Tuesday. In its first public criticism of the White House and lawmakers' efforts to follow up on President Bush's 2003 much-ballyhooed National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace, the Cyber Security Industry Alliance (CSIA) said Washington has taken only "limited steps" to improving the security of the nation's infrastructure. The steps are so limited, the CSIA contends, that it gave both the White House and Congress a D for their efforts in 2005.

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<http://www.internetnews.com/security/article.php/3570596>

56. Hacker attacks in US linked to Chinese military (Breitbart, 12 Dec 2005, Contributed by Rick Forno)

A systematic effort by hackers to penetrate US government and industry computer networks stems most likely from the Chinese military, the head of a leading security institute said. The attacks have been traced to the Chinese province of Guangdong, and the techniques used make it appear unlikely to come from any other source than the military, said Alan Paller, the director of the SANS Institute, an education and research organization focusing on cybersecurity. "These attacks come from someone with intense discipline. No other organization could do this if they were not a military organization," Paller said in a conference call to announce a new cybersecurity education program. In the attacks, Paller said, the perpetrators "were in and out with no keystroke errors and left no fingerprints, and created a backdoor in less than 30 minutes. How can this be done by anyone other than a military organization?"

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<http://www.breitbart.com/news/2005/12/12/051212224756.jwmkvntb.html>

TECHNOLOGY

57. TSA adding more "puffers" at airports (TampaBays10.com, 14 Dec 2005)

Tampa International Airport, Florida - The official name is the EntryScan 3 trace portal, but some people call them "Puffers." At Airside C, you may be selected to walk into a machine that blows six quick jets of air on you. TSA Security Officer: "It just blows particles off your skin and clothing. There's a big sniffer in there and it sniff particles and tells us if you've been in contact with explosive materials or chemicals." Twenty seconds later, a green light means you're good to go on to a metal detector.

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<http://www.tampabays10.com/news/news.aspx?storyid=22578>

58. FAA, Lockheed Complete National Rollout Of New Radar Data Communications Gateway (SPX, 13 Dec 2005)

Rockville MD - The national rollout of the En Route Communications Gateway, designed by Lockheed Martin, was recently completed on schedule when the Federal Aviation Administration declared operational use of the system at its Air Route Traffic

Control Center in Miami. The communications system now has been deployed and accepted at all 20 centers in the United States. The En Route Communications Gateway (ECG) provides mission-critical radar communications data needed by the Air Route Traffic Control Centers (ARTCCs), which manage all high-altitude air traffic and serve as the hubs of the National Airspace System.

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<http://www.spacedaily.com/news/aerospace-05zzzl.html>

RESOURCES

59. AT&T launches security Webcast network (c|net, 14 Dec 2005. Contributed by Rick Forno)

AT&T on Wednesday launched a 24-hour Internet security Webcast program aimed at delivering security alerts and daily dispatches to corporate customers. The company's Internet Security News Network (ISNN) is designed to offer news updates twice a day and interviews with security experts. It also is intended to leverage AT&T's year-old managed security services and the AT&T Internet Protect subscriber service.

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