



Anders Behring Breivik- Norwegian Lone Wolf Bomber

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Anders Behring Breivik¹

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Purpose

- ☐ To inform deploying units, trainers, and scenario writers of the plans, activities, and the execution of the mission by a lone wolf bomber/shooter
- ☐ To identify the meticulous planning and patience taken by Anders Behring Breivik before he undertook his mission
- ☐ To identify the timeline and some of the tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTP) used by Breivik when he conducted his attacks

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The Attacks²

- ☐ Bomb explodes in Oslo in the afternoon, Friday, 22 July 2011
- ☐ While police respond to the bomb attack, a “police officer” arrives at a youth camp located on an island approximately 20 miles northwest of Oslo later in the day and begins shooting campers
- ☐ When police arrive on the island, Anders Behring Breivik surrenders peacefully almost immediately
- ☐ Anders Behring Breivik also admits to planting the Oslo bomb
- ☐ The two attacks killed 77 people and injures approximately 96 more, the deadliest event on Norwegian soil since World War II



Oslo Bomb Destruction³



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Breivik's Background⁴

☐ Basics

- Born 13 February 1979 in Oslo, Norway where he grew up
- Son of a Norwegian diplomat, but estranged from his father after his parents divorced when he was 1 year old

☐ Education

- Smestad primary school (same school as the Norwegian crown prince)
- Gaustad and the Handels gymnasium in Oslo
- Attended the Oslo School of Management

☐ Served in the military; compulsory national service in Norway

☐ Career

- Hard worker who amassed 500,000 euros (>\$700,000) for his attacks
- Entrepreneur who eventually sold a communications company he founded
- Started Breivik Geofarm to provide cover and secluded location

☐ No criminal record

☐ Far right politically since his late 20s

☐ Hobbies: Hunting, body building, and freemasonry

☐ Favorite books: George Orwell's *1984* and Machiavelli's *The Prince*



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Breivik Long Term Timeline⁵

- ☐ **1999: Joins conservative Progress party as a “youth member”**
- ☐ **April/May 2002: Writes first manifesto entry and proclaims himself as the 8th Justiciar Knight for the PCCTS (Poor Soldiers of Christ and the Temple of Solomon), Knights Templar Europe**
- ☐ **2002: Claims to have attended a meeting in London to re-found the Knights Templar with others from:**
 - **France**
 - **Germany**
 - **The Netherlands**
 - **Greece**
 - **Russia**
- ☐ **2002-06: Raises funds for his venture**
- ☐ **2004: Leaves the Progress party**
- ☐ **2005: Joins the Oslo gun club and sporadically visits to shoot various weapons**
- ☐ **2006-08: Researches and writes his manifesto (in English)**



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Breivik Long Term Timeline (continued)⁵

- ☐ **2009: Establishes Breivik Geofarm and begins preparation for the next phase of his plan**
- ☐ **July 2010: Digs an underground cache to hold his weapons**
- ☐ **August 2010: Determines that the only place to fire an AK-47 or M16 rifle on full automatic is in Prague, Czech Republic**
- ☐ **September 2010:**
 - **Travels by car to Prague, but fails to buy an AK-47 assault rifle and Glock from the criminal underworld**
 - **Obtains a prospectus for a mineral extraction business he plans to use as a cover story for future purchases of explosives and other equipment**
 - **Also obtains several police ID badges and other related insignia**
- ☐ **September 2010: Purchases a semi-automatic rifle and Glock pistol legally in Norway through his shooting club membership**
- ☐ **October/November 2010: Orders chemicals from a Polish company**



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Breivik Long Term Timeline (continued)⁵

- ☐ **November 2010: Increases his attendance at the local pistol club to improve his shooting accuracy**
- ☐ **March 2011: Norwegian secret service places him on its “watchlist” after he orders large amounts of fertilizer from a Polish online shop**
 - Security services access his phone and email for 24 hours, but ceases surveillance when nothing suspicious is read or heard
 - Records indicate that Breivik possesses no criminal record except traffic offenses and is not a member of any extremist group
 - Concludes the fertilizer was legitimate for the Breivik Geofarm
- ☐ **4 May 2011: Company delivers six tons of fertilizer to Breivik’s farm**
- ☐ **13 June 2011: Breivik conducts a successful test detonation of his explosives mix in a remote location near his farm**



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Time Line-22 July 2011 (All times local)⁶

- ❑ **1251 Hours: Breivik's final log entry reads, "I believe this will be my last entry. It is now Fri July 22nd, 12.51."**
- ❑ **Unknown:**
 - **Breivik drives a Volkswagen Crafter (van) with 2,100 pounds of homemade ammonium nitrate-based explosives to Oslo and parks it between the prime minister's office building and Norway's Oil and Energy Department building**
 - **Lights vehicle improvised explosive device (VIED) fuse**
 - **Departs in rental car to drive to lake where Utoeya Island is located**
- ❑ **1526 Hours: Bomb blast detonates in central Oslo**



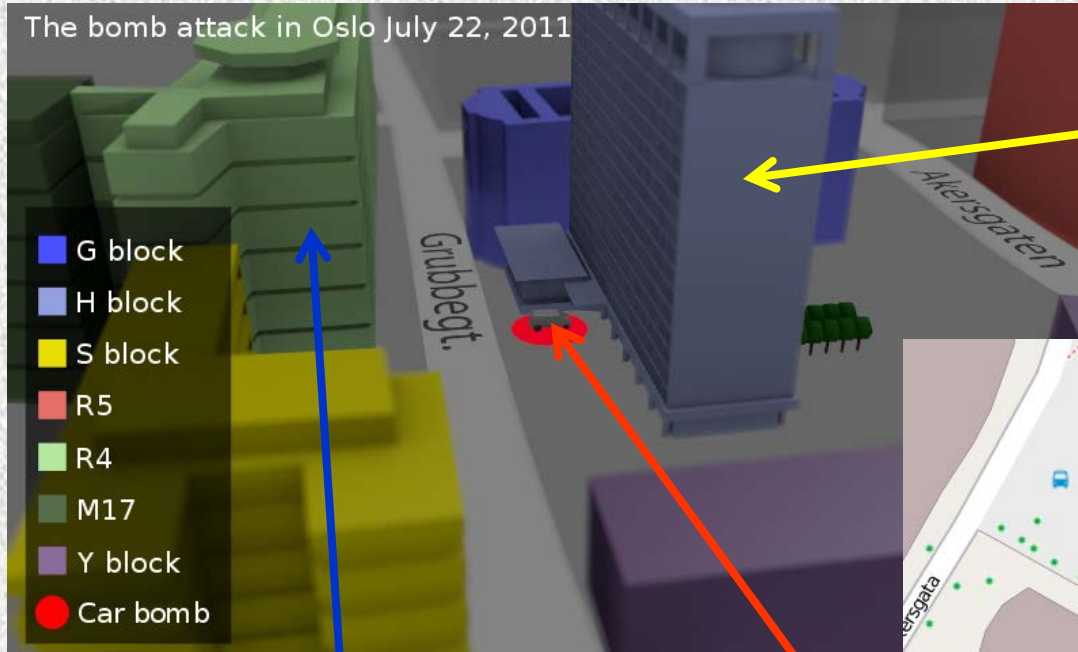
Breivik in "uniform"⁷



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Bomb Attack Diagrams⁸

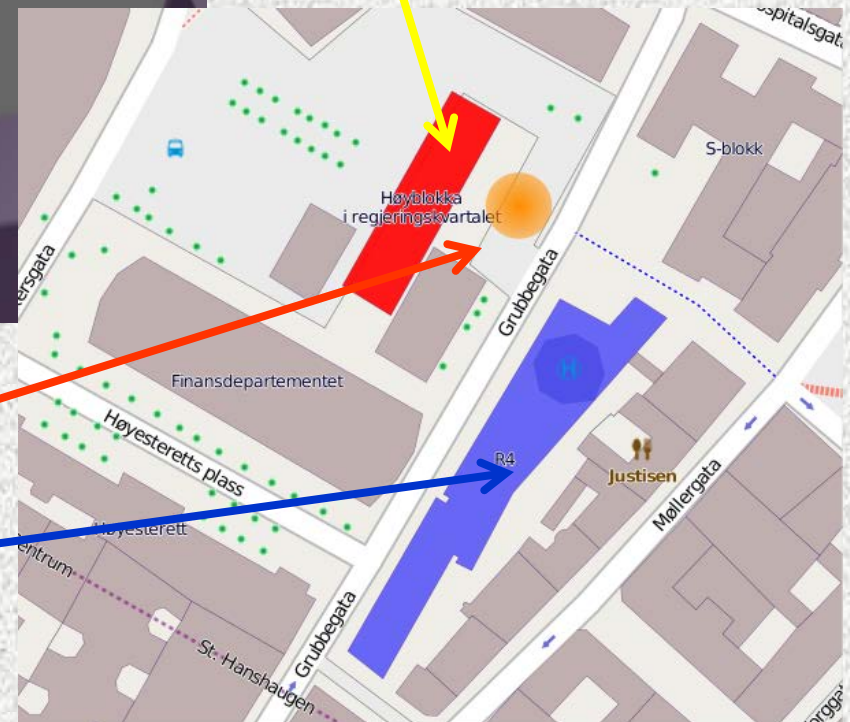
The bomb attack in Oslo July 22, 2011



Prime Minister Building

Car Bomb Location

Oil & Energy Department Building





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Time Line-22 July 2011 (All times local)⁶

- ☐ **Unknown: Breivik dons body armor and tactical gear with insignia identifying him as a police officer**
- ☐ **1657 Hours: Breivik arrives at a lake 20 miles northwest of Oslo and asks the ferryman to transport him to Utoeya Island, the location of a Labour Party youth camp**
- ☐ **Unknown: Breivik asks the youth to gather around to talk to them as part of routine police work in connection with the Oslo bombing**



Utoeya Island in relation to Oslo⁹



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Time Line-22 July 2011 (continued)⁶

- ☐ **1726 Hours: Police receive notification of a shooter on Utoeya Island**
- ☐ **1740 Hours: Police dispatch SWAT team from Oslo**
 - Police decide to go by wheeled vehicle
 - Helicopters tied up south of Oslo and road travel deemed faster
- ☐ **1752 Hours: Local police arrive at the ferry pier across from island, but need to wait for a suitable boat to take them across the water**
- ☐ **1809 Hours: SWAT Team arrives from Oslo**
 - Too many officers get in boat with too much equipment
 - Boat takes on water and the motor stops running
 - SWAT Team commandeers civilian recreational boats to ferry them across
- ☐ **1825 Hours: Swat Team arrives at Utoeya Island and hears shots being fired**
- ☐ **1827 Hours: Breivik surrenders**
 - Steps out with his hands above his head
 - His weapons now lie on the ground 50 feet away from him
 - The shooter still possesses a considerable amount of ammunition



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Results¹⁰

☐ Primary Target: Oslo bombing

- 8 people dead, age 26 to 61, and approximately 36 others injured
- Fewer than Breivik planned
 - Bomb did not bring down the building as planned
 - Many government workers on vacation or left their offices early for the weekend
- Windows blown out of buildings
- Police asked people to leave Oslo's central area, stay indoors, and limit cell phone use; the country would also initiate border checks

☐ Secondary Target: Utoeya Island

- 69 people dead, many teenage campers, and approximately 60 wounded
 - Mean age: 19.6 years old
 - Median age: 18 years old
 - 35 males and 34 females
- Reports of a second gunman in civilian clothes prove false
- Reasons for the large number of casualties
 - Police took over an hour to arrive
 - Helicopter not readily available for the SWAT Team
 - Many police already tied up in Oslo with the bombing
- Breivik intentionally did not shoot some people
 - Allowed a 10-year old boy to live after he said his father was already dead
 - An adult pled for his life successfully
- Some campers feared real law enforcement personnel were shooters also



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Repercussions¹¹

☐ Breivik

- Admitted to carrying out the attacks, but has not pled guilty to the charges
- Charged with terrorism, destabilization of vital societal functions, and causing a serious fear in the population
- Two psychiatrists will examine Breivik to determine his mental health
- Initial custody for eight weeks, the first four weeks in isolation
- No letters and no visitors except his lawyer
- Maximum sentence is 21 years, but the government can detain those criminals who pose a danger to society longer
- Hearing held behind closed doors due to security concerns and that Breivik might use the time to deliver a speech to justify his actions

☐ Government

- Postponed political campaign season for the 12 September 2011 elections
- Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg announced the creation of a "22 July Commission" to investigate the bomb and gun attacks
- Added 100 new police jobs in areas affected by the attacks
- Will create a future national memorial to the victims
- Contributed to the cost of the victims' funerals
- May compensate victims and relatives under a new law
- Will decide on whether to repair or raze the prime minister's building

☐ Over 100,000 people gathered in Oslo for a vigil for the victims



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Breivik's Justifications¹²

- ☐ **Distorted John Stuart Mill's quote and posted online, "One person with a belief is equal to the force of 100,000 who have only interests."**
- ☐ **Considered Norway's immigration policies as too lax**
 - **Against "multiculturalism" and "political correctness"**
 - **Fear of a Muslim majority in Oslo**
- ☐ **Created a YouTube video that advocated fighting**
 - **Cultural Marxism**
 - **Islamism**
- ☐ **Desired not to inflict the maximum number of casualties, but to create the greatest loss possible to Norway's governing Labour Party**



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Analysis

- ☐ **Most perpetrators of such attacks will not demonstrate the meticulous planning and patience demonstrated by Breivik**
 - Breivik joined a gun club in 2005 in order to obtain hunting and sport shooting guns legally in case he could not obtain automatic weapons
 - Breivik leased a farm to provide cover to purchase large quantities of fertilizer and to provide a secluded location to build his bomb
 - Breivik also founded a mining extraction company to make his need for explosives appear legitimate
 - Breivik worked 4 years to secure enough funds to carry off his attacks
 - Breivik obtain police uniforms and badges to get closer to his victims
- ☐ **While some speculate that Breivik did not act alone and some Utoeya Island witnesses claim a second shooter in civilian clothing, it appears that Breivik acted alone**
- ☐ **Breivik believes there are 15-80 “Justiciar Knights” like him in Western Europe, but it is difficult to distinguish between people who hold radical ideas and those that will actually carry out their plans**
- ☐ **Breivik’s decision to operate on his own reduced the chances of the police finding out about his plans from a conspirator with cold feet**



Training Implications

- ☐ CTC exercises probably do not last long enough to replicate the patience demonstrated by Breivik in his attacks
- ☐ The CTCs could, however, introduce a lone wolf bomber/shooter into their scenarios by having role players provide pieces of intelligence that combined together may lead them to a potential mass murderer



Breivik Self Portrait¹³



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Variable Implications

(Using PMESII-PT OE Variables)

Political¹³:

- If Norway reduces the openness of its society, ironically, then Breivik's actions obtained their desired results
- Anti-immigration advocacy continues to rise in Norway and Western Europe because many fear the intolerance of some Muslims is incompatible with Europe's liberal society
- The Norwegian Progress party (FrP) will exploit the immigration issue to continue its recent growth in popularity at the expense of the left-leaning Labour Party and the more moderate Conservative Party
- The attacks delayed the start of the political campaigns for the 12 September 2011 elections

Military:

- Due the small size of the Norwegian military, the SWAT team in Oslo could not quickly obtain helicopter transportation; this may cause the Norwegian government to increase its emergency civilian and/or military helicopter assets



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Variable Implications

(Using PMESII-PT OE Variables)

Economic:

- While the explosion in downtown Oslo may cause some initial economic issues, the Norwegian economy should not feel any long-term effects

Social:

- The Norwegian people may find themselves with an internal conflict between their liberal ideas and the influx of Muslim immigrants that bring a less tolerant view of others to their country

Information:

- Breivik's actions demonstrates the ability to use the Internet to obtain the necessary items to launch an attack
- The campers at Utoeya Island used their cell phones to contact police and their parents; they then urged their parents to only text them so Breivik could not find them with their cell phones ringing



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Variable Implications

(Using PMESII-PT OE Variables)

Infrastructure¹⁴:

- Norway will need to determine whether to repair or raze the buildings damaged by the bomb
- Norway will build a memorial to the victims
- The Labour Party (AUF) will need to decide what to do with Utoeya Island, which they own as a gift from the Oslo trade unions after WWII

Physical Environment:

- No damage that time will not repair

Time¹⁵:

- Breivik spent almost 10 years to fund, plan, and obtain the explosives and weapons necessary to conduct his attack
- While Norway's maximum sentence remains 21 years, Breivik could be charged with "crimes against humanity" that carries a 30-year sentence
- Prosecutor expects Breivik to remain in jail for the rest of his life since Norwegian law allows the government to detain those who are a danger to society for a longer time than their sentence



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POCs

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❑ AKO <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/portal/index.jsp>

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