

MEMRI Cyber Jihad Lab (CJL) Report On Pro-ISIS Hacking Group's 'Kill List' Of Canadians Leads To Major Security Alerts In Canada, And Coverage By Media

On June 7, 2016, the MEMRI Cyber Jihad Lab reported on a "kill list" of thousands of Canadian, U.S., and Australian citizens, that was posted by pro-Islamic State (ISIS) hacking groups on the encrypted messaging app Telegram.



Image accompanying Telegram post of the "kill list."

MEMRI immediately provided this research to Canadian authorities, leading to major security alerts across the country.

A week later, Canadian media, including leading broadcast and print outlets, as well as international media, began reporting on the "kill list," citing MEMRI, with many featuring interviews with and statements by MEMRI Deputy Director Elliot Zweig.

On June 16, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau responded to the reports of the "kill list," saying that these threats are another reason why his government is working "robustly" with coalition forces to eliminate ISIS and protect Canadians.

The following are examples of media coverage based on MEMRI's reports:

TV

[CBC](#) – June 15, 2016

[CBC](#) – June 20, 2016

[CTV News Vancouver](#) – June 16, 2016

Global News ([here](#) and [here](#)) – June 16, 2016

[TVA Nouvelles](#) – June 16, 2016

Newspapers

[The Globe & Mail](#) – June 16, 2016

[Toronto Star](#) – June 15, 2016

[The Hamilton Spectator](#) – June 16, 2016

[Medicine Hat News](#) – June 17, 2016

[Castanet](#) – June 17, 2016

Radio

[CBC Radio – The Current](#) – June 17, 2016

[iNews 880 AM](#) (Edmonton, Alberta) – June 16, 2016

Ottawa 1310 AM – June 16, 2016

CHED 630 AM

[CHED 630 AM radio](#) – June 16, 2016

In addition, following the June 12 Orlando nightclub attack by Omar Mateen, who had sworn loyalty to ISIS, the MEMRI Jihad and Terrorist Threat Monitor (JTTM) reported on an explicit threat against the upcoming Pride Toronto parade, set for July 3, that was posted on a German-language pro-ISIS Telegram channel. Again, MEMRI immediately provided this information to Canadian authorities.

Toronto Sun

[Toronto Sun](#) - June 14, 2016

National Post

[National Post](#) – June 14, 2016

Global News

[Global News](#) – June 14, 2016