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Precedence: ROUTINE	Date: 07/19/2000	
To: Salt Lake City		
From: Salt Lake City C-6 Contact: SA Approved By: Drafted By:	ext. 4629	ъ6 ъ7С
Case ID #: 266C-SU-NEW 193	DANS 6/25/01 BY 39063 932677	
Title: BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY (1) AOT-DT WHITE COLLAR CRIME (Solicitation 00:SU	BFAS);	e
Synopsis: Request to initiate a prelim	inary inquiry.	
Details: Various sources, which include	e and	b7D

Details: Various sources, which include _______and through the years have provided information on BFAS. Information from these sources alleges that the BFAS has been involved in criminal activities ranging from murder to solicitation fraud. The information accumulated alleges that the BFAS is either a satanic cult with white supremacist and domestic terrorist agendas, or a training ground for Earth Liberation Front (ELF) and Animal Liberation Front (ALF) activists, or a lucrative front to generate revenue.

A brief history of BFAS indicates that it has its roots from a religious organization previously known as The Process-Church of the Final Judgement. Robert De Grimston, founded the Church in 1967. According to the charter of the organization, "it was called of God to bring about the end of the earth and the final judgement of man." Unsubstantiated information alleges members of "The Process" range from Charles Manson, Sirhan Sirhan and the Son of Sam. In 1974, the name was changed to "The Foundation Faith of the Millennium." In 1980, the name was changed to "The Foundation Faith of God."

In 1993, The Foundation Faith of God changed its corporation name to the BFAS. It is now organized "specifically as an institution devoted to the charitable and religious purpose for the prevention of cruelty to animals. The BFAS is led by a 266 CSV Board of Directors

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Synopsis: To report opening of Prelimi	nary Inquiry b6
Preliminary Inquiry Instituted:	b7E
Details: On an individual provided information reported that	This individual
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It is therefore requested that agents travel to Kanab, to determine if Utah to interview or other individuals associated with a domestic terrorist group are committing specific criminal acts such as solicitation fraud. In addition, JTTF member has several enforcement contacts in and surrounding Kanab, Utah that can has several law provide information on BFAS. Estimated expense of travel and lodging 340.00. Hotel 55.00(2) Per Diem 30.00(2)

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BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY (BFAS); AOT-DT WHITE COLLAR CRIME (Solicitation Crime) 00:SU	
Synopsis: Lead to NCAVC to review files regarding David Berkowitz including 9A-NH-24971 and to provide Salt Lake with information on David Berkowitz and his associates.	ь7
Preliminary Inquiry Instituted:	
Details: A brief history of the BFAS indicates that it originated from a Satanic cult previously known as The Process-Church of the Final Judgement. The BFAS purchased 3000 acres in southern Utah in 1993, and currently operates an animal sanctuary on this property. BFAS receives over a million dollars a year	<u></u>
from individual contributors. Source information indicates	Ъ7
David Berkowitz of the Son of Sam fame was a member of the Process and was associated with the individuals running BFAS. The current leaders of BFAS, are alleged to have been involved with Berkowitz in several murders that occurred in New York. Salt Lake City anticipates a possible interview of Berkowitz regarding	ь6 ь7
members of the BFAS that were involved in murders in New York.	

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To review files on David Berkowitz and his associates including (9A-NH-24971) and report to Salt Lake any information on David Berkowitz or The Process including copies of interviews of Berkowitz.

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Title: BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUAL AOT-DT WHITE COLLAR CRIME (Solicitation)	
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Synopsis: Request a extension	on of captioned case.
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Precedence: ROUTINE Date: 11/09/2000
To: Counterterrorism Attn: SSA
From: Salt Lake City C6 OJTTF Contact: SA (801) 257-2350 b6 b7c
Approved By:
Drafted By: ALL INCOMPATION CONTINUE PURELN IS UNCLASSIFIED
Case ID #: 266C -SU- 53193-5
Title: BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY (BFAS) AOT-DT WHITE COLLAR CRIME (Solicitation Fraud) 00:SU
Synopsis:
Preliminary Inquiry Instituted:
Details: The following information has been compiled from various sources, which include
Information from these sources alleges that b7
A brief history of BFAS indicates it started in 1963 in London, England by Robert DeGrimston. DeGrimston had split off from the Church of Scientology and started his own group that concentrated on compulsion analysis.
The group spent time in the Bahamas and Mexico and by eventually entered the United States in 1968.
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world coming to an end. The goal of the Process was to set up chapters and coffee houses in major American cities to recruit members. The Process set up a chapter in New York City in the late 1970's. David Berkowitz of the Son of Sam fame was a member of the Process. advised that he believes that BFAS members MaryAnn DeGrimston, By the mid 1970's, as the Satanic Cult fad faded the group changed it's name to the Foundation Faith of the Millennium. During this time MaryAnn DeGrimston became the leader of the group In the 1980's the idea to raise money based on taking care of animals was discussed. The group decided this would appeal to individuals emotions and would be the best way to raise money. In 1991, the group changed its name to BFAS and purchased 3000 acres in Kanab, Utah. BFAS is now organized "specifically as an institution devoted to the charitable and religious purpose for the prevention of cruelty to animals." The "inner circle" has remained together since England and is currently in Kanab, Utah. On 10/17/00, AUSA

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Synopsis: The purpose of this Lake City with the first matter.	communication is to provide Salt extension in captioned	
Preliminary Inquiry Instituted	.:	b7E
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From: Salt Lake City C6 OJTTF Contact: SA	(801) 257-2350
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Case ID #: 266C-SU-53193 8	DATE 6/3/01 BY
Title: BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY (DOT-DT WHITE COLLAR CRIME (Solicitation 00:SU	15 VC
Synopsis: Request to close Preliminary	Inquiry.
Preliminary Inquiry Instituted:	ь71
Details: A preliminary inquiry was ini	tiated b6
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The group fled from England and spent time in the Bahamas and Mexico before finally entering the United States in 1968.	Ъ7D
The group held a meeting	
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The group preached that Satan and Jesus were going to join and that would result in the world ending.	
Eventually, they set up chapters throughout the United States including San Francisco and New York. Charles Manson has reported to have been a member of the Process. One of the leaders,	ь6 ь7с
In the mid 10 s the "inner circle" was living in New York. David Berkewitz of the Son of Sam fame was a member of the Process. Sergeant Police Department advised that his investigation reveals that Process members Mary DeGrimston, were involved in the Son of Sam murders.	
By the mid 1970's, as the Satanic cult faded and because of the fallout of the Son of Sam murders, the group left New York and went to Arizona The group changed its name to the "Foundation Faith of the Millennium." Mary DeGrimston	Ь7 D
During this time Mary DeGrimston spoke at several meetings about	b 7D
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During the preliminary inquiry

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However, the preliminary investigation revealed

It is therefore requested that the preliminary inquiry be closed.

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	To: Salt Lake City Attn: SA		
	From: CIRG NCAVC Contact: MCS 703-632-4345		b6 b7C
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	BEST FRIENDS OF ANIMAL SANCTUARY (BFAS) WHITE COLLAR CRIME (Solicitation Crime) AOT-DT OO:SU	©1	
	Synopsis: Review files regarding David Berkowitz including 9A-NH-24971 and to provide Salt Lake with information on David Berkowitz and his associates.		
	Details: Upon review of file 9A-NH-24971 concerning threatening letters, some of which contained the name of David Berkowitz, it was reasonably concluded that these letters were written by someone other than David Berkowitz of the Son of Sam fame.		
	Further, upon research of our records here at Quantico we have no records of interviews with David Berkowitz, or information on the Process Church of the Final Judgement.	t ,	
	SA was advised of these findings and that if after his current investigation he wishes to interview David Berkowitz, this unit would gladly assist him with his interview.		ь6 ь7с
	Inasmuch as there are no further request of the NCAVC at present, the CIRG will place this matter in closed status.		200 mg
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From: Salt Lake City C6 Contact: SA Approved By: ALL INFORMATION CONTAINLY	
Drafted By: Date 6/25/01 BY	
Case ID #: 266C-SU-53193 (Closed)	
Title: BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY (BFAS); AOT-DT WHITE COLLAR CRIME	
Synopsis: Request to retain evidence of closed case for one year.	
Details: A preliminary inquiry was initated on BFAS on During which time	b3 b7E
preliminary investigation revealed	
Therefore it is requested that 1B1 and 1B2 be retained for one year.	

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Precedence: ROUTINE	Date:	01/16/2004			
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From: Salt Lake City C4 Contact: SA					
Approved By:					
Drafted By:					
Case ID #: 266C-SU-53193-22					
Title: BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY AOT-DT- White Collar Crime					
Synopsis: Request destruction of evidence.					
Details: It is requested that the Salt Lake evidence tech destroy the following items:					

- 1) 1B1 barcode E1370585
- 2) 1B2 barcode E1370584

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