

## (U) School Bus Intel Briefing 2015

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## (U) Key Findings

- (U//FOUO) Currently, no specific or credible information of possible threat to U.S. school bus industry
- (U//FOUO) The terrorist threat to school buses in the Homeland is *low*
- (U//FOUO) Foreign-based terrorists and violet extremists continue to attack transportation systems overseas, including school buses
- (U//FOUO) TSA-OIA continue to review suspicious activity reporting targeting school buses

 (U//FOUO) Overseas IEDs are preferred tactic in attacks on school buses





## (U) Suspicious Activity Reporting





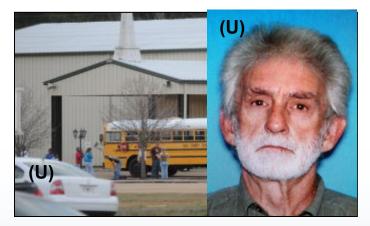






## (U) Previous Attacks on School Buses in the Homeland

- (U) 29 January 2013: Lone gunman boarded school bus in Midland City, Alabama
  - (U) Fatally wounded the driver took one child hostage
  - (U) FBI rescued the boy and killed the assailant
  - (U) Assailant reportedly was an anti-government extremist.
- (U) 17 October 2013: Man armed with a knife hijacked school bus in Jacksonville, Arkansas
  - (U) Hijacking followed unsuccessful carjack attempt
  - (U) Bus was equipped with GPS system and suspect arrested and charged; no injuries reported









## (U) Terrorist Attack on School Bus Overseas

- (U) 16 June 2015: Roadside bomb attack in Diyala, Iraq
  - (U) IED detonated as bus carrying students was passing by
  - (U) 4 students killed/6 others injured
  - (U) No group claimed responsibility



(U) Damage caused by roadside bomb





### **Tactics Used in School Bus Attacks Overseas**

(U) School Bus Attacks	VBIED	IED	Armed Assault	Arson	Total Attacks
2012	0	1	0	0	1
2013	0	6	2	0	8
2014	2	5	4	1	12

# The data suggests that attacks against School Buses overseas are increasing





## Outlook

(U//FOUO) TSA-OIA is not aware of any credible or specific information of preoperational attack planning against school buses in the Homeland

(U//FOUO) The current threat to U.S. school buses industry is expected to remain *LOW* throughout 2015

(U//FOUO) Overseas foreign-based terrorist groups and violent extremists remain intent on attacking transportation systems, including school buses

(U//FOUO) IEDs remain preferred tactic of terrorists in attacks on school buses

(U//FOUO) We continue to review, analyze and follow-up on suspicious activity reporting targeting school buses in the Homeland







## **Questions?**





