

## Intelligence Bulletin Joint FBI-DHS Bulletin



# (U//FOUO) Destructive Device Found In Parked Vehicle at Times Square, New York City

## 2 May 2010

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## (U) Overview

(U//FOUO) At approximately 1830 hours on 1 May 2010, a sports utility vehicle (SUV) laden with a destructive device was observed parked at 45<sup>th</sup> Street and Broadway in Times Square, New York City. Eyewitness reports described the vehicle as smoking, and popping noises were heard emanating from it but no detonation occurred. Law enforcement investigation of the SUV revealed the following: three 20lb propane tanks; two five gallon gasoline canisters; one container containing a black powder material; one large, sealed, vault-like container with visible wires connecting to two analog alarm clocks; and one fuse.

#### (U) Connection to Terrorist Groups Unknown

(U//FOUO) Authorities are currently investigating the incident in an effort to determine any possible ties to terrorist groups, including public statements claiming responsibility. FBI and DHS will continue to work with our federal, state and local partners to obtain updated information and will provide appropriate updates as warranted.

#### (U//FOUO) Outlook

(U//FOUO) The FBI and DHS remain concerned that terrorist groups continue to seek innovative ways to conduct attacks and circumvent security procedures. FBI and DHS encourage reporting of suspicious activity to appropriate authorities and encourage our homeland security, military, and law enforcement partners to remain vigilant.

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