THE AMERICAN TERRORIST: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO BE A SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT

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Learning Objectives

1) Speak with confidence on several aspects of terrorism in the United States.
2) Explain why some people are identified as terrorists and others are not.
3) Identify markers of a developing extremist and the tools to help steer them down a better path.
4) Recommend a strategy based on your interpretation of the data presented and communicate that strategy with others.
5) Recognize and appropriately respond to potential threats related to terrorism, including the subtle signs.
6) Summarize and apply the fundamentals of terrorism to other aspects of violent behaviors.
7) Educate others on the true aspects of terrorism and terrorists, based on real data/statistics.
Definitions of Terrorism

Domestic Terrorism
“...the unlawful use of force and violence against persons or property to intimidate or coerce a government, the civilian population, or any segment thereof, in furtherance of political or social objectives”

International Terrorism
“...activities that involve violent acts or acts dangerous to human life that is a violation of the criminal law..., appear to be intended to intimidate or coerce a civilian population, influence the policy of a government, or to affect the conduct of a government by mass destruction, assassination, or kidnapping”

Terrorism
“The unlawful use of violence or threat of violence, often motivated by religious, political, or other ideological beliefs, to instill fear and coerce governments or societies in pursuit of goals that are usually political”
What makes a crime an act of terror?

- The type of crime and scale of its outcome should not be used to determine if a crime is an act of terrorism.

- If the individuals or groups committing the acts of violence are doing so because the victims do not follow their personal or religious beliefs or the act can be used as a tool for political gain, then the chances are they are acts of terrorism.

If an individual pulls out a gun and fires at school kids or co-workers, the individual is not likely to be prosecuted as a terrorist.
Terrorism Legislation, INTENT

- In a criminal case, not related to terrorism the burden of “proving intent” is on the prosecution.

- In the case of terrorism, acts that "appear to be intended" to intimidate, coerce, retaliate may still qualify as terroristic crimes without additional evidence.

Thirty pieces of legislation related to terrorism were enacted in the United States in 2015-2016.
Domestic or International Terrorist?

A

International boarders will not stop me!

B

Forms a plan to kill fellow Americans
Domestic or International Terrorist?

If an individual plans or trains for a terror act in the US – Domestic Terrorist (A)
If the individual plans or trains for a terror act out of the US – International Terrorist (B)
LET’S FIND OUT!

Are you a potential recruit or have hidden aspirations to become a terrorist?
The Profile Of An American Terrorist

1. Male.

2. Between 15 - 43 yrs. old.

3. Educated (increased chances with unemployment).

4. Single (no wife or girlfriend).

5. No active father figure.

6. Middle/upper class.

7. Live away from childhood home.

8. Feel isolated, angry victimized.

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- People who are more open to terrorist recruitment and radicalization tend to: Feel angry, alienated or disenfranchised.”
  - Deangelis, Tori (2009), Understanding Terrorism, Vol 40

- Many found the radicalized individuals to have feelings of anger and hatred.”

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Terror alert as boy pilot flies plane into skyscraper!

The young man Charles Bishop is best described as a young man who had very few friends and was very much a loner, a troubled young man.”
WHAT CAN WE DO?

Fighting terrorism in our community, neighborhood, in our schools and our homes.

GLOBAL PROBLEMS

Poverty, Pollution, and World Peace
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<td>Encourage them to join productive groups</td>
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<td>Work on CV/Resume with them, help them find employment, offer encouragement.</td>
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<td>Be a good friend/mentor and do not be afraid to call address bad behavior.</td>
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<td>Talk to them about their country, norms, games…and tell them about yours.</td>
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- Samy Mohammed El-Goarany
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- Sari Abdullah al-Kambodi
- Schaeffer Cox
- Sean Andrew Duncan
- Sebastian Gregerson
- Shafal Mosed
- Shaker Masri
- Shannon Maureen Conley
- Sharif Mobley
- Sheheryar Alam Qazi
- Shelton Thomas Bell
- Shirwa Ahmed
- Shivam Patel
- Shueyb Mossa Jokan
- Sinh Vinh Ngo
- Sister of Mohammed Hamzah Khan
- Sixto Ramiro Garcia (Abdullah Ali)
- Sohiel Kabir
- Soufian Amri
- Stanley Grant Phanor
- Sulejmah Hadzovic
- Sultane Roome Salim
- Syed Hashmi (Fahad)
- Syed Rizwan Farook
- Tahmeed Ahmad
- Tairod Webster Pugh
- Talha Haroon
- Tarek Mehanna
- Tarik Dowdell (Tarik Shah)
- Terrence McNeil
- Terry L. Loewen
- Theophilus Burroughs
- Thomas Bastian
- Timothy Loren McCoy Fleming
- Tnuza Jamal Hassan
- Traci Elaine Upshur
- Troy Matthew Kastigar (Abdirahman)
- Umar Chaudhry
- Umar Farooq
- Umer Hayat
- Usaama Abdullah Rahim
- Vincent Armstrong
- Vincente Rafael Pierre (Rafael Upshur)
- Waqar Hassan Khan
- Wasil Farooqui
- Wesam El-Hanafi
- William Krar
- Yahya Goba
- Yasein Taher
- Yaser Esam Hamdi
- Yasith Chhun
- Yehuda Abraham
- Yi Qing Chen
- Yonathan Melaku
- Yong Ki Kwon
- Yosvany Padilla Conde
- Yousef Mohammed Ramadan
- Yusuf Abdirizak Wehelie
- Yusuf Jama
- Yusuf Rodriguez (Abu Maria al-Mexiki)
- Zacharia Yusuf Abdurahman
- Zachary Adam Chesser (Abu Talhah al-Amrikee)
- Zakaria Boyd
- Zakaria Maruf
- Zakaryia Abdin
- Zakia Nasrin
- Zale H. Thompson
- Zarein Ahmedzay
- Zeinab Taleb-Jedi
- Ziyad Yaghi
- Zoobia Shahnaz
- Zubair Ahmed
- Zulfi Hoxha ("Abu Hamza al-Amriki")
Finding Patterns in The Data: A Collection and Comparison of 519 American Citizens Charged/Convicted of Terrorism Since 9/11

Demographics
- Gender
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- Crimes Involving Violence
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- Terrorism Camp
- The Terrorist’s Target
- Prison Location
Demographics: Gender and Ages

Gender of the American Terrorist

- Male: 483
- Female: 36

Ages of American Terrorists

Female Ave. = 35.5 Years old

Male Ave. = 32 years old
Terrorists Residence Prior to Arrest

Map of Terrorists Residence Prior to Arrest

- NY: 72
- VA: 44
- CA: 39
- MN: 36
- OH: 35
- FL: 34
- TX: 29
- MI: 22
- IL: 21
- NC: 18
- NJ: 18
- AZ: 15
- WA: 13
- AL: 11
- MA: 9
- OR: 9
- PA: 9
- MD: 8
- CO: 6
- DC: 6
- GA: 6
- MO: 6
- AK: 5
- AR: 5
- WI: 5
Top 10 Cities Where Terrorists Resided Prior to Arrest

New York City, NY: 42
Minneapolis, MN: 32
Chicago, IL: 15
Columbus, OH: 12
Miami, FL: 12
Cleveland, OH: 10
Falls Church, VA: 10
Detroit, MI: 9
Houston, TX: 9
Lackawanna, NY: 9
Demographics: Top Ethnicities

**Ethnicity of American Born Terrorists**

- Caucasian: 146
- African-American: 75
- Latino: 13
- Asian: 8
- Haitian: 2
- Syrian: 2
- Hawaiian: 1
- Turkish: 1

**Male Ethnicity (Birth)**

- Caucasian: 133
- African-American: 71
- Latino: 12
- Asian: 8
- Haitian: 2
- Syrian: 2
- Hawaiian: 1
- Turkish: 1

**Female Ethnicity (Birth)**

- Caucasian: 13
- African-American: 4
- Latino: 1
Demographics: Relationship Status

Male Terror Relationships

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Mental Health

Only 11% of the American males convicted of acts related to terrorism were diagnosed with mental illness. (58 of 519)
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Domestic Terror Organizations

- The U.S. government does not formally designate domestic terrorist organizations.
- Claiming an affiliation to a domestic terror organization is not illegal.
- Therefore, it may not be illegal to give money or other forms of material support to a domestic terrorist group, even if the group is known for its violence and hatred of others.

The First Amendment protects the right of people to associate with each other and to express their points of view.
Fifty-Five of the Americans charged with acts related to terrorism self identifies as members in one of following groups. **Political:** Antigovernment (AG) which includes Sovereign Citizens Movement (SCM) members; The Revolution Peoples Group (RPC); National Socialist Movement (NSM); Hutaree (HUT); and two right wing groups, the Nazi party (Nazi) and the militias, in this case the Alabama Free Militia (AFM). **Ideology:** White Supremacy (also includes the Nazi and NSM members) and the Jewish Defense League. **Religion:** The Jam’iyyat Ul-Ilam Is-Saheeh (JIS).

| Allegiance to Domestic Terror Organizations |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| AG  | WS  | RPG | SCM | AFM | JDL | JIS | HUT | Nazi | RW  | NSM |
| P   | P   | P   | P   | P   | I   | R   | P   | P/I  | P   | P/I |
Allegiance to International Terror Org.

Al Fuqra (AF), Al Haramain Islamic Foundation (AHIF), Ansar al-Islam (AI), Nusra Front or Jabhat al-Nusra (AN), Al-Qaeda (AQ), Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP), Al-Qaeda in Iraq (AQI), Al-Shabaab (AS), Abu Sayyaf Group (ASG), Hamas (H), Hezbollah (Hez), Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS/ISIL), Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), Lashkar-e-Tayyiba (LT), Pakistan Taliban (PT), Taliban (T), and the Tamil Tigers (TT).
Allegiance: Anwar al-Awlaki Influence

94 U.S. Terrorists...

18% of the American males convicted of acts related to terrorism were in possession of CDs, email correspondence, or were found with Awlaki YouTube videos in their internet history.

- First To be Targeted by the US
- Killed by drone in 2011.
A lone wolf, lone-wolf terrorist, or lone actor, is someone who prepares and commits violent acts alone, outside of any command structure and without material support.
Allegiance: Religion and Terrorism

Religion and Terrorism

- Not Muslim: 52%
- Raised Muslim: 29%
- Converted to Islam: 19%
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Of those identified in the sample group, 176 male terrorists had college experience, and 112 male terrorists did not.

STEM Fields. Science, Technology, Engineering, Math and Medicine are majors in which the majority of college terrorists sought. It is unknown if they chose those degrees in an attempt to improve their criminal skills.
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Careers: Social Status

Male Social Class
- Working class: 107
- Student: 41
- Unemployed: 36
- Middle Class: 24
- Prisoner: 17
- Low Class: 4

Female Social Class
- Working class: 5
- Student: 5
- Professional/Upper Class: 3
- Homemaker: 1
- Unemployed: 1
- Middle Class: 1
Military experience (N=37) 7%

- 7%, 37 terrorists
- VETERANS...Homeland Security Classifies Returning US Veterans as Potential Terrorist Threat
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Behind Bars: Crimes Involving Violence (318)

While the definition includes threat by violence, a remarkable 71% are not using violence when committing the acts that got them charged.

Use of Violence by American Terrorists

- 71% No Violence
- 29% Violence
Behind Bars: Weapons Used

Terrorists Weapons of Choice

- None: 120
- Explosives: 66
- Firearms: 54
- Knives: 8
- Aircraft: 2
- Cars: 1
- Missiles: 1
FBI INVOLVEMENT

- Yes: 60% (144 yes)
- No: 40%
Male Terrorists Sentencing (did not kill or injure anyone)

Average Sentence 13 years

Female Terrorist Sentencing (did not kill or injure anyone)

Average Sentence 8 years
Terrorism Training Camps

Only 5 women attended training camps, all in Syria.
Top Terror Targets

- Military Service Personnel: 25
- Public Places: 22
- Military Installations: 17
- Law Enforcement: 16
- Bridges: 11
- Govt. Fed Building: 10
- Govt Officials: 9
- Jewish Targets: 8
- Subways: 5
- FBI: 5
- Islamic Targets: 4
- Famous People: 4
- Church: 2
- GLBT Community: 1
- Nuclear Power Plant: 1
• Recidivism is relatively unknown for American terrorists, exception GITMO 27%.
• Phase 2 of work is to visit the prisons and interview the terrorist.
• Phase 3 a deradicalization program, 1st in the USA.
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Born in the USA  Naturalized  Unknown

48%  43%  9%
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Average Age US Born = 29 Years Old
Average Age Naturalized = 41 Years Old
Parents' Birth Country

- USA: 8
- Yemen: 3
- Lebanon: 2
- Palestine: 2
- Iraq: 1
- Jordan: 1
- Sudan: 1
Mental Health: 1 Terrorist
Muhammad Ibrahim Bilal

Military: 1 Terrorist
Kifah Wael Jayyousi (Navy)
Michigan Terrorism: 21 men / 1 woman

**Indian Allegiances**
- Nusra Front or Jabhat al-Nusra (AN), 1
- Lashkar-e-Tayyiba (LT), 1
- Taliban (T), 2
- Hezbollah (Hez), 3
- Acted Alone (NA), 4
- Al-Qaeda (AQ), 5
- Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS/ISIL), 6

**International Allegiances**
- International, 70%
- Domestic, 17%
- Unknown, 13%

International Allegiances:
- Nusra Front or Jabhat al-Nusra (AN)
- Lashkar-e-Tayyiba (LT)
- Taliban (T)
- Hezbollah (Hez)
- Acted Alone (NA)
- Al-Qaeda (AQ)
- Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS/ISIL)
**Professions**

- Professor
- Doctor
- Owner Janitorial Services
- Pizzeria
- Handy Man
- Home Health
- Truck Driver
- Retail
- Security Guard

**Social Class**

- Professional
- Working class
- Middle class
Where are they in Prison?

- Beckley FCI, BEAVER, WV
- Detroit RRM, MILAN, MI
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- Terre Haute USP, TERRE HAUTE, IN

How They Were Caught

- Acquaintance alerts authorities
- Airport security screening
- Arrest by Tunisian government
- Extremist statements
- How official were notified
- Informant
- Suspicious activity

Weapons of Choice
- Firearms & Knives

Involved Violence
- 80% no, 20% yes

Average Sentence
- 5.08 Years

FBI Involvement
- 5 Arrests
**Charges**

- Material Support: 6
- Criminal Conspiracy: 5
- Firearms Violations: 4
- Making False Statements: 3
- Immigration Violations: 3
- Violating Sanctions: 1
- Use of Weapons: 1
- Unlicensed Weapon: 1
- Unlicensed Explosives: 1
- Smuggling: 1
- Sale or Receipt of Stolen or Counterfeit...: 1
- Racketeering: 1
- Obstruction of Justice: 1
- Murder: 1
- Military-Type Training from Foreign...: 1
- Funding Terrorists: 1
- Conspiracy to Levy War Against the US: 1
- Assault: 1

**How They Were Captured**

- Suspicious Activity: 1
- Leaked Files from the "Islamic State": 1
- Informant: 1
- Extremist Statements: 1
- Arrest by Tunisian Government: 2
- Airport Security Screening: 1
- Acquaintance Alerts Authorities: 1
MICHIGAN TERRORISTS (Order: Year of Crime)

2001: Fadhil Al-Khaledy
2002: Omar Shishani
2003: Elias Akhdar
2003: Hassan Moussa Makki
2003: Muhammad Bilal
2005: Kifah Wael Jayyousi
2005: Monasser Omian
2005: Sadik Omian
2005: Jarallah Wasil
2011: Reed Stanley Berry
2012: David Brain Stone Sr
2012: Joshua Clough
2012: Joshua Matthew Stone
2013: Nicole Mansfield
2015: Mohammad Masha
2016: Sebastian Gregerson
2016: Khalil Abu-Rayyan
2016: Patrick Alan Lawwill
2016: Nathan Lawwill
2017: Samer el Debek
2017: Yousef Ramadan
2018: Ibraheem Musaibli
Michigan Terrorists: Fadhil Al-Khaledy

• Occupation: Owned a janitorial business
• Charges of fraudulently receiving a permit to haul hazardous materials.
• Al-Khaledy received his fake license Jan. 14, 2000, after claiming he had passed a hazardous materials test in Michigan.
• Al-Khaledy, who runs a one-man janitorial company in Detroit, said he did travel to Syria in 1998 to visit relatives.
• He said he became a U.S. citizen in Michigan in 1999.
• The FBI said it had found no link between the fraud and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.
Michigan Terrorists: Omar Shishani

Jordanian American Omar Shishani, age 47, was arrested and under investigation for terrorist ties for having nine allegedly counterfeit checks.

The Jordanian-born Shishani was arrested July 17, 2002; authorities say they found nine phony cashier's checks in his bags. They also say he later told them he could provide information about terrorism and that the name on the checks might belong to a member of Al Qaeda.
Michigan Terrorists: Elias Akhdar & Hassan Moussa Makki

Elias Akhdar and Hassan Moussa Makki were part of a group that would purchase low-taxed cigarettes from North Carolina and untaxed cigarettes from the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation in New York and then resell the cigarettes in Michigan at market prices. Elias Akhdar had received military training with Amal, a Shiite militia group, and had been involved in armed incursions linked to Hezbollah.

Hezbollah fought the Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon.

Akhdar’s common-law wife, Brandy Jo Bowman, an American Indian of the Seneca tribe, and her grandmother Carole Gordon headed the network’s New York operations and facilitated Akhdar’s access to untaxed cigarettes from the Cattaraugus reserve.
Michigan Terrorists: Muhammad Ibrahim Bilal

Originally referred to as "The Portland Six", Patrice Lumumba Ford, Jeffrey Leon Battle, October Martinique Lewis (Battle's ex-wife), Muhammad Ibrahim Bilal, Ahmed Ibrahim Bilal, and Habis Abdulla al Saoub made up the original six members arrested in October 2002. In April 2003, Maher "Mike" Hawash was arrested, and the name became "The Portland Seven".

Some members of which attempted to travel to Afghanistan shortly after 9/11 in order to aid the Taliban.

In 2003, he was sentenced to eight years on gun charges and for conspiracy to aid the Taliban in fighting the United States and coalition forces.
Michigan Terrorists: Kifah Wael Jayyousi

Kifah Jayyousi was tried, along with Adham Hassoun and Jose Padilla, on material support for terrorism charges in Florida in 2007. Jayyousi was an engineer who had provided aid to Muslim fighters prior to 1995.

Jayyousi was sentenced to twelve years, and is at the Terre Haute CMU.

Prior to his arrest, Kifah had been chief facilities director for the Washington, D.C., public school system, and then an adjunct professor at Wayne State University.
Michigan Terrorists: Monasser and Sadik Omian

- Age at time of crime:
  - Monasser – 68 Years Old
  - Sadik – 46 Years Old
- Allegiance: AQ
- Children:
  - Monasser - Yes
- Citizenship: Naturalized
- City: Detroit
- Converted: Birth
- Married:
  - Monasser - Yes
- Parent's Birth Country: Yemen
- Partners: Saleh Alli Nasser, Monasser Omian, Sadik Omian and Jarallah Wasil
- Prison: Detroit RRM
- Race: White
- Sentence:
  - Monasser – 2.5 Years, 2 Years Parole
  - Sadik – 0.8 Years, 2 Years Parole
- Sex: Males
- Year of crime: 2005
Michigan Terrorists: Jarallah Wasil

- Age at Time of Crime: 41
- Allegiance: AQ
- Citizenship: Naturalized
- City: Detroit
- Converted: Birth
- FBI (Undercover): Yes
- Parent's Birth Country: Yemen
- Prison: Detroit RRM
- Race: White
- Sentence: 4.75 Years, 3 Years Parole
- Sex: Male
- Target: Gabrielle Giffords
- Year of Crime: 2005


They used the hawala to send more than $9 million to Yemen.
Michigan Terrorists: Reed Stanley Berry

A Southwest Michigan man, Reed Stanley Berry, 26, of St. Joseph, sentenced for 7.6 years to prison for trying to ram the car of an FBI agent conducting surveillance before the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

“assaulting a federal officer with a dangerous weapon – his car”

Berry had a wife in London and an FBI source who was indicted for terrorist-related activity told FBI investigators that Berry wished to “vacation” in Somalia.
Michigan Terrorists: Hutaree Militia

The Hutaree militia planned to kill a law enforcement officer and then bomb the funeral caravan using improvised explosive devices based on designs used against American troops by insurgents in Iraq.

The FBI had 2 working undercover, an agent and an informant.

The agent was Stone's best man at his wedding. The wedding party dressed in military fatigues.
Michigan Terrorists: Nicole Mansfield

Nicole Lynn Mansfield, the only American known to have been killed in the Syrian conflict, died in Idlib province in the north of the country. State media reported that she, along with two others – believed to be an a British man and a Canadian – were killed fighting for the opposition.

"she was talking to people online and that they told her about the project in Syria"

Killed in Syria, May 2013
Michigan Terrorists: Mohammad Maleeh Masha

FBI hunts doctor from Flint area tied to Islamic State

Until last year, Masha lived in an orange-brick, two-story colonial in a leafy subdivision in Flushing, eight miles northwest of downtown Flint.

Federal agents are hunting for a suburban Flint medical school graduate who has fled to Syria and is believed to be working as a doctor for Islamic State extremists.
Michigan Terrorists: Khalil Abu-Rayyan

An accused ISIS sympathizer from Dearborn Heights was sentenced Thursday to five years in prison on federal firearm charges.

He planned ISIS-type terror attacks, including downloading an image of an ISIS fighter holding the severed head of a woman and saying, “if I can’t do jihad in the Middle East I will do it over here.”
He started to choke me and we ended up on the floor. The only thing I could do was to kick a dryer that was near me, trying to make noise. I screamed for his brother Patrick to help me and he watched through a crack in the door. He watched what was happening and he didn't help.

Michigan Terrorists: Patrick and Nathan Lawwill

The brothers were arrested in Tunisia Tuesday on suspicion of belonging to a terrorist organization. One of the men was carrying a U.S. passport identifying him as 31-year-old Patrick Alan Lawwill. Identified as 32-year-old Nathan Lawwill, also has ties to the Lansing area. Converted from Christianity to Islam; one of them was married to a Tunisian woman who was also arrested, according to NBC's sources.

"I have held that contract you signed up to my god and asked for his help. He will not remain silent to your treacherous acts.

"You had no fear of lying to me so I will have no fear in killing you and your entire family and those police officers and anyone else who stands in my way.

—Patrick Lawwill

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Michigan Terrorists: Sebastian Gregerson

Corken said social media posts and conversations recorded by an undercover FBI employee during a 16-month investigation proved Gregerson supported ISIS. She cited several comments Gregerson made, including one in which he critiqued ISIS attacks and suggested ways to boost the body count.

mass a weapons cache.
Michigan Terrorists: Samer el Debek

Samer El Debek, a two-passport traveller who is a naturalized US citizen. The 37-year-old has 10 years under his belt as a full-fledged Hezbollah agent. It now is known that, not only did Mr El Debek...

It is now known that Hezbollah was actively running terrorist cells in and out of Thailand by 2007, four years earlier than previously known. The men involved were all dual nationals, carrying passports from both of their native Lebanon and other mainstream countries. And Hezbollah is clearly the most covert, clever and under-the-radar group around, whose terrorism is probably a far greater threat to Thailand than the vaunted and so-far unspotted Islamic State.
An Ypsilanti man arrested by the FBI’s counterterrorism team in August said he was an Islamic State supporter, admitting he made pipe bombs and watched terrorist propaganda videos, according to federal records obtained by The Detroit News.

Yousef Mohammad Ramadan also boasted that committing a terrorist attack in the United States is easy compared to overseas.

Search warrant records offer new insight into a counterterrorism investigation shrouded in secrecy and help explain why Ramadan was removed from a Royal Jordanian Airlines flight in August at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.
Michigan Terrorists: Ibraheem Musaibli

- Age at time of crime: 23
- Allegiance: ISIS
- Attended terrorist training camp: Syria
- Citizenship: Ukn
- City: Flint
- College: Graduate training
- Converted: Birth
- Degree: Medical
- Involved Violence: Yes
- Occupation: Doctor
- Official charges Material support
- Parent's Birth Country: Sudan
- Sex: Male
- Social Class: Professional
- Year of crime: 2015

Ibraheem Musaibli was raised in Dearborn. An Edsel Ford High School dropout, Musaibli helped his father operate a perfume shop in Detroit and had no contact with police besides a few minor traffic incidents, according to the Dearborn Police. Eventually, he got married, fathered a son and moved to the port city of Aden, Yemen.
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Questions?