

**FBI OFFICIAL CASE FILE**

**FILE #100-PH-34892**

**SUBJECT: VOLKOV, Dmitri Aleksandrovich**

**CLASSIFICATION: Internal Security - Domestic Terrorism**

**STATUS: FUGITIVE - PRIORITY APPREHENSION**

Case Agent: SA Jennifer Park

Supporting: SA David Chen, SA Michael Torres

Originated: Philadelphia Field Office

Date Opened: December 28, 2024

Last Updated: January 8, 2025

**WARNING: Subject ARMED and EXTREMELY DANGEROUS  
DO NOT APPROACH - Contact case agent immediately**

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## SYNOPSIS

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Subject born March 17, 1978, Leningrad, USSR. Entered U.S. September 1996 on F-1 student visa. Graduated Massachusetts Institute of Technology June 2000 (Materials Science). Completed PhD Stanford University 2005 (Applied Physics). Lost academic positions 2008-2010. Subject became active in online conspiracy theory communities 2010-2024. Father died Russia 2015; subject made extended trip there (84 days). Subject primary person of interest Cherry Hill Mall incident December 23, 2024, resulting in twelve fatalities and forty-seven injuries. Subject fled scene carrying unidentified object described as wooden box with unknown contents. Current whereabouts unknown. Subject considered armed and extremely dangerous.

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## SUBJECT IDENTIFICATION

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**Full Name:** VOLKOV, Dmitri Aleksandrovich  
**Also Known As:** Dmitri Volkov, D.A. Volkov  
**Date of Birth:** March 17, 1978  
**Place of Birth:** Leningrad, USSR (St. Petersburg, Russia)  
**Citizenship:** Russian Federation  
**Height:** 5'10" (178 cm)  
**Weight:** 165 lbs (approx)  
**Hair:** Brown  
**Eyes:** Brown  
**Distinguishing:** None visible  
  
**Current Status:** Fugitive from justice  
**Last Sighting:** Cherry Hill Mall, NJ - Dec 23, 2024, 15:23 hrs

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## IMMIGRATION HISTORY

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### Entry to United States:

Date: September 4, 1996  
Port: JFK International Airport, New York  
Visa Type: F-1 (Student)  
Age at Entry: 18 years  
Sponsor: Massachusetts Institute of Technology

### Visa Status:

F-1 renewed annually 1997-2000  
F-1 graduate student status 2000-2005 (Stanford)  
OPT (Optional Practical Training) 2005-2008  
H-1B work visa 2008-2010

**STATUS AFTER 2010: UNCLEAR - No visa renewals on record**

No naturalization application filed  
No recorded international travel 2015-present (TSA)

**IMMIGRATION VIOLATION: Subject likely operating on expired**  
visa 2010-present. ICE notification sent January 3, 2025.

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## EDUCATION HISTORY

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### Massachusetts Institute of Technology (1996-2000)

Department: Materials Science and Engineering  
Degree: Bachelor of Science, June 2000  
GPA: 3.87/4.00  
Academic Performance: Excellent

Faculty comments: 'Brilliant but increasingly obsessed with unconventional theories by senior year'

### Stanford University (2000-2005)

Department: Applied Physics  
Degree: Doctor of Philosophy, June 2005  
Dissertation: 'Electromagnetic Resonance Patterns in Crystalline Lattice Structures Under Variable Frequency Stimulation'  
Dissertation Advisor: Professor Raymond Ho

Faculty interviews (obtained Jan 2025):

Dr. Ho: 'Dmitri's work was groundbreaking initially but took unfortunate turns. He became convinced certain crystal formations could affect consciousness.'

Dr. Nguyen: 'He started bringing historical conspiracy theories into his research. We had concerns.'

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## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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### Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (2005-2008)

Position: Postdoctoral Researcher  
Department: Advanced Materials Research  
Security Clearance Application: DENIED (July 2007)  
Denial reason: Not disclosed in accessible records  
Termination: September 2008  
Stated reason: 'Performance issues' (likely clearance-related)

### Stanford University Physics Dept (2008-2010)

Position: Visiting Research Associate (non-tenure track)  
Termination: April 2010  
Reason: 'Behavioral concerns, inappropriate use of university resources'  
Details: Subject reportedly using facilities to research classified government programs  
No formal criminal charges filed

### Post-2010 Employment:

No W-2 income reported 2010-2024 (per IRS records)  
Tax returns show minimal income from 'consulting'  
Likely living on savings or unreported income

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## FINANCIAL HISTORY

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### Bank Accounts:

Wells Fargo checking (opened 1996): Minimal activity  
Chase savings: \$47,382 balance as of December 2024  
No recent deposits, occasional small withdrawals

### Known Assets:

No real property registered in subject's name  
No vehicle currently registered (DMV records)  
Abandoned vehicle (2015 Honda Civic) registered to dissolved LLC 'DataBridge Consulting'

### Tax History:

Filed regularly 1996-2024  
Income drastically reduced after 2010  
No red flags for tax evasion

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## FAMILY BACKGROUND

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### **Father: VOLKOV, Aleksandr Petrovich (1948-2015)**

Born: Leningrad, USSR  
Occupation: Engineer (specifics unknown)  
Died: June 2015, St. Petersburg, Russia

Subject traveled to Russia June 14 - September 8, 2015  
for funeral. Extended stay (84 days) noted as unusual.

### **Mother: VOLKOVA, Irina Mikhailovna**

Limited information available  
Subject's MIT application lists mother as 'deceased'  
No death certificate or additional records found

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## ONLINE PRESENCE & RADICALIZATION

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### **Conspiracy Theory Activity (2010-2024):**

Early Period (2010-2015):  
Blog: 'The Electromagnetic Truth' (discontinued 2015)  
Topics: Alternative physics, suppressed technologies  
Tone: Initially academic, increasingly paranoid

Post-2015 (after Russia trip):

Active on: Above Top Secret, Godlike Productions,  
Reddit (r/conspiracy)  
Usernames: 'DVolkov1978', 'TruthSeeker\_EE'  
Common topics:  
- Soviet military experiments  
- Nazi advanced weapons research  
- Suppressed electromagnetic technologies  
- Moon landing conspiracies  
- Unidentified anomalous phenomena

### **Concerning Posts (2024):**

July: 'They are looking in wrong places. I found it  
where no one thought to look.'  
Oct: 'The answer was always in the radiation pattern.  
The Soviets knew.'  
Nov: 'Three more weeks. Then everything changes.'

## CHERRY HILL MALL INCIDENT

**December 23, 2024 - Cherry Hill, New Jersey**

Casualties: 12 confirmed deaths, 47 injured

Exposure: Estimated 200+ individuals exposed to unknown agent

### TIMELINE:

14:05 hours - Subject enters mall via main entrance

- Carrying wooden box (approx. 30cm x 20cm x 15cm)
- Surveillance shows subject nervous, sweating
- Constantly checking watch
- Box appears heavy for its size

14:12 hours - Mall security screening

- Guards Mark Stevens and Jennifer Wu approach
- Subject defensive about box, claims 'family heirloom'
- Guards note unusual behavior but allow entry
- Stevens: 'He was terrified of that box but wouldn't let it go.'

14:18 hours - Subject proceeds to Food Court

- Sits alone at table near center
- Places box on table, hands never leave it
- Appears waiting for someone
- Constantly scanning crowd

14:38 hours - Phone call made

- Duration: 47 seconds
- Number called: Unregistered prepaid phone
- Call recipient never identified
- Cell tower data confirms outgoing call only

### 14:45 hours - INCIDENT BEGINS

- Subject opens box
- Multiple witnesses report 'bright red glow'
- Subject appears shocked/alarmed
- Attempts to close box but unable to secure lid

14:46 hours - Effect spreads

- Individuals within 15-meter radius exhibit symptoms
- Violent aggression, loss of cognitive function
- Cannibalistic behavior observed
- Affected individuals attack others
- Panic spreads throughout mall

14:47-15:15 hours - Mass casualty event

- Security attempts containment, overwhelmed
- Local police respond 14:53 hours
- SWAT team deployed 15:07 hours
- 12 pronounced dead at scene
- 47 transported to hospitals

15:23 hours - Last confirmed sighting of subject

- Northeast emergency exit
- Subject fleeing, still carrying box (now closed)
- Witnesses describe 'moving strangely', 'injured'
- Box reportedly glowing through cracks
- Gait described as 'jerky' and 'unnatural'

### Post-Incident:

- Subject's vehicle (2015 Honda Civic, Virginia plates) located abandoned approximately 3 miles from mall
- Interior forensics: Inconclusive
- No fingerprints recovered (gloves likely worn)
- Vehicle registered to dissolved LLC

**INTERNAL SECURITY - LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE**

UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE PROHIBITED

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**EVIDENCE RECOVERED**

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**From Abandoned Vehicle:**

1. Road maps - Germany (Berlin area), Russia (St. Petersburg)
2. Notebook with handwritten entries (Russian and English)
  - Partial translation ongoing
  - Contains technical diagrams and calculations
  - References to 'resonance patterns' and 'crystalline structures'
3. Gas station receipts - Pennsylvania, New Jersey  
(October-December 2024)
4. Fast food receipts - various locations
5. Camping supply receipt - REI, dated November 2024
6. Business card - 'Slavic Cultural Association, Berlin'
  - Handwritten note on reverse: 'Ask for Anton'
7. Photograph (damaged) - Three unidentified males
  - Appears vintage (1940s era)
  - Partially burned, unclear provenance
  - Laboratory setting visible in background

**Items NOT Recovered:**

- Wooden box and contents
- Subject's cellular phone
- Subject's laptop or computing devices
- Additional identification documents
- Research materials or notes

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### WITNESS STATEMENTS (SELECTED)

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**Mall Security Guard Mark Stevens:**

When I asked what was in the box, he looked at me like I'd asked him to hand over his child. He said, and I remember this exactly, 'Something that should have stayed buried.' I thought he was being dramatic. I should have detained him.

**Food Court Employee Ashley Martinez:**

I saw him open it. There was this glow, like... I can't describe it. Red but not like fire. Cold red. He whispered something in another language and then tried to slam it shut, but he couldn't get the lid to close. Then people started screaming.

**Shopper David Kimball:**

I was maybe 20 feet away when it started. The people closest to him... they changed. Their faces went blank and then they just attacked whoever was near them. And him, that Russian guy, he was trying to get the box closed, but his hands were shaking so badly. When he finally got it shut and started running, his shadow... I know how this sounds, but his shadow didn't match his movements.

**SWAT Team Member (name withheld):**

By the time we got there, it was like a war zone. We had to use lethal force on three individuals who wouldn't stop attacking people even after multiple warnings. They showed no response to pain, no fear. Whatever that box did to them... they weren't human anymore.

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## CURRENT INVESTIGATION STATUS

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### Active Measures:

1. Border Alerts: Subject flagged at all U.S. exit ports
2. Financial Monitoring: All known accounts under surveillance
3. International Coordination: Interpol Red Notice prepared
4. German Cooperation: BKA investigating Berlin contacts
5. Russian Liaison: Minimal cooperation from authorities
6. Public Alert: Subject added to FBI Most Wanted (Jan 5, 2025)

### Investigative Challenges:

- Subject demonstrated ability to operate off-grid
- Possible use of aliases and false identification
- May have fled country before alert systems activated
- Unknown nature and capabilities of object in possession
- Uncertain if subject acted alone
- Limited international cooperation (particularly Russia)

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## THREAT ASSESSMENT

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### RISK LEVEL: EXTREME

#### Subject Capabilities:

- Advanced scientific knowledge (physics, materials)
- Demonstrated access to dangerous materials
- Caused mass casualty event (12 dead, 47 injured)
- Proven ability to evade detection
- Possible international support network

#### Behavioral Profile:

- Highly intelligent, potentially unstable
- Deep conspiracy theory immersion
- Obsessive personality traits evident
- Unpredictable due to uncertain mental state

#### Public Safety Concerns:

- Remains at large with unknown weapon
- High potential for additional incidents
- May target populated areas
- Unpredictable timeline and target selection

#### Recommended Precautions:

- Approach as ARMED and EXTREMELY DANGEROUS
- Do not attempt apprehension without specialized support
- Hazmat protocols required for any encounter
- If object located, DO NOT open or handle
- Immediate area evacuation recommended

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## INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION

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### **Cooperating Agencies:**

- Department of Homeland Security
- Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- Transportation Security Administration
- Centers for Disease Control (exposure analysis)
- Department of Energy (radiological threat assessment)
- Interpol
- German Federal Police (BKA)

### **Classification Levels:**

- Case details: Law Enforcement Sensitive
- Technical analysis of object: Classified (separate report)
- Victim medical information: Protected Health Information

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## CASE CONTACTS

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### **Public Tips:**

Hotline: 1-800-CALL-FBI  
Online: tips.fbi.gov

### **Distribution List:**

- FBI Director's Office
- Counterterrorism Division
- Philadelphia Field Office (all agents)
- Washington Field Office
- Legal Attaché Berlin
- Department of Homeland Security
- Joint Terrorism Task Force

**CASE CLASSIFICATION & CERTIFICATION**

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**FILE CLASSIFICATION:**  
INTERNAL SECURITY - DOMESTIC TERRORISM

**FILE STATUS:**  
ACTIVE INVESTIGATION

**LAST UPDATED:**  
January 8, 2025

**NEXT REVIEW:**  
January 15, 2025

**CERTIFICATION:**

I certify that the information contained in this case file is accurate to the best of my knowledge and has been compiled from official sources including FBI databases, surveillance footage, witness interviews, forensic analysis, and inter-agency coordination.

[Signature line]

**SA Jennifer Park**  
Philadelphia Field Office  
Badge #8442  
Date: January 8, 2025

SUBJECT REMAINS AT LARGE - PRIORITY APPREHENSION  
REPORT ALL SIGHTINGS IMMEDIATELY TO CASE AGENT