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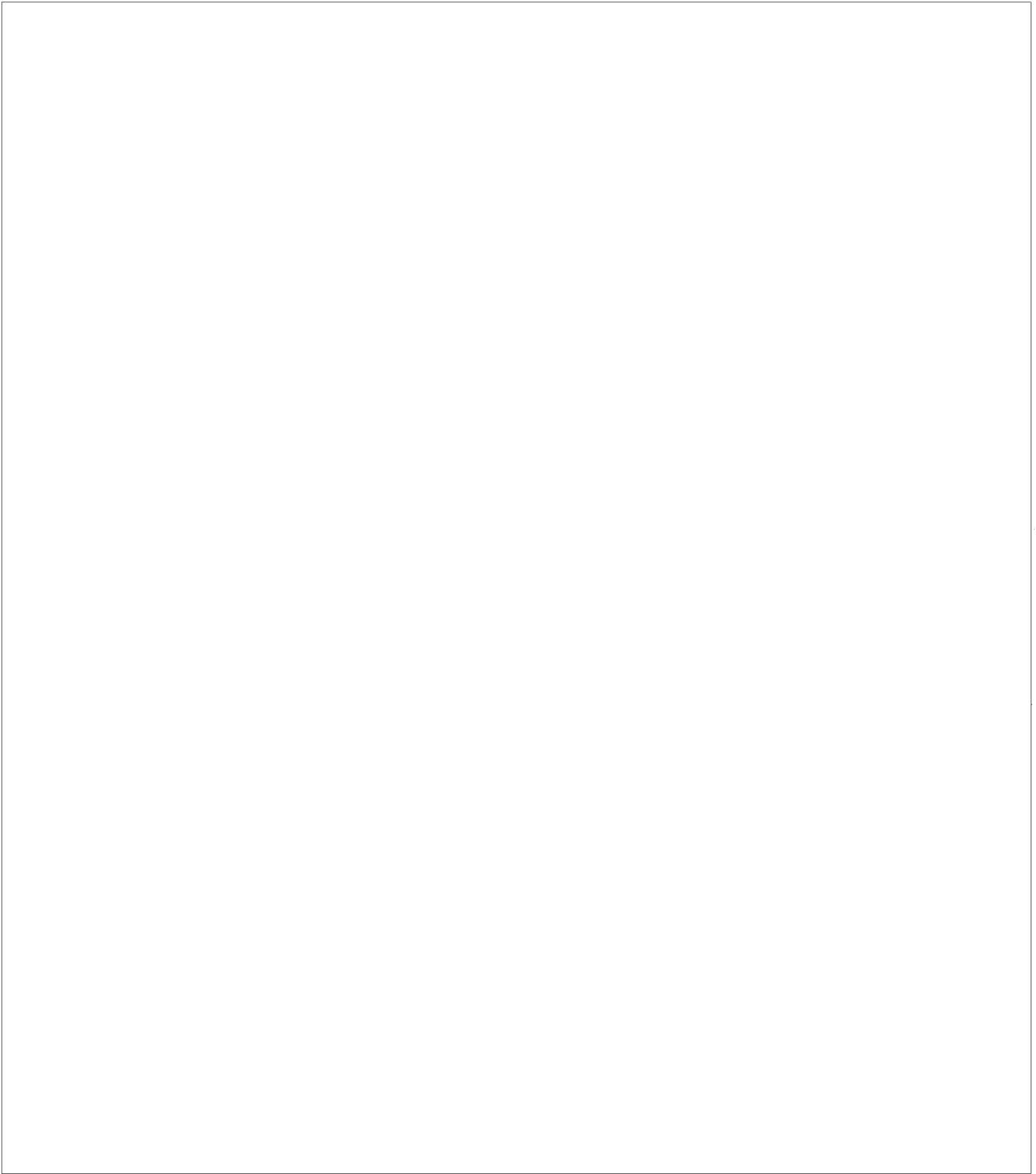
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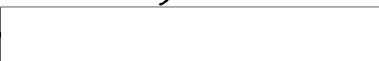
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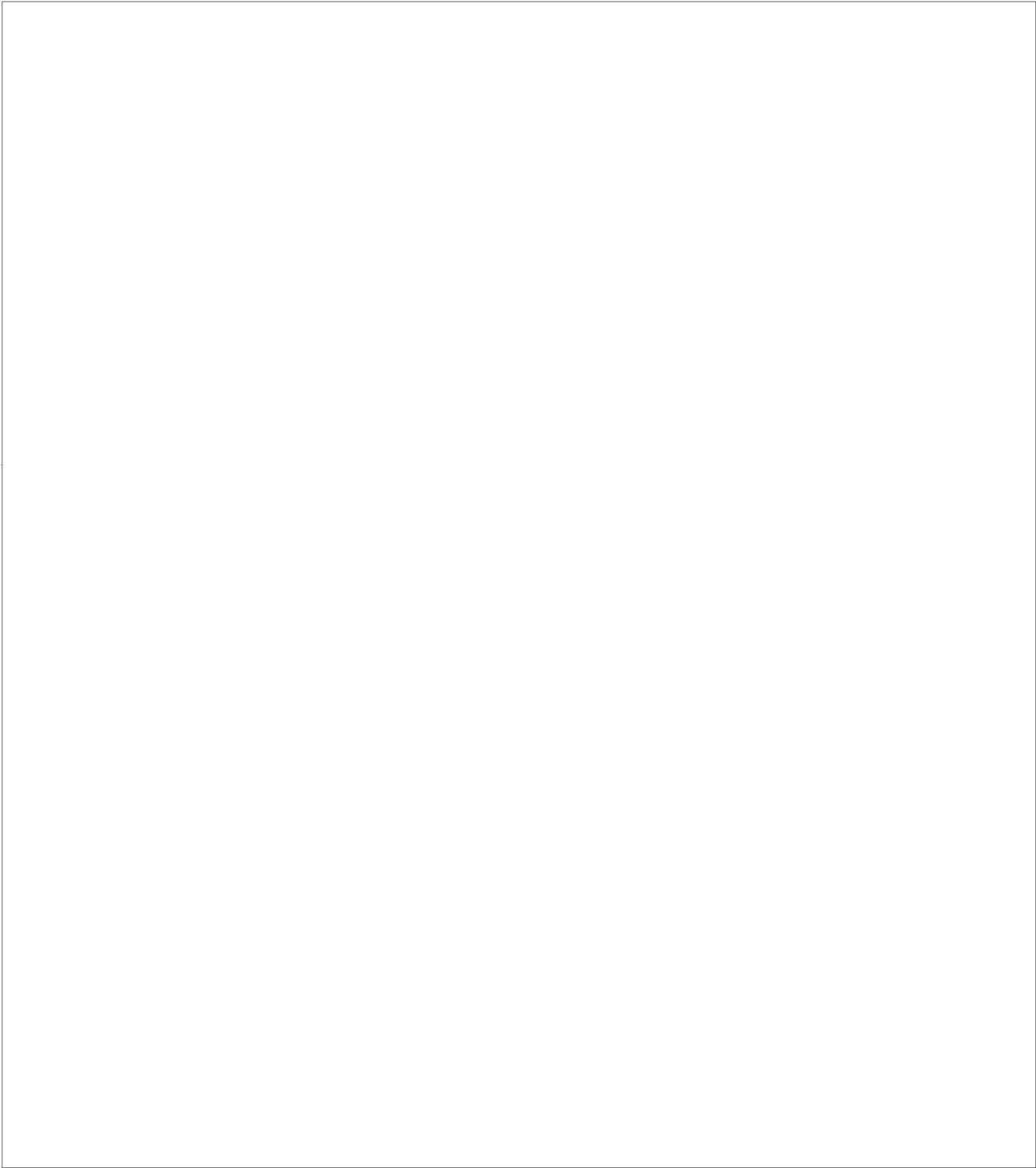
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The Terrorism Diary for July and August 2001 [redacted]

Below is a compendium of July and August dates of known or conceivable significance to terrorists around the world. Inclusion of a date or event does not suggest that we anticipate a commemorative terrorist event. [redacted]

- 1 July 1867** *Canada.* Dominion Day.
- 3 July 1988** *Iran.* USS Vincennes shoots down Iran Air Flight 655 in Persian Gulf.
- 3 July 1976** *Uganda:* Israeli forces conduct a successful hostage rescue operation in Entebbe.
- 4 July 1776** *United States.* Independence Day.
- 4 July 1946** *Philippines.* Republic Day (date on which the Philippines became an independent republic).
- 4 July 1994** *Greece.* Greek terrorist group 17 November assassinates Turkish DCM in Athens.
- 5 July 1962** *Algeria.* Independence Day.
- 9 July 1929** *Morocco.* Birthday of King Hassan II.
- 10 July 1978** *Mauritania.* Armed Forces Day (commemorates military coup).
- 12 July 1690** *Northern Ireland.* Orangemen's Day (Protestants march to commemorate victory in Battle of the Boyne).
- 14 July 1789** *France.* Bastille Day.
- 14 July 1958** *Iraq.* Republic Day (Army coup d'etat that overthrew monarchy and established republic).
- 15 July 1946** *Brunei.* Sultan's birthday.
- 17 July 1968** *Iraq.* Revolution Day (Ba'th Party coup).
- 18 July 1994** *Argentina:* Hizballah bombs AMIA cultural center in Buenos Aires.
- 18 July 1988** *Greece:* Abu Nidal organization carried out attack on the cruise ship "City of Poros," killing nine people and injuring 98.
- 20 July 1974** *Cyprus.* Turkish Cypriot Peace and Freedom Day (commemorates intervention by Turkish forces).
- 23 July 1952** *Egypt.* National Day (commemorates military coup ousting King Farouk).
- 23 July 1970** *Oman.* Accession Day of Sultan Qaboos.
- 25 July 1957** *Tunisia.* Proclamation of republic.

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- 25 July 1996* *France.* Bomb kills seven people, wounds 117 on Paris commuter train. Algerian Armed Islamic Group responsible.
- 26 July 1956* *Egypt.* Nationalization of Suez Canal.
- 28 July 1821* *Peru.* Independence Day.
- 28 July 1989* *Lebanon.* Abduction by Israel of Hizballah cleric Shaykh Ubayd.
- 31 July* *Spain, France.* St. Ignatius' Day (patron saint of Basques).
- 31 July 1969* *Spain, France.* Founding of Basque Fatherland and Liberty (ETA).
- 2 August 1990* *Iraq/Kuwait.* Iraq invades Kuwait.
- 6 August 1825* *Bolivia.* Independence Day.
- 6 August 1966* *United Arab Emirates.* Accession Day of Shaykh Zayid bin Sultan al-Nuhayyan, Emir of Abu Dhabi.
- 7 August 1998* *Usama Bin Ladin/United States/Kenya/Tanzania.* Terrorists associated with Usama Bin Ladin's al-Qa'ida organization bombed US Embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, killing 12 US citizens. Casualties from both blasts numbered more than 5,000.
- 10 August 1987* *Greece.* 17 November bombed US Air Force shuttle bus, wounding 11 US citizens.
- 12 August 1689* *Northern Ireland.* Protestant commemorative marches mark day apprentice boys locked gates of Derry against James II's forces.
- 13 August 1984* *Morocco/Libya.* Union established.
- 14 August 1947* *Pakistan.* Independence Day.
- 15 August 1947* *India.* Independence Day.
- 15 August 1964* *Colombia.* Pro-Castro guerrilla movement, the National Liberation Army (ELN), begins armed struggle.
- 15 August 1971* *Bahrain.* Independence Day.
- 20 August 1953* *Morocco.* King's and People's Revolution.
- 20 August 1998* *Usama Bin Ladin/ Afghanistan/ Sudan.* US missile strikes against Shifa plant in Sudan and Usama Bin Ladin camps in Afghanistan.
- 25 August 1998* *South Africa.* Explosion at the US-franchised Planet Hollywood restaurant in Cape Town killed one person and injured 24.
- 31 August 1978* *Libya/Shia World.* Lebanese Shia cleric Imam Musa Sadr disappears in Libya.



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Chronology of International Terrorism—April-May 2001 [redacted]

The following incidents have met the criteria for the Intelligence Community's Incident Review Panel since publication of the previous issue of the Terrorism Review. These incidents are the basis for the State Department's Patterns of Global Terrorism, published annually as the US Government's official record of international terrorism. [redacted]



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Africa

22 April *Angola: In Gisagara Commune, armed groups wounded four persons, shot six cows and stole 10 other cows, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.* [redacted]

7 May *Nigeria: In Oganiland, villagers kidnapped and held hostage 15 persons, including three US citizens, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.* [redacted]

Asia

21 April *India: In Srinagar, armed militants shot and wounded an educator, according to press reports. The Jamiat ul-Mujahidin claimed responsibility for the attack.* [redacted]

22 April *India: In Sopor, a bomb planted in a vegetable cart parked in a crowded marketplace exploded, killing one policeman, injuring nine civilians, and damaging a police station and nearby houses, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.* [redacted]

23 April *India: In Kishtwar, a bomb exploded at a bus stop, injuring five persons, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.* [redacted]

India: In Srinagar, a grenade was thrown at the Hurriyat Conference center, injuring five persons, according to press reports. Kashmiri separatist members were meeting to discuss holding peace talks with India. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

27 April *India: In Srinagar, a grenade thrown at the main telegraph office injured five police officers, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.* [redacted]

India: In Chadoora, a grenade exploded at a crowded bus terminal, killing two persons and injuring 29 others, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

30 April *India: In Tuibana, armed militants killed two persons in their residence, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.* [redacted]

India: In Gundpora, armed militants killed one person in his residence, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

India: In Lolab, two persons abducted from their homes were found decapitated, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

India: In Lalpora, a grenade thrown at a police installation missed its mark and exploded, killing one person, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

5 May

Afghanistan: In Herat, a bomb placed near a mosque exploded, killing 12 persons—one Iranian cleric and 11 civilians—injuring 28 others, and damaging the Iranian Consulate and 12 cars parked nearby, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

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7 May

Pakistan: In Sunni, armed militants attacked a vehicle convoy on an oil exploration mission, killing one person and injuring three others, including a Chinese engineer working for the Chinese oil and gas exploration company, BGP. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

9 May

India: In Kashmir, a bomb exploded, killing six persons. In an exchange of gunfire between the militants and the police following the explosion, four more persons were killed, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

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16 May

India: In Kashmir, a grenade thrown at the private residence of the Forest Minister fell short of its target, landing outside the main gate, resulting in no injuries or damage, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

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Europe

21 April

Iceland: In Reykjavik, an unidentified person threw a Molotov cocktail at the US Embassy, causing minor damage but no injuries. [redacted]

No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

22 April

Turkey: In Istanbul, armed Chechen gunmen held 120 persons hostage—including four Russians, 16 Swiss, and several other foreign nationals. On 23 April, after negotiating with officials, the gunmen released all hostages unharmed, according to press reports. [redacted]

Latin America

23 April

Colombia: In Bogota, the Colombian National Liberation Army released a Danish citizen whom the militants had held since 17 March. A friend of the Danish citizen who was captured at the same time also was released recently, according to press reports. [redacted]

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Middle East

18 April

Saudi Arabia: In Riyadh, Saudi police located and removed a homemade bomb discovered in the Jordanian Embassy, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility.



9 May

West Bank: In East Jerusalem, a US Consulate employee found a fragmentation grenade in the yard. Police safely defused the device, according to media reports. The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine is probably responsible.



11 May

West Bank: In Jerusalem, a pipe bomb hidden in plants near the Jaffa Gate exploded, wounding two Polish tourists, according to media reports. No one claimed responsibility.



Summary of Indigenous Terrorism—May 2001 [redacted]

The incidents listed below provide an overview of indigenous terrorism worldwide. [redacted]

Africa

Angola

On 14 May in Malanje Province, rebels ambushed two vehicles, killing six persons, and wounding 20 others, according to media reports. The *National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA)* is probably responsible. [redacted]

On 14 May in Benguela Province, terrorists attacked a vehicle convoy, killing two persons and kidnapping 50 others, according to press reports. *UNITA* is probably responsible. [redacted]

On 15 May in Benguela Province, armed militants attacked a group of peasants and tortured 16 persons, according to press reports. *UNITA* is probably responsible. [redacted]

On 17 May in Cuando Cubango, rebels used landmines to ambush a vehicle, killing 11 persons and wounding seven others, according to press reports. *UNITA* is probably responsible. [redacted]

Burundi

On 24 May in Mitakataka, rebels ambushed a vehicle, killing 10 persons and wounding four others, according to media reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

Asia

India

On 16 May in Impal, armed militants entered a Catholic training center and killed three priests, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

Nepal

On 8 May in Kathmandu, armed militants attacked two schools and several buses, causing extensive damage, according to press reports. In a telephone call to the Kathmandu Post newspaper, the *Nepal National Free Students' Union Revolutionary*, a sub-group of the *Maoists*, claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 19 May in Kathmandu, armed militants attacked a police facility, killing three policemen and injuring 11 other police officers, according to press reports. The *Maoists* are probably responsible. [redacted]

Pakistan

On 7 May in Karachi, a bomb exploded in a minibus, injuring six passengers, according to press reporting. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 31 May in Rawalpindi, a vehicle bomb next to a bus terminal exploded, injuring 11 persons, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

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Philippines

On 6 May in Manila, several grenades were thrown into a crowded retail mall, injuring 42 persons, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 10 May in San Juan, a bomb exploded at a pre-election rally, injuring 13 persons and damaging several cars, according to media reporting. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

Europe

Bosnia and Herzegovina

On 15 May in Vitez, a bomb planted on the grounds of the Social Democratic Party building exploded, destroying the building but causing no injuries, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 15 May in Novi Travnik, a bomb planted in the New Croat Initiative building exploded, destroying the building but resulting in no injuries, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

Cyprus

On 4 May in Nicosia, a bomb exploded near the house of the Prime Minister of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, according to press reports. No injuries were reported, and no one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

Northern Ireland

On 4 May in Belfast, a bomb exploded at a police station, injuring an 11 week-old baby girl in a passing car, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 21 May in East Belfast, armed militants shot a man in both ankles in a paramilitary-style attack, according to press accounts. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

Spain

On 12 May in Madrid, a car bomb exploded, injuring 14 persons and damaging a bank branch, nearby vehicles, and other buildings, according to press reports. The *Basque Fatherland and Liberty (ETA)* claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 15 May in Guipuzcoa, a parcel bomb exploded, injuring a journalist for the *Cambio 16* weekly magazine company, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 24 May in San Sebastian, armed militants killed the Financial Director of the *Basque Daily*, according to media reports. No one claimed responsibility, but authorities suspect the *ETA*. [redacted]

Yugoslavia

On 15 May in Lisac, *National Liberation Army* militants attacked a Macedonian police patrol with a hand-held grenade launcher, injuring one policeman, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

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Latin America

Colombia

On 4 May in Cali, a car bomb exploded in front of the Torre Hotel, killing four persons, injuring 10 others, and causing damage to the hotel and vehicles parked nearby, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

On 10 May in Antioquia, the *Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia* attacked the town, causing no injuries but holding approximately 70 children hostage at a school before releasing them later in the day, according to press reports. [redacted]

On 15 May in Casanare, the Colombian *United Self-Defense Forces* kidnapped 300 persons, then on 17 May released them unharmed, according to press reports. [redacted]

On 18 May in Southeastern Medellin, a car bomb exploded outside a bar, killing seven persons and wounding 82 others, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

Peru

On 16 May in Lima, a bomb exploded near the downtown headquarters of the National Elections Board office, injuring six persons and shattering the windows of nearby buildings, according to press reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]

Middle East

Algeria

On 1 May in Medea, armed rebels using a homemade bomb gained access to a private residence, then killed five persons, according to press reports. The *Armed Islamic Group (GIA)* is probably responsible. [redacted]

On 13 May in Merouana, terrorists attacked the municipality, killing 11 persons, according to media reports. The *GIA* is probably responsible. [redacted]

On 19 May in Rouafia, a terrorist group surrounded a mosque, killed six persons, then wounded one other, according to press reports. The *GIA* is probably responsible. [redacted]

On 23 May in Soubha, rebels attacked a family, killing seven persons, according to media reports. The *GIA* is probably responsible. [redacted]

Israel

On 18 May in Netanya, a suicide terrorist detonated a bomb, killing six persons and wounding 100 others, according to media reports. The *Izz el-Din al-Qassam Brigades*, military wing of the *Islamic Resistance Movement* claimed responsibility. [redacted]

West Bank

On 12 May in Hebron, Israeli settlers attacked Palestinian citizens, wounding eight persons, according to media reports. No one claimed responsibility. [redacted]