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CA/OCS/ACS/WHA JANIE A. FRIEDLEIN

E.O. 12958: N/A
 TAGS: CASC, MX (KICKER, CYNTHIA LOUISE)
 SUBJ: ARREST: CYNTHIA LOUISE KICKER

Following American Arrested:

1. Name: Kicker, Cynthia Louise
 Alias: Persabal, Cynthia Luisa; "La Cheyenne"
2. Sex: Female
3. Dpob: January 03, 1959, Minnesota
4. Passport: , Issued ,
5. Last Known U.S. Address: 3421 South Cider Avenue,
 Minneapolis, MN, USA
6. Date/Place Of Arrest: May 31, 2003, At Home In
 Chihuahua, Chihuahua.
7. Arrest Condition: Normal
8. Charges: Homicide/Murder
9. Place Of Detention: State Penitentiary
 Chihuahua.
10. Status Of Case: Open
11. Trial/Hearing Date:
12. Possible Sentence: Max 20 Years
 - Min 8 Years
13. Attorney: Public Defender
14. Privacy Act Waiver: Limited, Waiver Date: June
 04, 2003.
15. Nok: Burton Kicker, 5001 South Nicholas Avenue
 Minneapolis, MN, USA (Father), Phone Hm: (612) 825-
 1518
16. Notification: Consul Was Notified By Media On
 June 03, 2003.
17. Access: Telephone Contact.
18. Other Americans Arrested: None
19. Mistreatment: Mistreatment Alleged
 When mistreated: At the time of arrest.

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Mistreatment protested: Yes. In court, at the time of the first hearing.

Mistreatment Description: Subject alleges that when arrested, the police beat her and pointed a gun at her head while kicking her in the stomach several times. She reported that while dragged to the police vehicle, a hood was placed over her head and taken to an undisclosed location where she was tortured for four hours. She also reported that she was wet with water and shocked repeatedly with some type of an electrical device.

20. Property confiscated:

21. Judicial Proceedings: Hearing In Progress, Date: June 4, 2003.

22. Emda: Current Amt Is \$.00

23. Comments: On June 03, 2003 Post learned through press reports that USC Cynthia Louise Kicker AKA "La Cheyenne" and her Mexican husband Ulises Ricardo Persabal AKA "La Changa" were arrested in Chihuahua city on May 30, 2003 for the murder of a 16 year old Mexican female, Marcela Viviana Rayas Arellanes.

According to statements made to the police (as reported in newspapers) the couple would lure minors to their store, named "Templo Mayor", where they sell items of the occult such as jewelry, candles, tattoos, etc. used to perform satanic rituals.

According to press reports the couple invited the minor to a "spiritual" gathering at their home. The minor was then given drugs and after a while went into convulsions. At this point Kicker hit her from behind with a metal pipe because she was jealous of the attention her husband gave to the minor. This case has received significant attention from the press in Chihuahua, because within the past four years six other young girls have been kidnapped and killed in Chihuahua city.

On June 03, 2003 Post made telephonic contact with USC Cynthia Louise Kicker at the State Penitentiary

in Chihuahua. She reported that on Saturday May 30, 2003 around 12:00 a.m. she and her husband were at home watching T.V. and about five policemen abruptly entered dragging her and her husband out of the house. She stated that police arrested them and drove them to an unknown location where they were later transferred to the State Penitentiary. Mrs. Kicker protested mistreatment and stated that she had first pled guilty because police, in order to extract an admission of guilt, had tortured her. Subsequently, at the first hearing she changed her

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statement and pled not guilty. Post rescheduled the quarterly visit (one week earlier than planned) to the State Penitentiaries in Chihuahua to address Ms. Kicker's complaints of mistreatment. Post will follow-up with further developments in this case.
24. Advising Nok Or Others: None Available.

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