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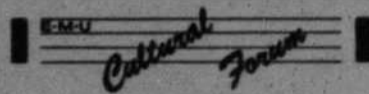


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Airline employees are charged

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Department of Justice is preparing indictments against about 50 employees of Eastern Airlines believed to be smuggling cocaine from South America, federal law enforcement sources said Wednesday.

The sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the 50 employees are "almost exclusively baggage handlers" in Miami. The handlers are said to be the key to a narcotics pipeline bringing cocaine into the United States from Bogota, Colombia, by way of Miami, where the carrier is based.

The probe has been going on at least two months, the sources said, and it may continue for another two months.

"We think there is a small cadre of handlers who are holding out baggage" to circumvent a narcotics net set up by U.S. Customs officials, one of the law enforcement sources said.

The sources said that customs officials employed sniffer dogs to detect drugs. The baggage handlers involved in the drug shipments have, for example, kept baggage containing cocaine away from the conveyor belts at the Miami airport until after sniffer

dogs are taken away, the sources said.

One source said that in some cases, the handlers simply keep the bags loaded with narcotics on the planes until customs checks are completed.

Tuesday, the head of the Drug Enforcement Administration, John Lawn, said in California that the indictments were being prepared, but did not name the airline.

"We have cooperated with the leadership of that airline," said Lawn, adding that the indictments would come in the "next several weeks."

He said employees of the airline were involved in smuggling a substantial amount of cocaine to the United States "by way of handling baggage."

Lawn disclosed some details of the case after delivering a speech in San Jose about drug abuse.

In describing the DEA's fight to stop the flow of cocaine to the United States from South America, Lawn said the agency has been focusing on controlling the flow of chemicals, especially ethyl ether, used in making the drug from raw coca paste.

Shcharansky to renew freedom campaign

JERUSALEM (AP) — Anatoly Shcharansky said Wednesday he will resume the campaign for free emigration of Soviet Jews that led the Kremlin to put him in prison and labor camps for more than eight years.

Israel radio also said he sent forms to Moscow formally inviting his 77-year-old mother, Ida Milgrom, and his brother Leonid to Israel on the basis of family reunification. That is the first step in getting exit visas from the Soviet government.

The State Department said Wednesday the Soviet Union has "indicated" Milgrom and other relatives of Shcharansky would be allowed to emigrate to Israel. The brief announcement did not elaborate.

The Jewish human rights activist, who was imprisoned as a spy, told Israel radio in his first interview since being released to the West: "It is my task to use my experience to help those people who stayed behind in the Soviet Union."

On Tuesday, Shcharansky walked across the Glienicke Bridge to West Berlin from Communist East Germany. Three other people held

in the East and five imprisoned in the West, all on espionage charges, were exchanged on the "bridge of spies" half an hour later.

In East Berlin, he said, he was told to walk a straight line to a car and deliberately took a zig-zag route. "Of course, that's funny, but it was a matter of principle never to agree to anything for the KGB (secret police)," he said.

"Either I didn't listen to what they told me to do, or I did exactly the opposite."

His brother Leonid, 39, told Western reporters in Moscow that Shcharansky lay down in the snow, demanding the return of his belongings before boarding the special plane taking him to Berlin; but finally left with only a prayer book. He crossed the bridge in borrowed clothes.

The radio said the 38-year-old mathematician and computer analyst, who was reported to have health problems during his confinement, had undergone a medical examination.

He appears pale and thin but told a government spokesman he gained more than 20 pounds because of better treatment during the last weeks before his release.

Rajneeshees face declining membership

PORTLAND (AP) — The Rajneeshee movement in Europe is foundering in the wake of the breakup of the sect's leadership in Oregon, according to a published report.

The once-flourishing Kota Rajneeshee Centre in Zurich, Switzerland, declared bankruptcy about two weeks ago and closed. The Oregonian newspaper reported in its Wednesday editions.

The newspaper quoted unnamed Swiss sources as saying the facility had as many as 500 members in 1983 but now only 30 remain, and they have dispersed and are living in small groups in the city.

The Oregonian said the once-strong Amsterdam commune of

Indian guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneeshee had dwindled to perhaps a few hundred active members, down from as many as 4,000 just two years ago.

"There are probably another 200 Rajneeshees here who don't live in the commune, but at the most there are just 400 or 500 now," said a former member who quit the sect in September.

In West Germany, the Rajneeshees' traditional European stronghold, one Rajneeshee spokesman said the followers of Indian guru Bhagwan Shree Rajneeshee are dispersing to form their own communities.

"The whole structure is changing," said Swami Ramateertha, coordinator of Europe's largest Rajneeshee

center, the Wioska-Rajneeshee Institute of Cologne.

Ramateertha, a former Munich pediatrician whose legal name is Robert Deutsch, said "What is happening in most of the centers is that the businesses now held by the commune are going into the hands of individual sannyasins who are running them by themselves."

Jutta Scheider, a staff member of the West German Society for Psychological and Spiritual Freedom, an anti-cult group, said in an interview from Dusseldorf that "as far as we know, they are spreading."

Ramateertha said the Kota bankruptcy in Zurich was more the result of bad management by former Rajneeshee officials than to a decline in interest in the movement.

He said the restaurant location chosen by Kota's leaders was in a part of Zurich that essentially closed down in the evening, leaving few potential customers.

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