At Least 3 Killed, 12 Injured in Shooting at California Food Festival
A 19-year-old gunman opened fire on a crowd at a food festival in the Northern California city of Gilroy on July 28, killing three people and wounding at least 12. Police said Santino William Legan (pictured) died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head after exchanging gunfire with police. The officers engaged Legan within a minute after he began shooting randomly on the final evening of the weekend-long outdoor Gilroy Garlic Festival. A 6-year-old boy and 13-year-old girl, both from San Jose, and a 25-year-old man were fatally shot. Authorities said Legan bypassed security by entering from a creek area around the parking lot and cutting through a fence. He used an AK-47-style rifle—a weapon banned in California—that was legally purchased less than three weeks earlier in Nevada. Legan posted to social media prior to the attack, including a negative message about the festival. He also posted a photo warning of fire danger being high with a caption referencing an 1890 manifesto popular among white supremacists, “Might is Right or The Survival of the Fittest,” and a derogatory comment about mixed race people. A search warrant suggested Legan may have planned for a large-scale attack. Investigators discovered a bulletproof vest, gas mask, knife, and gun pamphlets at his Nevada home and a shotgun in his car. Media reports indicated he also had literature on radical Islam and white supremacy. Authorities have not determined a motive for the attack, and the FBI stated it does not believe Legan targeted specific groups of people.

Bronx Man Accused of Attempting to Join Taliban Overseas to Kill Americans
A Bronx, New York, man was arrested and stopped from boarding a flight to join the Taliban in Afghanistan, prosecutors said on July 26. FBI agents arrested Delowar Mohammad Hossain, 33, at John F. Kennedy International Airport. According to a criminal complaint, Hossain began expressing his desire to fight with the Taliban against American forces in fall 2018. Hossain is accused of trying to recruit an FBI informant to travel with him to Pakistan, flying to Thailand first to conceal his plans. Prosecutors said he told the informant he wished to “fight the American government” with the Taliban and wanted “to kill some kufars (non-believers) before I die.” Hussain bought equipment and told the informant to save money to buy weapons. Hossain is charged with attempting to provide material support for terrorism and faces up to 15 years in prison.

2 Arizona Men Charged With Conspiring to Join ISIS
Two men from Tucson, Arizona, were arrested after federal authorities said they attempted to travel overseas to fight for ISIS, according to prosecutors on July 28. The FBI took Ahmed Mahad Mohamed, 21, and Abdi Yemani Hussein, 20, into custody on July 26 at Tucson International Airport after they checked in for a flight to Egypt. Court documents said the men communicated with an undercover FBI agent they believed supported ISIS and was assisting them in making travel arrangements. Mohamed began discussing his interest in August 2018 and is accused of saying he loved jihad, wanted to “achieve martyrdom,” and saved $2,000 for the trip. Court documents said Mohamed applied for a visa in April and helped Hussein submit his travel documents. Hussein is accused of telling FBI agents he wanted to blow up the White House and would attack Tucson if he could not go overseas. Both men are charged with conspiring to provide material support and resources to ISIS.

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