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ALERT SUMMARY: UNITED KINGDOM TERRORIST ATTACKS

DATE
June 29 – July 1, 2007

LOCATION
Various Locations across the United Kingdom

INCIDENT SITUATION

Various terrorist plots in the United Kingdom led the government to increase the state of alert to the highest level possible, critical, on June 30, 2007. The first incident occurred on Friday, June 29th when two car bombs were found in separate locations in central London, within a mile of each other. Both cars contained large quantities of gasoline, petrol tanks, nails, and cell phone detonators. The first car was found on Haymarket, just blocks from Piccadilly Circus, and the other at Hyde Park Corner, near Buckingham Palace. Had the bombs exploded, they would have resulted in mass casualties.

July 1st, a Jeep packed with gasoline and propane tanks rammed into the outer security wall of the main terminal of the Glasgow Airport. It did not penetrate the terminal wall but burst into flames upon impact. Both occupants jumped out and were immediately apprehended. Five bystanders were slightly wounded, as was one of the vehicle's occupants. Following the attack, various incidents were reported at the Liverpool Airport, the Edinburgh Airport, and the Royal Alexandra Hospital near Glasgow where the suspect was being treated. The hospital was evacuated after officials determined the suspect had an explosive device on his body. The following day, the hospital was cordoned off again as police conducted a controlled explosion of a car parked in the hospital's lot. The hospital was yet again evacuated on Monday July 2nd, when additional controlled blasts were carried out. On the same day, additional security concerns were reported in multiple locations including Heathrow Airport.

As of July 2nd, a total of seven suspects have been apprehended and a massive manhunt continues for the suspected ringleader and others believed to be involved. Officials linked the attempted car bombings and the Glasgow attack and while they have not singled out any particular organization, they stated the attacks were an act of international terrorism.

SELECTED NIMC UPDATES:

A potentially viable explosive device was found in London. British police have secured the device. 02:41 EDT 29 June

Officials announce car left in front of nightclub on Haymarket contained a crude bomb. 10:36 EDT 29 June

Officials calling incident at Glasgow Airport an intentional terrorist attack. 14:09 EDT 30 June

Hospital treating suspect from earlier attack on Glasgow airport. 14:15 EDT 30 June

National security alert raised to highest level following linked attacks in London and Glasgow. 17:24 EDT 30 June

Liverpool John Lennon Airport has been shutdown until further notice due to suspicious vehicle. 22:41 EDT 30 June

Bomb squad carries out a controlled explosion of a car at the Royal Alexandra Hospital on Sunday. 10:49 EDT 1 July

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