

## Organization Data Sheet: 031 Bloods

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<b>A. When the organization was formed + brief history</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The 031 Bloods are the independent “set,” or faction, of the Bloods based in Antigua and Barbuda.<sup>1</sup></li><li>• The West Coast Bloods were formed in 1973 through an alliance of gangs against the Crips. These gangs were the “Piru Street Boys in Compton, the Bishops, Athens Park Boys and the Denver Lanes,”<sup>2</sup> and the Lueeder Park Hustlers.<sup>3</sup></li><li>• The East Coast Bloods, or United Blood Nation (UBN), were formed in 1993 at Rikers Island Prison by Omar Portee and Leonard “Deadeye” Mackenzie. The purpose of the group was to provide protection for African American prisoners.<sup>4</sup></li><li>• The UBN was formed to emulate the West Coast Bloods, but there was no direct involvement by the Bloods in the UBN’s formation.</li><li>• The West Coast and East Coast Bloods might have ‘joined’ in 1999.<sup>5</sup></li><li>• The Bloods have infiltrated the Antiguan school system, and a study found that the Bloods were the most recognized gang by sample size of 284 Antiguan school children.<sup>6</sup></li><li>• In Antigua, there are several splinter gangs that are subordinate to the 031 Bloods.</li></ul>
<b>B. Types of illegal activities engaged in,</b>
a. In general
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• “The gang deals in murder, conspiracy, credit card fraud, extortion, prostitution, and drug trafficking.”<sup>7</sup></li><li>• “Their other crimes range from robberies, burglaries, grand thefts, receiving stolen property, and witness intimidations to assaults with a deadly weapon, drive-by shootings, and murders.”<sup>8</sup></li></ul>
b. <i>Specific detail: types of illicit trafficking activities engaged in</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Drug trafficking, sex trafficking<sup>9</sup></li></ul>
<b>C. Scope and Size</b>
a. Estimated size of network and membership
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bloods: 15,000-20,000<sup>10</sup></li><li>• UBN: 5,000-7,000<sup>11</sup></li><li>• Information on the numbers of Bloods in Antigua and Barbuda was not found. However, the appearance of splinter gangs indicates the gang is growing and capable of maintaining the authority over several other gangs.</li><li>• In Antigua, several splinter gangs are subordinate to the Bloods. The “Royal Hustlers, OT Bloods, Black Medallion, Ants Nest, Brick Wall, Thug Mansion, Royal Flock, Purple Haze, Black Juice, Frank Tug, and the all familiar Crips and Bloods. The Sun says ‘the Crips and Bloods were described as the parent gangs, while the others were breakaway groups which have to report to the two original gangs.’”<sup>12</sup> The source does not specify which groups are with the Bloods or the Crips.</li></ul>
b. Countries / regions group is known to have operated in. (i.e. the group’s operating area)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Antigua</li><li>• Other Bloods sets operate throughout the United States</li></ul>
<b>D. Leader Characteristics</b>
a. Who is/are the leader(s)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is no real overarching leadership of the Bloods</li> <li>• The leadership of the O31 Bloods is unknown</li> </ul>
b.	<p>Leadership timeline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Piru gang seems to have been the leaders of the first West Coast Bloods. Portee and Mackenzie started the UBN</li> </ul>
c.	<p>Leadership style (autocratic, diffuse, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diffuse to the point where there is no true leadership. Leaders of individual sets are generally the ultimate authority of that set.</li> </ul>
<b>E. Organizational Structure</b>	
a.	<p>Topology (cellular, hierarchical, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cellular (sets)</li> </ul>
b.	<p>Membership – is there formal or informal membership in the organization or network? What role do informal or nonmembers play in trafficking and other criminal activities?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Semi-formal membership: while there is no overarching membership, there are tattoos and colors that are part of the Bloods identity</li> </ul>
c.	<p>Command and Control (decentralized or centralized)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bloods have a decentralized command and control structure.</li> </ul>
<b>F. Resources</b>	
a.	<p>Financial</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul>
b.	<p>Human</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “The Bloods gang recruits anyone involved in the drug trade as well as those of any age, race, ethnicity, and background in order to increase membership and strengthen the gang.”<sup>13</sup></li> </ul>
c.	<p>Logistical</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forgery, safe-houses, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Key routes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
d.	<p>Transportation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Sea <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Air <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Intermodal container <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
<b>G. Trafficking Methods and Modalities</b>	
a.	<p>Corruption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unknown amount of corruption in relation to Bloods, but there are concerns in Antigua about government corruption.</li> </ul>
b.	<p>Concealment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul>
c.	<p>Deception</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information not found.</li> </ul>

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d.	Circumvention (avoiding border entry points)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
<b>H. Prior / Existing Relationships</b>	
a.	Other criminal organizations (cooperative and conflictual)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
b.	Corrupt politicians, law enforcement , political parties and other state entities, etc.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
c.	<i>Specific detail: Any alliances / past dealings with terrorist groups.</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
<b>I. Ideological / Ethnic / Familial Orientation (if any)</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Bloods are united by a culture rather than an overarching structure.</li> </ul>
<b>J. Technical Sophistication</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
<b>K. Penchant for Innovation</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
<b>L. Activities in United States</b>	
a.	Includes both criminal and non-criminal activities
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“The gang deals in murder, conspiracy, credit card fraud, extortion, prostitution, and drug trafficking.”<sup>14</sup> There is not enough information on the Antiguan set to know the extent or specific form of its activities.</li> </ul>
b.	<i>Specific detail: trafficking activities ; logistical activities</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found</li> </ul>
c.	Linkages with US groups
i.	Market/transaction links
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found</li> </ul>
ii.	Stable supplier
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found</li> </ul>
iii.	Franchise arrangement
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Main Bloods gang runs affiliates in Antigua and Barbuda</li> </ul>
iv.	HQ and Branch office
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
<b>M. Evaluations</b>	
a.	Strengths
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The birth of splinter groups indicates that the Bloods in Antigua and Barbuda are growing.</li> </ul>
b.	Weaknesses and vulnerabilities
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
c.	Additional insights
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information not found.</li> </ul>
<b>Other Notes</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>While there is much literature dealing with the Bloods in general, little has been written about the Antiguan O31 Bloods and its local affiliates. The degree of the group’s involvement in drug or human trafficking is unknown.</li> </ul>

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<sup>1</sup> "Bloods: in Prison," *Inside Prison*, [http://www.insideprison.com/prison\\_gang\\_profile\\_BL.asp](http://www.insideprison.com/prison_gang_profile_BL.asp)

<sup>2</sup> "The History of Bloods/United Blood Nation(EastCoast Blood Nation)" *Gripe4Kids*,  
<http://www.shvoong.com/humanities/1702675-history-bloods-united-blood-nation/>

<sup>3</sup> "Bloods: in Prison"

<sup>4</sup> Ibid.

<sup>5</sup> "The History of Bloods/United Blood Nation(EastCoast Blood Nation)"

<sup>6</sup> Gardner, J.M., and Katz, C., and Rosenblatt, J., "Reports of Gangs in Antiguan Schools,"  
<http://cvpcs.asu.edu/projects/gangs-in-the-caribbean/reports-and-presentations/gangs-in-antiguan-schools>

<sup>7</sup> Ibid.

<sup>8</sup> "Bloods," *National Concerned Officers*, <http://nationalconcernedofficers.com/bloods.htm>

<sup>9</sup> Sherman, William, "BLOODS' UNDERAGE HOOKER RINGS BUSTED. DA: GANG WENT TO B'KLYN SCHOOLS TO RECRUIT GIRLS," *Daily News (New York)*, LexisNexis Academic, June 2, 2010,  
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<sup>10</sup> "Bloods," *North Carolina Gangs Investigators Association*, <http://www.ncgangcops.org/gangs.html>

<sup>11</sup> Ibid.

<sup>12</sup> "Highlights - Caribbean Rim Press 10 Jan 07," *Open Source Center*, LAP20070111334001, January 10, 2007,  
[https://www.opensource.gov/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS\\_0\\_0\\_200\\_203\\_121123\\_43/content/Display/LAP20070111334001#index=1&searchKey=5237185&rpp=10](https://www.opensource.gov/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_0_200_203_121123_43/content/Display/LAP20070111334001#index=1&searchKey=5237185&rpp=10)

<sup>13</sup> "Drug Trafficking Organizations," *US Department of Justice*, April 2008,  
<http://www.justice.gov/ndic/pubs27/27509/dtos.htm>

<sup>14</sup> "Bloods: in Prison"

Searched LexisNexis, OpenSource, Google, Borderland Beat, Insight Crime, etc. The only mentions of Bloods in Antigua and Barbuda were in articles about a slain honeymoon couple. The articles were summarized on OpenSource