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Suspicious Activity: Helicopter Leasing Facilities

Over the past week, LA-SAFE has received several suspicious activity reports regarding helicopter facilities.

01/21/2010: Suspicious flyover at Jonesville Lock & Dam in Jonesville, LA. Report indicates that the operator on duty heard a noise and observed a helicopter hovering directly over the lock and dam. Operator on duty states that all he saw was a small flashing green light on the helicopter and estimates that the helicopter, which was about the size of a civilian medical transport type helicopter, was hovering approximately 25 to 30 feet over the lock and dam for approximately 15 to 20 minutes.

01/22/2010: Suspicious individual inquiring about a helicopter rental at the British Petroleum (BP)/Petroleum Helicopters Inc (PHI) Heliport in Houma, LA. Security personnel advised that the individual was inquiring about helicopter rentals. Security personnel asked for identification and the individual refused and departed in a new model black Chevrolet Impala.

01/23 – 01/24/2010: Surveillance of helicopter leasing facility at Mouton Cove South near Abbeville, LA. Incident is similar to surveillance at Watercraft Leasing in Broussard, LA.

01/28/2010: Surveillance of helicopter leasing facility at Watercraft Leasing in Broussard, LA. According to information that was received, security personnel discovered two male subjects observing the helicopters from outside the fence. When security approached, the subjects evaded by driving through a grassy area and back onto the road.

LA-SAFE has also received a suspicious activity report regarding a helicopter flying over a port facility in Orange, TX on **01/22/2010**. Report indicates that the helicopter flew over the facility twice.

For a listing of helicopter charter, rentals, and leasing facilities in Louisiana, please click on the following link:

<http://www.superpages.com/yellowpages/C-Helicopter+Charter,+Rental,+&+Leasing/>

The following guidance is presented to assist in determining the level of threat that exists.

- **Maintain Awareness**
- **Gather Pertinent Information:** License Plate Information; Aircraft Tail Numbers; Descriptions of Vehicles and Persons; Location and Activity; Date and Time
- **Report All Suspicious Activities:** 911 for Local Law Enforcement immediately; JTTF: 504-816-3000; LA-SAFE Homeland Defense Hotline 1-800-434-8007; LA-SAFE Contact Phone: 225-925-4192; EMAIL lafusion.center@dps.la.gov

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