



## ISLAMIC STATE'S CALL FOR DOMESTIC ATTACKS HAS TROUBLED SECURITY OFFICIALS

*October 23, 2014* The Toronto Star reported: "How do you stop someone with a weapon and a mission? That has been the fear among security and intelligence officials in recent weeks as the so-called Islamic State called for attacks at home.

It is the easiest form of terrorism — no need for sophisticated plots, or training, or financing — but as Wednesday's killing of Cpl. Nathan Frank Cirillo in the heart of Canada's capital showed, even simple attacks can elicit the widespread panic and attention these groups crave.

Many details about Cirillo's killing and the motives of the shooter, identified as Michael Zehaf-Bibeau, are still unknown. Was there any connection to Martin Couture-Rouleau, 25, who killed 53-year-old Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent Monday in a hit-and-run in Quebec? Did Zehaf-Bibeau have any ties abroad?

But no matter the connections, followers of the Islamic State (also known as ISIS and ISIL) benefited from the worldwide attention as they gloated on social media soon after Cirillo's death. 'Canada getting a taste of their own medicine?' wrote one. Another prolific ISIS supporter wrote: 'Canada starting to pay the price of intervention.'

Along with spreading panic, terrorism is intended to deliver a message, and the message seems clear: Canada's military involvement in the campaign against ISIS will be punished..."



*Ottawa, Canada*

## ISIS-AFFILIATED TWITTER ACCOUNT CLAIMS OTTAWA SHOOTER AS ITS OWN

*October 23, 2014* Breitbart.com reported: "A Twitter page that proudly sports the Islamic State flag published a photo of suspected Ottawa gunman Michael Zehaf-Bibeau with the caption: 'A photo of he who would be the shooter of #Ottawa.'

In the profile description, the user writes, translated from French, 'Islam is a religion of justice and of rights and duties, not a religion of peace, tolerance, chocolate, tenderness... #knowit'...

CBC Ottawa has reported that the picture in question is that of Michael Zehaf-Bibeau.

Michael Zehaf-Bibeau reportedly shot and killed a Canadian soldier on Wednesday morning at the national war memorial in Ottawa.

Zehaf-Bibeau was confirmed as a suspect by Canadian authorities, and CBC reports law enforcement has identified him as the shooter slain at the scene of the attack. U.S. government sources told Reuters that the man may have been named Michael Joseph Hall, and then changed his name to Zehaf-Bibeau after converting to Islam..."

## IRAN PRESIDENT PLEDGES TO BACK IRAQ AMID ATTACKS

*October 22, 2014* The Times of Israel reported: "Shiite powerhouse Iran has pledged enduring support for the Shiite-led government of Iraq in its battle against an ascendant Sunni insurgency spearheaded by the Islamic State group.

Iranian President Hassan Rouhani told visiting Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi on Tuesday that Iran has supported Baghdad 'from the first day and will remain on that path until the last day,' according to a report by the official IRNA news agency.

It was Abadi's first foreign visit since taking office in September.

'Choosing Iran as my first destination after taking office indicates the depth of ties,' he said, according to IRNA. 'Terrorism is a threat to all regional countries and we are sure Iran will stand by us.'

The Iran-Iraq alliance highlights some of the complex political dynamics spawned by the emergence of the Islamic State group as a major threat earlier this year. The radical Sunni militia has captured and held large swaths of territory in eastern Syria and northwestern Iraq, including the major northern Iraqi city of Mosul, and threatens to expand southward toward Baghdad.

Now both Iran and the United States are essentially on the same side in backing Baghdad and opposing the Islamic State group — although neither country acknowledges any sort of direct coordination..."

## SCOTLAND YARD: MINIMUM OF FIVE BRITONS JOIN ISIS EVERY WEEK

*October 22, 2014* Arutz Sheva reported: "Britain's most senior police officer revealed shocking statistics on Tuesday, according to which five UK citizens are leaving each and every week to join the brutal Islamic State (IS or ISIS) terrorist group in Syria and Iraq.

Metropolitan Police Commissioner Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe was quoted by the Huffington Post saying: 'the advance of IS across Iraq and Syria...are not just the horrors of distant lands. We know that over 500 British nationals traveled to join the conflict. Many have returned and many will wish to do so in the coming months and perhaps in future years.'

'We still have an average of five people joining them a week,' said Hogan-Howe. 'Five a week doesn't sound much but when you realize there are 50 weeks in a year, 250 more would be 50% more than we think have gone already.'

And that's the best case scenario, warned the police commissioner.

'Those numbers are a minimum. Those are the ones that we believe have gone,' he noted. 'There may be many more who set out to travel to another country and meandered over to Syria and Iraq in a way that is not always possible to spot when you have failed states and leaky borders.'

Hogan-Howe warned of the great danger that jihadists may return to commit terror in England, saying 'the drumbeat of terrorism in the UK has changed. It's faster and it's more intense.'..."

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### **CHINA COMPLETES COUNTRY'S LARGEST SPACEPORT**

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*October 21, 2014* Space-Travel.com reported: "Construction of the fourth and the largest spaceport in China in the country's southern city of Wenchang has been completed and it is ready for launch, People's Daily reported Friday.

Completion of the new spaceport, which is located in the island province of Hainan, means that the launch of manned and unmanned missions to current and future space stations, the Moon and Mars are "just a matter of time", according to the newspaper.

"We will highly likely accomplish human treks to the moon around 2025. The Chinese man flying to the moon will depart from Wenchang," fellow of the Chinese Academy of Engineering Long Lehao was quoted as saying.

Opportunities allow the spaceport to conduct 10 to 12 launches a year. The starting date of the spaceport operation was not disclosed.

The three other spaceports are the Xichang, Taiyuan and Jiuquan launching facilities. According to plans of the China National Space Administration (CNSA), a permanent Chinese space station and crewed expeditions to the Moon and Mars are expected by 2020.

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### **CHRISTIAN SCHOOL 'DOWNGRADED FOR FAILING TO INVITE AN IMAM TO LEAD ASSEMBLY'**

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*October 20, 2014* The Telegraph.co.uk reported: "A successful Christian school has been warned it is to be downgraded by inspectors and could even face closure after failing to invite a leader from another religion, such as an imam, to lead assemblies, it is claimed.

The small independent school in the Home Counties was told it is in breach of new rules intended to promote 'British values' such as individual liberty and tolerance in the wake of the Trojan Horse scandal, involving infiltration by hard-line Muslim groups in Birmingham.

Details of the case are disclosed in a letter to the Education Secretary, Nicky Morgan, from the Christian Institute, which is providing legal support to the school.

The group warned that the new rules intended to combat extremism are already having 'disturbing consequences' for religious schools and forcing Ofsted inspectors to act in a way which undermines their ethos.

It follows complaints from orthodox Jewish schools about recent inspections in which girls from strict traditional backgrounds were allegedly asked whether they were being taught enough about lesbianism, whether they had boyfriends and if they knew where babies came from.

In the latest case inspectors are understood to have warned the head that the school, which was previously rated as 'good' that it would be downgraded to 'adequate' for failing to meet standards requiring it to 'actively promote' harmony between different faiths because it had failed to bring in representatives from other religions.

They warned that unless the school could demonstrate how it was going to meet the new requirements there would be a further full inspection which could ultimately lead to it being closed..."



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### **PM: NOTHING CAN STOP US FROM BUILDING IN JERUSALEM**

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*October 20, 2014* Arutz Sheva reported: "Israel will continue to build in Jerusalem, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said Sunday. Netanyahu was speaking at the inauguration of a new road to be named for former Prime Minister Yitzchak Shamir. The government commemorated the memory of Shamir in special ceremonies Sunday.

Netanyahu also discussed the ongoing talks between Iran and Western countries, saying that the talks were 'a danger because they are likely to allow Iran to remain on the tip of becoming a nuclear power. The deal is likely to leave Iran with thousands of centrifuges, allowing them to continue generating nuclear power, and enabling them to build a nuclear bomb easily.

Meanwhile, he said, Israel would continue developing Jerusalem. 'Prime Minister Shamir emphasized at every opportunity the need to ensure the unity of all of Jerusalem, and he labored to make into a dynamic city. Of course, he defended Israel's natural right to build there.

Is it possible, he asked, that a Jew would not be able to build a home in Jerusalem? Can we be forbidden to build in our capital, the city of our forefathers? We must allow all – Jews, Christians, and Muslims – to develop and build in Jerusalem,' Netanyahu said..."

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