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NCR: Disrupted Domestic Terrorist Attack

On Friday, the FBI and Coast Guard Investigative Service arrested Christopher Paul Hasson—an active duty lieutenant in the US Coast Guard stationed at headquarters in DC—after uncovering a stockpile of weapons, ammunition, opioids, and steroids in his Maryland home. Hasson self-identified as a white nationalist for over 30 years and advocated for “focused violence” to establish a “white homeland.” He served in three branches of the US military and did not receive tactical, weapons, or explosives-related training in his current assignment.

- Hasson planned to conduct a widespread domestic terror attack targeting politicians and journalists. In January 2019, he compiled a list of prominent Democratic Congressional leaders, 2020 presidential candidates, and MSNBC and CNN journalists, including House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, Senators Chuck Schumer, Elizabeth Warren, Cory Booker, Kamala Harris, and Representatives Beto O'Rourke, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and Maxine Waters. He also searched the Internet using phrases such as “best places in DC to see Congress people” and “are Supreme Court Justices protected.”



Weapons and ammunition Hasson stockpiled (Source: NPR)

- In an email drafted in June 2017, Hasson contemplated conducting biological attacks or bombing/sniper campaigns and targeting the food supply as methods for an attack. He visited thousands of websites selling firearms and tactical gear and made nearly two dozen purchases of firearms related equipment over the past two years. Authorities seized 15 firearms, including several long guns and rifles, and more than 1,000 rounds of mixed ammunition from Hasson's home.
- The suspect studied the 1,500-page manifesto of Anders Behring Breivik, a Norwegian citizen and far-right domestic extremist who conducted two coordinated terror attacks in Norway that killed 77 people in 2011. Hasson's planning was consistent with the manifesto that outlined how Breivik prepared for his attacks, including the process of identifying “traitors” and targets, classifying targets, and stockpiling narcotics to enhance his ability to conduct attacks.

There is no information indicating any further threat to the Nation Capital Region. The NTIC will continue to communicate threat trends to relevant stakeholders and encourage suspicious activity reporting.

How to Report Suspicious Activity or Submit a Tip

- Call 911 for immediate threats or emergencies.
- For all other suspicious activity, please submit a suspicious activity report (SAR). For DC, visit <https://iwatchdc.org> or call 202-727-9099. For Maryland, email mdwatch@mcac.maryland.gov or call 1-800-492-TIPS. For Virginia, email the [Virginia Fusion Center](#), download the [See Something Send Something](#) mobile app, or call 877-4VA-TIPS.
- To submit a tip to the FBI, call 1-800-CALLFBI or visit tips.fbi.gov.

Additional Resources:

- [Motion for Detention Pending Trial – Christopher Paul Hasson](#)
- [DHS “If You See Something, Say Something” Campaign](#)