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Incluyo en esta ocasión a Miriam para compartir la alegría de recibir este paquetote de información que nos comparte Jason Buch.

Sé que se van mañana y por ello incluyo a Maura para que me haga el favor de bajar la información y tenerla a resguardo en el Dropbox. Cuando nos reunamos el miércoles discutiremos cómo vamos a manejar EU.

El domingo les haré un buen balance de la visita a Washington. Fue muy, muy buena.

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From: **Jason Buch** <jasonbuch@gmail.com>

Date: 2016-06-10 11:05 GMT-04:00

Subject: Re: Introduction

To: Sergio Aguayo <seaguayo2007@gmail.com>

I'll be traveling again Sunday, but let's set up a time to talk Monday.

This is my coverage of a trial in which former Zetas hit man Wenceslao Tovar testified about attending training camps near Ciudad Victoria and San Fernando: http://www.mysanantonio.com/news/local_news/article/Zeta-camp-slayings-described-in-Laredo-trial-2612618.php

Tovar's time in San Fernando precedes the massacre of the migrants there. However, he describes joining a large group of Zetas trainees -- about 100 near Victoria and about 300 near San Fernando -- along with high-ranking Zetas leaders. Trainees who had not killed before were required to execute bound victims at both camps.

I've made a transcript available here: <https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/2575024-jury-trial-day-2-2012.html>

You'll also see that Tovar testified for several months in 2005 he joined a crew of sicarios working under Miguel Trevino that would kidnap 10-15 people a day and turn them over to Trevino for execution.

My hope is that during the September sentencing of Ivan Velasquez Caballero, the Zeta who had control of the Nuevo Laredo plaza before Trevino and later was given all of Zacatecas and who Tovar testified was at both training camps, there will be more testimony on this theme. (Apologies if I'm saying things you already know about these Zetas.)

During the 2012 trial of Juan Roberto Rincon Rincon in Brownsville, Rafael Cardenas Vela, the nephew of Osiel Cardenas, testified about his time as plaza boss in San Fernando. I don't think he discussed the massacres, but he did give some context about how things worked in the plaza. Transcripts below.

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/1363069-testimony-of-rafael-cardenas-vela-during-morning.html>

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/1363070-testimony-of-rafael-cardenas-vela-september-20.html>

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/1363071-testimony-of-rafael-cardenas-vela.html>

This is a story about disappearances in the Piedras Negras area that includes some court testimony about the Allende massacre: <http://www.expressnews.com/news/local/article/With-thousands-of-abductions-in-Mexico-families->

[6516191.php?t=54e05a0da06a5efc77&cmpid=twitter-premium](https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/1513416-april-16-transcript.html)

At the 2013 trial in Austin in which this testimony came out, the witnesses actually gave a couple explanations of why this happened. As you can see in that story, one reason given was that the Trevino brothers were upset about a series of drug seizures. Other witnesses said the Trevinos were upset because their Dallas-area distributor had begun cooperating with the U.S. government, and so they wanted to wipe out everyone connected to him. Below are the relevant transcripts for the 2012 trial

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/1513416-april-16-transcript.html>

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/1513417-april-22-transcript.html>

There was more testimony about this in the retrial last year of Francisco Colorado Cessa, but I don't have those transcripts. They can be purchased for 10 cents a page through [pacer.gov](https://www.pacer.gov).

After I published my report last year, I had some people question how seriously to take the testimony of Cuellar and Moreno because they were already in the U.S. when the Allende massacre happened. My sources tell me that the numbers were likely in the hundreds.

Jason

On Thu, Jun 9, 2016 at 2:07 PM, Sergio Aguayo <seaguayo2007@gmail.com> wrote:

Jason,

That will be great. I am going back tomorrow to Boston and from there to Mexico. I will be free Sunday or Monday afternoons and will love to talk with you and explained the long term goals of the Seminar on Violence and Peace at El Colegio (I am the coordinator). My Skype: Sergio19652

2016-06-09 14:26 GMT-04:00 Jason Buch <jasonbuch@gmail.com>:

Hi Alfredo and Sergio,

Sergio, I'm traveling today. When I'm in front of a computer, I can send you what I've gleaned from US court documents about Allende and, if you're interested, San Fernando. If you want to set up a time to chat on the phone, I'd be more than happy to.

Alfredo, good to hear from you. Hope to see you soon.

Jason

On Jun 8, 2016, at 1:10 PM, Sergio Aguayo <seaguayo2007@gmail.com> wrote:

Thanks Alfredo and I would like to talk with you Jason. I respect your work a lot. I am now in DC but available at any time you can.

2016-06-08 13:09 GMT-04:00 Alfredo Corchado <ajcorchado@gmail.com>:

Sergio, great seeing you. As promised I'm introducing you to Jason Buch, reporter at the San Antonio Express News and top-rated investigative journalist on all things organized crime. Jason, Sergio is perhaps the top academic in Mexico on US-Mexico relations, organized crime, etc. He's currently working on an academic project about the massacre in Allende. He's inquiring about government court documents related to the Zetas, Gulf and that massacre. I'm helping with what i know, but told him you're the expert on this. Appreciate any help you may provide. Saludos....ac

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gracias Sergio, esto se está poniendo muy bueno!!!!

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