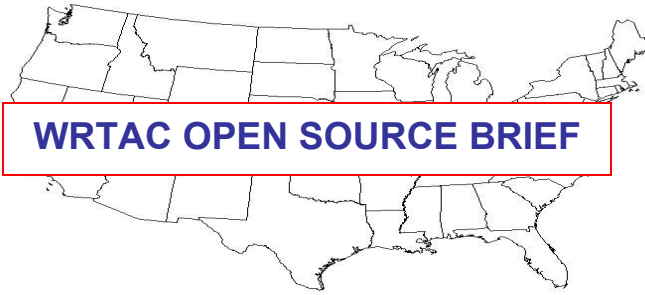


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Man Wanted for Assault of 8-Year-Old

(NCR BOLO)

On Sunday, December 26, an 8-year-old girl was sexually assaulted in a residence in the 4700 block of Cardigan Square in the Centreville area. An investigation revealed that the suspect, an acquaintance of the victim’s family, was inside the residence around 10:30 a.m. when he allegedly sexually assaulted the child. **Fairfax County Police have obtained rape and sodomy felony warrants for Salvador Portillo-Saravia, 29, of Sterling, Virginia. Police are asking for the public’s assistance in locating Portillo-Saravia; he is known to frequent the Sterling area.** Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text “TIP187” plus your message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/news-releases/2011/010411sexassult8yo.htm>



Teen murdered over iPod, jacket, family members say

(Criminal TTP)

A 16-year-old boy was murdered Saturday afternoon when he refused to give up his jacket and an iPod to muggers. The boy, 16-year-old Bryant Morillo, and his friend were standing at a bus stop about 1:30 p.m. at the corner of 4th Street and New Hampshire Avenue NW, police said. **Two muggers approached and demanded the boys' jackets and an iPod, when they refused, they were shot. The attackers fled south down 4th Street NW. Police ask anyone with information to call (202) 727-9099 or 1-888-919-CRIME (1-888-919-2746).** <http://www.tbd.com/articles/2011/01/teen-murdered-over-ipod-jacket-family-members-say-42685.html>



1 Dies in Triple Shooting On Congress St., SE

(NCR BOLO)

The DC Police Department has identified one of the victims of a shooting at 13th Place and Congress Street, SE on Sunday. Police say 21-year-old Brian Curtis Scott of Upper Marlboro, Md. was among three victims who officers found shot Jan. 2 at approximately 7 a.m. All three people were transported to local hospitals. Scott succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead. Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the police at (202) 727-9099 or 1-888-919-CRIME (1-888-919-2746). http://www.wusa9.com/rss/local_article.aspx?storyid=128813&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+Wusa9com-DcNews+%28WUSA9.com+%7C+DC+News%29



Apparent Va. serial burglar sought

Prince William County police are looking for an apparent serial burglar who took jewelry worth an estimated \$21,250 from homes in Woodbridge. The burglaries occurred Dec. 30 and Jan. 3 on Oakwood Drive. **In two cases, a burglar was able to enter the house by forcing open a door, while in a third case the entry was through an unsecured door. An attempted burglary also occurred Jan. 3. In that incident, the robber was unsuccessful because of a deadbolt. The burglaries all seem to occur during the day while homeowners are at work, and jewelry appears to be the main target.** Prince William police officials are urging residents to secure all deadbolts and to use an alarm system if available. Anyone with information relating to these cases should call Crime Solvers at 703-670-3700 or 1-866-411-TIPS. Tips can be anonymous and callers could earn a reward of up to \$1,000 in cash. <http://voices.washingtonpost.com/crime-scene/pr-william/prince-william-police-seek-app.html?wprss=crime-scene>

(NCR BOLO)



MPD Announces Reduction in Homicides that Equate to a 46 Year Low

The Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) announced a reduction in homicides that was a 46 year low. For the second year in a row, the city recorded the fewest number of homicides since the 1960s. For the year 2010, the District finished the year with 131 homicides, a 9 percent decrease from last year. MPD also finished the year with a homicide closure rate of 79 percent, which is well above the national average and an increase over the year before. Many initiatives have contributed to the reduction in homicides and other crimes. MPD continues to reduce violent gun crime by focusing on violent offenders, taking illegal guns off the street, and launching innovative programs such as the Gun Offender Registry and the Firearm Tip Reward Program. In 2010, robberies committed with guns decreased 20 percent and assaults committed with guns were down 10 percent. Since 2007, the Department has taken 10,000 illegal guns off the streets. <http://newsroom.dc.gov/show.aspx/agency/mpdc/section/2/release/20956/year/2011>



Bombing Opens Vein of Christian Anger in Egypt

The New Year's Day suicide bombing of a church that killed 21 people has opened up a vein of fury among Egypt's Christians, built up over years of what they call government failure to address persistent discrimination and violence against their community. Christian protests spread to Cairo from the northern city of Alexandria where the attack took place. Late Sunday, riots erupted outside the cathedral-headquarters of the Coptic Church after the country's top Muslim religious figures and government officials met with Pope Shenouda III. Protesters threw bottles and stones at riot police outside the cathedral, injuring 45 policemen, security officials said. In the last couple years in particular, the country's Coptic Christian minority, which makes up 10 percent of the country's 80 million, has felt under siege following a string of incidents. <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2011/01/03/AR2011010300780.html>

(Terrorism TTP)



Plain Language Key to Public Safety Communications

(EMS Resource)

Law enforcement executives across the US must commit to a plan and develop a road map that outlines the necessary steps to comply with The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) policy initiative to migrate from older "Ten Code" public safety radio systems to the use of "plain language" in the National Incident Management System (NIMS). The report, titled [Law Enforcement Agencies Are Phasing Out Old Radio Codes](http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/plain-language-key-to-public-safety-communications/5c47aa5aa646017b7109c268c322082f.html), outlines several essential ingredients of such a road map. Agencies have recognized that some codes will still be used during normal radio transmissions, such as 10-4, which is recognized as "okay," "copy" or "acknowledged." "To avoid mistakes during an event," the report says, "regions should promote the use of plain language on a routine basis when using the shared channels." <http://www.hstoday.us/industry-news/general/single-article/plain-language-key-to-public-safety-communications/5c47aa5aa646017b7109c268c322082f.html>

Lone-Wolf Plots Alter Anti-Terrorism Strategy in U.S.

This year ended with a flurry of terrorism sting operations. A young Somali-American in Oregon was arrested after he allegedly tried to ignite a car bomb at a Christmas tree lighting ceremony in Portland. A Virginia man was arrested after he allegedly conspired with people he thought were al-Qaida operatives to bomb D.C.-area targets. And authorities say a Baltimore man unknowingly was working with undercover FBI agents when he detonated a dummy car bomb outside a U.S. military recruitment center. The three plots had two things in common: They were launched by lone-wolf attackers, and the FBI was in the middle of them. Experts say to expect more undercover cases in 2011, because the agency has clearly decided that the best way to battle the growing threat of homegrown terrorism in this country is to confront the suspects directly.

<http://www.npr.org/2010/12/30/132447190/lone-wolf-plots-alter-u-s-anti-terrorism-strategy>

(Terrorism TTP)



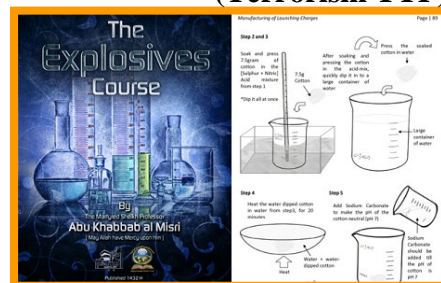
Al-Qaeda bomb manual published on internet

The 102-page manual available on the internet, explains how to find ingredients from everyday sources and how to mix explosives, including those used in the July 7 bombings and the recent ink cartridge bomb found at East Midlands airport. It has been endorsed by two leading al-Qaeda strategists and marks an explicit attempt by the terrorist group to encourage followers to launch their own attacks, without training. Entitled, "The Explosives Course" it says: "This book is aimed for brothers who have a sufficient understanding of the risks in this – both the actual sensitive task

of making explosives and of its security risks. The manual lays out the basic equipment needed to set up a bomb-factory and some essential elements of chemistry in order to understand the instructions.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/uknews/terrorism-in-the-uk/8232389/Al-Qaeda-bomb-manual-published-on-internet.html>

(Terrorism TTP)



Al Qaeda, Taliban Create Female Suicide Cells In Pakistan And Afghanistan

The Taliban and al Qaeda have established female suicide bombing cells in remote areas of northwestern Pakistan and northeastern Afghanistan. The female suicide bombers have struck in both Pakistan and Afghanistan. The existence of the cells, which appeared evident after female suicide bombers attacked twice over the past five months in Afghanistan and Pakistan, was confirmed by a 12-year-old Pakistani girl named Meena Gul. Gul, who said she was trained to be a "human bomb," was detained by Pakistani police in the Munda area in Pakistan's northwestern district of Dir, according to the Times of India. "Gul said that women suicide bombers were trained for their deadly task in small cells on both sides of the porous border and were dispatched to their missions with a sermon, 'God will reward you with a place in heaven.'" Gul said her cell was led by Zainab, her sister-in-law, who dressed as a man and fought alongside the Taliban against Pakistani troops. Prior to the two attacks in Afghanistan and Pakistan this year, there have been no recorded instances of female suicide bombers carrying out attacks in either country.

http://www.longwarjournal.org/archives/2010/12/al_qaeda_taliban_create_female_suicides_cell_in_pakistan_and_afghanistan.php

(Terrorism TTP)



Globalincidentmap.com Weekend Incidents

- AFGHANISTAN - 20 Insurgents Killed In Nangarhar Operation
- AFGHANISTAN - Explosive Devices Kills NATO Soldier In South
- AFGHANISTAN - NATO Soldier Killed In Afghanistan On New Years Day
- ARIZONA - Police Investigate Suspicious Device
- BANGLADESH - 52 Bombs Recovered
- BURUNDI - Burundi Grenade Blast Kills Three

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CANADA - Booby-trapped Pipe Bomb Found On BC Hiking Trail
CANADA - Community Centre Blast Caused By Explosive Device
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA :: US Capitol Evacuated Over Unauthorized Aircraft In Airspace
EGYPT - Egypt Arrests 17 Over Alexandria Bomb Attack
EGYPT - Egypt Tightens Security Around Churches After Bombing
EGYPT - Egyptian Police Suspect Suicide Bomber In Church Blast
EGYPT - Large Car Bomb Blast Outside Church In Alexandria After Midnight Kills 10
EGYPT - Religious Clashes In Alexandria
FLORIDA - Bomb Hoax At US Fun Park
FLORIDA - Oldsmar Man Finds Pipe Bomb In Mailbox
GAZA - IAF Strikes In Gaza After Mortar Fire
GEORGIA - Bomb Squad Diffuses Airport Bomb Scare
GERMANY - Suspected Anarchists Attack Berlin Prison With Fireworks
GULF OF ADEN - ONI Special Advisory - Merchant Vessel Reported Being Attacked By Pirates
INDIA - 3 Maoists Arrested In Bengal
INDIA - Indian Police Arrest 2 Terror Suspects
INDIA - Maoist Commander Arrested In Jharkhand
INDIA - Panic In Jabalpur After Bomb Hoax Call
INDIA - Powerful Explosives Found In Assam
INDIA - Steel Bombs Recovered
INDIA -5 Maoist Rebels Shot Dead In Orissa
INDIAN OCEAN - Zim Ship Escapes Attempted Hijacking
IRAN - Iran Claims To Shoot Down Many Western Drones - 2 In Persian Gulf
IRAQ - 1 Killed 9 Injured Including Judge In Balad City
IRAQ - 2 Explosive Charges Target Director of Dialas Sunni Waqf
IRAQ - 2 IEDs Defused On Al Batira Airport Road Used By US And Iraqi Soldiers
IRAQ - 5 Killed In Series Of Attacks In Baghdad
IRAQ - 6 Iraqi Security Officers Assassinated In Baghdad
IRAQ - Car Bomb Kills 1 Wounds 3 Targeting Iraqi Army Patrol
IRAQ - Civilian Wounded In IED Blast In Mosul
IRAQ - Iraqi Army Foils Suicide Belt Assassination Attempt On Ninewa Council Chairman
IRAQ - Iraqi Senior Officer Assassinated In Baghdad
IRAQ - Lawyer In Iraqis Association Defending Political Prisoners Shot Dead
IRAQ - Policeman Killed 3 Wounded In Attack On Checkpoint
ISRAEL - 11 Protestors Arrested Outside US Ambassadors Residence
ISRAEL - Israel Arrests 2 Hamas Terrorists Plotting Bomb Attack On Soccer Stadium
ISRAEL - Mortar Shell Hits Western Negev - No Damage
ISRAEL - Terror Attack Thwarted In Gush Etzion
ISRAEL - Terrorist Shot Near Shechem
LEBANON - Son Of Former Lebanese PM Attacked
MALI - Mali Tackles Al Qaeda And Drug Traffic
MEXICO - Seven People Murdered In Southern Mexico
NEW JERSEY - Cliffside Park police Investigate Non-Working Grenade Found Near Church
NEW YORK - Hate Letter Threatened Wave of NY Synagogue Attacks
NIGERIA - Nigerian Islamic Radical Website Shuts
NIGERIA - Oil Militants Deny Hand In Barrack Attack
NORTH ARABIAN SEA - ONI Special Advisory - Merchant Vessel Reported Being Hijacked
NORTH CAROLINA - Officer Loses offender Tracking Device At Restaurant - Sparks Bomb Scare
OMAN - Somali Pirates Hijack Algerian Flagged Ship With 27 On Board
PAKISTAN - 11 Dead In 2 US Drone Strikes In Pakistan
PAKISTAN - 3 Police Officials Injured In Bomb Blast
PAKISTAN - 4 US Soldiers Killed As Their Tank Hit By IED In Paktia
PAKISTAN - 6 Militants Killed In US Drone Attack In Pakistan
PHILIPPINES - 14 Communist Rebels Surrender In Philippines
PHILIPPINES - 2 Killed - 3 Wounded In Southern Philippines Attacks - Police
PHILIPPINES - Bomb Scare Hits Tuguegarao BFP
PHILIPPINES - Fake Bomb Found In Tuguegarao Chapel

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RUSSIA - Church Set On Fire In Russia's Muslim Caucasus
SOMALIA - Roadside Bomb Kills Soldier - Injures Several
TEXAS - Homemade Security Device Causes Bomb Scare On Northwest Side
THAILAND - 3 Ranger Volunteers Injured In Songkhla Bomb Attack
THAILAND - 2 Bomb Squad Police Killed 9 Injured In Narathiwat Explosion
TURKEY - Bomb Threat On Turkish Airline Plane Found To Be Hoax
UKRAINE - Statue Of Stalin Blown Up By Extremists
UNITED KINGDOM - Couple In Petrol-Bombed Lisburn House

Resources

GlobalIncidentMap.com

A Global Display of Terrorism And Other Suspicious Events

DomesticTerrorMap.com

Washington DC Links

Live Traffic Reports <http://www.ddot.dc.gov/traffic>

Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency <http://hsema.dc.gov/dcema/site/default.asp>

DC Department of Health <http://dchealth.dc.gov/doh/site/default.asp>

Sign-up for Alerts <https://textalert.ema.dc.gov/index.php?CCheck=1>

To request a DC Government Service, call 311 or 202-727-1000, also online at <http://src.dc.gov>

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