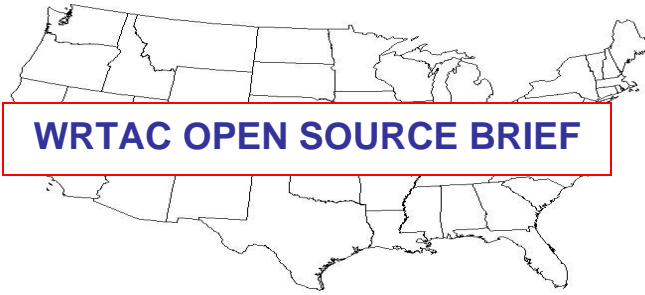


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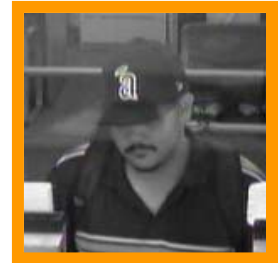
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Chevy Chase Bank Robbery in Rockville

Detectives from the Montgomery County Police Major Crimes Division – Robbery Section and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) are investigating a bank robbery that was reported July 20, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Bank located at 12228 Veirs Mill Road in Rockville. The preliminary investigation revealed that a male suspect entered the bank, posed as a customer, and handed a note to the teller demanding cash. No weapon was implied or seen. There were no injuries. The suspect left the bank on foot. He is described as a Hispanic male, 5’8” to 6’ tall, with a muscular build, and short black hair. He had a mustache and goatee and a mole on his right cheek. He was wearing a dark polo shirt with horizontal stripes, blue jeans, and a dark-blue baseball cap. He was carrying a black backpack. Anyone who has information about this suspect and/or bank robbery is asked to call the Major Crimes Division at 240-773-5100. Source: Montgomery County Police Department

(NCR BOLO)



Attempted Bank Robbery in Silver Spring

Detectives from the Montgomery County Police Major Crimes Division – Robbery Section and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) are investigating an attempted bank robbery that occurred in Silver Spring. Today at 3:03 p.m., officers from the 3rd District responded to the Suntrust Bank, located at 8700 Georgia Avenue in Silver Spring, for the report of an attempted bank robbery that had just occurred. The preliminary investigation revealed that the suspect entered the bank, approached the teller, and presented a note demanding cash. The suspect was unable to obtain cash and fled on foot towards Cameron Street. No weapon was seen or implied and no one was injured during the incident. The suspect is described as a black male, in his mid 40’s, 5’09” tall, weighing 160 pounds, with a mustache. He was wearing a white long-sleeved dress shirt with vertical stripes on one half of the shirt and stripes running in a 90 degree angle on the other half of the shirt, a knit hat, and glasses. Anyone who has information about this bank robbery or the suspect is asked to call the Major Crimes Division - Robbery Section at 240-773-5100. Source: Montgomery County Police Department

(NCR BOLO)



Identity of Suspect Sought in Oxon Hill Armed Robbery

(NCR BOLO)

The Prince George's County Police Department's Robbery Unit is seeking the public's assistance in identifying the individual wanted in connection with the armed robbery of a Sunoco Gas Station in Oxon Hill, Maryland. On July 7, 2010 at 4:32 p.m. the suspect walked into the Sunoco Gas Station located in the 6300 block of Livingston Road posing as a customer. Once inside, the suspect displayed a handgun and demanded money. The suspect then took money and fled the scene.



The suspect is described as a Black male approximately 5'9", stocky build, between 25 and 35 years old wearing a white shirt and tan hat. Anyone with information about the suspect is urged to call the Prince George's County Police Department's Robbery Unit at 301-772-4905. Callers wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Solvers at 1-866-411-TIPS (8477) or text "PGPD plus your message" to CRIMES (274637) on your cell phone or go to <http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/police/> and submit a tip online. Source: Prince Georges County Police Department

61 dead in train collision in eastern India; foul play suspected

(Global Terrorism)

A speeding express train plowed into a stationary passenger train in eastern India on Monday, killing 61 people in a crash so powerful it sent the roof of one car flying onto an overpass. Officials said they could not rule out sabotage. Railway Minister Mamata Banerjee, who rushed to the site, raised the possibility the crash could have been another case of sabotage, two months after Maoist rebels were blamed for a derailment that killed 145 people. Rescuers recovered 61 bodies from the crash site and 125 other people were injured, said Surajit Kar Purkayastha, a top police official. The disaster was the second major train crash in the state of West Bengal in the past two months. On May 28, a passenger train derailed and was hit by an oncoming cargo train in a crash that killed 145 people. Authorities blamed sabotage by Maoist rebels for that crash. Accidents are common on India's sprawling rail network, one of the world's largest, with most blamed on poor maintenance.



Analyst Note: India leads in the number of terrorist bomb attacks against trains and buses with 387 incidents since 1970, and terrorist derailments with 42 incidents. Prior to the Maoist triggered train derailment in May, a mine detonated under a bus by Maoist guerrillas and left 44 passengers dead. These incidents may cause security implications on surface transport security around the world. This comes just five months after two female suicide bombers killed 38 people on an attack on Moscow's subway. Terrorist may take note of methods, taking lessons from all attempts which could be applied to other transportation systems.

http://www.nydailynews.com/news/world/2010/07/18/2010-07-18_at_least_35_dead_in_train_collision_in_eastern_india.html

VBIED Attack Targets Ciudad Juarez First Responders -Graffiti message in Juarez warns of another car bomb (Global Terrorism)

A graffiti message found Sunday night in Juárez warned U.S. law enforcement that another car bombing will occur if they do not arrest corrupt federal police agents. The unsigned message told the FBI and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration to investigate authorities that support the Sinaloa drug cartel. Otherwise, there will be another car bomb placed in Juárez to kill federal police, the threat stated. "If in 15 days, there is no response with detention of corrupt federales, we will put a car with 100 kilos of C4," the message read. Composite 4, or C-4, was the plastic explosive used for an attack that killed three people. A similar message, known as "narco-pinta," was found signed by the Juárez cartel warning they had more car bombs targeted to authorities helping Joaquín "Chapo" Guzmán, leader of the Sinaloa drug cartel. Military officials in Juárez said 10 kilos of explosive rigged in a car were detonated from a cell phone that day. It was the first attack of its kind since the Mexican government began cracking down on drug cartels. Adriana Gómez Licón may be reached at agomez@elpasotimes.com; 546-6129. See Tuesday's El Paso Times for more details. http://www.elpasotimes.com/ci_15550039?source=most_viewed

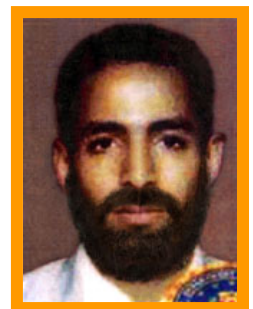


Analyst Note: Drug cartels apparently have adopted terrorist tactics that use suicide bombers and car bombs to kill foes or to make a point. These tactics have been seen in Iraq and Afghanistan. This is the first time a car bomb has been used in the Juárez drug war which began in since 2008. According to the DEA Islamic xtremists embedded in the United States are partnering with violent Mexican drug gangs to finance terror networks in the Middle East.

http://www.nationalterroralert.com/updates/2010/07/19/new-terror-threat-on-mexico-border/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+NationalTerrorAlertResourceCenter+%28National+Terror+Alert+Response+Center%29

Uganda Attack Carried Out by Shabaab Cell Named After Slain Al-Qaeda Leader (Global Terrorism)

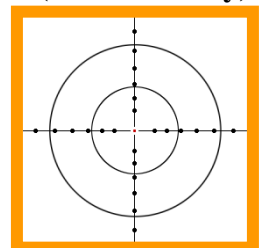
The top leader of Shabaab said that the deadly attacks in Kampala, the capital of Uganda, were carried out by cell named after an al-Qaeda and Shabaab leader slain in Somalia last year. **Sheikh Muktar Abdelrahman Abu Zubeyr, Shabaab's spiritual leader, also threatened to carry out further attacks in the neighboring East African counties of Uganda and Burundi if African Union peacekeepers are not withdrawn from Somalia.** Zubeyr, in an audiotape released today to Somali media, said the Saleh Ali Nabhan Brigade carried out the deadly bombings in Kampala that targeted soccer fans at a restaurant and a rugby club as they watched the World Cup final match on July 12. The Saleh Ali Nabhan Brigade is likely led or directed by Fazul Mohammed, who was appointed by Osama bin Laden as al-Qaeda's leader in East Africa in late 2009. Source: (Excerpted) Long War Journal, 15 July 2010



Sniper Targets Oakland Cops

Oakland Police Officers are now on the hunt for an apparent sniper trying to take out officers. **The latest incident happened Sunday July 18, 2010 at about 11:30 p.m. Patrol officers were on a traffic stop in West Oakland when they heard shots. They were detaining people in a car on suspicion of drug-related offenses. The officers had to get out of the line of fire and get the detainees out of the line of fire.** They called for back up. The officers took cover, and no one was hit by the gunfire. Police searched the high-rise apartment building from where they believe the shots were fired but they did not find the

(Officer Safety)



gun or the shooter. Police checked the building's security room where cameras might be and the room had been vandalized. Police say it is unclear whether that was done in advance by the shooter or if it was a coincidence but they were not able to get any surveillance tape right way which might help in the investigation. The officers and detainees were not hit.

<http://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local-beat/Sniper-Fire-Oakland-Police-98739644.html>

Police: Man drove car bomb into a bank

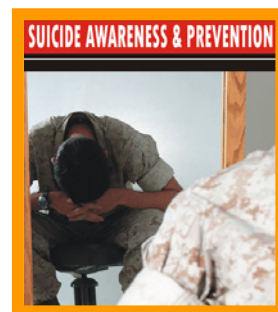
A man is in custody on charges of felony arson after allegedly driving a car bomb into a Lockport, Illinois bank July 16. The 48-year-old suspect, of Blue Island, Illinois, was arrested after witnesses at the scene identified him, the Lockport Police Department said. **He drove his car into the front entrance of a PNC bank, police said. The car exploded as the suspect walked away, police said, adding that he used the same material found in fireworks.** No injuries were reported because the bank was closed and unoccupied, authorities said. The suspect is being held on charges of felony arson and felony criminal damage to property with an incendiary device. His motive is unknown, according to police. Source:<http://www.cnn.com/2010/CRIME/07/17/illinois.carbomb/>

Army Reports Record Number of Suicides for June

There were 32 confirmed or suspected suicides among soldiers in June, including 21 among active-duty troops and 11 among National Guard or Reserve forces, according to Army statistics. Seven soldiers killed themselves while in combat in Iraq or Afghanistan in June, according to the statistics. Of the total suicides, 22 soldiers had been in combat, including 10 who had deployed two to four times. The Army also unveiled on Thursday a training video designed to combat suicides. It contains testimonials by soldiers who struggled with self-destructive impulses before seeking help. It is titled *Shoulder to Shoulder: I Will Never Quit on Life*, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RzceLmVnj6A>

Police in Tacoma, Washington encountered a standoff with a heavily armed soldier on July 13, 2010. The incident began when police were called to the home to do a welfare check, but the man refused to let them in and said he had a lot of guns. Investigators said the man may have been suicidal. The situation came to a peaceful end after the man surrendered. Source: Kiro-7 News/USA Today

(Public Awareness)



DC firefighters focus on hydration during heat wave

The Emergency Management and Response—Information Sharing and Analysis Center (EMR-ISAC) noted that the arrival of extremely high temperatures increased operational challenges for Emergency Services Sector (ESS) personnel at various locations including New York City and Washington, D.C. Firefighters, police officers, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics are among the most susceptible to heat related injuries. The EMR-ISAC acquired a few heat injury prevention suggestions from various sources to protect ESS personnel during the performance of duties. These recommendations follow for the consideration of leaders, owners, and operators of emergency departments and agencies:

(Emergency Management)



- Drink plenty of water to stay hydrated on and off the job.
- Rehabilitate often in the shade or air-conditioned area before symptoms of heat stress appear.
- Remove any personal protective equipment (PPE) during rehabilitation.
- Take advantage of any available misting fans.
- Wear light-weight and lightly colored clothing beneath PPE when possible.

Source:<http://www.firerescue1.com/firefighter-safety/articles/847811-DC-firefighters-focus-on-hydration-during-heat-wave>

Fake Goods = Real Terrorism

Want that trendy handbag or hot pair of sneakers, but don't want to pay that hefty price tag that goes with it? Many don't think twice about buying a knockoff or counterfeit from a flea market. Well, guess what, some of the money you're spending may be going to terrorists! NBC Philadelphia's Harry Hairston and the NBC10 Investigators first exposed this problem last May. Wednesday, two men were sentenced to prison for their roles in a counterfeit ring. Prosecutors said the ring was designed to finance the Iranian-backed group Hezbollah. Prosecutors admit neither defendant knew of the link to Hezbollah. The feds classify Hezbollah as a terrorist organization. FULL ARTICLE & VIDEO:



<http://www.nbcphiladelphia.com/news/local-beat/Fake-Goods--Real-Terrorism-98435709.html>

Analyst Note: Hezbollah supporters have been identified in New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. On July 14, 2010 a subject involved in the illicit operation from Plainsboro, New Jersey, was sentenced to a year and a day in federal lockup for his role in the counterfeit ring which was used to funnel money to Hezbollah. The goods, valued at almost \$250,000, were to be sold at flea markets in New Jersey. Prosecutors said he was unaware of the link to Hezbollah and was not charged with providing support to a terrorist group. Open source reporting indicates that the criminal operation involved the attempted exporting of machine guns to Syria from Philadelphia, PA, the sale of fake passports, production of counterfeit money, and a string of robberies. According to reports, the overall intent of the operation was to funnel proceeds from these illicit activities to the terrorist group Hezbollah to assist in funding their activities.

Metropolitan Police and Drug Enforcement Administration Seize Thousands in Cash and Drugs in Various Operations (Police Initiative)

Mayor Adrian M. Fenty, the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), and the United States Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Washington Division Office, in conjunction with the U.S. Attorney's Office and the D.C. Office of the Attorney General, announced today the arrests of several suspects for the possession and distribution of illegal drugs and narcotics as well as weapons charges. Through a violent crime initiative called "Operation Sixth Sense", the Metropolitan Police Department and federal law enforcement agencies in D.C. have focused their enforcement efforts on repeat violent offenders.



The operation locations included areas of Trinidad, NE, the Rosedale NE area, and 7th and O Streets, NW. Authorities have obtained 46 arrest warrants, executed 21 search warrants, and made arrests of suspects for numerous offenses, including distribution and possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine, PCP, and marijuana, Oxycontin, and Percocet, and seized drugs with a street value in excess of \$200,000. Seven guns and over \$6,500 in cash were also seized. Anyone with information about crimes that occur in the District is asked to call the police at 202-727-9099 or 1-888-919-CRIM [E].

Maryland Gang Members Face New Charges

Members of the notorious Black Guerrilla Family prison gang have now been charged under a federal organized crime law. Thirteen alleged members of the gang had already been charged with drug conspiracy. A new indictment unsealed Tuesday charges 15 people with racketeering conspiracy, which carries a potential life sentence. Among those charged is a former correctional officer, Alicia Simmons, who's accused of smuggling drugs, cell phones and other contraband to BGF members in Maryland prisons. Date: 15 July 2010; Source:



http://www.foxbaltimore.com/newsroom/top_stories/videos/wbff_vid_4419.shtml

Weekend Incident Update from GlobalIncidentMap.com

AFGHANISTAN - Bomb Blast In Taliban Birthplace Kills 3 Including 2 Police
AFGHANISTAN - Bomb Blast Rocks Kabul - 2 Civilians Dead - 20 Injured
AFGHANISTAN - Inmates Flee After Bomb Blast In Western Afghanistan Jail
AFGHANISTAN - Roadside Bomb Kills 6 Afghan Police In Taliban Birthplace
AFGHANISTAN - Roadside Bomb Kills NATO Soldier In Afghanistan
AFGHANISTAN - Roadside Bomb Wounds 4 German Soldiers In Northern Afghan Province
AFGHANISTAN - Roadside Bombs Kill 4 Nato Troops In Afghanistan
AFGHANISTAN - Several Blasts At Airport In Kabul Before Conference - 2 Dead
AFGHANISTAN - Taliban Chief Orders Fighters To Kill Civilians
AFGHANISTAN - Troops Detain Taliban Fighter Planning To Target Kabul
AUSTRALIA - Bomb Found Under Xstrata Coal Boss's Car
BANGLADESH - Bangladesh Arrests 2 ULFA Leaders
BANGLADESH - Highway Blocked - Vehicles Damaged - Buses Set Afire
CALIFORNIA - Bomb Squad Detonates Pipe Bomb In Anaheim
CALIFORNIA - CHP Finds Evidence Of Shooters Violent Plans
COLOMBIA - Army Captures FARC Guerrilla In Charge Of Rebel Leaders Security
FRANCE - At Least 50 Cars Torched In Disturbance In Southeast France
GAZA - Palestinian Security Forces Destroy Grenade In Tulkarem
GEORGIA - Suspicious Device Deemed Homemade Pipe Bomb
GREECE - Greek Journalist Gunned Down In Athens
GUINEA - Guinea Security Forces Foil Plot
INDIA - 2 Arrested - Bombs Recovered
INDIA - 2 Soldiers Hurt In Kashmir Gun Battle
INDIA - Attack Alert On - RPF To Guard Kolkata Metro
INDIA - Bomb Hoax Creates Panic In Solapur
INDIA - Dreaded Khalistani Terrorist Arrested
INDIA - Huge Haul Of Explosives Seized In Tirupati
INDIA - LeT Commander Killed In Kashmir Gunfight
INDIA - Maoist Threat To Chidambaram - Pillai - Says Government
INDIA - Maoists Attack Damages School In Chhattisgarh
INDIA - Maoists Kill 1 - Blow Up School Buildings In Orissa
INDIA - Maoists Kill Tribal For Being Police Spy
INDIA - Maoists Set 5 Vehicles On Fire In Jharkhand
INDIA - Militants Hurl Powerful Grenade At House Of Manipur Government Officer
INDIA - Police Recovers Electoral Photo Identity Card From Arrested Lashker Commander
INDIA - Possible Sabotage - Train Wreck Kills 56 Injures 125
INDIA - Powerful IED Detected - Tragedy Averted In Jammu And Kashmir
INDIA - Sabotage Not Ruled Out - Eastern Railway General Manager
INDIA - Top LeT Commander Arrested In Kishtwar District
INDIA - Top Militant Arrested In Meghalaya
INDIA - Train Services Affected Following Maoist Threat
INDIA - Trains Suspended As Maoist Banners Found On Tracks
IRAN - 40 Arrested For Iran Suicide Bombings
IRAN - Federal Appeals Court Orders US To Reconsider Terror Label For Iran Opposition Group
IRAQ - 2 Brothers Killed In Bomb Attack In Northern Iraq
IRAQ - 2 High-Voltage Power Lines In Anbar Sabotaged
IRAQ - 9 Wounded - Senior Iraqi Official Escapes Attack In Baghdad Bombings
IRAQ - Car Bomb Kills 4 North Of Baghdad
IRAQ - Nine Killed In Suicide Bombing Near Baghdad
IRAQ - Suicide Car Bomb Hits Convoy Of Foreign Firm Near A Bridge In Mosul - 4 Killed
ISRAEL - 2 Mortar Shells - Anti-Tank Missile Fired At Israeli force in Gaza
ISRAEL - Air Force Fighter Jets Intercept Ethiopian Airlines Flight In Hijack Scare
ISRAEL - Al-Quds Brigades - PFLP Claim Mortar Attack In Gaza
ISRAEL - Hamas Cell Behind Policemans Death Arrested

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PAKISTAN - 18 Militants Killed In Air Strike In NW Pakistan
PAKISTAN - 2 Bombs Damage Electricity Poles
PAKISTAN - 25 Militants Killed In Orakzai
PAKISTAN - 4 Killed - 26 Injured In Mosque Blast In Sargodha
PAKISTAN - 7 Injured In Roadside Bomb Explosion
PAKISTAN - 8 Injured In Twin Bomb Blasts In Lahore
PAKISTAN - Bomb Explosions Hit Pak-Afghan Highway
PAKISTAN - Taliban Publicly Blow Up 2 Alleged US Spies In North Waziristan
PHILIPPINES- Terrorist Plot To Bomb Festivities Foiled - Police On High Alert
SOMALIA - 7 Dead In Somalia After Stray Shell Hits School
SOMALIA - At Least 14 Civilians Killed In Fighting In Somali Capital
SOUTH CAROLINA - Suspicious Package Found Outside Columbia Courthouse
SUDAN - Sudan Army - 300 Rebels - 75 Troops Killed In Darfur
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THAILAND - Nine Wounded In Bomb Attack In Narathiwat
THAILAND - Policeman Injured In Yala Landmine Explosion
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TURKEY - Turkey Warns Against International Support For PKK
UGANDA - AU Summit Opens In Uganda Amid Tight Security - Peace And Security High On Agenda
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UNITED KINGDOM - Road Closed Due To Suspicious Object Discovery
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