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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/12/2001

of [redacted] DOB [redacted] SSAN [redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at the aforementioned address. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview, [redacted] provided the following information:

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[redacted] stated that his nickname on IRC (Internet relay chat) is [redacted] and that he has used this nickname since he was [redacted] advised that he uses his nickname, [redacted] for only those individuals that he has never met face-to-face over the Internet.

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[redacted] added that three other individuals have used the nickname [redacted] stated that one of the individuals that used [redacted] prior to 1995 was an individual named [redacted] LNU (last name unknown) who was accessing the Internet from [redacted] portal. [redacted] advised that another person who uses the nickname [redacted] was a female originating from [redacted] advised that this female accesses many different IRC channels. [redacted] also stated that another person uses the nickname [redacted] and mainly accesses the CHOOKA channel on IRC. [redacted] stated that the term CHOOKA is a reference for marijuana. [redacted] stated that these individuals only seem to use the nickname [redacted] when he is not using IRC.

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[redacted] stated that an individual can either be affiliated or non-affiliated with a software pirating organization known as a "warez" group. [redacted]

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[redacted] three months he has been affiliated with [redacted] and only [redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted]

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According to [redacted] there are three types of warez sites: Top sites, dump sites, and out of country sites. [redacted]

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SHAYOL GHUL [REDACTED] advised that this site was a fast dump site that is no longer in existence. [REDACTED] stated that the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] then provided information on the following warez groups:

RISCISO [REDACTED] stated that this is a courier group.

DISTINCT [REDACTED] stated that this is a release group concentrating on applications.

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RAZOR1911 [REDACTED] stated that this is a release group concentrating on games.

MOTIV8 [REDACTED] stated that this group is a defunct courier group.

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WLW [REDACTED] stated that this is a courier group, and [REDACTED] to operate a dump site, and WLW [REDACTED] However, [REDACTED] stated that he [REDACTED] from WLW and is/was not affiliated with WLW.

SCOTCH [REDACTED] stated that this is a release group concentrating on applications.

ECHELON [REDACTED] stated that this release group produces a relatively small amount of new software.

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CLASS [REDACTED] stated that this is a release group concentrating on games.

RTS [REDACTED] stated that this a courier group.

[REDACTED] stated that both release and courier groups are ranked based upon their quality of work and access to new software. [REDACTED] advised that a group's ranking determines the amount of work, and the importance of the work that warez group performs.

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