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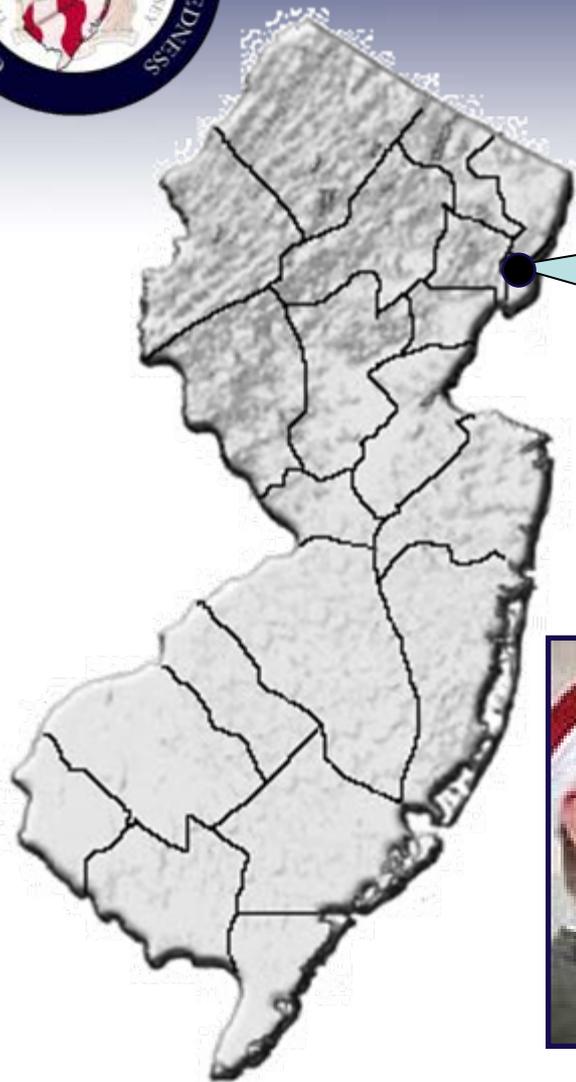
Why New Jersey as a Target?



- Located between NYC and Philadelphia
- Dense population
- Large number of critical infrastructure
 - Can be weaponized
- Disruption of services will impact National economy



World Trade Center Bombing



1993

- Mastermind Ramzi Yousef traveled to NJ, to the Al Salaam Mosque in Jersey City, with the mission of planning a terrorist operation to detonate a large truck bomb in the parking garage underneath the WTC
- The mosque's spiritual leader was the blind cleric Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman
- The plot was first hatched in NJ
- Members resided in NJ
- Quantities of lethal chemicals were purchased in Hudson County
- The 1200-pound bomb was manufactured in Jersey City

Data was never connected

2007 – More Data Than Ever Before



Terrorism in New Jersey

- 1973** Murder of Trooper Werner Foerster by Black Liberation Army
- 1979** Joanne Chesimard escapes from Reformatory at Clinton, flees to Cuba
- 1981** Murder of Trooper Phillip Lamonoco by United Freedom Front
- 1988** Member of Japanese Red Army arrested with bombs
- 1990** Rabbi Kahane assassinated in NYC by al-Qaeda member residing in NJ
- 1993** First WTC attack by planned and executed from NJ
- 1994** “Blind Sheikh” plot to attack NY bridges, tunnels & landmarks
- 1994** Murder of Thomas Mosser by the “Unibomber”
- 2001** Second WTC attack planned and executed from NJ
- 2001** Anthrax letters mailed from NJ
- 2004** Targeting of financial sector in NJ and NYC



New Jersey Law Enforcement Community

- 486 Municipal Police Agencies
- 100+ County and State Agencies
- Department of Corrections
- Homeland Security Agencies

**All Possess Information and Intelligence
All In Need of Effective Means of Sharing Data**



Challenges

- Stand alone record management systems (RMS)
 - Majority of Municipal RMS lack connectivity with other Municipal RMS
 - Majority of Municipal RMS lack connectivity with County RMS
 - All County RMS lacks connectivity with State RMS
- Need to move from tactical to strategic



New Jersey - RMS

- Statewide Intelligence Management System
 - Requires duplicity of effort for most agencies
 - Focuses only on designated intelligence
 - User rate is nominal



New Jersey needs to capture all information and intelligence into a shared data system in order to be successful at thwarting terrorism plots



**New Jersey is seeking
technological solutions for
effectively moving
information and intelligence
from the street to the Fusion
Center and into the hands of
the analyst**



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