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Two U.S. Troops Killed in Germany Airport Shooting (Terrorism TTP)

A 21-year-old man from Kosovo is in custody after two American troops were killed and two others were wounded March 2 in a shooting incident on a U.S. military bus at Germany's Frankfurt Airport. Police said they believe the suspect stormed onto the bus, which was waiting at the terminal, and began shooting. The suspect is from the northern town of Mitrovica. The suspect has passports from Germany and from Yugoslavia, the latter of which was issued prior to Kosovo's declaration of independence from Serbia in 2008. Officials were running a background check on the suspect, who lives in Germany, for possible terrorist links. CNN was not able to reach anyone at the U.S. Embassy for comment. The bus driver was among the dead. Both fatalities were U.S. Air Force airmen from Lakenheath base in Britain. The two wounded were security forces who were on their way to a deployment, said the source. FBI agents were on the scene shortly after the shooting occurred.



<http://www.cnn.com/2011/WORLD/europe/03/02/germany.shooting/index.html?hpt=T1>

Man Shot In Beltsville Apartment Complex (NCR RFI)

Around 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, police officers were called to the parking lot of an apartment complex in Beltsville for the report of a shooting, says a Prince George's County Police spokesperson. Officers arrived in the 3900 block of Lakehouse Rd. in Beltsville to find a male shot in the upper body. He was conscious and breathing when he was taken to an area hospital. Police are looking for a black male suspect who is 5-foot, 8-inches tall and 160 pounds, wearing a black hat and a blue jacket. No age was given for the suspect.

<http://www.wusa9.com/news/maryland/article/139122/189/Man-Shot-In-Beltsville-Apartment-Complex>

Metrobus Drivers Carry Guns For Protection

In past years, Metrobus operators have been spit on, cussed out, assaulted and threatened. The bus operators' union has gathered the numbers for attacks on drivers in the past year and provided them to 9NEWS NOW. There have been 59 passenger assaults against bus operators, 135 attempted assaults and 140 threats. Leaders of the Amalgamated Transit Union say only about 40% of the assaults are reported because bus drivers are convinced Metro officials will do nothing about them. Some drivers have resorted to arming themselves for protection. The union wants more Metro Transit Police riding the buses, and they want the optional plastic shields. Other transit systems are installing shields on buses to protect bus operators from dangerous or aggressive passengers.

<http://www.wusa9.com/news/dcnews/article/139026/187/EXCLUSIVE-Metrobus-Drivers-Packing-Heat>

Don't Miss Last Metro Train

Metro has released a more detailed schedule of train operations during this weekend's disruption on the Orange and Blue lines. Also available now are the exact locations of the stops for the shuttle buses that will bridge the gaps in train service. From 10 p.m. Friday through the rail system's midnight closing Sunday, the eastern side of the Orange Line between Stadium-Armory and New Carrollton will be shut for maintenance projects. During the same period, there will be no Blue Line service between Stadium-Armory and Benning Road.



Last through trains Friday

Late-night train riders who plan to travel through the work zones by shuttle bus will want to be careful about the train schedule, particularly on Friday night, when the work begins.

Orange Line: Before the service disruption begins Friday night, the last Orange Line train from Vienna going all the way to New Carrollton will depart Vienna at 8:59 p.m., Stadium-Armory at 9:42 p.m., Minnesota Avenue at 9:46 p.m., Deanwood at 9:47 p.m., Cheverly at 9:50 p.m. and Landover at 9:53 p.m., and arrive at New Carrollton at 9:56 p.m. The last Orange Line train from New Carrollton going through to Vienna will depart New Carrollton at 9:33 p.m., Landover at 9:36 p.m., Cheverly at 9:39 p.m., Deanwood at 9:42 p.m., Minnesota Avenue at 9:43 p.m. and Stadium-Armory at 9:47 p.m., and arrive at the Vienna at 10:30 p.m.

Blue Line: Before the shutdown Friday night, the last Blue Line train from Franconia-Springfield going through to Largo Town Center will depart Franconia-Springfield at 8:59 p.m., Stadium-Armory at 9:48 p.m., Benning Road at 9:51 p.m., Capitol Heights at 9:55 p.m., Addison Road at 9:57 p.m. and Morgan Boulevard at 10 p.m., and arrive at the Largo Town Center at 10:01 p.m. The last Blue Line train from Largo Town Center going through to Franconia-Springfield will depart Largo Town Center at 9:42 p.m., Morgan Boulevard at 9:45 p.m., Addison Road-Seat Pleasant at 9:48 p.m., Capitol Heights at 9:50 p.m., Benning Road at 9:54 p.m. and Stadium-Armory at 9:57 p.m., and arrive at the Franconia-Springfield at 10:46 p.m.

Final connecting trains

Once the service disruption starts at 10 p.m. Friday, the next schedule issue for train riders will be making sure they arrive in time to catch the final shuttle buses operating early Saturday.

Blue Line: For riders heading toward Franconia-Springfield to make their final connections at Stadium-Armory, the last Blue Line trains will depart Largo Town Center about 2:04 a.m. Saturday and Sunday. Then, on Sunday night, when the train system closes at midnight, the last such departure will be about 11:04 p.m. The last trains to Franconia-Springfield will leave Stadium-Armory at approximately 2:49 a.m. Saturday and Sunday. On Sunday night, the departure time will be 11:49 p.m. Heading toward Largo Town Center from Benning Road, the last Blue Line trains will depart about 3:50 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, and about 12:50 a.m. Monday.

Orange Line: The last trains to Vienna will leave Stadium-Armory at 2:49 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, and at 11:49 p.m. Sunday.

Shuttle bus locations

Here are the locations for the shuttle buses.

Blue Line Shuttle: The bus will operate between Stadium-Armory (bus bay C) and Benning Road (corner of Benning Road and Central Avenue). Riders using this shuttle should add 15 to 20 minutes to their trips.

Orange Line Express Shuttle: This bus will operate between Stadium-Armory (bus bay C) and New Carrollton (bus bays D, E and F) with no stops in between. Riders should add 30 minutes to their trips.

Orange Line Local Shuttle: This local shuttle bus will operate between Stadium-Armory (bus bay C) and New Carrollton, stopping at Minnesota Avenue (bus bay G), Deanwood (bus bay A), Cheverly (bus bay C), Landover (bus bay D) and New Carrollton (bus bays D, E and F). Riders should add 40 minutes to their trips. http://voices.washingtonpost.com/dr-gridlock/2011/03/dont_miss_last_metro_train_1.html?wprss=dr-gridlock

E. Coli Found on 50 Percent of Shopping Carts

(Public Health)

Researchers from the University of Arizona swabbed shopping cart handles in four states looking for bacterial contamination. Of the 85 carts examined, 72 percent turned out to have a marker for fecal bacteria. The researchers took a closer look at the samples from 36 carts and discovered Escherichia coli, more commonly known as E. coli, on 50 percent of them — along with a host of other types of bacteria. “That’s more than you find in a supermarket’s restroom,” said the lead researcher on the study and a professor of microbiology at the University of Arizona. The study’s results may explain earlier research that found that kids who rode in shopping carts were more likely than others to develop infections caused by bacteria such as salmonella and campylobacter, the lead researcher said. http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/41838546/ns/health-kids_and_parenting/



DHS to Gain Real-Time Access to DoD Biometrics

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) hopes to soon have real-time access to the military’s biometrics database letting them better sort out who’s who at U.S. points of entry. The capability will be similar to what DHS is already doing with the FBI, and through it, local law enforcement agencies around the country said the director of DHS’s U.S. VISIT program. U.S. VISIT, the office responsible for screening foreign visitors to the U.S.-is the main repository for DHS’ biometric data. That information, mainly fingerprint data, can be shared between DHS and the criminal record system that the FBI holds at its Criminal Justice Information Services division in West Virginia. The director said DHS had already proven the value of biometric information sharing through the Secure Communities program, which lets participating local law enforcement see data held in Homeland Security databases. He said that data comes in handy when law officers encounter a suspect who gives a false name. Since DHS also has access to biometric data held by the FBI, its Customs and Border Protection agents can make better decisions about who to let into the country. “Prior to a pilot in Detroit that we will now expand to other locations, we had people coming into the country with criminal history that made them ineligible to come into the country,” the director said. “But they came into the country because we didn’t know about it. We can now search the FBI’s criminal master file-65 million prints-in under 15 seconds. That is a tremendous, tremendous step forward in both the idea of leveraging information sharing and the technical interoperability between the two systems.” <http://www.federalnewsradio.com/?nid=35&sid=2289626>



FBI Crime Report Highlights Trends in Internet Fraud

(Cyber Security)

The recently published FBI 2010 Internet Crime Report reveals the most common types of Internet crimes in 2010 were non-delivery of payment or merchandise, impersonating the FBI, and identity theft. According to the joint FBI/National White Collar Crime Center’s Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3), it received more than 300,000 complaints about these particular Internet scams and more. The majority of the filings came from U.S. males between the ages of 40 and 59 years old with targets primarily in California, Florida, Texas, and New York. International complaints came from Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia, and India. In the cases actually solved by the FBI or local law enforcement officials, the majority of perpetrators (around 75 percent) were males residing in California, Florida, New York, Texas, the District of Columbia, and Washington state. Internationally, the hotbeds for scammers were in the United Kingdom, Nigeria, and Canada. The top ten crimes were: computer crimes, miscellaneous fraud, advance fee fraud, spam, auction fraud, credit card fraud, and overpayment fraud. These crimes were mostly carried out through telephone calls claiming victims are delinquent on payday loans and should pay right away, online apartment and real estate scams, denial of service attacks on cell phones and landlines targeting bank accounts, as well as fake emails asking for donations for natural disasters like Hurricane Katrina and the tsunamis.



<http://www.tgdaily.com/security-features/54342-fbi-crime-report-highlights-trends-in-internet-fraud>

Personal Information Found On Donated Computers

(Cyber Security)

How many of us have donated used computers and their parts to charity? WUSA9 purchased four computers from a Montgomery County, Maryland, thrift shop. They ranged in price from \$19.99 to \$49.99, but what they found inside them could be priceless in the wrong hands. On three of the four computers, there was a treasure trove of personal information: names, addresses, social security numbers, tax returns, medical records and even, the security clearance application of a high-level defense contractor. It didn't take long for us to track down one of the computer's owners and show him what we found. We showed him the household budget he stored on the computer, a copy of his will, directions to the family's home and even, photographs of his children. On a Dell computer, WUSA9 effortlessly accessed information, even when it called for a password. "When we got to the log in screen, it actually required a user name and password. But it's Windows 98, you just hit escape, and you're straight in, and you have full access to the file system." Only one computer had its hard drive removed. The other three stored a staggering volume of financial data. Bank accounts, a stock trading portfolio and credit card records. A lot of people don't know where their hard drive is or how to remove it. How do you safely donate a computer? **One option is to remove the hard drive altogether. The location of your hard drive will vary depending on your computer, but basically, you open it up and take it out and then, you can donate it. You can also purchase software to erase your hard drive or even download it for free. Some choices include: [HDS shredder 3.8](#) and [Active@ Kill Disk - Hard Drive Eraser](#)**
<http://www.wusa9.com/news/dcnews/article/139057/187/Dont-Donate-Your-Identity>

Resources

GlobalIncidentMap.com

A Global Display of Terrorism And Other Suspicious Events

Washington DC Links

Live Traffic Reports <http://ddot.dc.gov/DC/DDOT/On+Your+Street/Traffic+Management/Live+Traffic+Reports>

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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