

Appendix 1.

Pan-European terrorist incidents based on a contextual search of European media, September 2001-July 2003. Shaded areas denote activity associated with al Qaeda by the media.

Date/Place	Incident/attack	Group/Individuals involved	Consequence/outcome
September 01 Spain	Police say they have foiled an ETA plan to cause disruption and fear during the March 2002 Barcelona EU summit.	ETA.	
September 01 Netherlands and Belgium	With the arrest of dozens of persons in Belgium, the Netherlands and France, police believe they have uncovered a plot to attack the US embassy in Paris. It later emerges that many of those arrested were also plotting an attack in early 2002 against the Kleine-Brogel Air Base in Belgium, where about 100 U.S. military personnel are stationed.	Alleged members of Al-Takfir wa al-Hijra and individuals suspected of having close links to al-Qaeda.	Four defendants who are subsequently brought to trial in the Netherlands for plotting the attack on the US Embassy are eventually acquitted due to insufficient evidence. In May 2003 the trial of 23 alleged al-Qaeda sympathisers opens in Belgium, with the two key defendants, Tunisian Nizar Trabelsi and Tarek Maaroufi, being accused of plotting attacks against US targets in Europe. Both are also accused of having played part in the assassination of Ahmed Shah Massood, the former Afghan opposition leader, in September 2001. In addition, French investigators accuse Trabelsi of being one of the plotters who planned the attack against the US Embassy in Paris.
24 September 01 Holy See, Vatican	Police suspect that 5 Afghans aged 18 to 22, arrested near the US Embassy to the Vatican in possession of maps of Rome and an itinerary, were planning to carry out an attack on the embassy.	Unknown.	
26/27 September 01	German officials announce that detectives in the northern state of Schleswig-Holstein	Unknown.	

Germany	have foiled a plot by 6 men of Middle Eastern origin to carry out an attack on the British Consulate General. It is not known whether the arrests were made before or after the 9-11 terrorist attacks.		
29 September 01 Germany	3 men possessing a loaded weapon and several maps of German cities are arrested in Wiesbaden and are suspected of plotting a terrorist attack.	Unknown.	
17 October 01 Germany	A man is arrested on board a flight in Frankfurt for possession of an ABC-warfare protection suit and parts which could be used to make a detonator. Police suspect a chemical plot.	Hilafet Devleti (Caliphate) - one of the biggest militant Islamist groups active in Germany.	The man is later acquitted due to insufficient evidence. In December 2001, Germany's Federal Interior Minister declares Hilafet Devleti "unconstitutional" and the organisation is subsequently outlawed.
October 01 Bosnia	Six suspected Islamic militants - 5 Algerians and 1 Yemeni (all but one naturalised citizens of Bosnia) - are arrested in Bosnia, accused of plotting attacks against US targets in Bosnia and elsewhere, among others the US Embassy in Bosnia.	Bosnia.	The men are later handed over to the US and transferred to the US naval base at Guantanamo Bay.
06 November 01 Madrid, Spain	A car-bomb explosion in Madrid injures nearly 100 people.	ETA blamed.	Two men are arrested. Police later say while being questioned, the men admitted that in December 1999 ETA had been plotting an attack on Madrid's tallest building - the Picasso Tower, where about 5,000 people work. Police had intercepted 1.7 tonnes of explosives hidden in vans, shortly before the attack was supposed to take place.
07 November 01	A Spanish judge, Jose Maria Guiron, is	ETA suspected.	

Spain	shot dead in the Basque region.		
23 November 01 Besain, Spain	A gunman kills 2 Basque police officers while they are directing traffic.	ETA suspected.	
22 December 01 France/US	Richard Reid tries to ignite explosives hidden in his shoe while on board a flight from Paris to Miami	During his trial in the US Reid initially claims he acted individually. He later admits membership of al-Qaeda.	Reid is put on trial in the US and eventually pleads guilty to eight terrorist charges. In January 2003 he is sentenced to life imprisonment.
12 January 02 Bilbao, Spain	A bomb explosion in central Bilbao injures 2 people. The area had been evacuated following an anonymous warning to police.	ETA.	
09 February 02 France	Firebombing of French Police Headquarters in Saint-Jean-De-Luz.	ETA suspected.	
15 February 02 Turkey	Police in Ankara arrest 1 Jordanian and 2 Palestinians. The alleged al-Qaeda suspects, Firaz Suleiman, Ahmed Mahmoud and Mustafa Hassan, are believed to have been en route to Israel with the intention of carrying out a suicide bomb attack. The arrests are the first of their kind in Turkey since the 9-11 attacks.	Beyyiat al-Imam, a group linked to al-Qaeda.	The men were formally charged and remanded in custody for entering Turkey with fake documents.
20 February 02 Italy	Following the arrest of 9 Moroccans police believe they have foiled a terrorist attack on the US embassy in Rome. An underground tunnel leading directly to the Embassy is later discovered. The	Unknown.	Given the minute quantity of the cyanide, the water-poison plot is later discarded. In addition, the US denies there may have been a threat to its embassy in Rome.

	discovery of cyanide in apartments belonging to the suspects lead Italian authorities to investigate the possibility of a plot to poison Rome's water supplies.		
02 April 02 Germany	13 members of what German police describe as the "Al-Tawhid cell" are arrested. They are suspected of planning attacks against Jewish installations in Western Europe.	Al-Tawhid, in association with al-Qaeda,	Nine suspects are charged with planning terrorist attacks. Their trial opens on 24 June 2003 and is scheduled to last until September. Key defendant Shadi Abdullah, a 26-year old Jordanian who claims to have been one of bin Laden's bodyguards, has since his arrest, been fully cooperating with German authorities, providing them with key information about the group's activities.
17 April 02 Athens, Greece	Two diplomatic vehicles belonging to the Israeli and Thai Embassies are set on fire in Athens.	Unknown.	
21 April 02 Madrid, Spain	A bomb explodes in northern Madrid resulting in considerable material damage.		
06 May 02 various European cities	Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung and Le Journal du Dimanche report that intelligence was acquired by BKA, the German intelligence agency, which shows that 30 members of al-Qaeda were preparing strikes in France, Great Britain and Germany in which a large number of people would be taken hostage in each country.	Allegedly al-Qaeda.	
08 May 02 Kaspiysk, Dagestan	Bombing at Russian Victory Day parade kills 30 and injures 150.	Chechen Rebels suspected.	

22 May 02	Police suspected a “Real IRA” bombing campaign over Easter, in which booby-trapped devices may be used.	Real IRA.	
21 June 02 Zaragossa, Marbella and Fuengirola, Spain	3 bombs explode in the north-eastern city of Zaragoza, and the southern resorts of Marbella and Fuengirola, injuring a total of 6 people. The bombing coincides with the opening of the European Union Summit held in Seville.	ETA.	
22 June 02 Mijas and Santander, Spain	2 bomb explosions in Spain, one of which occurs in a tourist hotel parking area.	ETA suspected.	
22 June 02 Milan, Italy	It is suspected that a Milan-based Islamist terrorist cell linked to al-Qaeda is plotting an attack on the Basilica of San Petronio, which contains a fresco showing Islam Prophet Muhammad in hell.	Suspected Islamist terrorist cell linked to al-Qaeda.	5 men are arrested but all are later released.
01 August 02	Real IRA Lunchbox bomb targeting military personnel, killing 1.	Real IRA.	1 man and 1 woman are arrested.
04 August 02 Spain	A bomb explodes in Santa Pola, killing 2 people, including a six-year-old girl.	ETA.	Following the attack, Spain’s anti-terrorist judge, Baltazar Garzon, orders the suspension of Basque separatist party Batasuna, because of its alleged link to ETA. Spain’s Supreme Court imposes a three-year suspension in March 2003.
09 August 02 Spain	Bomb blast in the resort of Torreviage, in south-east Spain.	ETA suspected.	
26 August 02 Spain	Police defuse a bomb outside a courthouse in Tolosa, near the Basque city San Sebastian	ETA suspected.	

06 September 02 Germany	German authorities arrest 1 man and 1 woman in whose apartment were found chemicals from which explosives could be made. It is believed these arrests have foiled a terrorist attack on US army headquarters in Europe, possibly planned for the first anniversary of the 9-11 attacks.	The alleged suspects are believed to be al-Qaeda members.	The couple are later released due to insufficient evidence of a terrorist plot or of membership in a terrorist organisation.
23 September 02 Bilbao, Spain	A car-bomb in the northern city of Bilbao kills two people.e	ETA.	Spanish police say those killed were ETA activists who were carrying a bomb when it detonated.
24 September 02 Navarra Region, Spain	A bomb blast in Spain's northern Navarra region kills one police officer and injures three others.	ETA suspected.	
26 September 02 Metz, France	A small stick of plastic explosives is discovered at Metz airport on a plane belonging to the Moroccan airline, Royal Air Maroc.	Unknown.	
10 October 02	Bomb blast at Russian police station in Chechnya, kills 23 and injures 18.	Chechen Rebels.	
18 October 02 Chechnya	Chechen rebels fire on Russian helicopter, causing crash killing at least one.	Chechen Rebels.	
23 October 02 Moscow, Russia	Chechen Rebels, including Chechen widows, hold nearly 800 hostages in Moscow theatre in a "suicide mission". In a pre-dawn rescue attempt on 26 October, 128 civilians (120 Russians and 8 foreign nationals from Austria, Belarus, Kazakhstan, the Netherlands, and the US) and all kidnappers die.	Chechen Rebels.	

07 November 02 Eindhoven, Netherlands	Police in the Netherlands believe they have uncovered a planned suicide attack following the arrest of a 22-year-old Moroccan who had pre-recorded a “farewell” audio message for his family.	Unknown.	
9 November 02 London	An alleged plot to release poison gas on the London Underground network is uncovered after MI5 agents infiltrate a suspect group in long-standing operation.	3 men of North African origin who are believed to belong to a group linked to al-Qaeda.	The suspects are taken into custody and charged with violation of Section 57 of the Counter-Terrorism Act 2000. They are, however, later acquitted after no evidence could be found for a gas attack. One of the arrested is jailed for possessing a forged passport.
14 November 02 Goragorsky and Pobedinskoye, Chechnya	Chechens kidnap 2 Russian Red Cross workers, Alexander Panov and Musa Satushiyev, between the villages of Goragorsky and Pobedinskoye.		Russian special operations forces rescue the hostages on 17 November 2002. 10 Chechen suspects are subsequently arrested.
17 November 02 Grozny, Chechnya	In a number of attacks, Chechen rebels kill 2 police and kidnap 3.	Chechen Rebels.	
16 December 02 Paris, France	3 Algerians and 1 Moroccan are arrested in suburban Paris after being found in possession of chemicals, detonator components and a military personnel-protection suit. With the arrests police believe they have foiled “one or several” terrorist attacks planned by the alleged Islamic extremists.	Unknown.	
19 December 02	Spanish police arrest two alleged ETA members who reportedly confess to a plot to detonate several bombs in shopping centres on new year’s eve.	ETA.	

24 December 02	Police arrest 2 men carrying suicide-belts in Moscow and possibly prevent a suicide attack.	Chechen Rebels.	
27 December 02 France	4 men are arrested on suspicion of planning to attack the Russian embassy in Paris in retaliation for the hostage liberation operation in a Moscow theatre.	Chechen Rebels.	
30 December 02 CDG Airport, France	Police discover explosives and weapons in the car of an Algerian-born baggage handler, Aberazzak Besseghir, at CDG airport. A planned terrorist attack is suspected.	None.	The man is released on 10 January 03 after it emerges that the guns and explosives were placed in his vehicle by the family of his late wife in an act of vendetta.
January 03 London, UK	7 men are arrested under the Terrorism Act after ricin was found in a London flat.	Unknown.	4 persons are charged in connection with an alleged plot to use ricin in a terrorist attack. The other 3 are charged with another criminal offence.
21 January 03 Ulus-Kert, Shali district, Chechnya	Chechen rebels ambush Russian convoy and outposts, killing 4, injuring 11.	Chechen Rebels.	
22 January 03 Italy	Police suspect possible terrorist attacks on the City of London and Nato bases in Italy after police detain five Moroccan men.	Italian police believe the suspects may have links to extremist groups in Europe.	The men are detained for illegal possession of explosives.
24 January 03 Catalonia Region, Spain	Spanish police believe they have crushed a terrorist cell linked to al-Qaeda and GSPC, allegedly planning a “major terrorist attack” in the West.	An alleged terrorist cell linked to al-Qaeda and GSPC (Salafist Group for Call and Combat).	16 men, mainly Algerians, are arrested. A judge orders their release on 12 February 03 because of insufficient evidence for the terrorist charges.
31 January 03	After the arrest of 28 Pakistani men and	Italy alleges the	All alleged suspects are released on 12 February 03.

Naples, Italy	the discovery of detonators and maps showing the town of Bagnoli, which houses Nato's southern headquarters, Italian police believe they have foiled an attack on NATO bases.	men belong to a "sleeper terrorist cell". No group is named.	
02 February 03 Grozny, Chechnya	Chechens raid a Russian outpost, killing 2 soldiers. In another attack, 1 Russian soldier is killed by car bomb in Grozny.	Chechen Rebels.	
06 February 03 Germany	Police crush a terrorist cell allegedly planning an attack on a US target in the Frankfurt area.	Two of the arrested are alleged to have links to al-Qaeda's Hamburg cell.	3 suspects – all members of Islamic centres in the towns of Minden and Münster - are held for questioning. Two of them are suspected of belonging to a terrorist group and one is said to have had links to the Hamburg cell led by Mohammed Atta. The group is suspected of having plotted attacks in Germany, including on an American installation in Frankfurt.
11-15 February 03 Heathrow Airport	Alert involving suspected "surface-to-air" missile attacks on aircraft at Heathrow during the Muslim festival of Eid.	None.	450 troops and mechanised vehicles are deployed to the area around Heathrow Airport.
03 March 03 Argun, Chechnya	Motorcade of Pro-Russian Grozny Mayor Akhmed Kadyrov is ambushed by rebels in Argun. Four bodyguards, three Russian soldiers, and one Chechen rebel are killed.	Chechen Rebels linked to Shamil Basayev.	
20 March 03	A substance thought to be ricin is found in a locker in Parisian railway station.	Allegedly pro-Chechen terrorist suspects.	Several men are detained for alleged links to the pro-Chechen terrorist group. It emerges in April that the substance found was neither ricin, nor a toxin.
21 March 03 Pristina, Kosovo	Two bombs targeting Kosovo Police stations, manned by both U.N. and local police explode. There are no injuries.	Unknown.	
21 March 03	After raids on a mosque in Berlin, 4 men		Three are later released. Tunisian Ihsan Garnaoui, 32,

Berlin, Germany	are detained on suspicion of planning terrorist attacks to coincide with the beginning of the war in Iraq.		remains in custody, accused of being the founder of a terrorist organisation. Eight other men arrested later in Germany, will face similar charges.
21 March 03 Bochum, Germany	Several men allegedly planning a terrorist attack are arrested in Germany.	Unknown.	
25 March 03 Aachen, Germany	Several alleged terrorists are arrested on suspicion of planning an attack with explosives.	Unknown.	
23 April 03 Germany	Following raids on 19 locations in Germany, police detain 11 members of a Palestinian organisation allegedly planning to carry out terrorist attacks in Germany.	Al-Tawhid.	
08 May 03 Grozny, Chechnya	A bomb explodes at a stadium in Grozny wounding three policemen and leading to cancellation of the Russian Victory Day parade.	Chechen Rebels.	
12 May 03 Znamenskoye, Chechnya	Suicide attack on a government building in Znamenskoye kills 54 and injures more than 300.	Chechen separatist warlord Shamil Basayev claims responsibility.	
30 May 03 Sanguesa, Spain	A bomb explosion in northern Spain kills two police officers, and wounds a third officer and a civilian.	ETA blamed.	
30 May 03 Grozny, Chechnya	A bomb/anti-vehicle mine detonates near a Russian military bus, killing a passing motorist and two pedestrians.	Chechen Rebels.	
05 June 03 Mozdok,	A female suicide attack on a bus carrying civilians and soldiers kills 17, including 8	Chechen Rebels.	

Chechnya	soldiers and the bomber. 9 others are wounded		
05 June 03 Kumanovo, Macedonia	A package bomb explosion between two buildings in Kumanovo, 30 km northeast of Skopje, causes damage, and injures 3.	Unknown.	
14 June 03 Bilbao, Spain	A car bomb is defused after ETA gives a telephone warning to a local newspaper.	ETA.	
17 June 03 France	Over 150 members of Mujahidin Khalq are detained on suspicion of planning terrorist attacks in Europe.	Mujahidin el-Khalq (MEK).	All are eventually released.
21 June 03 Germany	French police arrest 34 year old Moroccan Karim Mehdi who together with Christian Ganczarki is suspected of plotting a terrorist attack against the French tourist island La Réunion. Police believe the arrests foiled the attack.	al-Qaeda.	German police say the two suspects form the “Duisburg cell” of the al-Qaeda network. Mehdi reportedly later admits to police having planned attacks on US military posts in Germany.
14 July 03 Pamplona, Spain	Following a warning by ETA, a bomb is defused at a tourist hotel during the annual bull-running festival.	ETA.	
23 July 03	Two bombs explode in the Spanish tourist resorts of Alicante and Benidorm, injuring 13 people.	ETA.	