ST. LOUIS (AP) -- A member ST. LOUIS (AP) — A member of a white supremacist group and his wife are in jail on charges of conspiring to kill or harm Democratic presidential candidate Jesse Jackson because they believed he was "getting too close to being president," the U.S. attorney's office said.

office said.
Federal agents quoted Londell Williams, 30, of Washington, Mo., as saying he was a member of several white supremacist groups.
But Tom Den Ouden, super-visor of the FBI's office in Spring-field, Mo., said Wednesday he had done some checking into the couple's background and found no evidence they were involved in well-known white supremacist groups such as The Order or the Covenant, Sword and Arm of the Lord.

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To the best of my knowledge, these people have not been associated with The Order or the CSA," Den Ouden said.

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The couple, arrested Friday, are being held without bond, said Jay Foushee of the Secret Service's St. Louis office. Foushee said the threats were made recently, but

declined to provide any details.

Williams' wife, Tammy, 26,
was quoted as saying Jackson

The case will be presented to a grand jury, assistant U.S. Attorney David Rosen said Tuesday.

Jackson, campaigning in California on Tuesday, was asked about the arrests. "I'm going to keep this campaign focused on the issues, making America better, and not be ... distracted by the dreambusters," he said.

The Williamses were also accused in a criminal complaint

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According to the criminal complaint filed in U.S. District Court as undentified person con-

complaint filed in U.S. District Court, an unidentified person contacted the Franklin County sheriffs office earlier this month, claiming that the Williamses were conspiring to assassinate Jackson.

The information was relayed to the Secret Service and agents met with the informant, who agreed to wear a hidden microphone and meet again May 10 with Londell Williams, this time with law enforcement officials listening law enforcement officials listening in, the complaint said

According to the complaint, Londell Williams said he was a

white supremacist groups, and that
Jackson should be killed.

The complaint said the
informant later received a death
threat from the Williamses for

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At a hearing Tuesday, Secret Service agent J. Christopher Murphy testified that the informant led sheriffs deputies to a wooded area in Franklin County where they found an AR-15 Colt semi-automatic rifle and a bag the informant said belonged to the Williamses.

The complaint said the bag contained a postcard addressed to Londell Williams and maps, one of

Condell Williams and maps, one of which had his fingerprints. The rifle had been reported stolen from Springfield, Mo., according to the agent.

Murphy said that during the recorded conversation with the informant, Williams said he wanted to get the rifle back because it had been issued to him by the Covenant, the Sword and the Arm of the Lord, a white suprements group. Williams also said the orga-nization wanted it returned because it had been used to kill a law enforcement officer, Murphy said.





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