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Protective Security Information for the Business Community

INCIDENT UPDATE

INTERNATIONAL IN THE
UNITED KINGDOM

SEVERE

AN ATTACK IS
HIGHLY LIKELY

NORTHERN IRISH-RELATED
IN GREAT BRITAIN

MODERATE

AN ATTACK IS POSSIBLE,
BUT NOT LIKELY

NORTHERN IRISH-RELATED
IN NORTHERN IRELAND

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Update on Incident in Christchurch, New Zealand - 15th March 2019

This message, sent on behalf of the National Co-ordinator Protect and Prepare (NCPP), relates to the incident that took place in Christchurch, New Zealand earlier today.

National Policing lead for Counter Terrorism, Neil Basu said: “We are monitoring events in New Zealand closely and send our condolences to all those affected. Our international network of UK counter terrorism officers will be ready to support our counterparts in New Zealand in responding to and investigating this appalling attack.

“We stand together with all our communities and partners here in the UK and overseas, and will continue to work with them to counter the threat no matter where it comes from. Together with our intelligence partners we continually monitor the varied threats we face, including to and around places of worship and specific communities across the country, to ensure we have the most appropriate protective security measures in place to keep people safe.

“Today we will be stepping up reassurance patrols around mosques and increasing engagement with communities of all faiths, giving advice on how people and places can protect themselves.

“Places of worship can also utilise our online training package ‘ACT Awareness eLearning’ for advice on Protective Security and how to react should the worst happen. It can be found at: [here](#).

We’d also encourage everyone to be aware of our Run, Hide, Tell advice ([click here](#))

“We take all forms of extremism seriously and anyone with concerns about someone becoming radicalised can get advice and support through the PREVENT programme at www.ltai.info

We stand together with our Muslim communities and all those shocked and horrified by this terrorist attack in New Zealand.”



Action Counters Terrorism (ACT). It is an innovative 45-minute training scheme that could help prevent terror attacks and it covers how to spot the signs of suspicious behaviour and what to do if an attack should take place. Free to use, the package can be divided into short sections to suit business needs and it takes just three quarters of an hour to complete – 45 vital minutes that could save lives.

The ACT 2018 campaign was implemented to reinforce one particular message – that communities defeat terrorism. We encourage businesses to apply for registration and make us of this free resource.

For more information, please visit the National Counter Terrorism Security Office website [here](#).

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Run Hide Tell



Incidents in the UK and around the world remind us all of the terrorist threat we face, which in the UK is considered as 'SEVERE', meaning an attack is highly likely. Police and security agencies are working tirelessly to protect the public but it is also important that communities remain vigilant and aware of how to protect themselves if the need arises.

The four minute film, [Stay Safe: Firearms and Weapons Attack](#) sets out three key steps for keeping safe. The film is accompanied by an online information leaflet.

Suspicious Items—Guidance

- Do not touch
- Try and identify an owner in the immediate area
- If you still think it's suspicious, don't feel embarrassed or think anybody else will report it
- Report it to a member of staff, security, or if they are not available dial 999 (do not use your mobile phone in the immediate vicinity)
- Move away to a safe distance - Even for a small item such as a briefcase move at least 100m away from the item starting from the centre and moving out

Further information can be found [here](#)

Crowded Places Guidance from the NCPP



The UK faces a real threat from terrorism and crowded places remain an attractive target.

Crowded places include shopping centres, sports stadia, bars, pubs, places of worship and clubs which are easily accessible to the public and attractive to terrorists.

Guidance has been written to help those charged with security at crowded places mitigate the threat and help make the UK less vulnerable to an attack. Please click [here](#) for more information.

CPNI Advice—Marauding Terrorist Attacks

Marauding terrorist attacks are fast-moving, violent incidents where assailants move through a location aiming to find and kill or injure as many people as possible. Most deaths occur within the first few minutes of the attack, before police are able to respond.

It is more important than ever that your organisation is aware of the heightened risks and adequately prepared for any potential attack.

New and detailed guidance is now available providing details of the simple measures that can be taken to minimise the impact of an attack and help save lives. This new guidance builds on the principles of RUN, HIDE, TELL published by the National Counter Terrorism Security Office.

The Centre for the Protection of National Infrastructure (CPNI) advice in relation to a Marauding Terrorist Attacks can be found [here](#)

H Hidden?

- Has it been concealed or hidden from view?
- Bombs are unlikely to be left in locations such as this – where any unattended item will be noticed quickly.

O Obviously suspicious?

- Does it have wires, circuit boards, batteries, tape or putty-like substances?
- Do you think the item poses an immediate threat to life?

T Typical?

- Is the item typical of what you would expect to find in this location?
- Most lost property is found in locations where people congregate.