



Operation SECURUS - Vancouver Situational Awareness Bulletin October 1, 2017



Suspected Terrorist attack in Edmonton, September 30th, 2017

There were two incidents involving the same suspect;

The first incident

- At approx. 8:15 local time, near Commonwealth Stadium where an Edmonton Eskimos football game was being played, a Chevrolet Malibu being driven by a lone male, intentionally struck a police officer standing between a wood barricade and his police cruiser, sending him flying backwards.
- The suspect got out of his vehicle and ran up to the police member, stabbing him before fleeing on foot.
- An ISIS flag was found inside the suspect's vehicle at the scene

The second incident

- Just before midnight, police stopped a UHaul van at a checkpoint. The officer recognized the drivers name as being the same as the R/O of the vehicle that struck the police member earlier.
- The UHAUL took off from police at a high rate of speed and a pursuit began.
- The UHAUL headed for Jasper Ave., Edmonton's main street downtown. The UHAUL intentionally tried to run down pedestrians, striking at least four.
- The suspect lost control of the UHAUL and flipped it over. Police arrested the lone suspect.



The suspect was known to police, however, it is unknown if the male is suspected of being radicalized and there was no information to indicate an attack was being planned. At this time

there is no known nexus to Vancouver and there are no known threats. Members are reminded to remain vigilant and be aware of possible pre-incident indicators around your business. As with most attacks there was little to no intelligence prior to the moment of the attack. **No known threat, does not equal no threat.**

The Canadian threat level remains at medium, which means there are individuals or groups with both the intent and capability of carrying out an attack.

As an Operation SECURUS member you are a part of the program because your business could be used by terrorists to buy products or acquire services (vehicle rental, room rental etc...) that a terrorist needs to carry out an attack, or your business could be a potential target for an attack. You are in the best position to *recognize* suspicious activity or purchases that are unusual for your business. If those behaviours give you the “gut feeling” that something isn’t right, then it’s time to *report* it to police. If that activity is in progress then we encourage you to call 911 as this gives police the best chance of identifying the individual of concern and determining the reason for the suspicious activity. If the individual is no longer at your business or the information is second hand then please call the non-emergency line at (604) 717-3321.

Remember, if you ***Recognize it, Report it!***

REPORTING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

When one of your staff see’s something suspicious please follow the guidelines below when reporting the activity;

1. If the incident is “in progress” dial 911 to report
2. If the person(s) of concern are no longer there or if the information is second hand call the non-emergency line at (604) 717-3321
3. Advise the operator that you are an Operation SECURUS business
4. Obtain the file number

Feel free to follow up with Operation SECURUS if you have any questions/concerns about your file

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

The following is a list of suspicious activities that should be reported to police. This list is not exhaustive and any activity observed that is unusual for your work environment and potentially cause for concern should be reported.

- ▣ Suspicious person or vehicle observed multiple times
- ▣ Person(s) sitting in vehicle for extended period of time – no apparent reason
- ▣ Suspicious person showing interest/taking photos in security systems, positions
- ▣ Suspicious person taking notes or drawing pictures in non-tourist area
- ▣ Persons unnaturally watching personnel movements or facility vehicle movements
- ▣ Persons in the area not fitting in – inappropriately dressed
- ▣ Pattern of false alarms- people observed watching the procedures
- ▣ Recent damage to perimeter security
- ▣ Unusual purchase (i.e. amount being purchased)
- ▣ Unusual questions about product being purchased
- ▣ Wanting to pay cash for rental (room, car)
- ▣ Identification concerns (false ID, credit card)
- ▣ Last minute name change on rental/hotel
- ▣ Overhearing suspicious conversations (i.e. at restaurants, coffee shop, break room etc...

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If you know of a business that provides a product or service that a terrorist may use to carry out an attack, or if the business is a location that could be targeted by terrorists, we would like them as members of Operation SECURUS. Please share Operation SECURUS with your business partners and encourage them to contact us if they are interested in the program.

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