

ALERT 96-44

Type: Suspicious Transactions Subject: Republic of Texas
Warrants

TO: Chief Executive Officers of all National Banks; all State
Banking Authorities; Chairman, Board of Governors of the
Federal Reserve System; Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance
Corporation; Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Deputy
Comptrollers (Districts); District Administrators; District
Counsel and Examining Personnel

RE: Republic of Texas Warrants

Information has been received that banks and other entities have
been receiving official looking instruments that have no
financial value. The instruments have appeared in various places
in the United States, particularly in the State of Texas, and one
in Puerto Rico. The instruments contain the heading "Republic of
Texas" and include a seal, Warrant Number, and state they are
issued to:

The Republic of Texas Trust
c/o HCR-74 Box 101A
Fort Davis, TPZ 79734, The Republic of Texas

The instruments appear to be originated by Richard Lance
McClaren, "Chief Ambassador and Consul General" of the so-called
Republic of Texas.

Any information which you may have concerning this matter should
be brought to the attention of:

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
Enforcement & Compliance Division
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