# **GW EXTREMISM TRACKER** TERRORISM IN THE UNITED STATES

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1 INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN CHARGED IN THE U.S. ON OFFENSES RELATED to the Islamic State (also known as IS, ISIS, and ISIL) since March 2014, when the first arrests occurred. Of those:

The average age of those charged is

90% are male

Their activities were located in and the District of Columbia



WERE FOUND GUILTY

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were accused of attempting to travel or successfully traveled abroad.

were accused of being involved in plots to carry out attacks on U.S. soil.

were charged in an operation involving an informant and/or an undercover agent.

indicates law enforcement operation

THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF SENTENCE IN YEARS IS

\* Uses 470 months for life senctences per the practice of the U.S. Sentencing Commission'

## **Arrests (Islamic State)**

## **FABJAN ALAMETI**









Fabjan Alameti, a 21-year-old resident of Bozeman, Montana, was arrested and charged with making false statements involving international terrorism and possession of a firearm by an unlawful user of a controlled substance. Alameti reportedly told an FBI confidential human source that he would "attack random people to avenge the blood" in retaliation for the Christchurch mosque shootings in New Zealand. Additionally, he allegedly told the confidential human source that he wanted to travel overseas to fight for IS and expressed his interest in committing an attack in the United States on behalf of IS. Authorities arrested

Alameti at a firing range in Bozeman after renting a rifle. Sources: DOJ Press Release, Criminal Complaint, NBC News, ABC Fox Montana

## RONDELL HENRY







The Department of Justice announced charges against Rondell Henry, a 28-year-old resident of Germantown, Maryland. Henry was charged with one count of interstate transportation of a stolen vehicle, stemming from his alleged theft of a van in Virginia, which he subsequently drove to Maryland. Henry reportedly told investigators that he planned to carry out a truck attack inspired by the 2016 vehicular attack in Nice, France. Additionally, court documents allege that Henry's phone contained images of IS fighters,

the IS flag, and other IS-affiliated attackers. sources: DOJ Press Release, Henry Criminal Complaint, Henry Motion for Detention, Washington Post

### **MARK DOMINGO**







Mark Domingo, a 26-year-old resident of Reseda, California, was arrested and charged with providing and attempting to provide material support to terrorists. According to the complaint, Domingo allegedly made numerous statements describing his support for IS and his aspiration to conduct an attack in the Los Angeles area. Domingo reportedly planned to conduct a mass casualty attack using an improvised explosive device at a rally at Long Beach, California. As part of this plot, Domingo purchased several hundred nails to be used as shrapnel inside the IED. Domingo was arrested after taking possession of an inert explosive device that was delivered by an undercover law enforcement officer. sources: DOJ Press Release, Domingo Criminal Complaint, CBS, LA Times

## **WAOAR UL-HASSAN**







Law enforcement officers arrested Waqar ul-Hassan, a 35-year-old resident of Glade Spring, Virginia and citizen of Pakistan, at the Charlotte Douglas International Airport following his flight from Pakistan. The criminal complaint charges Ul-Hassan with two counts of making false statements involving terrorism, stemming from interviews he had with the FBI in 2015 and 2016. According to court documents, ul-Hassan made false statements regarding his involvement with Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) as well as conversations he had in which he expressed his desire to send money to IS. sources: Ul-Hassan Criminal Complaint, CNN, WBTV

# **Legal Proceedings (IS & Other Groups)**

#### **MATIN A7171-YARAND**







Matin Azizi-Yarand, an 18-year-old former resident of Plano, Texas, pleaded guilty to Texas state charges of solicitation of capital murder and terroristic threat. Azizi-Yarand was sentenced to 20 years in prison for plotting a terrorist attack at a Texas shopping center. Azizi-Yarand was in communication with both an FBI confidential human source and an FBI undercover employee and expressed his desire to commit an attack in the United States on behalf of IS. Additionally, he sent money to the undercover employee with the belief that these funds would be used to purchase weapons. Sources: DOJ Press Release, Dallas News, WFAA

## **ADAM RAISHANI**







Adam Raishani, a 32-year-old former resident of the Bronx, New York, was sentenced to 20 years in prison for attempting to provide material support to IS. Raishani assisted in the travel of another IS supporter to Syria and admitted to numerous confidential sources his intention to travel overseas to join IS. Raishani ultimately attempted to board a flight bound for Turkey on June 21, 2017, where he was arrested. Raishani pleaded guilty on November 14, 2018, to one count of attempting to provide and conspiring to provide material support to IS. Sources: DOJ Press Release, Raishani Sentencing Memo, NY Daily News

## RAMIZ ZIJAD HODZIC







Ramiz Zijad Hodzic, a 44-year-old former resident of St. Louis County, Missouri, pleaded guilty to one count of conspiring to provide material support to IS and one count of providing material support to IS. Hodzic was arrested and charged on February 6, 2015, along with five other individuals, in relation to their conspiracy to provide material support to Abdullah Ramo

Pazara. Pazara was a naturalized U.S. citizen who left the United States to join IS in 2013. Hodzic obtained money from other members of the conspiracy, used the funds to purchase supplies, and transferred those supplies to Pazara. Sources: <a href="DOJ Press Release">DOJ Press Release</a>, <a href="Chicago Tribune">Chicago Tribune</a>, <a href="KMOV">KMOV</a>

### **AMOR FTOUHI**





Amor Ftouhi, a 51-year-old former resident of Quebec, Canada, was sentenced to life in prison for committing an act of terrorism transcending national boundaries. Ftouhi was convicted by trial on November 13, 2018 for his attack on a Bishop Airport police officer on June 21, 2017. Ftouhi approached the police officer and referenced killings in Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan before stabbing him in the neck with a knife. Following his arrest, Ftouhi told law enforcement he was a "soldier of Allah," followed the ideology of Al Qaeda and Osama bin Laden, and had planned to commit a mass-casualty attack at the airport. Sources: DOJ Press Release, Ftouhi Defense Sentencing Memo, ABC, WXYZ

## **WAHEBA ISSA DAIS**







The Department of Justice announced that Waheba Issa Dais, a 46-year-old former resident of Cudahy, Wisconsin, pleaded guilty to one count of attempting to provide material support to IS. According to her guilty plea, Dais used hacked Facebook accounts to provide online support to IS. Dais communicated with and attempted to recruit IS supporters, disseminated information about manufacturing explosives and the chemical agent ricin, and encouraged other individuals to commit attacks. Sources: DOJ Press Release, New York Times, Chicago Tribune