



INCIDENT UPDATE

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National Counter Terrorism Protective Security Incident Update — 16th September 2017

UK TERRORISM THREAT LEVELS

INTERNATIONAL in the UK

CRITICAL
AN ATTACK IS EXPECTED IMMINENTLY

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NORTHERN IRISH RELATED in the Britain

SUBSTANTIAL
AN ATTACK IS A STRONG
POSSIBILITY

Incident — Parsons Green, London— 15th September 2017— Message 7/7

Bridge Call Summary re Incident at Parsons Green

This afternoon Deputy Assistant Commissioner Lucy D’Orsi, who is the National Chief Police lead for Protective Security spoke to Industry Sector Leads on a CSSC Bridge Call to update them on the incident that took place at Parsons Green Underground Station in South London on Friday 15th September.

DAC Lucy D’Orsi said:

I want to reassure the business community that this increased level of terrorist activity AND THE MOVE TO CRITICAL is being matched by increased action by the police and security services across the country

Police were called to Parsons Green Underground Station at approximately 08:20 hrs on Friday 15th September 2017 following reports of an incident on a tube train. Deputy Assistant Commissioner Neil Basu, the Senior National Coordinator (SNC), declared a terrorist incident at 09:20 hrs.

The device contained Home made explosives in a glass container alongside wires, nuts, blades and a timing mechanism. It is being treated as an improvised explosive device (IED) which partially exploded.

CCTV footage of a suspect was circulated to internal partners. As a result Kent Police Special Branch Officers at Dover spotted the suspect loitering in the coach park and arrested and detained him 0820 on 16/09/2017. It is not yet clear whether he is part of a wider Network.

Critical and Temperer

The threat to the UK from International Terrorism has been raised by JTAC to CRITICAL, meaning an attack is expected imminently.

Operation TEMPERER is underway, deploying 700 military personnel to release 1000 armed police officers, following the authorisation of a Military Aid to Civil Authorities (MACA) request.





The public can expect to see increased firearms presence at certain locations. This is part of an agreed and well-rehearsed plan.

Action

- ◇ Businesses would expect the police to do everything possible to prevent further attacks and keep them safe. We are flexing our resources to increase police presence at key sites (such as transport and other crowded places) and we are reviewing key events over the coming weeks.
- ◇ We need businesses to continue to support this effort by ensuring your own staff and buildings are prepared to deal with an attack.
- ◇ We continue to offer support through Project Griffin and Project Argus.
- ◇ Where you have them, we encourage your security staff to be vigilant and proactive in monitoring your business areas for suspicious activity.
- ◇ Where businesses are co-located, we recommend that you work together to ensure your shared areas are protected.
- ◇ Try and minimise crowds at your business and make sure you are aware of who is coming in and out of your premises.
- ◇ Keep buildings secure where appropriate.
- ◇ Pay attention to areas around exits, especially when large numbers of staff and customers are due to leave.

Introduce Control Measures

- ⇒ Introduce control measures and monitoring systems to ensure employees, contractors and suppliers and the public only have access to buildings, information and people necessary for their role.
- ⇒ Consider adding a security message, something along the lines of “your safety matters, we may ask to search you and your belongings, please add some extra time for your visit”.
- ⇒ Some good security practices was identified at hotels on Friday night with leaflets explaining the new security picture, its impact and potential implications on guests, such as searching.

Create a Strong Security Culture

- ◆ A strong security culture encouraging staff to feel confident in challenging and escalating their concerns.
- ◆ Staff should be aware of what suspicious behaviour looks like in their own environment, at different times of the day and seasons.



- ◆ Promote positive engagement and a culture of polite challenge “how are you?” says more than “hello.”
- ◆ Ensure that staff are clear on their responsibilities. Encourage them to be confident and to report suspicious behaviour or a security incident. It helps if this is via a single point of contact/phone number. Ensure that this path is staffed and has an escalation and resolution process.
- ◆ Review your online presence, what information could a hostile obtain from looking at your website?

Search and Screening

- Consider creating more secure zones within your site
- Use search and screening procedures to stop prohibited people and items entering or leaving

At this time we are asking the public and business to remain calm but alert. If you see anything that causes you concern, then let us know immediately, if you have suspicions about someone's behaviour call us.

Look out for anything that seems out of place, unusual, or doesn't seem to fit in with day-to-day life. It may be nothing but if you see or hear anything that could be terrorist related trust your instinct no matter how small then ACT and call 999.

