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**Summary of Indigenous Terrorism—February 1997**

*This description of incidents and situations is not meant to be a detailed accounting of all domestic terrorist incidents, but rather to provide an overview of indigenous terrorism worldwide.*

**Asia**

**India**

A bomb exploded on a bus in Panipat, Haryana State, on 1 February, killing one person and injuring at least 19 others. No one claimed responsibility, but Kashmiri or Sikh separatists are suspected.

On 11 February unidentified extremists attacked Pakkajala Village in Tripura State, killing 15 persons, injuring three others, and burning down 22 houses.

On 19 February suspected Muslim militants detonated a bomb three miles from the airport in Srinagar, where the US Ambassador was scheduled to arrive within the hour. One person was killed, and two Indian soldiers were injured.

**Sri Lanka**

On 11 February in the district of Pollanruwa, *Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE)* guerrillas attacked the Sungaveli police post, killing at least 15 constables and wounding several others.

**Europe**

**Greece**

Police defused an explosive device that was found outside the Athens home of a terrorist expert and former adviser to the Greek Ministry of Public Order on 23 February. The *Fighting Guerrilla Formation* claimed responsibility in warning calls to local media outlets.

**Spain**

A car bomb exploded outside a San Sebastian wine shop on 2 February, causing minor damage but no injuries. The *Basque Fatherland and Liberty (ETA)* organization is suspected.

On 10 February in Granada, a car bomb exploded as a Spanish military van loaded with civilian workers passed it, killing one person and injuring 10 others. Authorities suspect *ETA* involvement.

Two gunmen shot and killed a Spanish Supreme Court judge outside his Madrid home on 10 February. No one claimed responsibility, but authorities suspect the *ETA*.

On 11 February an unidentified gunman shot and killed a prominent local businessman as he conducted a band during a carnival celebration in Tolosa. The *ETA* is suspected.

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