



- *US citizens or Mexican nationals residing in US may become vulnerable to allied abductions by kidnapping teams operating out of Mexico or US.*
- *The more kidnappings that gangs conduct, the finer the hone of their craft. Eventually, they graduate to higher-value targets in higher economic communities.*
- *Until a prominent US citizen is abducted, the problem will not receive much attention in the media or from the public.*



2007 OPEN SOURCE INFO

- **Between Jan.-July 2007.. In Mexico: 1200 + drug trafficking-related executions have occurred of which at least**
- **70+ occurred in Sonora...most in Hermosillo, a former "truce city" among traffickers of the Sinaloa / Gulf DTO organizations**
- **An unknown-- but significant-- number continues to occur in State of Nuevo Laredo and Tamaulipas...**
- **As well as: Baja California Norte, Tabasco, Guerrero, Michoacan, Veracruz, Sinaloa, Nayarit, Chiapas and Coahuila.**
- **All Mexico States are experiencing numerous law enforcement deaths, as well, as multiple kidnappings occurring weekly.**
- **BCN Media: As of 7/20/07 there have been 91 abductions in Tijuana since 01/01/07. Seven occurred in two days in July.**



TYPES OF TARGETED VIOLENCE

Evaluated Incident Material

- Random Kidnap For Ransom With Release
- Random Kidnap For Ransom/Information using Torture with Non-release involving body dumps or Acid/Lye "Pozole" elimination
- Kidnap For Information by Torture, then killing
- Kidnapping by "Tax Collectors"-Failure To Pay Operation Taxes within a Plaza



KIDNAP GANG STRUCTURES

- Former/Current law enforcement officers as a team member with selective gangs
- Former Mid-level Traffickers resorting to kidnappings due to declining narcotics access and high violence associated with DTO warfare
- Disenfranchised/Independent teams acting randomly--- domestic or international
- DTO teams using former military deserters trained in extractions, assassinations, and assaults
- Affiliated Domestic US street gangs serving multiple DTOs as Independent Contracted Kidnap-assassination teams