Situation Report

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Cities in Which Mexican DTOs Operate Within the United States

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Preface

The National Drug Intelligence Center (NDIC) has prepared this Situation Report to illustrate the principal cities/states in which Mexican drug trafficking organizations (DTOs) operate within the United States. This document was prepared using law enforcement reporting available to NDIC as of April 9, 2008; it updates information regarding Mexican DTOs set forth in the *National Drug Threat Assessment 2007*.[1]

Discussion

Mexican DTOs are the most pervasive organizational threat to the United States. They are active in every region of the country and dominate the illicit drug trade in every area except the Northeast. Mexican DTOs are expanding their operations in the Northeast and have developed cooperative relationships with DTOs in that area in order to gain a larger share of the northeastern drug market.

Federal, state, and local law enforcement reporting reveals that Mexican DTOs operate in at least 195 cities throughout the United States (see Map 1 in Appendix A and the table in Appendix B). In 129 cities,[2] law enforcement officials reported the presence of Mexican DTOs with affiliations to at least one of the four principal Mexican drug cartels that supply illicit drugs to U.S. markets—Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez, and Tijuana. Specifically, Mexican DTOs affiliated with the Federation Cartel have been identified in at least 82 cities (see Map 2 in Appendix A), to the Gulf Coast Cartel in at least 43 cities (see Map 3 in Appendix A), to the Juárez Cartel in at least 44 cities (see Map 4 in Appendix A), and to the Tijuana Cartel in at least 20 cities (see Map 5 in Appendix A). Law enforcement officials also reported the presence of Mexican DTOs in 66 additional cities but did not identify an affiliation with a principal Mexican drug cartel.

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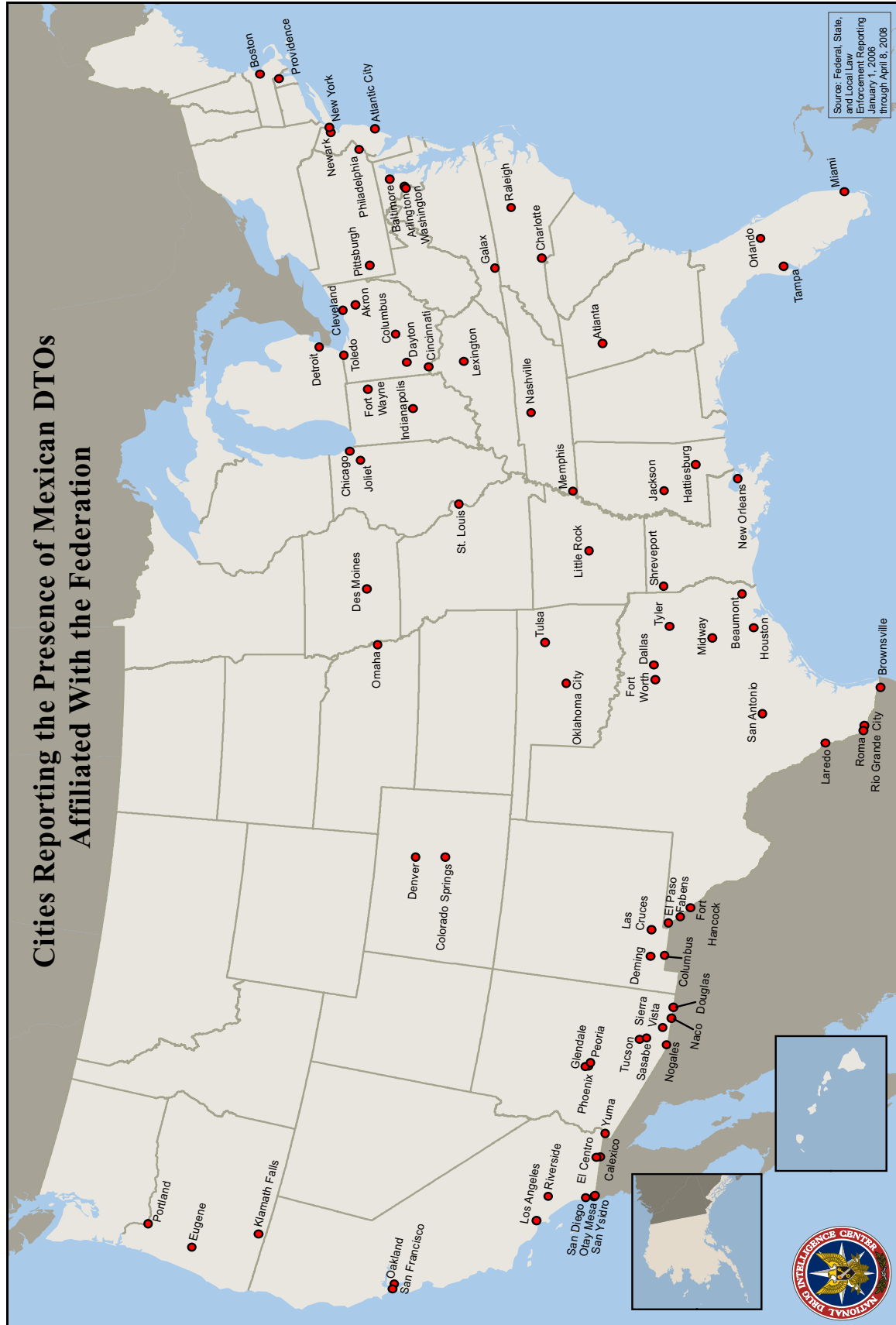2. Several locations have multiple cartel-affiliated DTOs operating within their jurisdictions.
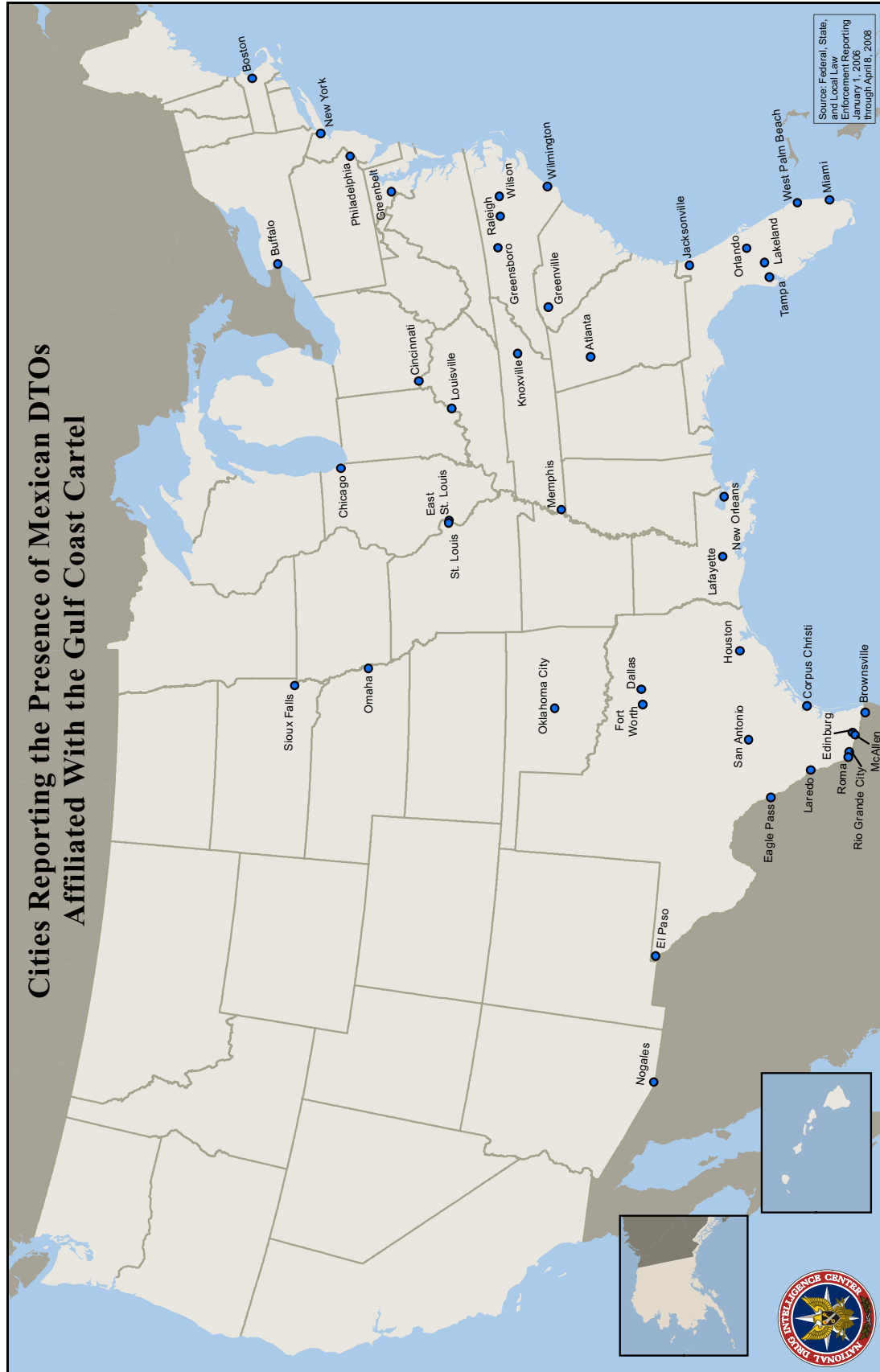
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Appendix A. Maps
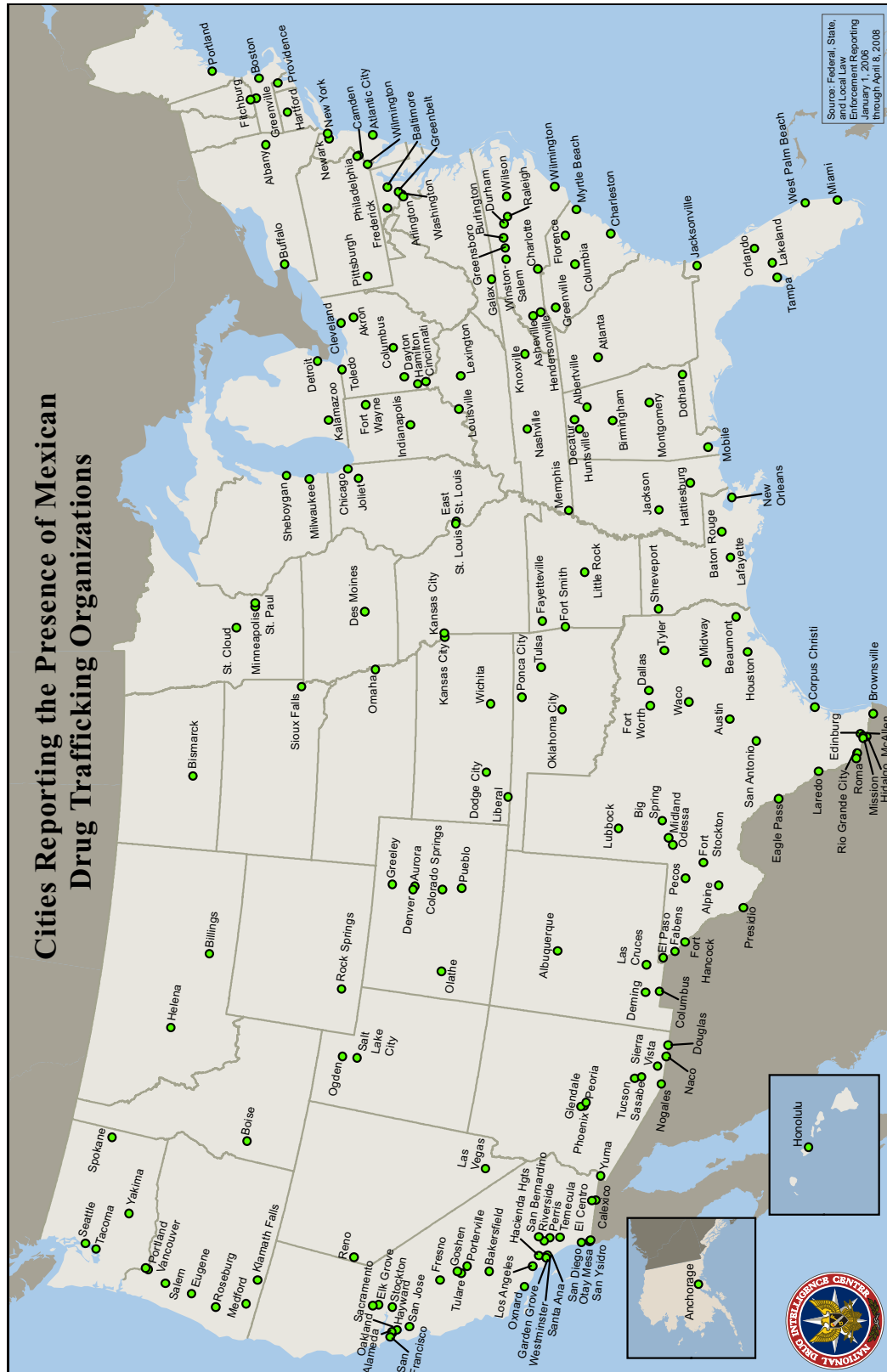
Map 1. Cities reporting the presence of Mexican drug trafficking organizations.

Map 2. Cities reporting the presence of Mexican DTOs affiliated with the Federation.

Cities Reporting the Presence of Mexican DTOs Affiliated With the Gulf Coast Cartel

Source: Federal, State, and Local Law Enforcement Reporting January 1, 2006 through April 8, 2008

Boston
New York
Philadelphia
Greenbelt
Buffalo
Wilmington
Wilson
Raleigh
Greensboro
Greenville
Jacksonville
West Palm Beach
Miami
Orlando
Lakeland
Tampa
Atlanta
Cincinnati
Louisville
Knoxville
Memphis
Chicago
East St. Louis
St. Louis
New Orleans
Lafayette
Sioux Falls
Omaha
Houston
Corpus Christi
Brownsville
Oklahoma City
Dallas
Fort Worth
San Antonio
Edinburg
McAllen
Roma
Rio Grande City
Laredo
Eagle Pass
El Paso
Nogales

Map 3. Cities reporting the presence of Mexican DTOs affiliated with the Gulf Coast Cartel.

Map 4. Cities reporting the presence of Mexican DTOs affiliated with the Juárez Cartel.

Cities Reporting the Presence of Mexican DTOs Affiliated With the Tijuana Cartel

Boston
New York
Camden
Philadelphia
Cleveland
Minneapolis
St. Paul
Sioux Falls
Omaha
Seattle
Sacramento
Stockton
Tulare
Porterville
Goshen
Las Vegas
Los Angeles
San Diego
Calexico
Anchorage
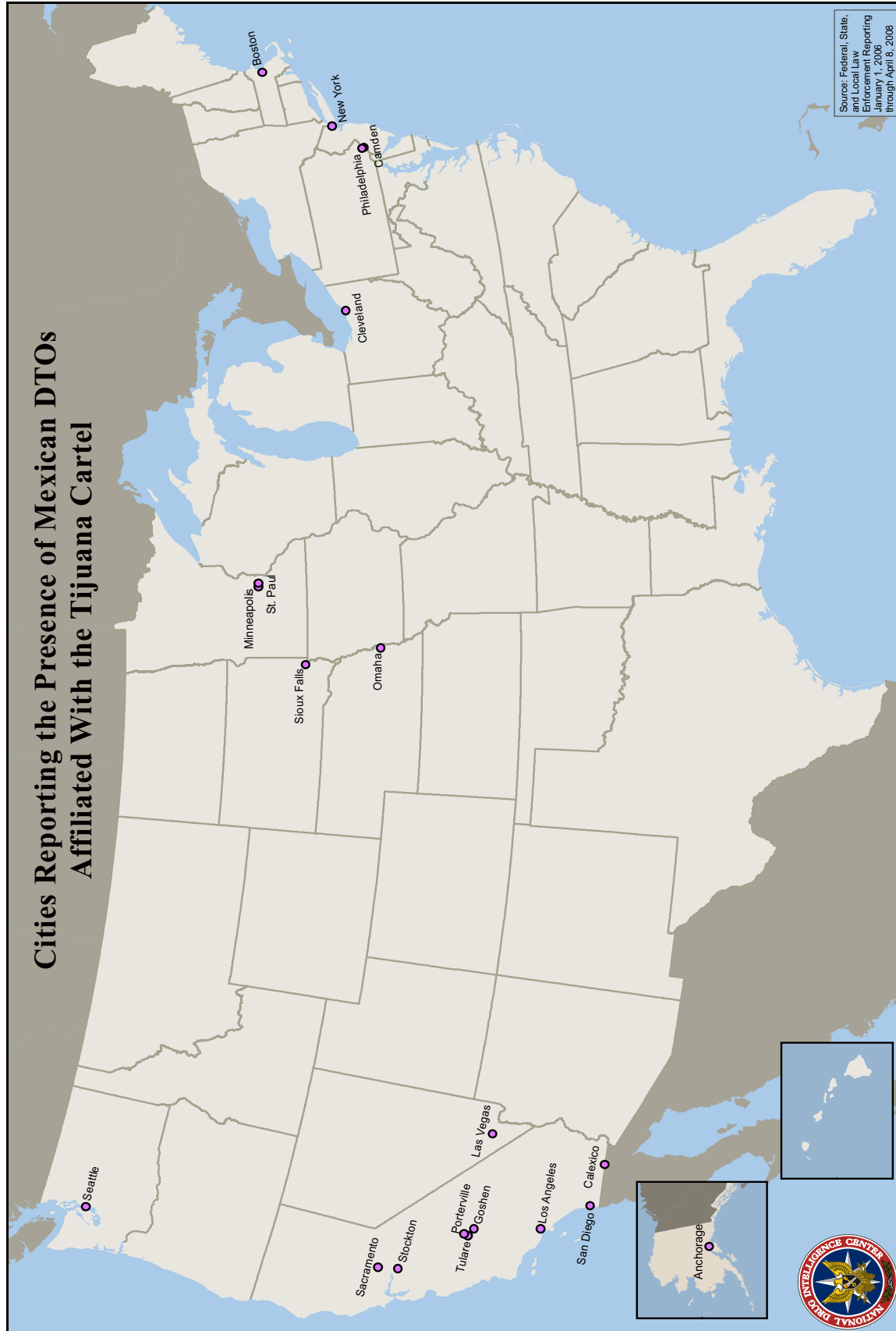
Map 5. Cities reporting the presence of Mexican DTOs affiliated with the Tijuana Cartel.

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Appendix B. U.S. Locations With a Reported Mexican DTO Presence and the Mexican Drug Cartel Affiliation

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City/State	Identified Cartel	City/State	Identified Cartel
Alabama		Bakersfield	NA
Albertville	NA	Calexico	Federation, Tijuana
Birmingham	NA	El Centro	Federation
Decatur	NA	Elk Grove	NA
Dothan	NA	Fresno	NA
Huntsville	NA	Garden Grove	NA
Mobile	NA	Goshen	Tijuana
Montgomery	NA	Hacienda Heights	NA
Alaska		Hayward	NA
Anchorage	Tijuana	Los Angeles	Federation, Tijuana
Arizona		Oakland	Federation
Douglas	Federation, Juárez	Otay Mesa	Federation
Glendale	Federation	Oxnard	NA
Naco	Federation	Perris	NA
Nogales	Federation, Gulf Coast	Porterville	Tijuana
Peoria	Federation	Riverside	Federation
Phoenix	Federation, Juárez	Sacramento	Tijuana
Sasabe	Federation	San Bernardino	NA
Sierra Vista	Federation	San Diego	Federation, Tijuana
Tucson	Federation, Juárez	San Francisco	Federation
Yuma	Federation	San Jose	NA
Arkansas		San Ysidro	Federation
Fayetteville	NA	Santa Ana	NA
Fort Smith	NA	Stockton	Tijuana
Little Rock	Federation	Temecula	NA
California		Tulare	Tijuana
Alameda	NA	Westminster	NA

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City/State	Identified Cartel
Colorado	
Aurora	Juárez
Colorado Springs	Federation, Juárez
Denver	Federation, Juárez
Greely	NA
Olathe	NA
Pueblo	NA
Connecticut	
Hartford	NA
Delaware	
Wilmington	NA
District of Columbia	
Washington	Federation
Florida	
Jacksonville	Gulf Coast
Lakeland	Gulf Coast
Miami	Federation, Gulf Coast
Orlando	Federation, Gulf Coast
Tampa	Federation, Gulf Coast
West Palm Beach	Gulf Coast
Georgia	
Atlanta	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez
Hawaii	
Honolulu	NA
Idaho	
Boise	NA
Illinois	
Chicago	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez
East St. Louis	Gulf Coast
Joliet	Federation

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City/State	Identified Cartel
Indiana	
Fort Wayne	Federation
Indianapolis	Federation, Juárez
Iowa	
Des Moines	Federation
Kansas	
Dodge	Juárez
Kansas City	Juárez
Liberal	Juárez
Wichita	Juárez
Kentucky	
Lexington	Federation
Louisville	Gulf Coast
Louisiana	
Baton Rouge	NA
Lafayette	Gulf Coast
New Orleans	Federation, Gulf Coast
Shreveport	Federation
Maine	
Portland	NA
Maryland	
Baltimore	Federation
Frederick	NA
Greenbelt	Gulf Coast
Massachusetts	
Boston	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez, Tijuana
Fitchburg	NA
Michigan	
Detroit	Federation
Kalamazoo	NA

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City/State	Identified Cartel
Minnesota	
Minneapolis	Tijuana, Juárez
St. Cloud	NA
St. Paul	Tijuana
Mississippi	
Hattiesburg	Federation
Jackson	Federation
Missouri	
Kansas City	Juárez
St. Louis	Federation, Gulf Coast
Montana	
Billings	NA
Helena	NA
Nebraska	
Omaha	Federation, Gulf Coast, Tijuana
Nevada	
Las Vegas	Tijuana, Juárez
Reno	NA
New Hampshire	
Greenville	NA
New Jersey	
Atlantic City	Federation, Juárez
Camden	Tijuana
Newark	Federation, Juárez
New Mexico	
Albuquerque	NA
Columbus	Federation
Deming	Federation
Las Cruces	Federation

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City/State	Identified Cartel
New York	
Albany	NA
Buffalo	Gulf Coast
New York	Federation, Gulf Coast, Tijuana
North Carolina	
Asheville	NA
Burlington	NA
Charlotte	Federation, Juárez
Durham	NA
Greensboro	Gulf Coast
Hendersonville	NA
Raleigh	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez
Wilmington	Gulf Coast
Wilson	Gulf Coast
Winston-Salem	NA
North Dakota	
Bismarck	NA
Ohio	
Akron	Federation
Cincinnati	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez
Cleveland	Federation, Tijuana
Columbus	Federation
Dayton	Federation
Hamilton	Juárez
Toledo	Federation, Juárez
Oklahoma	
Oklahoma City	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez
Ponca City	Juárez
Tulsa	Federation

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City/State	Identified Cartel
Oregon	
Eugene	Federation
Klamath Falls	Federation
Medford	NA
Portland	Federation, Juárez
Roseburg	NA
Salem	NA
Pennsylvania	
Philadelphia	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez, Tijuana
Pittsburgh	Federation, Juárez
Rhode Island	
Providence	Federation
South Carolina	
Charleston	NA
Colombia	NA
Florence	NA
Greenville	Gulf Coast
Myrtle Beach	NA
South Dakota	
Sioux Falls	Gulf Coast, Tijuana
Tennessee	
Knoxville	Gulf Coast
Memphis	Federation, Gulf Coast
Nashville	Federation
Texas	
Alpine	Juárez
Austin	NA
Beaumont	Federation
Big Springs	Juárez

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City/State	Identified Cartel
Brownsville	Federation, Gulf Coast
Corpus Christi	Gulf Coast
Dallas	Federation, Gulf Coast
Eagle Pass	Gulf Coast
Edinburg	Gulf Coast
El Paso	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez
Fabens	Federation
Fort Hancock	Federation
Fort Stockton	Juárez
Fort Worth	Federation, Gulf Coast
Hidalgo	Juárez
Houston	Federation, Gulf Coast, Juárez
Laredo	Federation, Gulf Coast
Lubbock	Juárez
McAllen	Gulf Coast
Midland	Juárez
Midway	Federation
Mission	Juárez
Odessa	Juárez
Pecos	Juárez
Presidio	Juárez
Rio Grande City	Federation, Gulf Coast
Roma	Federation, Gulf Coast
San Antonio	Federation, Gulf Coast
Tyler	Federation, Juárez
Waco	Juárez
Utah	
Ogden	NA
Salt Lake City	NA

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City/State	Identified Cartel
Virginia	
Arlington	Federation
Galax	Federation
Washington	
Seattle	Tijuana
Spokane	NA
Tacoma	NA
Vancouver	NA
Yakima	NA
Wisconsin	
Milwaukee	NA
Sheboygan	NA
Wyoming	
Rock Springs	Juárez

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