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**Boston Police Department**

**Intelligence report**

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On Monday, March 19, 2006, Det. Creed received a phone call from Lt. McDermott of the Brookline PD regarding this weekend's anti-war demonstration. Over the weekend, Lt. McDermott spoke with a source in the activist community who stated that the various anti-wars groups are hoping for a large turnout this weekend. The source also stated that several buses will be coming to Boston from outside of the New England area. The source further stated that the organizers are hoping for a large turnout, partly because of the networking these groups have been doing, and also because many activists were unable to travel to Washington, D.C. for the demonstration at the Pentagon last weekend because of the snowstorm. Lt. McDermott further stated that although this person has given reliable information in the past, this source's information should be "taken with a grain of salt" because the activist community tends to be overly optimistic with its crowd estimates.

After speaking with Lt. McDermott, I spoke with Sgt. Jeff Madison of the D.C. Metro Police Intelligence Section. Sgt. Madison confirmed that the turnout was smaller than expected in Washington because of the snowstorm (a spokesperson from ██████████ stated that many activists from the North East were unable to attend because of the snow). The DC Police also believe that last weekend's regional demonstrations that were held across the country also kept the numbers down. His department estimated that the total turnout was about 10,000 people.

Sgt. Madison also stated that last weekend's demonstration also drew an anarchist "Black Bloc" numbering about 150 people, 7 of which were arrested for trespassing and throwing missiles at the police. Sgt. Madison stated that this group was mostly from New York City and are calling themselves ██████████ the ██████████ On March 12, 2007, 23 members of this group occupied a recruiting station in New York City as part of Columbia University anti-war demonstration, shutting down the station for 2 hours according to an activist posting. The posting estimated that the turnout at the at the Columbia demonstration was about 100 people. BRIC Analyst Sam Gross spoke with a corporal at the recruiting station who also estimated the turnout to be about 100 people. The corporal further stated that about 20 people were arrested. The March 12th NYC demonstration has been the subject of a heavy amount of "chatter" on local activist message boards.

**Links:**

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Stop The Wars Coalition

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United For Justice With Peace

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