



London: Islamic Terrorist Who Stabbed 2 People to Death Was an Ex-Convict Who Was Attending a Cambridge University Event on 'Prisoner Rehabilitation'

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Warning: graphic videos.

At 12 seconds into the video, police struggle to pull man off of the suspect who could have been restrained. The suspect was reportedly wearing a fake explosive suicide vest.

At the end of the video, the man in the tie running with the knife, who was reported to be a plainclothes policeman, is

shown throwing a package from his pocket. It is odd that uniformed police did not take the knife from this man until later.

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Usman Khan, 28, a convicted terrorist, was reported to be attending a University of Cambridge conference for a program that works to rehabilitate prisoners before he launched the attack from the Fishmonger's Hall that spilled onto the London Bridge. He is accused of stabbing and killing two people and injuring three more. He was wearing a fake explosive suicide vest. Several men chased him, including one man using a narwhal tusk as a weapon and another with a fire hydrant. Video shot by bystanders shows a man wearing a lanyard man sitting atop the suspect, fighting him while the suspect was lying on the ground. A police officer struggled to pull the man off of the suspect. As soon as he was removed, police shot and killed the terrorist instead of trying to subdue and arrest him.

Khan was convicted in 2012 for his part in an al-Qaeda-inspired plot to blow up the London Stock Exchange and other major sites including the US Embassy. He was originally given a 16-year prison term but was released early "on license" conditional terms and was wearing an electronic monitoring tag. He never went before a parole board as his early "on license" release was automatic, per the law.

At least one ex-convict, James Ford, was reported to have rescued a woman by rushing Khan and disarming him. Ford is a convicted murderer who was reportedly attending the same event as Khan on a day pass. Ford admitted committing the 2003 murder of 21-year-old Amanda Champion, who had a mental age of 15, was strangled, and her throat was cut. Ford was jailed for a minimum of 15 years, but was reported to be serving the

final days of his sentence at HMP Standford Hill, an open prison.

A man in a tie, who has been identified by several news agencies as a plainclothes police officer, reportedly grabbed a large knife from the assailant and was filmed running away from the scrum. Curiously, he took the time, while running, to throw a package out of his pocket. It is odd that an official police officer did not take possession of the weapon. Later, the man in the tie was filmed being pinned down on the ground by police.

The video footage appears to have been shot by bystanders instead of from official law enforcement surveillance cameras that should be released to the public.

The attack took place just before the December 12 elections that have been dominated by Brexit and health care.

This stabbing event may be being used for political purposes, as stabbing incidents are common in London: In 2018/19 the number of knife crime offenses recorded in London reached almost 15,000, an increase of more than 5,000 compared with 2015/16. Acid attacks are also on the rise, as 465 were recorded in 2017, compared with just 77 acid attacks in 2012.

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