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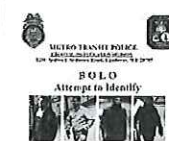
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America's enemies within: How nearly SEVENTY have been arrested in America over ISIS plots in the last 18 months - including refugees who had been given safe haven but 'turned to terror'

- Federal and local law enforcement agencies have made dozens of arrests of men and women suspected of ISIS involvement
- Analysis shows that they include refugees who entered the United States as refugees
- Increasing pressure from Republicans not to accept refugees from Syria on scale demanded by White House
- Ted Cruz plans to introduce legislation forbidding refugee status to Syrian Muslims and moves also under way to defund settling refugees
- For full news coverage of the Islamic State visit www.dailymail.co.uk/isis

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US authorities have charged at least 66 men and women with ISIS-related terror plots on American soil – including a handful of refugees, Daily Mail Online can reveal.

The terror group has set its sights on Washington, D.C. as it vows to further infiltrate the West and ramp up its blood-soaked offensive.

President Obama insists that 'slamming the door' on Syrian refugees fleeing ISIS would be a betrayal of American values.

But 34 governors are refusing to take in any more, in case jihadi fighters slip into their states and repeat the carnage of Paris.

Analysis by Daily Mail Online reveals that a handful of foiled plots have already involved immigrants accused of harboring sympathy for ISIS.

The threat also comes from within, with American teenagers and Islamic converts among those seduced by the group's torrent of chilling online propaganda.

They include a U.S. Air Force veteran accused of waging war on the country he once served and a National Guard soldier who allegedly plotted to gun down his own colleagues.

Others are seemingly ordinary American citizens, including a young nurse, a pizza parlor boss and schoolgirls tricked into becoming shrouded ISIS brides.

Some have conspired to travel or send friends abroad to link up with fundamentalist fighters while others have planned for jihad closer to home - with Capitol Hill among the targets for a foiled bombing raid.

The incidents detailed here are among dozens of alleged disrupted by police and federal agents since ISIS began to rise from the flames of the Syrian civil war. The earliest arrest was 18 months ago.

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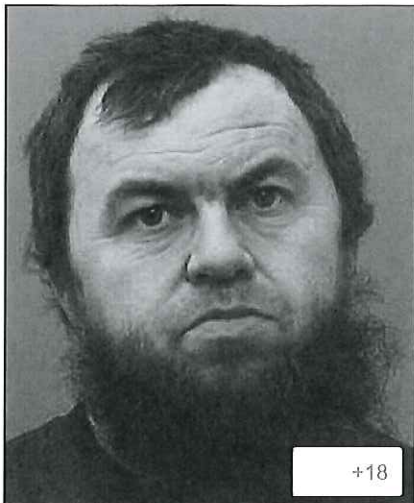
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Len Wiseman, 42, parties with model CJ Franco, 24, for the THIRD time in two weeks as wife Kate Beckinsale films Underworld 5 in Prague



Getting serious for silly season! Blake Shelton

BOSNIAN REFUGEES WHO 'AIDED AMERICA'S ENEMIES WITH CASH FOR EQUIPMENT'



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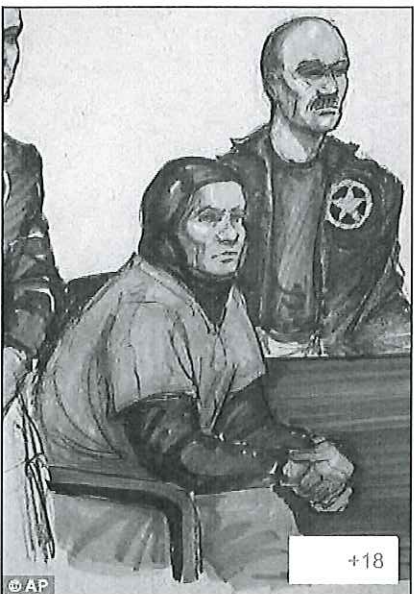
Husband and wife 'terror' team: Ramic Hodzic (left) and his wife Sedina (right) both of St Louis, MO, face trial over allegations they gathered cash to buy military equipment for ISIS fighters in Syria



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Immigrants: All six charged in the case were from Bosnia, including Nihad Rosic (left) and Jasminka Ramic (right), who has pleaded guilty



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Codewords: According to court documents the group conspired via phone, Facebook and email using innocuous code words such as 'beach' for places like Iraq and Syria

They fled the war in Yugoslavia to enjoy new lives in the US - but are now accused of conspiring to help its deadliest enemies.

Six Bosnian immigrants, three from Missouri, two from Illinois and one from New York, were charged in February with sending money and military equipment to extremist groups in Syria including ISIS and the Al Qaeda-affiliated Al-Nusra Front.

'asks Gwen Stefani and her boys to spend Thanksgiving with him in Oklahoma'
Divorcing Rossdale



Jenny McCarthy slams Charlie Sheen for not revealing he had HIV when she played his love interest on Two And A Half Men
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Paraded their royal twins



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Both Queens of fashion



'Finally found my Prince Charming!': Teen Mom 2 star Chelsea Houska is engaged to boyfriend Cole DeBoer
The reality star flashed her engagement ring



'He went against ALL our wedding vows': Khloe Kardashian lashes out at estranged husband Lamar Odom in antibiotic-fuelled Twitter rant



Another wedding? Kris Jenner 'wants to marry Corey Gamble' as the two flash wedding rings while Kim Kardashian adds, 'It's fun to see my mom happy'



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'You feel like a lone wolf': Jessica Alba discusses the perils of being a woman in

Among the accused are Ramiz Zjad Hodzic, 40 and his wife Sedina, 35, who allegedly gathered money to purchase military uniforms and tactical gear so they could send it to fighters in Syria.

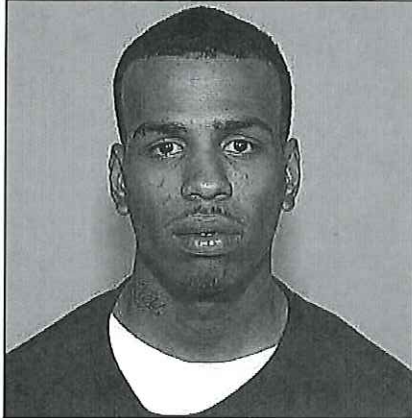
Also facing trial are Armin Harcevic, 37, Nihad Rosic, 26, and Mediha Medy Salkicevic, 34. Jasminka Ramic, 42, pleaded guilty last month.

According to court documents the group conspired via phone, Facebook and email using innocuous code words such as 'beach' for places like Iraq and Syria while using PayPal and Western Union to send funds to fanatics.

'All six individuals are natives of Bosnia who immigrated to the United States,' the US attorney's office said in a statement announcing the charges.

'Three have become naturalized citizens of the United States and the remaining three have either refugee or legal resident status.'

THE MINNESOTA 'MARTYRS' WHO DIED IN BATTLE - AND THEIR SOMALI REFUGEE HOME SUPPORTER



Dead in ISIS lands: Douglas McArthur McCain, 33, a Muslim convert who went to school in Minneapolis (left) and Abdrahmaan Muhumed, 29, were both killed in Syria



Refugee: 21-year-old Abdurahman Yasin Daud, who was born at a refugee camp in Kenya and arrived in the US when he was nine. He faces trial next year for supporting

business as she poses for sexy knitwear photoshoot



Tiffany Trump joins Donald's three oldest children for rare joint interview to praise their father's sense of humor and insist they don't notice his hair

Playing happy families! Kendra Wilkinson and Hank Baskett plaster smiles on their faces as they take son for frozen yogurt... as divorce rumors persist



From the Botox to cellulite treatments: How much it REALLY costs to look as good as the Kardashians Surgeons get requests for Kardashian features



Khloe Kardashian says Lamar Odom may NEVER fully recover mentally from overdose ordeal and that if he does it could still take up to TWO years



'She has to live in the real world': Kyle Richards says RHOBB crew won't hide alcohol from Kim when she pops up on season six She's battling addiction



Jennifer Lawrence puts on a VERY busty display on TV as she recalls mortifying wardrobe malfunction while meeting Francis Ford Coppola



Jennifer Lawrence vamps things up in a racy lace bralet and plunging sheer gown at The Hunger Games: Mockingjay - Part 2 premiere in NY



Tori Spelling gets comfy in kimono as she treats Dean McDermott to Japanese spa day for 49th birthday... amid claims they lied about affair for reality show



Until next time! Bindi Irwin gets a farewell hug from Derek Hough as they leave rehearsal studio ahead of Dancing With The Stars finale Dad is late Steve Irwin





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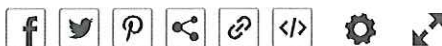
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Guilty: From left Zacharia Abdurahman, Hamza Ahmed and Hanad Musse have all admitted conspiracy to provide material support and attempting to provide material support to a foreign terrorist organization.

Six charged with conspiring to support ISIS in US in April



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US officials suspect around a dozen men from Minnesota have left the North Star State to fight alongside ISIS extremists in Syria - and two have been killed.

In August 2014 Douglas McArthur McCain, 33, a Muslim convert who went to school in Minneapolis, became the first US citizen known to have died while fighting for the terror outfit.

Days later the White House confirmed that a second Minneapolis native-turned ISIS combatant, father-of-nine Abdirahmaan Muhumed, 29, had also been killed.

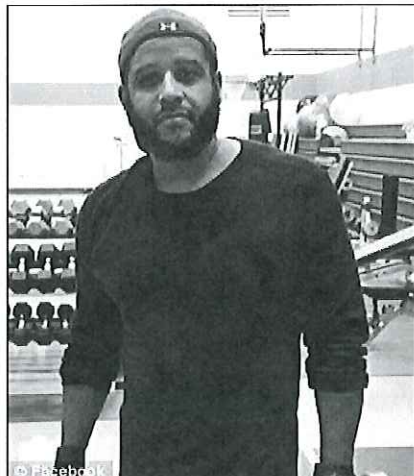
The two deaths fueled fears that the Midwestern state is becoming an unlikely recruiting hot-spot for ISIS, particularly among its large community of Somali refugees.

Following a series of raids in April, eight Somali friends were charged with conspiracy to provide material support and attempting to provide material support to a foreign terrorist organization.

Zacharia Abdurahman, 20, Hanad Musse, 19, and Abdullahi Yusuf, 19, have all pleaded guilty but five more suspects face trial in February.

They include 21-year-old Abdurahman Yasin Daud, who was born at a refugee camp in Kenya and arrived in the US when he was nine, according to the Minnesota Star Tribune.

US AIR FORCE VETERAN 'WHO TURNED TRAITOR'



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Blocked: Former serviceman Tairoud Nathan Webster Pugh was stopped at the Turkish border, deported, and charged with the ultimate betrayal - wanting to fight for ISIS

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Heavily pregnant Kim Kardashian shops in Beverly Hills while squeezed into her favorite clingy LBD Earlier revealed she may have to give birth early



Kim and Kanye's fashion-forward tot North totes a pink handbag while shopping with cousin Penelope and their nannies North soon to be a sister



'She's so sexy, she's unbelievable': Justin Bieber reveals he has a celebrity crush on Hunger Games star Jennifer Lawrence Revealed in interview



Chris Martin reveals his ex wife Gwyneth Paltrow has recorded vocals for new Coldplay album while girlfriend Annabelle Wallis and Blue Ivy also feature



That's embarrassing! Halle Berry suffers a wardrobe mishap as she attends Revlon bash with sweaty armpits Actress was clearly feeling rather warm



Angelina Jolie asked to tone down sex and violence in biopic of conservationist Richard Leakey Worries leading man Brad Pitt 'won't like script'



Wishing for a Christmas miracle: Cancer-stricken country singer Joey Feek says she hopes she'll live long enough to see her daughter's 2nd birthday



Man's best friend: Pierce Brosnan sports grey chin fluff and matching moustache as he enjoys a stroll with pet dog Former James Bond



Woman who nearly died from obesity turns fitness fanatic and loses HALF her body weight - before pushing her obese family to shed a combined 500LBS



Taking a baby break! Mila Kunis and Ashton Kutcher enjoy double date with fellow new parents Zoe Saldana and Marco Perego In West Hollywood



US Air Force Vet charged for attempting to aid ISIS in March



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Air Force veteran Tairod Nathan Webster Pugh is accused of the ultimate act of betrayal - joining the ranks of ISIS to wage war on the country he once served.

Believed to be the first former US serviceman to attempt to join the terror group, Pugh is accused of trying to travel Syria to fight alongside the warped caliphate's fanatical armies.

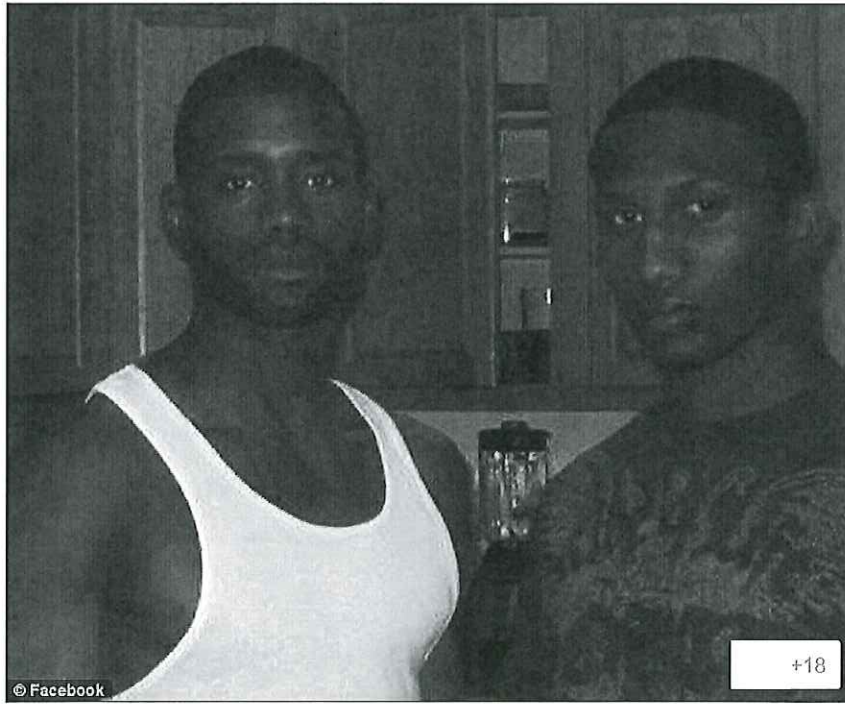
The 47-year-old was an avionics instrument system specialist from 1986 to 1990 but Federal authorities say he converted to Islam after leaving the military and became steadily more radical.

The FBI first learnt of his beliefs in 2001 when a co-worker at American Airlines reported Pugh, whose last known address was in Neptune, New Jersey, for sympathizing with Osama bin Laden.

Pugh was blocked from entering Turkey in January and deported to the US, where investigators found a letter stating: 'I am a (mujahedeen). I am a sword against the oppressor and a shield for the oppressed.'

'I feel bad,' the veteran's aunt, Helena Pugh, 78, told the Asbury Park Press. 'I don't know how he came to be the person that he is.'

GUARDSMAN AND COUSIN 'PLANNED SLAUGHTER'



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Arrested: Jonas (left) and Hasan Edmonds (right) were held by members of the Chicago FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force. Hasan was a member of the National Guard

'He makes Charlie Sheen look like an amateur': Michael Phelps' intersex ex-girlfriend lashes out at him after he reveals his fiancée is pregnant



Jennifer Aniston shares a smooch with husband Justin Theroux... before reuniting with Friends co-star Courteney Cox at Barneys dinner



Amber Heard is understated in leather and heels as she arrives at Jimmy Kimmel Live flanked by bodyguards Johnny Depp's wife, 29, dressed all in black



Gwen Stefani looks in the party spirit as she hits a fashion dinner... after speaking out on her divorce and new romance with Blake Shelton



Radiant mom-to-be Chrissy Teigen shows off her baby bump as she joins proud husband John Legend for a special concert in LA Couple glowed with joy



A Prince in the making: Liz Hurley reveals her son Damian, 13, has been 'promised' a role in season three of her racy show The Royals Promoting next season



'Having a baby is definitely fearless': Robyn Lawley reflects on the birth of daughter Ripley at Cosmopolitan Fun Fearless Female Awards



Who IS Bella Thorne's 'mean girl'? Rumors fly over identity of megarich brat slammed by the actress - with Ariana Grande, Miley Cyrus and Gigi Hadid in the frame



'I would seriously stab myself': Kylie Jenner refuses to let Kim, Kanye and North stay at her home while their place undergoes MORE renovations



Red alert! Kate Hudson shimmers as she takes the plunge in a sequined jumpsuit at Campari event The 36-year-old actress showed plenty of skin



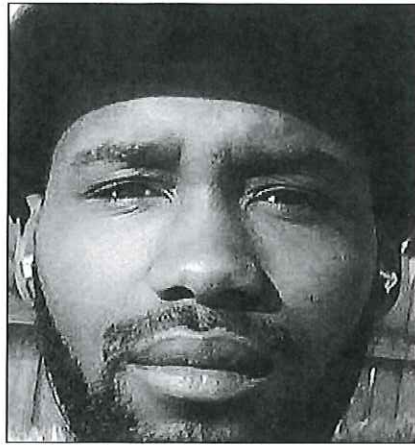
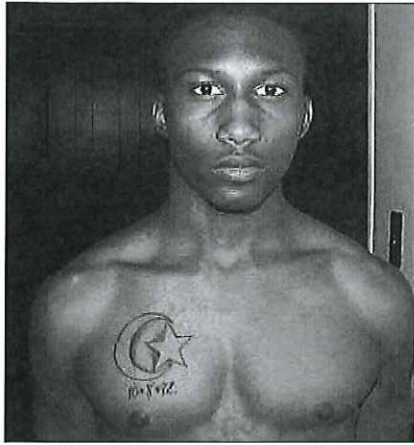
Jennifer Lawrence looks unrecognizable in wacky neon ensemble and brunette wig as she performs dance sketch on The Tonight Show Showed her goofy side



Alexander Skarsgard goes shirtless as he enjoys a relaxed day out sunbathing on the beach in Mexico The 39-year-old is famed for True Blood series



Kris Jenner, 60, shows



Jonas Edmonds (left) planned to use his cousin Hasan's (right) inside knowledge of the National Guard to kill scores at the Illinois Guard Armory, according to prosecutors

Cousins Jonas and Hasan Edmonds - a National Guard soldier - are accused of plotting a 'Charlie Hebdo'-style raid on a military facility.

Prosecutors say the pair planned to utilize Hasan's inside knowledge to slaughter around 120 servicemen at the Illinois National Guard Armory.

They pair scouted out the facility together and Hasan, 22, gathered training schedules, building layouts and a uniform.

According to the FBI complaint, Jonas, 29, was poised to execute the plot while Hasan headed to the Middle East to fight alongside ISIS.

Hasan was arrested March 25 when he tried to fly from Chicago to Egypt and Jonas was arrested the same day in Aurora, Illinois. Both men are due to stand trial.

'The defendants allegedly conspired to provide material support to ISIL and planned to travel overseas to support the terrorist organization' announced Assistant Attorney General Carlin.

NATURALIZED PIZZA SHOP JIHADIST WANTED TO WAGE WAR ON WEST



Plotted from his pizza shop: Authorities say 30-year-old Mufid Elfgeeh plotted to send three men to a 'welcoming camp' in Syria for Jihadist education and training

NY man charged with trying to help Islamic State in 2014



some leg in a figure-hugging knitted mini dress and thigh-high boots as she enjoys a romantic stroll with Corey Gamble, 34



'Not everyone can accept the life that we live': Kendall Jenner insists her famous family are 'super-normal' despite their dramatic reality show

'It's good to like the air brusher': Sharon Stone comments on going nude at age 57 for magazine shoot Even Sharon needs a little Photoshop help



Suited and booted! Nicki Minaj shimmers in gold tassels and black lace-ups as she co-hosts concert for racial unity Rapper was in LA



'It changed my view of sex for a long time': Carly Simon reveals she had sexual encounters aged SEVEN with a teenage boy The singer is now 70



'Are you ready for this?' Han Solo quizzes John Boyega's Finn just before he flies Millennium Falcon in new Star Wars teaser Highly anticipated film



Jennifer Garner ditches the glamour for a dressed down ensemble as she leaves Broadway musical The 43-year-old actress is a mom of three



David Bowie unveils album cover artwork, music video teaser trailer and promo shots for upcoming release Blackstar Iconic British singer



Lady Gaga bares her behind, writhes around naked and indulges in threesome... In sexually charged episode of American Horror Story: Hotel



'I wanted to look my very best': Janice Dickinson's fiance Dr Robert 'Rocky' Gerner, 68, gets facelift so he can be picture perfect for their wedding



Risque Rita Ora shows off her impressive curves as she poses topless in smouldering calendar shoot The 24-year-old's career is soaring



'Elo, I'm Cate BLANKET!': Jimmy Fallon and Cate Blanchett engage in

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Yemeni-born Mufid Elfgeeh was a naturalized American citizen running a pizza and chicken shop in Rochester, New York.

But in May 2014 he became one of the first people on American soil to be arrested and accused of being a recruiter for ISIS.

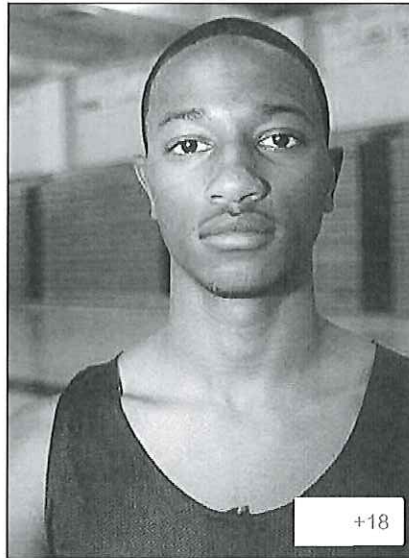
Authorities say the 30-year-old plotted to send three men to a 'welcoming camp' in Syria for jihadist education and training.

According to the Department of Justice he was also plotting to shoot and kill members of the United States military who had returned from Iraq.

Elgeeh was arrested in a Walmart parking car lot after taking possession of two guns with silencers and ammunition.

He denies attempting to provide material support and resources to ISIS, attempted murder, various firearms charges and assault on three deputies involved in his arrest.

CARTOON EVENT SPARKS DEADLY SHOOTOUT



Gunned down: Police stopped Nadir Soofi (left) and Elton Simpson (right) from massacring people who had gone to a 'Draw Muhammad' contest - just moments after one had tweeted allegiance to ISIS's leader

Robot checks for explosives at Texas shooting scene in May



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Anti-Islam campaigner Pamela Geller made herself a prime target for Muslim fanatics when she organized a now-infamous 'Draw Muhammad' contest.

Gunmen Elton Simpson, 30, and Nadir Soofi, 34, tried to storm the controversial May 3 event in Garland, Tex. but were shot dead by police.

Moments earlier one of the pair had tweeted a pledge of allegiance to ISIS leader Abu Bakr al-

hilarious Lip Flip game... which leaves the TV host almost crying with laughter

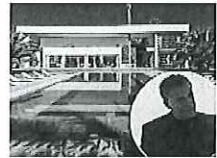


Maria Sharapova enjoys a low-key outing with a male friend... after it's reported her ex Grigor Dimitrov 'is dating singer Nicole Scherzinger'

Leona Lewis rocks plaited hairdo with cropped cream blouse and satin skirt at New York women's event The Bleeding Love singer is 30



Live and let buy: Spectre Bond villain's futuristic Moroccan lair is now up for sale for \$4million Pad of Christoph Waltz's character in Spectre



Raising the bra! Jessica Lowndes flashes her underwear in a semi-sheer LBD at star-studded Louis XIII event Former 90210 star



Katy Perry opts for low-key glamour in jacquard collar dress while January Jones shows her wild side in a leopard print jumpsuit at star-studded event



Good knight! Eva Longoria dons chainmail-inspired mesh dress at LA press event for her NBC sitcom Telenovela Her new TV venture



What a softie! Amber Rose cuddles up to her cherubic son Sebastian as they stock up at Bed Bath & Beyond Little boy is just 21 months old



Timeless beauty! Ageless Cindy Crawford, 49, looks effortlessly chic as she signs autographs for fans Former supermodel is now an author



'It doesn't scale the epic heights of 21': Adele's long-awaited new album 25 receives mixed reviews from critics Long-awaited release



Alessandra Ambrosio shows off her long legs in tiny black skirt as she enjoys a sweet treat after lunch date with her three-year-old son Noah Victoria's Secret model



Jude Law turns director by making a home movie, starring his new girlfriend Phillipa Coan He's usually on the other side of the camera

Baghdadi.

ISIS were quick to claim responsibility for the assault, the first time the fundamentalist movement had taken credit for an attack here - though authorities have never confirmed their direct involvement.

The shootings echoed a string of threats and attacks on Western satirists, artists and bloggers who have depicted the Prophet Muhammad, most famously the Charlie Hebdo shootings in France.

Organizers of the 'Muhammad Art Exhibit and Contest' insisted they wanted to promote free speech.

KNIFE-WELDING FANATIC VOWED TO SLAY POLICE

Plan 'A' was to hunt down and behead Geller in an apparent revenge plot over the deaths of their fellow fanatics at her Texas event.

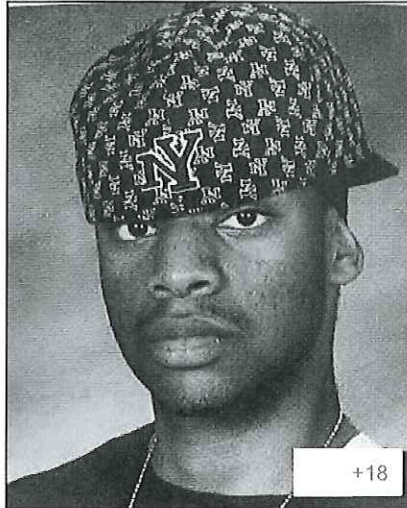
But after a week of scheming, Usaamah Rahim, 26, decided his ISIS-inspired bloodlust could not wait any longer - and vowed to kill members of 'the thin blue line' instead.

Faced with an imminent threat to law enforcement, FBI and police cornered Rahim on a Boston sidewalk on June 2 and he was fatally shot when he refused to drop his knife.

His alleged co-conspirators David Wright, 25, of Everett, Massachusetts, and Nicholas Rovinski, 24, of Warwick, Rhode Island, were charged with conspiracy to provide material support to ISIS.

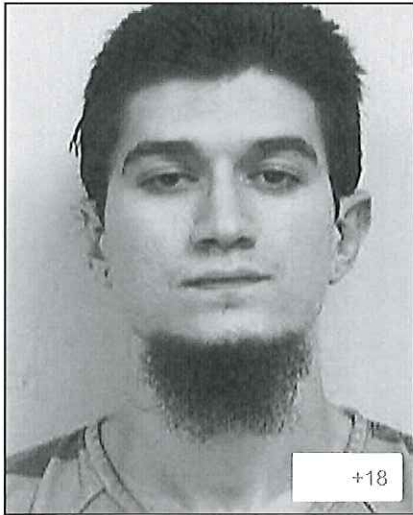
Wright, one of Rahim's relations, was also charged with conspiracy to obstruct justice.

'It won't end with me or the cops,' Geller later told NBC. 'It's just beginning. The one thing that's being ignored that came out of Garland is that ISIS is here. Islamic terrorism is here.'



Cornered: Usaamah Rahim was shot when he refused to drop his knife

TOUGH GUY HIT GYM TO GET IN SHAPE FOR JIHAD



Seven years: Michael Todd Wolfe, 23, (left, on his arrest, right on conviction) from Austin, TX, will spend nearly seven years in prison after being sentenced for trying to aid overseas terrorists

White Muslim convert Michael Todd Wolfe yearned to play the martyr and what better place to do it than in the killing fields of Syria.

The 23-year-old took up running, martial arts, and began a grueling CrossFit training program to get in shape to fight alongside his ISIS brothers.

He read up on military maneuvers and even sought out a pair of durable glasses with a head strap that would hold up on the battlefield, according to the Austin American-Statesman.

Wolfe, from Austin, Texas, planned to fly his family to Europe where he would meet an ISIS fixer who would take them all on to Syria.

However he was arrested at George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston in June last year when the contact turned out to be an undercover FBI agent.

Wolfe was subsequently sentenced to nearly seven years in prison on charges that he attempted to aid overseas terrorists.

IMMIGRANT WHO DREAMED OF SNIPER SPREE WITH 'ISIS' ROUNDS



A bit of all white! Kelly Rutherford, 46, stuns in Sixties style ensemble and showcases her lean legs at Altered Minds premiere in NY Amid custody battle

Kate Winslet reveals surprise at her success as she leads the Great Eight Women in Hollywood shoot with Helen Mirren... where half the stars are British

'Is that Tom Hanks from Castaway?': Rebel Wilson pokes fun at Dakota Johnson's pubic hair as they hit sauna in HILARIOUS trailer for How To Be Single

'Taylor Swift is like a sister': Selena Gomez talks about what makes her happy these days as she looks pretty in pink on beach for Vogue She's in the squad

The Queen and Prince Philip arrive in Birmingham to open \$1 billion train station revamp The monarch was clad in pink in Britain

Why so shy? Serena Williams completely covers up head-to-toe for airport dash after exposing her underwear in semi-sheer gown at Glamour Awards

Petal power! Olivia Wilde shines in a flower-adorned white frock at Revlon Love Is On Million Dollar Challenge event Made an impression in pristine gown

Chloe Sevigny flashes her long legs in hot pink ruffle dress as she makes a style statement on the red carpet at New York premiere of her new film #Horror

Bono calls for a 'Europe of mercy' for refugees as U2 play its first concert since the Paris attacks in Belfast Irish band were among those to cancel gigs

A right royal delight! Jaime King is the queen of the night in regal floral gown as Hollywood princess Emma Roberts flashes her bra in sheer top at Louis XIII event

Mother of TRIPLETS shows off her sculpted biceps and ripped six-pack as she qualifies for the bikini fitness world finals Victoria Steele is 36



Lone wolf: Miguel Moran Diaz wanted to scratch ISIS on shell casings, buy a sniper rifle and go on a deadly shooting spree

Miguel Moran Diaz called himself the 'lone wolf' and boasted about shooting people with rifle shells engraved with the word ISIS.

The 46-year-old Cuban immigrant poured out his love for the fanatical organization on Facebook and kept a stash of weaponry despite being a convicted felon.

He asked an undercover FBI agent to help him buy a .308 caliber bolt action rifle and described how he would scratch 'ISIS' into the shell casings before going on a shooting spree.

Diaz was jailed for ten years in July on a firearms charge rather than a terrorism offense - but Federal authorities were convinced of his jihadist leanings.

'Miguel Moran Diaz was an armed, convicted felon who harbored sympathies for the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria,' FBI Special Agent in Charge George L. Piro said in a press release.

'He called himself a 'Lone Wolf' for 'ISIS.' This is not a scenario where law enforcement can afford to wait and see what happens next.'

THE TEEN RUNAWAYS PROMISED DISNEY LIVES

They were just three teenage girls from Denver with a love of pop music and social media.

But when the two sisters aged 15 and 17 skipped classes with a 16-year-old friend in October last year, the last thing on their mind was a Justin Bieber concert.

The trio were reported missing and eventually arrested in Frankfurt, Germany as they apparently traveled to Syria to join Islamic militants.

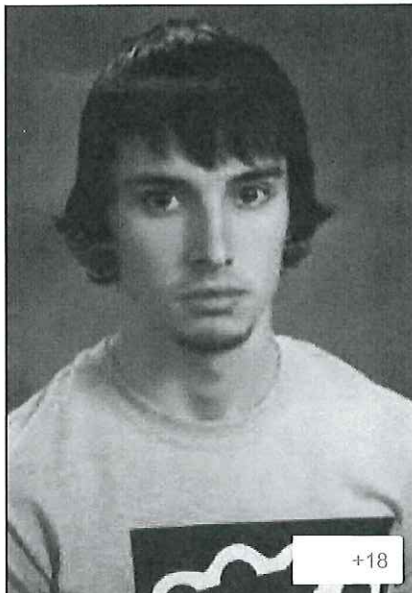
They were said to have fallen under the spell of ISIS, with its promises of dream homes, husbands and Disney-esque happy endings to lure young brides to Syria.

'Social media has played a very significant role in the recruitment of young people,' warned FBI spokesman Kyle Loven afterwards.

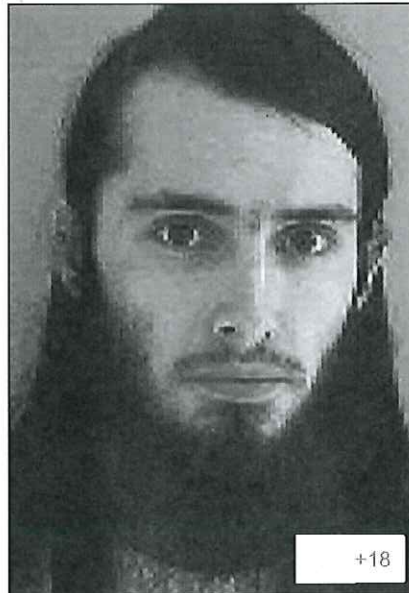
'Young, disaffected youth who exist primarily on the fringes of society - they seem to be more susceptible to this type of propaganda'.

The trio were never named because they were treated as victims.

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Islamic convert Christopher Lee Cornell emerged from a Cincinnati gun shop on January 14 with two M15 semi-automatic rifles and 600 rounds of ammunition.

The video game fanatic got as far as the parking lot before law enforcement agents moved in to seize his arsenal, which the FBI says he wanted to use to mount a terror raid on Capitol Hill.

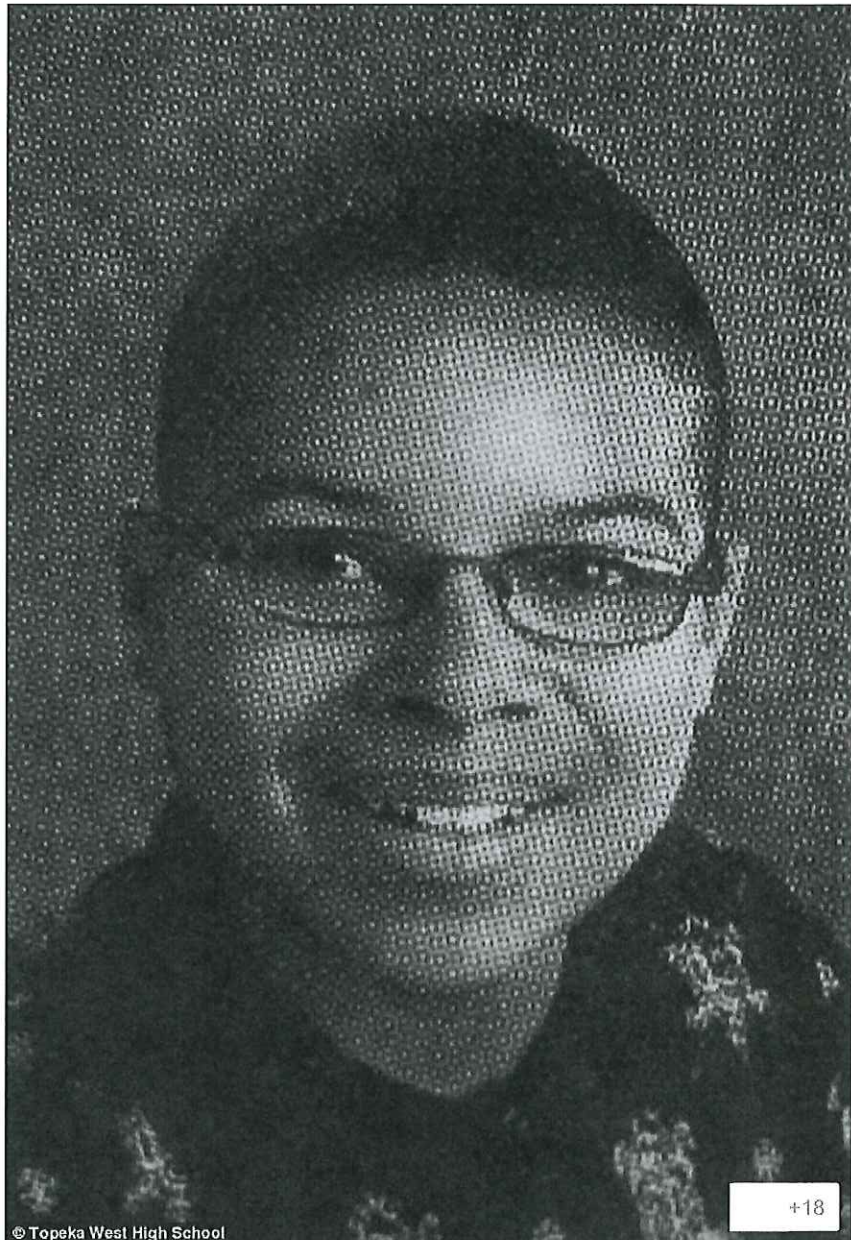
According to court documents, the 21-year-old Muslim convert planned to 'build, plant and detonate pipe bombs at and near the U.S. Capitol, then use firearms to shoot and kill employees and officials,'

Cornell's father John told The Cincinnati Enquirer he was 'momma's boy' but weeks later Cornell rang up a TV station from his jail cell boasting about his affiliation with ISIS and his desire to point his gun at the President.

'I would have put it to Obama's head, I would have pulled the trigger,' he told WXIX-TV.

Defense attorneys have asked for a hearing to determine whether he is competent to stand trial.

FACEBOOK FANATIC, JUST 20, SAID ON VIDEO: 'I WILL KILL ANY KUFFAR'



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Facing life: John T. Booker Jr tried to enlist in the Army, allegedly so he could carry out an 'insider attack', turning his weapon on his soldiers at a firing range or murdering them with a sword.

John T. Booker Jr was arrested April 10 as he attempting to arm a '1,000-pound bomb' hidden in a van parked near Fort Riley, a military post in Kansas.

In fact, it was a dummy device supplied to him in an elaborate FBI sting.

According to court documents, the 20-year-old from Topeka, Kansas wanted to slaughter Americans on behalf of ISIS, telling an undercover agent: 'I will kill any kuffar'.

He also tried to enlist in the Army, allegedly so he could carry out an 'insider attack', turning his weapon on his soldiers at a firing range or murdering them with a sword.

The Topeka, Kansas native was denied entry and then snared by FBI agents, one posing as a high-ranking sheikh plotting suicide attacks.

He is awaiting trial and faces life in prison if convicted of attempting to use a weapon of mass

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Nurse's aide Shannon Maureen Conley fell in love with an ISIS fighter online and was arrested as she flew out to become his jihadist bride.

The 19-year-old Colorado native had Al Qaeda literature in her luggage when she tried to board a plane from Denver to Turkey in April 2014.

Her plan was to slip into Syria to wed her 32-year-old Tunisian 'suitor' and serve as a nurse in an ISIS camp.

Instead, Conley finds herself behind bars after she was handed a four-year sentence by a federal judge determined to steer others away from the terror group's clutches.

Conley's parents, John and Ana Maria, described her as 'an incredibly naive and idealistic young woman who trusted that others were telling her the truth.'

But she revealed her extremist views on social media, sneering at American women for dressing 'like sluts' and describing herself as a 'Slave to Allah.'

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Kim Kardashian 'may



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'ISIS inspired': Roommates Noelle Velentzas and Asia Siddiqui allegedly stockpiled gas tanks, fertilizer and a pressure cooker in an apparent bid to emulate Boston marathon bomber

Two NYC women arrested for homemade bomb plot in April 2015



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ISIS-inspired roommates Noelle Velentzas and Asia Siddiqui are accused of plotting a homemade bomb attack on a slain police officer's funeral.

The two friends from Queens, New York stockpiled gas tanks, fertilizer and a pressure cooker in an apparent bid to emulate Boston marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, prosecutors allege.

Court documents say their list of potential targets included the funeral of NYPD officer Rafael Ramos, who was shot dead in December 2014 along with his partner Wenjian Liu.

Velentzas, 28, is said to have told an undercover agent who converted to Islam to befriend them in 2013 that they wanted to be known as 'citizens of the Islamic State'.

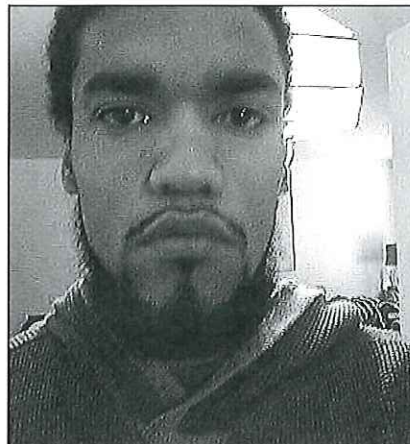
On another occasion she pulled out a knife, demonstrated how to stab someone - and allegedly asked: 'Why can't we be some real bad bitches?'

She and Siddiqui, 31, were arrested on April 2 before they could settle on a target but are accused of conspiring to use a weapon of mass destruction.

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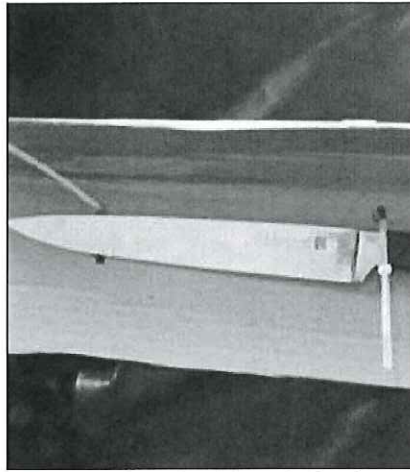


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Guilty: Store supervisor Alaa Saadeh (left) and Samuel Rahamin Topaz (right) have both pleaded guilty to terror charges. Saadeh's brother, Nader, was arrested in Yemen and is awaiting trial along with others.



Facing trial: Staten Island student Faraed Mumuni, 21, is accused of helping Saleh and faces a further charge of attempting to murder an FBI agent after he lunged at him with a kitchen knife before his June 17 arrest.

NY student accused of plotting terrorist attack in June



Authorities in the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut tri-state area arrested five members of an alleged ISIS cell on the eve of July 4 celebrations amid fears of a pressure cooker bomb plot targeting a New York landmark.

Samuel Rahamin Topaz of Fort Lee, New Jersey, has pleaded guilty to trying to travel abroad to join the terror group and faces up to 20 years in jail.

The 21-year-old's lawyer says he had no role in any wider plot, however, and plans to cooperate with authorities by telling them what his alleged co-conspirators were up to.

Store supervisor Alaa Saadeh, from Hudson County, New Jersey, meanwhile, pleaded guilty to giving money and credit cards to fellow fanatics to help them travel to Syria.

Still facing trial are his brother Nader, who was arrested in Yemen, and Queens college student Munther Omar Saleh, 20, who had allegedly been scouring the internet for bomb-making instructions.

Staten Island student Faraed Mumuni, 21, is accused of helping Saleh and faces a further charge of attempting to murder an FBI agent after he lunged at him with a kitchen knife before his June 17 arrest.

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Revealed: Two of the Jihadis sneaked into Europe via Greece by posing as refugees and being rescued from a sinking migrant boat - and survivors say one of the attackers was a WOMAN

- Ahmed Almuhammed, 25, believed have been in terror squad at the Bataclan concert hall before blowing himself up
- French police revealed his Syrian passport was found on a bomber's body who registered as a refugee in Greece
- Ferry tickets from October 3 reveal he travelled to Europe with a Mohammed Almuhammed, who may be a relation
- Authorities believe at least two of the terror cell traveled from Syria, through Turkey and into Greece since summer
- Homegrown terrorist Omar Ismaël Mostefai, 29, identified as a gig bomber by fingerprint from severed digit
- Seven terrorists killed themselves using suicide belts while another was shot dead by police at the Bataclan gig
- Paris attacks have left 129 dead and 349 injured - 96 of which are in a critical condition. 30 of dead not yet identified
- See more of the latest news and updates on the ISIS attacks on Paris

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This is the face of one of the Paris killers who allegedly sneaked into France by posing as a refugee after being rescued from a sinking migrant boat as it emerged a woman and three brothers may have been part of the eight-strong ISIS kamikaze terror squad.

Serbian media claims Ahmed Almuhammed, 25, whose Syrian passport was found on the body of a suicide bomber, allegedly blew himself up at the Bataclan concert hall, where at least 89 people were slaughtered on Friday.

The newspaper, Blic, claims Almuhammed arrived with another of the bombers in Europe on the Greek island of Leros on October 3 on his way to Paris. Greek website Protothema have published ferry tickets showing the name of a second man, Mohammed Almuhammed, who could be a relation.

French police are hunting 26-year-old Salah Abdeslam, from Brussels, who is accused of renting a Volkswagen Polo used by the suicide bombers who killed 89 people at the Bataclan music venue on Friday.

It emerged on Sunday night that French detectives questioned Abdeslam as he crossed the Belgian border and let him go after he showed them his ID card.

Detectives soon realised their blunder when they discovered that Abdeslam had rented a hire car abandoned near the scene of the massacre inside the Bataclan theatre. However, by the time they alerted Belgian authorities, the jihadi had abandoned the car in the jihadi stronghold of Molenbeek, Brussels and disappeared.

His brother Ibrahim is believed to have blown himself up during the Paris siege and a third sibling, Mohamed, has been arrested in the Belgian capital.

An official told the Washington Post another of the shooters was Bilal Hadfi, who was from Belgium and had spent time fighting with ISIS in Syria, who also died after detonating his suicide vest during a murderous rampage.

One of the attackers has been named locally as homegrown terrorist Omar Ismaël Mostefai, 29, from Courcouronnes, Paris. The petty criminal was known to police as a radical and identified by the fingerprint on a severed digit found after he detonated his suicide belt.

Investigators are now investigating claims that he went to Syria last year, and may have spent time training with ISIS terrorists.

Survivors have claimed that a woman was among the group shooting randomly into the crowd at the Eagles of Death Metal gig before three blew themselves up and a fourth person was shot dead by police before they could detonate their bomb.

At least 129 people died and another 99 were injured in Paris on Friday night after eight terrorists, including one as young as 15, attacked the Stade de France, restaurants and the packed Bataclan concert hall armed with AK-47s, grenades and wearing suicide vests.

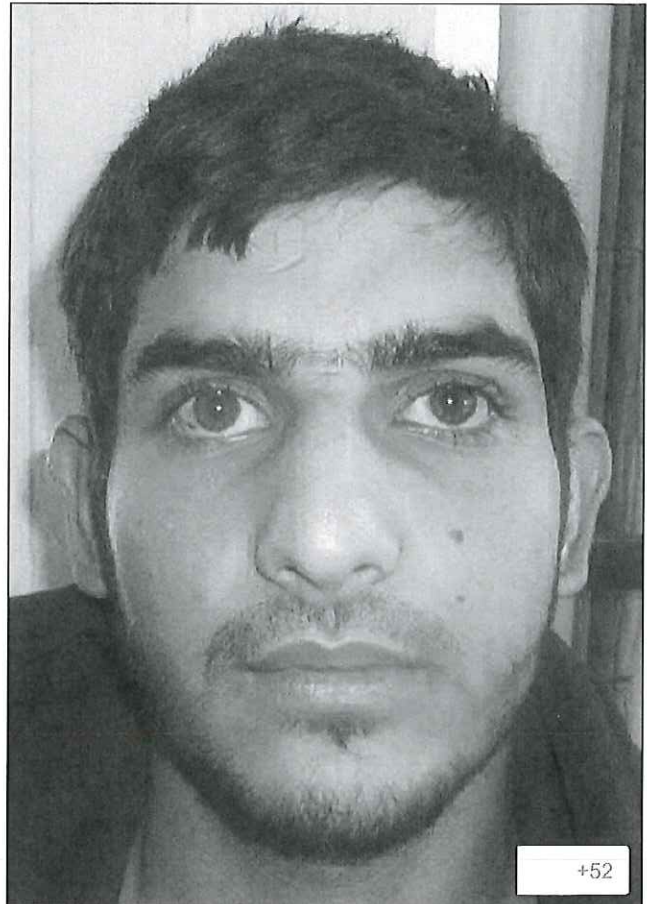
More than 350 were injured - 99 of which are in a critical condition - and 30 of the dead have not yet been identified.

It is believed two of the bombers were carrying Syrian passports. At least two others are believed to be French while several could also be Belgian.

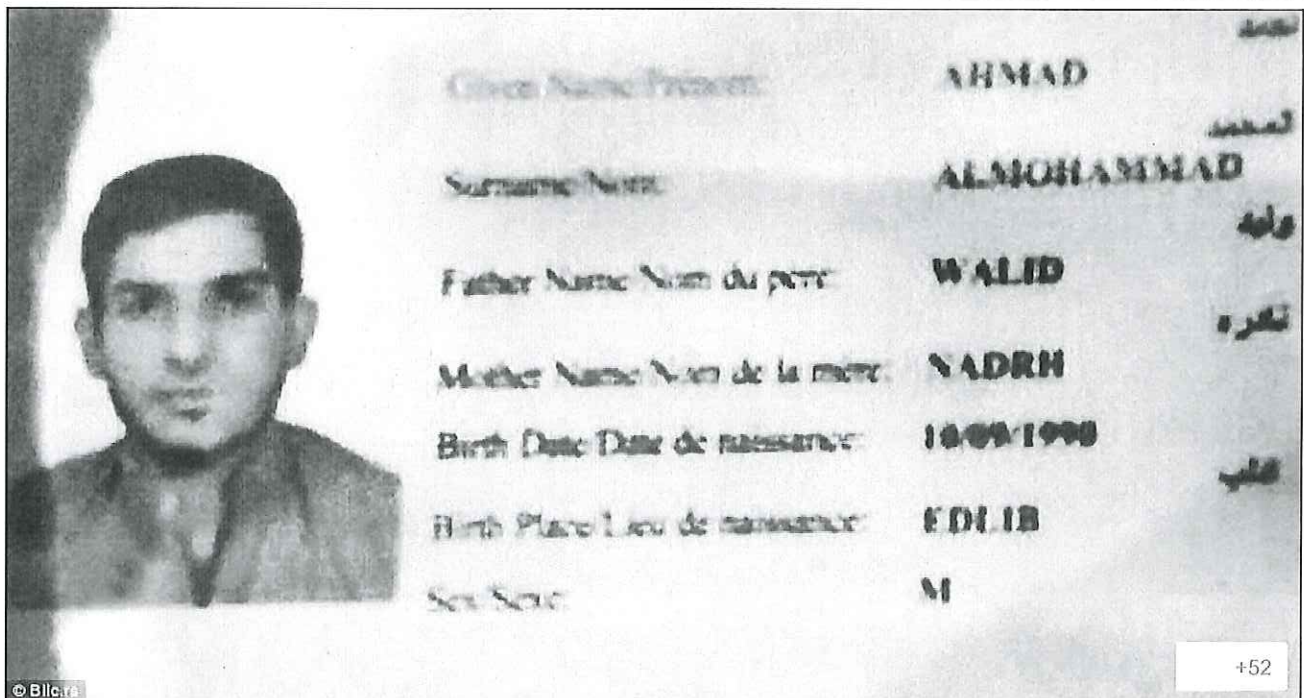
Prosecutors in Brussels have said two attackers killed in Paris were Frenchmen who lived in the Belgian capital and that two vehicles used in the terror attack were rented in Belgium.

The disclosure that some may have entered Europe as migrants, which came amid claims of French intelligence failures, inevitably raises new security concerns about the safety of Europe's borders.

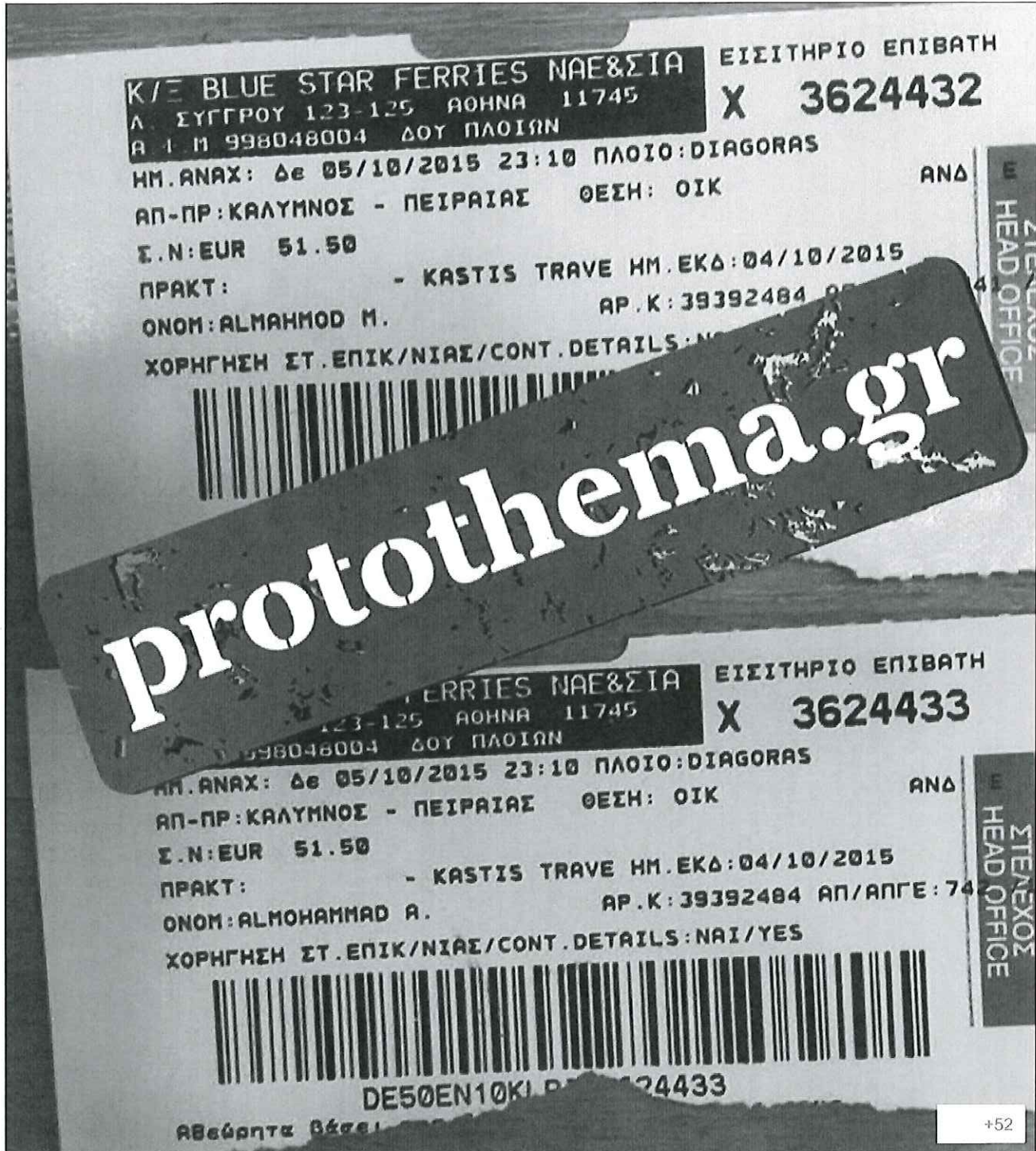
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Suspect: Ahmed Almuhammed, 25, whose Syrian passport was found on the body of a suicide bomber, took more than a month to get to France after posing as a Migrant when he arrived in Leros, Greece



Wanted man: Serbian media says this is 25-year-old Ahmed Almuhammed, whose Syrian passport is pictured, who blew himself up at the Bataclan concert hall and is believed to have sneaked into France with another terrorist by posing as refugees from Syria



Tickets: A Greek website has uncovered the terror suspect's ferry tickets to Greece and shows he was travelling with a Mohammed Almuhamed, likely to be a relation

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Travel log: Ahmed Almuhamed has been accused of being a suicide bomber at the Bataclan concert hall and is believed to be travelling with another member of the terror squad

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Meanwhile the black Seat Leon used by the terrorists who murdered diners outside the Casa Nostra pizza restaurant and the La Belle Équipe cafe has been found abandoned 20 minutes away in Montreuil with three AK-47s with five full magazines and 11 empty ones.

Paris prosecutor Francois Molins said on Saturday that gunmen armed with automatic weapons pulled up in that model of car before opening fire, killing 15 people and injuring 10.

On the second day after the worst terror attack in French history it has emerged:

- French police are hunting for two gunmen on the run after Friday's attacks and an ISIS bombmaker likely to have made the suicide vests
- One is known to be 26-year-old Salah Abdeslam, from Brussels, who is accused of renting a Volkswagen Polo used by the suicide bombers who killed 89 people at the Bataclan music venue
- A Seat car used in drive-by shootings at two restaurants was found abandoned containing three AK-47s with five full magazines and 11 empty ones
- One of Bataclan suspects was found carrying a Syrian passport under the name Ahmed Almuhammed who travelled to France as a migrant through Greece. Ferry tickets reveal he travelled with another man named as Mohammed Almuhammed.
- Frenchman Omar Ismaël Mostefai, 29, also named as a Bataclan suicide bomber who was identified by his severed finger. Mostefai's father, a brother and other family members have been held and are being questioned.
- Mostefai said to have been radicalised by a Belgian hate preacher of Moroccan descent said to have regularly preached at his mosque
- Bataclan survivors claim that one of the four shooters was a woman
- Seven people were detained in Belgium linked to the atrocities - five in Brussels district known as a 'den of terrorists'

Ahmed Almuhammed is believed to have taken around a month to travel to France posing as a migrant. He had entered Serbia at Miratovce, having crossed the frontier from Macedonia. The newspaper reported that Almuhammed, applied for asylum in Serbia in Presevo before crossing into

THE VITAL CLUES MISSED IN EUROPE BEFORE THE MASSACRE

A series of vital clues appear to have been missed that could have averted the Paris atrocities.

Iraqi intelligence warned US-led coalition countries of an imminent assault the day before the Paris attacks, it has emerged.

At least one of the terrorists was a Parisian who had been on a terror watch list for five years, but was not being monitored closely enough to be stopped before he took part in the murderous attack.

Greek authorities believe that two of the gunmen sneaked into Europe posing as a refugee from Syria – heightening fears that not enough security checks are being carried out on migrants.

In May this year, The Mail on Sunday revealed the concerns of security analysts that Islamic State extremists were being smuggled into Europe among refugees crossing the Mediterranean.

More than a week ago, a heavily-armed suspect was stopped in Germany on his way to Paris. Hidden in his car, police found a

Croatia and Austria.

Paris prosecutors confirmed that the suspects, all wearing explosive vests, roamed across the French capital in three teams, perpetrating the 'worst acts of violence' in the country since the Second World War. Fingerprint records show that two of the terrorists had arrived in the EU as refugees through Greece.

A Syrian passport found near the body of one of the gunmen had passed through the Greek island of Leros on October 3.

On October 5 they used their Syrian passports to travel to the port of Piraeus on Mainland Greece before arriving in Serbia on October 7.

The Syrian passport was registered in October in Serbia and Croatia, two of the countries on the corridor crossing the Balkans. The owner was allowed to proceed because he passed what is essentially the only test in place - he had no international arrest warrant against him.

Ahmed, an asylum seeker, was issued with a Syrian passport as he followed the migrants' route through the Balkans, Greece's migration minister said this evening.

Yiannis Mouzalas, junior interior minister for migration, said the 25-year-old was registered on the island of Leros on October 3, left the country on an unknown date and was last recorded in Croatia later that month.

'This is the sole person on which we have received a request from the French police,' he told a news conference.

It is still not yet clear if the Syrian passport is the true identity of the dead bomber. European officials say there is a brisk trade in fake Syrian passports to help people get refugee status in the EU.

Greece's deputy minister in charge of police, Nikos Toscas, said he was 'identified [as a refugee] according to EU rules' as he passed through the country, but did not know if it was checked elsewhere en route to Paris. In all, 129 people were killed in a series of co-ordinated bomb and gun attacks on Friday night. With 99 of the 352 wounded critically ill, the death toll is expected to rise.

Six of the terrorists, believed to be from Islamic State who appear to have formed their own international terror cell, took their own lives, while one was shot dead by police.

The first Jihadi suicide bomber named in connection with the Paris terrorist attacks that left at least 129 people dead was Is Omar Ismail Mostefai, who was identified by his finger.

The digit was found among the carnage of the Bataclan concert hall, where the 29-year-old was one of three men who blew himself up killing 89 men, women and children.

Born on 21 November 1985, in the Paris suburb of Courcouronnes, Mostefai's criminal record shows eight convictions for petty crimes between 2004 and 2010.

He had never been jailed but Paris prosecutor Francois Molins said Mostefai had been picked out as a high-priority target for radicalisation in 2010. He added that Mostefai had 'never been implicated in an investigation or a terrorist association'.

Police have also detained members of his family for questioning. Mostefai's father, a brother and other family members have been held and are being questioned.

terrifying arsenal, including seven Kalashnikov assault rifles and seven hand grenades. The destination programmed into his satnav system was Paris but officers failed to alert anti-terror police. The 51-year-old driver, a Muslim from Montenegro, was arrested and held in custody but has refused to talk.

In August, French intelligence detained a 30-year-old man on his way back from Syria who said militants were planning attacks on French concert halls.

Prosecutors also said the terrorists used an improved explosive known as TATP, or triacetone triperoxide, which also was used in the 2005 bombings in London and were likely to be homemade with ingredients usually traced by the secret services.

French intelligence and security services had been reorganised in the wake of the Charlie Hebdo massacres, which left 16 dead in January. A former senior intelligence officer very familiar with France said he and a lot of French intelligence officials think that after two internal services — the Central Directorate of General Intelligence (RG) and the Directorate of Territorial Surveillance (DST) — were merged, it created a larger, but far weaker, General Directorate for Internal Security.

Alain Charret, an expert on France's surveillance system, said it was hard for the military to be everywhere and for intelligence to predict everything, 'but the reason why it is usually difficult to track people is because one or two people on their own are involved — here, it seems like it was a big group of organized people, so it should have been tracked more easily.'

PARIS MASSACRE: WHAT WE KNOW SO FAR ABOUT THE DEADLIEST TERROR ATTACK TO HIT EUROPE IN A DECADE

At least 129 people are dead, and another 352 injured, after three teams of jihadis struck the Stade de France football stadium, a handful of bars and cafes, and then finally the Bataclan concert hall.

FIRST TWO ATTACKS: STADE DE FRANCE

- The attacks began at 8.17pm GMT at the Stade de France where the French football team was hosting Germany in an international friendly.
- The game was being watched by 80,000 spectators, among them was President Francois Hollande who had to be evacuated from the stadium.
- The first explosion, a suicide bombing, was at an entrance to the stadium. A suicide bomber approached the gate with a match ticket when he was frisked by a security guard who turned him away.
- He backed away from the gate and detonated his vest at about 8.20pm GMT near Gate D of the stadium, killing one other person. A passport with the name Ahmed Almuhammed, 25, from Syria, was allegedly found nearby.
- A second suicide bomber, Bilal Hadfi, 20, blew himself up near Gate H several minutes later. No one else was reported killed. Hadfi is said to have fought with ISIS in Syria.

THIRD ATTACK: LE PETIT CAMBODGE AND LE CARILLON BAR

- At 8.25pm GMT a separate team of gunmen arrived in a Black Seat and attacked diners at popular Cambodian restaurant Le Petit Cambodge and Le Carillon bar in the trendy Canal Saint-Martin area of eastern Paris, killing 15.

1 STADE DE FRANCE
 9:20pm
 1 minute out of football fans escape a planned mass attack by a group of terrorists when a man wearing a suicide belt, prevented from entering stadium as a security check, blows himself up.
 1 terrorist dead
 1 football fan killed
 Gen 3 Where the suicide bombers detonated their explosives.
 9:30pm
 Second suicide bomber blows himself up again without the planned suicide effect.
 1 terrorist dead
 9:53pm
 Another suicide bomber kills himself again falling to activate his vest.
 1 terrorist dead
 10:15pm
 President hustled out by Secret Services.
 At the end of the game, the crowd spilled on to the pitch.

2 RUE ALBERT
 9:25pm
 La Carillon. Gunman seen pulling up in black Seat car. Fire a small automatic fire primarily into the street, then crosses road to La Carillon. A hall of more than 100 bulbs used with no effect.
 18 people killed
 10 severely injured

3 RUE FONTAINE AU ROI
 9:32pm
 Cafe Bonne Biere and La Casa Nostra pizzeria (100's of guns, dozens dead) to be in black, pull up in Seat, opening fire outside, operating with 2000 rounds.
 5 people killed
 8 severely injured

4 RUE DE CHARONNE
 9:36pm
 La Belle Equipe bar. Gunman arrives in black car and opens fire on the Friday night crowd on terrace and drive off.
 18 people killed
 8 severely injured

5 BOULEVARD VOLTAIRE
 9:40pm
 Restaurant Le Comptoir Voltaire. Attack by suicide bomber fails to detonate, failing to slaughter the thousands in the restaurant.
 1 terrorist dead
 1 person injured

6 LA BATACLAN CONCERT VENUE
 9:40pm-12:20am
 In the most horrific carnage of the whole night, three gunmen arrive in black VW Polo. Fire in nearby cafes. Own attack inside the venue, shooting into the crowd and lobby.
 3 terrorists die
 149 people killed
 1000 injured
 3 terrorists die
 89 people killed
 1000 injured
 3 terrorists die
 89 people killed
 1000 injured

TOTAL FROM ALL ATTACKS IN CITY
 7 terrorists dead
 129 people killed
 352 severely injured
 352 injured
 Source: The French press and French television.

The morning after outside Le Carillon bar.

Timeline of events: Eight bombers carried out the devastating attacks on Friday night, leaving 129 people dead and another 352 injured

FOURTH ATTACK: LA CASA NOSTRA PIZZERIA AND LA BELLE EQUIPE BAR

- The same unit then drove about 500 yards to La Casa Nostra pizzeria and opened fire on diners on the terrace of the restaurant, killing at least five people.
- From there, the militants drove around a mile south-east – apparently past the area of the Bataclan concert venue – to launch another attack, this time on La Belle Equipe bar in Rue de Charonne. At least 19 people died after the terrace was sprayed with bullets at 8:38pm GMT. The attackers then drove off.

FIFTH ATTACK: CAFÉ 'COMPTOIR VOLTAIRE'

- Five minutes later, Ibrahim Abdeslam, 31, set off a suicide vest outside the outside cafe 'Comptoir Voltaire' on the Boulevard Voltaire and close to the Bataclan theatre. He hired a black Seat car used in the attack.

SIXTH ATTACK: BATACLAN MUSIC HALL

- At 8:49pm GMT, the third group (believed to be three men and a woman) armed with AK-47s stormed the Bataclan music hall and began shooting members of the crowd. Survivors claim three blew themselves up and a fourth person was shot dead by police before they could detonate their bomb.

SEVENTH ATTACK: NEAR STADE DE FRANCE

- At around 8:50pm GMT a third blast took place near the Stade de France, this time by a McDonald's restaurant on the fringes of the stadium. The boom caused terror among spectators who had already been attempting to flee the stadium following the first two explosions. The attacker who detonated his suicide vest was identified as a 20-year-old French man living in Belgium.



Tearful members of the public view flowers and tributes on the pavement near the scene of the concert hall massacre on Friday

AFTERMATH:

- On Saturday morning, ISIS claimed responsibility for the attacks across Paris, saying 'eight brothers wearing explosive belts and carrying assault rifles' conducted a 'blessed attack on... Crusader France'.
- On Saturday afternoon, three people travelling in a grey VW Polo were arrested at the French/Belgian border when police traced the car after it was sighted outside the Bataclan theatre at the time of the attacks.
- One of the Stade de France suspects was found carrying a Syrian passport under the name Ahmed Almuhammed who travelled to France as a migrant through Greece on October 3. Ferry tickets reveal he travelled with another man named as Mohammed Almuhammed.
- However, the French minister of justice Christiane Taubira said on Sunday that the passport under the name Ahmed Almuhammed was a fake.
- Omar Ismaël Mostefai, 29, from Courcouronnes, Paris was also named as a Bataclan suicide bomber. The petty criminal and father-of-one was known to police as a radical and had travelled to Algeria and Syria. He was identified by the fingerprint on a severed digit found after he detonated his suicide belt.
- Mostefai is believed to have been radicalised by a Belgian hate preacher of Moroccan descent claimed to have regularly preached at his mosque in South West France. His father, a brother and other family members have been held and are being questioned.
- The black Seat Leon used by the terrorists who murdered diners outside the Casa Nostra pizza restaurant and the La Belle Équipe cafe was found abandoned 20 minutes away in Montreuil with a cache of weapons inside.
- Seven people were detained in Belgium linked to the atrocities - three at the border and four in Brussels. Five are from the Molenbeek area of Brussels known as a 'den of terrorists'.
- Iraqi spies warned the West of an ISIS suicide bomber threat the day before the Paris atrocities, it was revealed on Sunday, as more details of major intelligence failures began to emerge. The US-led coalition in Syria was apparently told by Iraqi security sources that 24 extremists were involved in the terror operation planned in the ISIS capital Raqqa and it would involve 19 attackers including five others including bombmakers and planners. No detail was given of when or where an attack might take place.
- It has also emerged that Turkey's authorities foiled a plot to stage a 'Jihadi John revenge attack' in Istanbul - involving a high-profile British jihadist - on the same day as the deadly massacre in Paris.
- From as far back as August, France's authorities possessed information that militants were said to be planning attacks on French concert halls after a tip-off was received from a 30-year-old man who was detained on his way back from Syria.
- On Sunday night there were 42 people still said to be in intensive care in hospital following Friday's terrorist attacks.

LATEST DEVELOPMENTS:

- French police are still hunting for three gunmen on the run, including Brussels-born Frenchman Salah Abdeslam, and an ISIS bombmaker likely to have made the suicide vests.
- An international arrest warrant has been issued for Abdeslam, 26, who is accused of renting a Volkswagen Polo used by the suicide bombers. He is one of three brothers believed to be at the heart of the eight-strong ISIS cell.
- It emerged on Sunday night that police found Abdeslam near the Belgian border early Saturday but let him go after he showed them his ID card. Officers pulled over the car being driven by Abdeslam on Saturday morning on the A2 motorway between Paris and Brussels. Two other men were also in the Seat car. At the time, officers in Paris knew that Abdeslam had rented the car used by the killers which had been abandoned near the theatre but the information had not been transmitted to those responsible for conducting the border checks.
- His brother Ibrahim, 31, blew himself up in a solo attack outside cafe Comptoir Voltaire after renting a black Seat found abandoned today filled with AK-47s and ammunition. A third sibling, named as Mohamed Abdeslam, has been arrested in the Belgian capital.
- On Sunday evening the French defence ministry announced that the country's warplanes had bombed Islamic State's stronghold in Syria's Raqa, destroying a command post and a training camp, the defence ministry said. Ten fighter jets were involved, dropping 20 bombs.



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This is the remains of one of the suicide bomber who targeted 80,000 fans at the Stade de France during a football match on Friday



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At least two of the terrorists is believed to have left Syria, travelled through Turkey and registered as a refugee on the Greek island of Leros on October 3 before continuing his journey northwards eventually arriving in Paris



Place of worship: Mostefai is said to have regularly attended the mosque in Luce, close to Chartres, south-west of Paris, pictured today with president Abdallah Benali and vice president Karim Benay. It is claimed that Mostefai was radicalised by an unnamed Belgian hate preacher who spoke at the mosque



Home: A view of the house where Omar Ismael Mostefai, one of the suicide bombers who took part in the attack on the Bataclan theatre, lived two years ago



Incredible footage shows armed officers swarm on at least one man and force him to kneel down as they detain him on a wall as shocked shoppers look on in the St Jans Molenbeek area of Brussels, Belgium, at around 5pm UK time yesterday. It came as Belgian police made a number of arrests in Brussels hours after the deadly attacks in Paris, after a car seen in the French capital was intercepted at the border



Removed: A car with suspected links to the Paris attacks has been found by police in Montreuil containing a cache of guns and ammunition

Suspect Volkswagen Polo being towed away from the Bataclan



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Investigators are now investigating claims that he went to Syria last year, and may have spent time with IS terrorists.

Mostefai's father and 34-year-old brother were arrested on Saturday night, and their homes were searched.

'It's a crazy thing, it's madness,' his brother told French news agency AFP before he was taken into custody. 'Yesterday I was in Paris and I saw how this shit went down.'

The brother, one of four boys in the family along with two sisters, turned himself in to police after learning Mostefai was involved in the attacks.

While he had cut ties with Mostefai several years ago, and knew he had been involved in petty crimes, his brother said he had never imagined his brother could be radicalised.

The last he knew, Mostefai had gone to Algeria with his family and his 'little girl', he said, adding: 'It's been a time since I have had any news. I called my mother, she didn't seem to know anything.'

A source close to the enquiry said Mostefai regularly attended the mosque in Luce, close to Chartres, to the southwest of Paris.

He is said to have been radicalised by a Belgian hate preacher of Moroccan descent said to have regularly preached at his mosque.

Among their victims was a 36-year-old British man, Nick Alexander, from Colchester in Essex, who was selling T-shirts at the Bataclan Theatre where 89 music fans were slaughtered.

With much of Europe on high alert yesterday, a Frenchman caused chaos at Gatwick Airport after

PASSPORT FOUND ON BOMBER'S BODY COULD BE AN ISIS FAKE

A terrorism expert said today that the passport found on the body of at least one suicide bomber could be fake.

ISIS may have asked the bombers to carry bogus or stolen documents belonging to migrants crossing into Europe from Syria.

Professor Greg Barton from Deakin University in Australia said: 'It raises questions about whether it is real.'

'A suicide attacker will go through a ritual of bathing and praying beforehand.'

'They would have known that the documents would not have been atomised by the blast. It could be a way for ISIS to fan the flames of hatred towards migrants.'

'Their recruitment would be helped by this

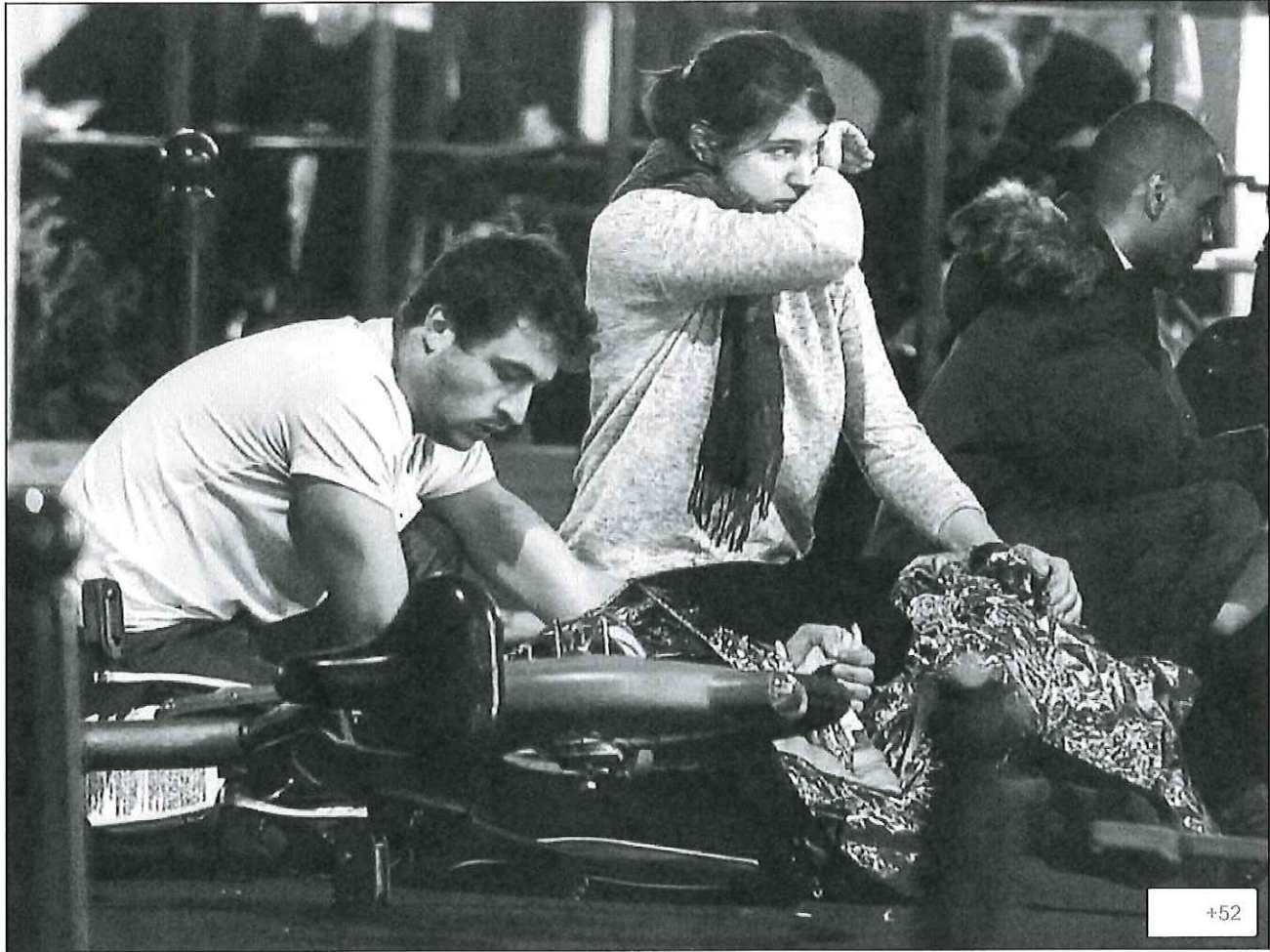
producing what appeared to be a gun at an easyJet check-in desk. Hundreds of passengers were evacuated after the 41-year-old man fled and threw the 'firearm' into a rubbish bin at the North Terminal following a row with staff.

suspicion of migrants'.

Jerome Chauris, from Vendome, has been charged with possession of an air rifle and a knife and is due to appear in court on Monday. Armed police rushed to restrain the man and were said to have shouted 'get down, get down' to nearby travellers.



French fire officer helped an injured man away from the scene of the attack at the Bataclan concert in Paris on Friday night



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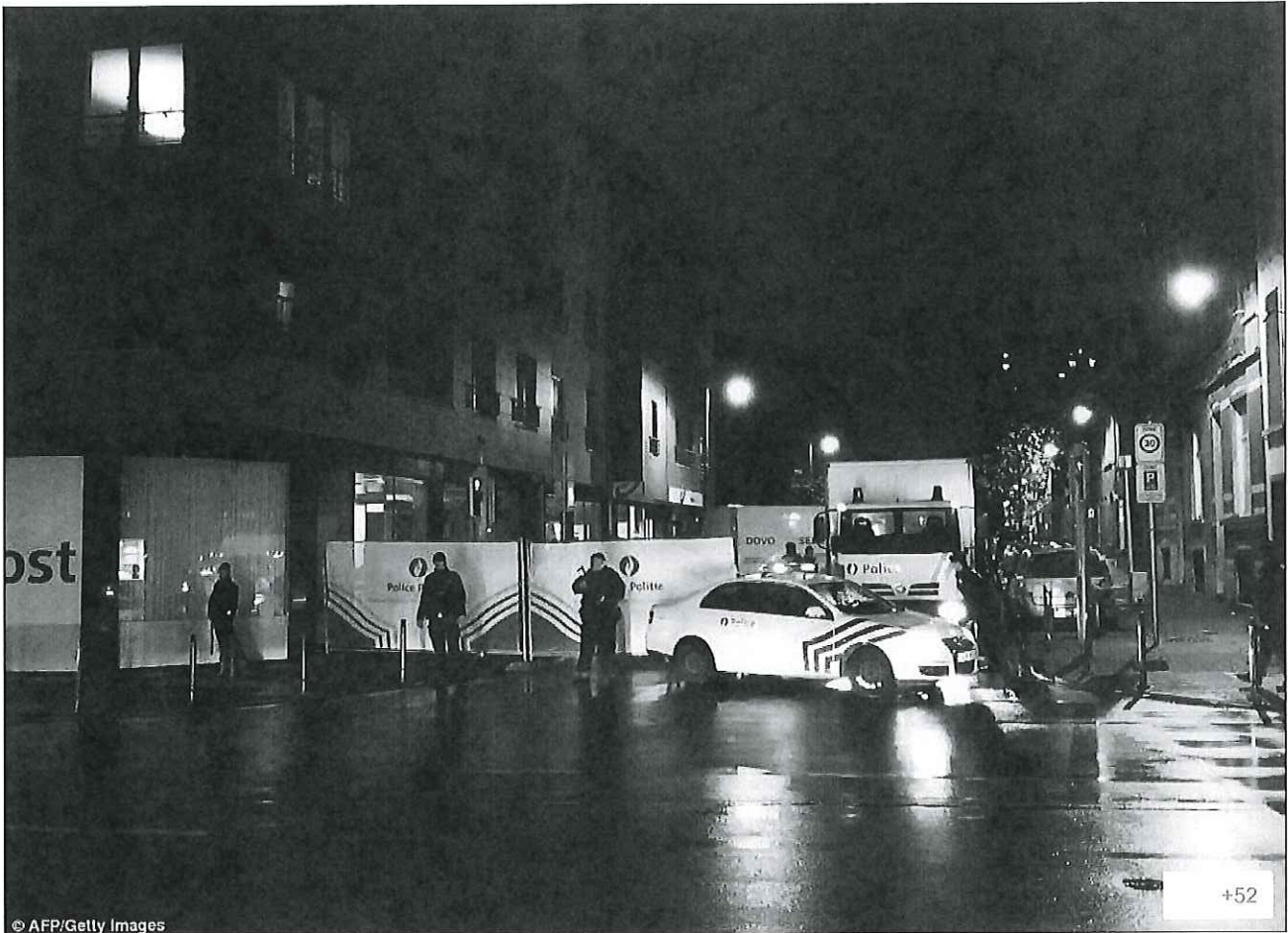
Survivors began tending to those who had been injured during Friday's atrocity despite the fear of further terrorist attacks



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Belgian police arrested three suspects as they tried to cross the border from France on Friday night



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The suspects' car, not pictured, was seen near one of the terror sites on Friday before returning to Belgium

Belgian police make several arrests linked to Paris attacks



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If the attack does involve militants who travelled to Europe amid millions of refugees from the Middle East, the implications will be profound.

Poland's prospective minister for European affairs, Konrad Szymanski, said that in light of the attacks, Poland would not comply with an EU plan to accept refugees unless it received 'guarantees

GREEKS HAND MIGRANTS TRAVEL PAPERS TO PASS EU BORDERS

Greek junior interior minister for migration

of security'.

The attack brought an immediate tightening of borders as Mr Hollande declared a state of emergency and announced renewed border checks. Germany also stepped up border checks.

Belgian authorities conducted raids in Brussels and arrested three people near the border with France after a car with Belgian numberplates was seen close to the Bataclan. Mr Molins said a French national was among the three arrested.

Last week a 51-year-old man arrested in Germany last week with weapons in his car might be linked to the Paris attacks.

A spokesman for Bavarian state police confirmed earlier that firearms, explosives and hand grenades were found when officers stopped a man near the Austrian border on November 5.

Ludwig Waldinger declined to confirm reports by public broadcaster Bayrischer Rundfunk that the man appeared to be en route to Paris when he was arrested.

Responding to questions about the Paris attacks, Bavarian governor Horst Seehofer said: 'In the course of spot checks we had an arrest where there are reasonable grounds to assume that there may be a link to the matter.'

Citing unidentified investigators, Bayrischer Rundfunk reported that documents found during the arrest indicated that the man was from Montenegro and was travelling to Paris. It also reported that the weapons, which it said included an automatic rifle and 1kg of TNT, were professionally hidden inside the body of the car, a VW Golf.

Rainer Wendt, chairman of the German Police Union, said security agencies appeared to have been tipped off that the man was planning to enter Germany.

'It seems it was found that he originally wanted to go to Paris, heavily armed with several different firearms and explosives,' Mr Wendt told German news station n-tv.

'That the French authorities were informed about this is totally clear,' he added. 'From what we know the man is in custody and isn't saying anything, so with that information alone the French authorities seem to have been unable to do much.'

'At least the attack couldn't be prevented, despite all the efforts that were surely made.'

Yiannis Mouzalas said that Ahmad al Mohammad arrived on the island of Leros on October 3.

Mr Mouzalas released a photograph of al Mohammad, which was taken as he was processed by Greek Authorities.

He said the 25-year-old was registered 'in accordance with European regulations' and had been allowed to continue his journey as his details did not raise any 'red flags' on any EU security databases.

Greek authorities hand travel papers to migrants as long as their fingerprints are not held on an international terror watch list.

Mr Mouzalas added: 'This is the sole person on which we have received a request from the French police.'

But Mouzalas insisted that heightened security concerns should not jeopardise the rights of refugees to safety in Europe.

'There could be more (such jihadists)... are we supposed to toss 100,000 people in the sea?'

'Greece and Europe must keep a very fine balance between security and human rights,' he said.

'Most of (the attackers) were born and raised in Western countries... they leave Western countries with legal Western passports, go to jihad and return.'

Local man describes the scene of one arrest in Belgium



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Some people tried to escape from the carnage by clambering down the outside of the building

Terror attack victims flee the Bataclan theatre in Paris

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Meanwhile in Paris, distraught relatives and friends of people still missing launched a desperate search for loved ones feared killed. They shared pictures and information with the hashtag 'RechercheParis' – which means 'search Paris' – and it has now spawned its own Twitter accounts and Facebook page. Many of those missing were at the Bataclan concert.

British victim Mr Alexander was with his American friend Helen Wilson when gunman stormed the venue before blowing themselves up. She told how they were forced to lie on the ground – with those who moved, shot.

Mr Alexander was fatally wounded when they tried to make a break for freedom – but someone attracted a gunman's attention and both of them were shot. Helen was left desperately trying to resuscitate him while the terrorists lurked 'in the shadows'.

She said: 'Then he couldn't breathe any more and I held him in my arms and told him I loved him. He was the love of my life.'

As France declared a state of emergency and tightened its borders, it emerged that a catastrophe was averted at the Stade de France, where 80,000 watched a friendly football match between France and Germany.

A security guard frisked one of the attackers as he tried to enter the stadium with a ticket, only to find that he was wearing an explosives vest.



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Victims of the gun attack outside La Belle Equipe restaurant on Friday night



A victim is wheeled out of the Bataclan concert hall where Islamic State gunmen mercilessly slaughtered up to 100 fans before blowing themselves up in a series of co-ordinated attacks across the French capital



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One of the concert-goers who was rescued from the Bataclan concert hall, where terrorists opened fire - killing innocent people

His plan had been to detonate it on the terraces, triggering a stampede of fans – straight into the path of another bomber outside.

But after being discovered he ran and detonated the bomb outside, killing one other person, a 63-year-old Portuguese man.

At least one of the bombers is a Parisian. French prosecutor Francois Molins said that the attacker, who appears to be the ringleader is from the Courcouronnes suburb, the same district to the south of the capital that spawned the Charlie Hebdo killers

The man, known only as Mr Ismaël, was born November 22, 1985, and had a criminal record, but had never spent time in jail. He had been known to France's security services since 2010 and was on 'Fiche S', their watchlist of known extremists.

He was known as having been radicalised but had never been implicated in a counter-terrorism investigation. 'He was considered a radicalised person and had a security report,' Mr. Mollins said.

But he was not being monitored closely enough to stop him taking part in Friday's monstrous attacks, described by Islamic State, which claimed responsibility, as 'just the start of a storm'.

Professor Anthony Glees, terror expert at the University of Buckingham, said: 'I have no doubt whatsoever that some of the people in this plot will have been infiltrated into France in the guise of asylum-seekers. We worried about it, now we have it. I think this is of enormous significance.'

Other vital clues were also missed. More than a week ago, a heavily-armed suspect was stopped in Germany on his way to Paris. Hidden in his car, police found a terrifying arsenal, including seven Kalashnikov assault rifles and seven hand grenades. The destination programmed into his satnav system was Paris but officers failed to alert anti-terror police.

French President declares state of emergency; closes borders



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A second attacker at the stadium is believed to have been as young as 15. Supporters of both France and Germany were held in the stadium until they could be safely evacuated



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At least eight militants, all wearing suicide vests, brought unprecedented violence to the streets of the French capital in the bloodiest attack in Europe since the Madrid train bombings in 2004



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An armed officer stands outside the theatre, which is just 200 metres from the Charlie Hebdo offices

Paris prosecutor Francois Molins said of the eight attackers: 'We have to find out where they came from... and how they were financed.'

Mr Molins confirmed that three Frenchmen arrested in Belgium yesterday were linked to the attacks. Police are focusing their investigation on two vehicles. One was a black Seat used by gunmen at two of the attacks and has yet to be found.

The other is a black Volkswagen Polo with Belgian registration plates found at the Bataclan. This was rented to a Frenchman living in Belgium who was identified in a spot check by police on Friday morning as he drove across the Belgian border with two others.

Investigators believe these three may be another team of attackers who managed to flee the scene.

As details of the killers' identities began to emerge yesterday, Corinne Narassiguin, spokesman for France's ruling Socialist party, admitted: 'Obviously there was a failure of intelligence so we'll have to look into this.' She told the BBC that the French government had recently voted through new measures to improve surveillance of terror suspects, and 2,000 new posts are being created, but added: 'Unfortunately all these measures are not yet fully operational.'

In May this year, The Mail on Sunday revealed the concerns of security analysts that Islamic State extremists were being smuggled into Europe among refugees crossing the Mediterranean. Yesterday's discovery appeared to confirm those worst fears.

Prosecutors also said the terrorists used an improved explosive known as TATP, or triacetone triperoxide, which also was used in the 2005 bombings in London.

Expressions of sympathy echoed around the world as France struggled to come to terms with the second major terror outrage on its soil in 12 months.

US President Barack Obama said today the terror attacks in Paris were an 'attack on the civilised world' and that 'the skies have been darkened' by the incidents.

Mr Obama is pledging US solidarity with France in the effort to hunt down the perpetrators and bring them to justice.

He made the comments in a meeting with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan on the sidelines of the G20 economic summit featuring leading industrial and emerging-market nations.

Mr Erdogan says there will be a 'strong message' on fighting terrorism coming out of the summit.

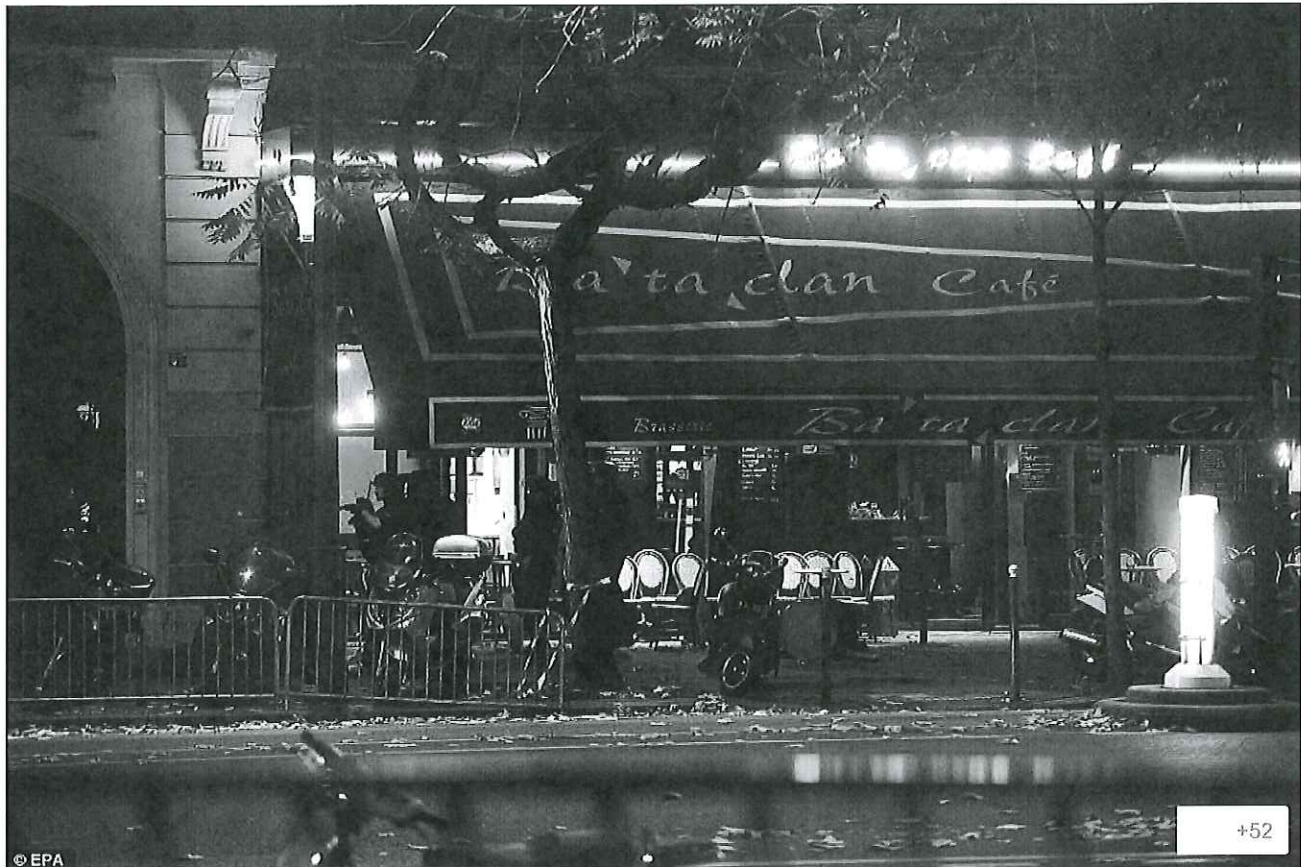
Mr Obama also said the US stands with Turkey and Europe in the effort to reduce the flow of migrants. He says the US and Turkey will redouble efforts to resolve Syria's civil war.

Football fans on pitch at Stade de France after explosion



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Tension: Armed police prepare their assault on the terrorists at the Bataclan concert hall, where 80 people were slaughtered on Friday

'MY MOBILE PHONE SAVED MY LIFE BY BLOCKING FLYING SHRAPNEL'

A survivor injured in the attack at the Stade de France told how his mobile phone may have saved his life.

The man, known only as Sylvestre, says his Samsung phone blocked the debris when terrorists attacked as he passed the stadium.

Sylvestre, who was also shot in the foot, had just finished a phone call as a suicide bomber struck close to where he stood.

The smashed device stopped debris hitting his skull.

Showing French news channel iTele the damage, he said: 'This is the phone that took the hit, it's what saved me. Otherwise my head would have been blown to bits.'

Man shows mobile phone that saved his life in Paris attacks

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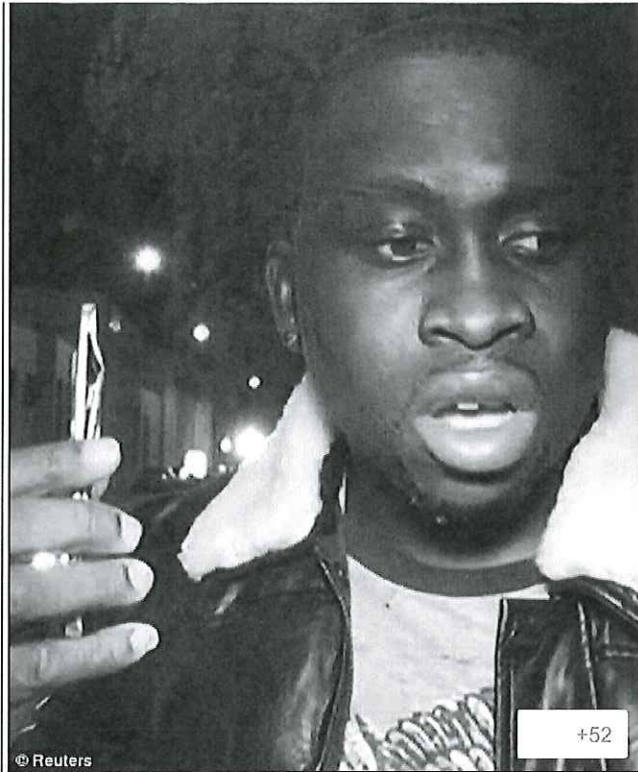


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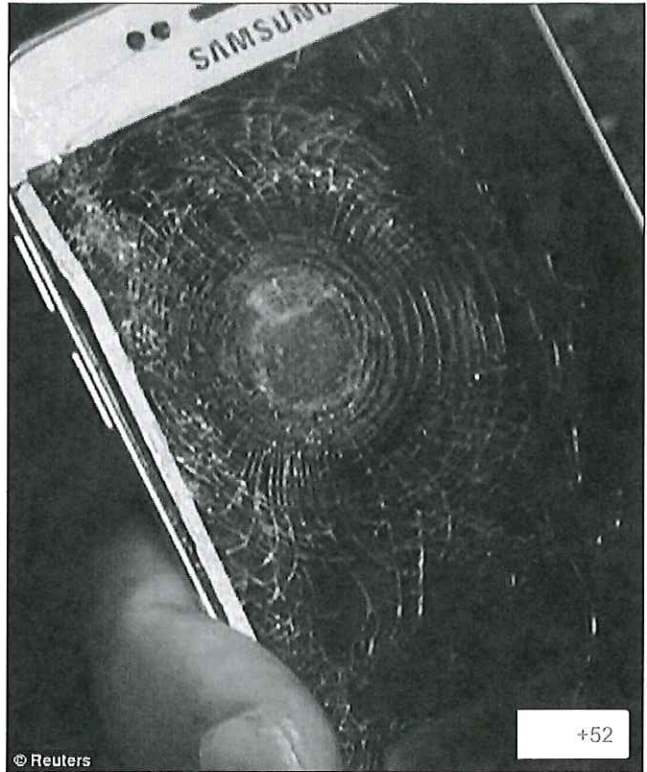
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Mourners leave floral tributes at the main entrance of Le Carillon restaurant which was targeted in a series of terrorist attacks in Paris



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French special forces evacuate people, including an injured man holding his head, as people gather near the Bataclan concert hall following fatal shootings



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Around 150 people gathered in Trafalgar Square in central London today as they showed support to the French following the string of terror attacks carried out in Paris last night, in which 129 innocent people were killed



A woman is comforted as she breaks down outside the Carillon cafe and the Petit Cambodge restaurant where victims were gunned down



Thousands of people have taken to the streets of Paris to pay tribute to the victims of last nights' horrific attacks



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Women leave candles at the French embassy during a vigil in Ottawa, in Canada, a day after the terror attacks in France

Prime Minister David Cameron said: 'The events in Paris are the worst acts of violence in France since the Second World War, the worst terrorist attack in Europe for a decade, a horrifying and sickening attack. Our hearts go out to the French people and to all those who lost loved ones. Today the British and French peoples stand together as we have so often before in our history when confronted by evil.'

And writing in *The Mail* on Sunday, London Mayor Boris Johnson promised that the 'narcissistic death cult' of Islamic State would be crushed. 'There can be no compromise with this twisted ideology,' he writes. 'No room for common ground because their ambition is so wholly nihilistic. They must be defeated – and they will be defeated.'

Throughout yesterday the streets of the French capital were eerily quiet. The attacks were the worst in Europe since the 2004 Madrid train bombings which killed 191.

French president Francois Hollande declared the atrocities an 'act of war' by IS and vowed to 'mercilessly' strike back against the jihadi 'barbarians'.

The French government stepped up its participation in the military air campaign in Syria at the end of September. On October 8, it conducted a strike against militants in Raqqa, Syria, apparently targeting Salim Benghalem, a Frenchman fighting for IS who was one of the group's most famous Western executioners. His popularity among French extremists was almost parallel to that of Jihadi John.

Hollande: Paris attacks 'act of war' by Islamic State



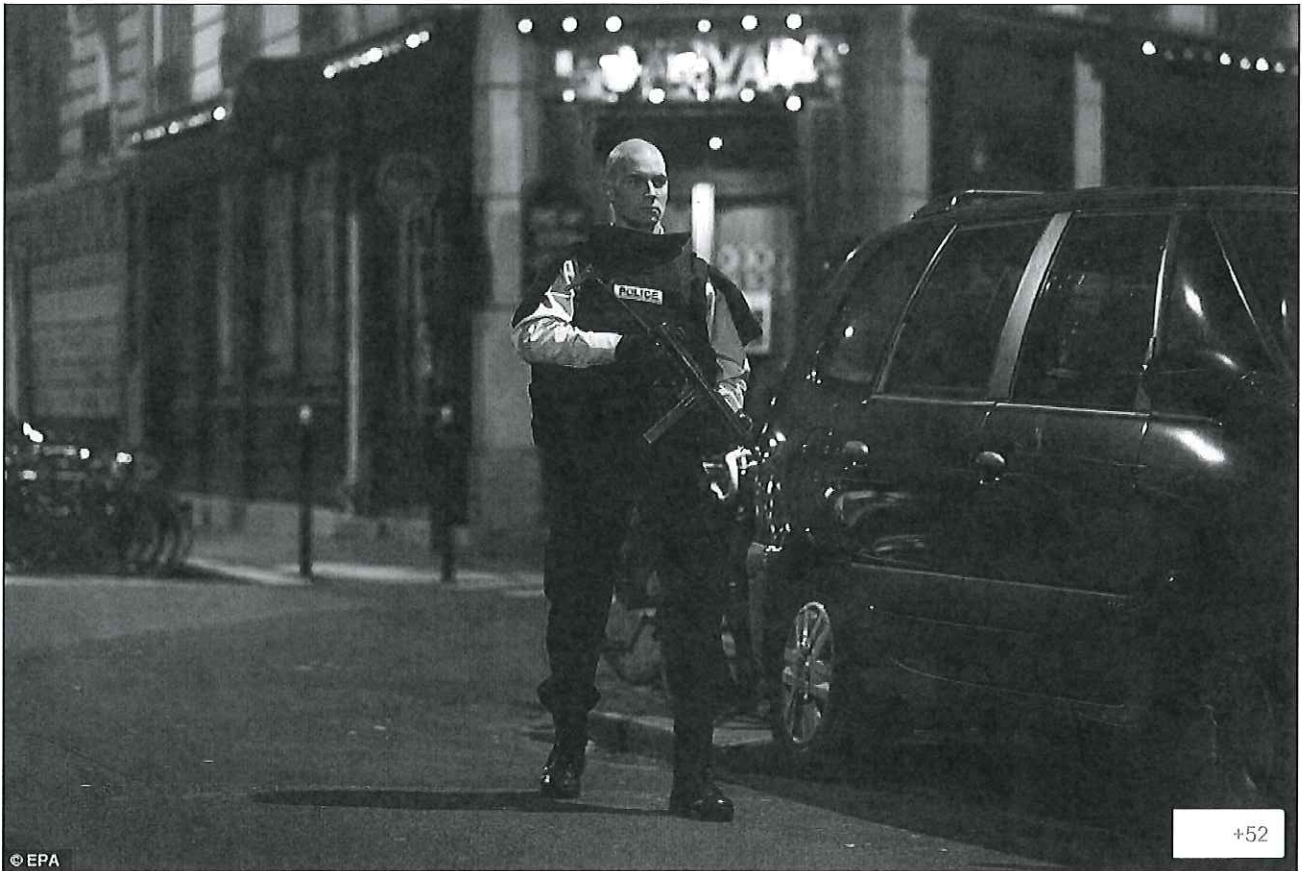
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The distressing scenes in the French capital have sent shockwaves across social media, with a number of campaigns launched to help people who were unable to get safely home



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An armed policeman stands guard near the scene of the shooting in Paris on Friday night



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Crossfire: Sparks fly as bullets from the terrorists' machine guns ricochet off the bonnet of a parked car



Missing: Gaëlle Messager, left, Isabelle Merlin, centre, and Maud Serrault, right, are all feared dead by loved ones after the attacks



Dead: Marie Mosser, left, François-Xavier Prevost, centre, and Lola Salines, right, were named as three of the victims of the terror attack

Questions for French security services after it emerges three major intelligence failures may have let the killers get through

Vital clues were missed that could have averted the Paris atrocities, it was feared last night as it was revealed that:

- A heavily armed suspect was stopped on his way to the French capital more than a week ago but German police who uncovered an arsenal of weapons in his car did not tell anti-terror chiefs.
- At least one of the terrorists was a Parisian who had been on a terror watch list for five years, but was not being monitored closely enough to be stopped before he took part in the murderous attack.
- Greek authorities believe that two of the gunmen sneaked into Europe posing as a refugee from Syria – heightening fears that not enough security checks are being carried out on migrants.

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Mourners lay flowers at Belle Equipe following attacks

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Vital clues were missed that could have averted the Paris atrocities, it was feared last night as the investigation continues



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Greek authorities believe that two of the gunmen sneaked into Europe posing as a refugee from Syria, with one registering in Leros on October 3

She said the French government had recently voted through new measures to improve surveillance of terror suspects, with 2,000 new posts being created, but added: 'Unfortunately all these measures are not yet fully operational.'

French intelligence and security services had been reorganised in the wake of the Charlie Hebdo massacres, which left 16 dead in January. It emerged that the brothers behind the killings, Cherif and Said Kouachi, were well known to the authorities and were being watched – but surveillance was called off just six months before they launched their attack.

Since then counter-terrorist forces say they have thwarted several plots and in August passengers overpowered a gunman who opened fire on a high-speed train bound for Paris.

But it is feared there was a fatal breakdown in communication between European law enforcement agencies earlier this month. During a routine check of a VW Golf on the Salzburg to Munich autobahn on November 5, police discovered a 'professionally built' secret compartment crammed with weaponry and munitions.



At least one of the terrorists was a Parisian who had been on a terror watch list for five years, but was not being monitored closely enough to be stopped before he took part in the murderous attack. Above, French fire brigade members aid an injured individual near the Bataclan concert hall



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Victims of the attack lay on the pavement outside La Bell Equipe restaurant. As details of the killers' identities began to emerge yesterday, Corinne Narassiguin, spokeswoman for France's ruling Socialist Party, admitted: 'Obviously there was a failure of intelligence'

'An inspection of the glove compartment revealed a revolver,' said a security source. 'The compartment itself was damaged and behind it could be seen something sticking out – it was the barrel of an AK-47 hidden in the engine compartment.'

Eventually discovered in the hideaway built into the car bodywork and welded over were a further seven AK-47 assault rifles of the type used in the Parisian bloodbath, complete with full magazines. Five pistols, seven hand grenades, fuses, detonators and a revolver completed the mini arsenal. The destination programmed into the driver's sat-nav was Paris. The 51-year-old driver, a Muslim from Montenegro, was arrested and held in custody but has refused to talk.

The country has long been a recruiting ground for Islamic State (IS) terrorists in the Balkans and some 300 individuals there are believed to be under surveillance. But although the arrest by Bavarian police was reported to Interpol, details were not given to anti-terror specialists in Berlin who may have been able to join up the dots with their French counterparts and so prevent the Paris massacre.

'There will be hell to pay about this in the coming days,' said an intelligence source.



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A mourner pays his respects outside the Le Carillon restaurant, the site of one of the attacks

Mourners lay flowers outside the restaurant in Paris

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Bavaria's state premier Horst Seehofer said on Saturday: 'We have an arrest where there is reasonable expectation that it may be to do with the things that happened in Paris.'

Meanwhile, at least one of the terrorists who struck on Friday night had been on 'Fiche S', a watch list of known extremists.

One of the gunmen who stormed the Bataclan concert hall was identified by his fingerprints as a 29-year-old named only as a Mr Ismaël. He had a criminal record, lived in the southern Paris suburb of Courcouronnes, and had been known to the intelligence agencies since 2010, French media said.

The cell responsible for the massacre travelled to IS heartlands for training, while at least one member re-entered Europe last month via a Greek island among refugees fleeing the chaos of Syria.

Three alleged accomplices were arrested in Brussels last night over the plot, but it is likely to be seen by many as too little, too late.



Sweet-natured: Nick Alexander, left and right at the Paris venue, was working at the venue that was attacked



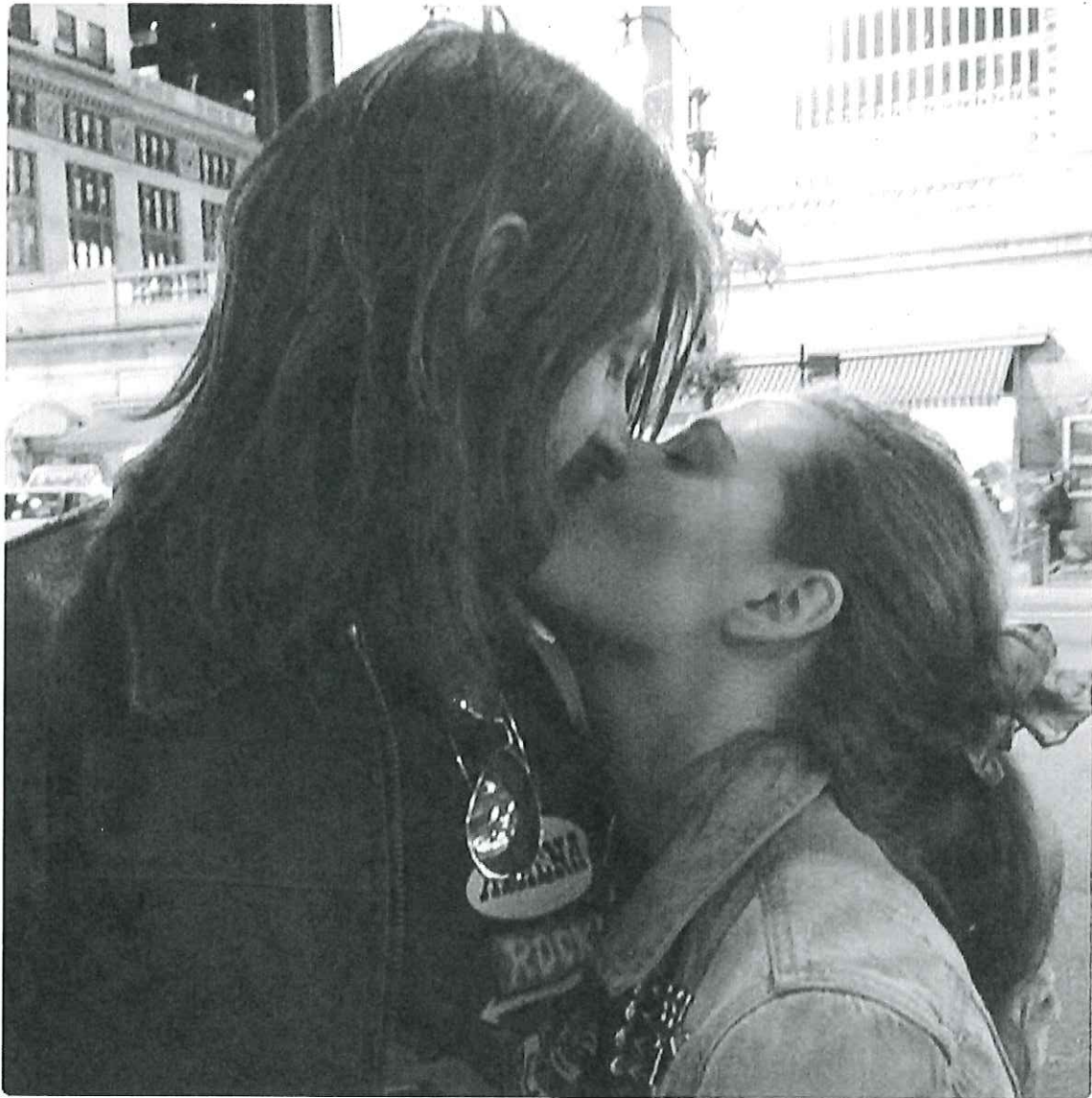
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Nick Alexander's girlfriend Polina Buckley, understood to be from New York, was overcome with grief as she sat near a makeshift vigil outside the consulate of France in Manhattan



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Polina was comforted by a friend during a candlelight vigil in Manhattan, held in memory of the victims of the Paris killings

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Christian Syrian Refugees -- United States Won't Admit Non-Muslims

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Over the past five years of Syria's civil war, the United States has admitted a grand total of 53 Syrian Christian refugees, a lone Yazidi, and fewer than ten Druze, Bahá'ís, and Zoroastrians combined. That so few of the Syrian refugees coming here are non-Muslim minorities is due to American reliance on a United Nations refugee-resettlement program that disproportionately excludes them. Past absolute totals of Syrian refugees to the U.S. under this program were small, but as the Obama administration now ramps up refugee quotas by tens of thousands, it would be unconscionable to continue with a process that has consistently forsaken some of the most defenseless and egregiously persecuted of those fleeing Syria.

The gross underrepresentation of the non-Muslim communities in the numbers of Syrian refugees into the U.S. is reflected year after year in the State Department's public records. They show, for example, that while Syria's largest non-Muslim group — Christians of the various Catholic, Orthodox, and Protestant traditions — constituted 10 percent of Syria's population before the war, they are only 2.6 percent of the 2,003 Syrian refugees that the United States has accepted since then.

Syria's Christian population, which before the war numbered 2 million, has since

2011 been decimated in what Pope Francis described as religious “genocide”. Tens of thousands of Aleppo’s 160,000 Christians alone have fled, many to Lebanon, after 1,000 of their community, including two Orthodox bishops, were abducted and murdered, according to Melkite Catholic archbishop Jean-Clement Jeanbart. In Khabour valley, an Assyrian bishop is frantically trying to raise ransom for 200 hostages whom ISIS threatens to kill, while many others of his diocese have fled to Turkey. Thousands of Yazidis, who numbered 80,000, have left after many of their girls and women were enslaved by ISIS in Raqqa. In Homs, Hassake, and elsewhere, the non-Muslim minorities face, in addition to Assad’s barrel bombs and war’s deprivations, targeted execution, rape, kidnapping, and forced conversion to Islam, prompting their exodus.

Clearly, far more than a few dozen members of Syria’s religious minorities should qualify as refugees under the legal definition of a refugee as someone with a “well-founded fear of persecution based on religion.” And genocidal levels of religious persecution should be given weight in the U.N.’s calculation of “specific need;” they warrant the selection of religious minorities for resettlement, along with the Muslims among Syria’s 4 million refugees.

Instead, minorities have difficulty getting to step one in the U.N. process. The religious terror that drove them from Syria blocks their registering. The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) is largely limited to collecting refugee applications and making resettlement referrals from its own camps and centers — the burden of feeding creates strong incentives for this practice. In an e-mail to me, Knox Thames, the State Department’s new special adviser for religious minorities, wrote that “many minorities have not entered the UN system because they are urban refugees.” That is, because they live far from the remote U.N. camps and aid centers, they lack the information and access to register. And, as is widely known, many non-Muslim refugees try hard to avoid these camps.

Like Iraqi Christians who opt for church-run camps over better-serviced U.N. ones, Syrian minorities fear hostility from majority groups inside the latter. According to British media, a terrorist defector asserted that militants enter U.N. camps to assassinate and kidnap Christians. An American Christian aid group reported that the U.N. camps are “dangerous” places where ISIS, militias, and gangs traffic in women and threaten men who refuse to swear allegiance to the caliphate. Such intimidation is also reportedly evident in migrant camps in Europe, leading the German police union to recommend separate shelters for Christian and Muslim migrant groups.

At a discussion of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom on October 27, I directly questioned U.N. High Commissioner António Guterres, an otherwise ardent advocate of diversity, about the short shrift that his office has given all Syria’s non-Muslim minority communities. His rambling reply failed to reassure. He said that, while some individuals should be resettled, as a Catholic he felt that Christians should not leave, because they’re part of the “DNA of the Middle East”; moreover, he said, Lebanon’s former president asked him not to resettle the Christians. Was he revealing a policy of religious bias and unlawful geo-political calculations for U.N. refugee determinations? Or was his sentiment a smokescreen behind which he was trying to flick off an issue he regarded as insignificant?

Other Western countries, the main recipients of Syrian refugees, confront similar problems. In Britain, the House of Lords debated the issue, with Lord David Alton and Baroness Cox noting that many Christian refugees will “not be included in the [U.N.] camp referrals” because they have had to leave the camps after “cruelties inflicted upon them” there. In Canada, prime minister-designate Justin Trudeau has pledged to resettle 25,000 Syrian refugees, and Sarho Jammo, the Chaldean Catholic bishop of the Western United States, is leading a campaign to implore that Christians be included.

The abandonment of Syria's minority refugees has yet to stir Washington. The administration denies that it discriminates against them and, moreover, asserts that it gives them priority. "Due to the unique needs of vulnerable religious minority communities, the State Department has prioritized the resettlement of Syrian Christian refugees and other religious minorities fleeing the conflict," wrote special adviser Thames. But that policy is meaningless if the State Department relies on an indifferent UNHCR process that functionally excludes them.

According to a recent UNHCR posting, 19,000 Syrians picked straight from "refugee camps in Turkey, Lebanon and Jordan" have received U.N. approval and are awaiting resettlement in the U.S. In October, President Obama ordered their expedited admission. Without further action, however, only token numbers of non-Muslim minorities will be among those rescued. George Carey, former archbishop of Canterbury, called it right about the Christian refugees, and his words equally apply to Syria's other non-Muslim communities: They are being "left at the bottom of the heap."

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Refugee ‘Religious Test’ Is ‘Shameful’ and ‘Not American’ ... Except that Federal Law Requires It

By Andrew C. McCarthy — November 18, 2015

As I argued in *Faithless Execution*, the principal constitutional duty of the chief executive is to execute the laws faithfully. President Obama, by contrast, sees his principal task as imposing his post-American “progressive” preferences, regardless of what the laws mandate.

In his latest harangue against Senator Ted Cruz (R., Texas) and other Americans opposed to his insistence on continuing to import thousands of Muslim refugees from Syria and other parts of the jihad-ravaged Middle East, Obama declaimed:

When I hear political leaders suggesting that there would be a religious test for which a person who's fleeing from a war-torn country is admitted ... that's shameful.... That's not American. That's not who we are. We don't have religious tests to our compassion.

Really? Under federal law, the executive branch is *expressly required to take religion into account* in determining who is granted asylum. Under the provision governing asylum (section 1158 of Title 8, U.S. Code), an alien applying for admission

must establish that ... *religion* [among other things] ... was or will be at least one central reason for persecuting the applicant.

Moreover, to qualify for asylum in the United States, the applicant must be a “refugee” as defined by federal law. That definition (set forth in Section 1101(a)(42)(A) of Title , U.S. Code) also requires the executive branch to take account of the alien’s religion:

The term “refugee” means (A) any person who is outside any country of such person’s nationality ... and who is unable or unwilling to return to

... that country because of persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution on account of ... *religion* [among other things] ...[.]

The law requires a “religious test.” And the reason for that is obvious. Asylum law is not a reflection of the incumbent president’s personal (and rather eccentric) sense of compassion. Asylum is a discretionary national act of compassion that is directed, *by law* not whim, to address *persecution*.

There is no right to emigrate to the United States. And the fact that one comes from a country or territory ravaged by war does not, by itself, make one an asylum candidate. War, regrettably, is a staple of the human condition. Civil wars are generally about power. That often makes them violent and, for many, tragic; but it does not necessarily make them wars in which one side is *persecuting* the other side.

In the case of this war, the Islamic State is undeniably persecuting Christians. It is doing so, moreover, as a matter of doctrine. Even those Christians the Islamic State does not kill, it otherwise persecutes as called for by its construction of sharia (observe, for example, the ongoing rape jihad and sexual slavery).

To the contrary, the Islamic State seeks to rule Muslims, not kill or persecute them. Obama prefers not to dwell on the distinction between the jihadist treatment of Muslims, on the one hand, and of Christians, Jews and other religions, on the other hand, because he — like much of Washington — inhabits a world in which jihadists are not Islamic and, therefore, have no common ground with other Muslims ... notwithstanding that jihadists emerge whenever and wherever a population of sharia-adherent Muslims reaches critical mass. But this is sheer fantasy. While there is no question that ISIS will kill and persecute Muslims whom it regards as apostates for refusing to adhere to its construction of Islam, it is abject idiocy to suggest that Muslims are facing the same ubiquity and intensity of persecution as Christians.

And it is downright dishonest to claim that taking such religious distinctions into account is “not American,” let alone “shameful.” How can something *American law requires* be “not American”? And how can a national expression of compassion expressly aimed at alleviating persecution be “shameful”?