

THE NEWSLETTER OF SIGHT & SOUND SECURITY

UK TERRORISM THREAT LEVELS

INTERNATIONAL in the UK

SEVERE
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NORTHERN IRELAND related in UK

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK, COMMITMENT AND INVALUABLE CONTRUBUTIONS

A message from our Managing Director: This year we have encountered unprecedented challenges. The Coronavirus pandemic has changed the lives of everyone around the world. On behalf of the entire management team and our clients, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to all our staff as you continued to work through this pandemic on the front line, protecting our clients and their premises. You are all true heroes. As this year comes to an end, I would like to wish you all success, happiness, and good health for the New Year ahead and a Happy Festive Season. Thank you again to all our staff for everything you have done.

SECURITY TEAM OF THE YEAR 2020

Following nominations for our **Team of the Year**, we are extremely delighted to announce that our site in Greenwich is our Team of the Year 2020. The team has been working together for several years supporting each other and always going above and beyond in their duties to assist the Client. Their communication with each other plays a vital role in their performance on-site, always assisting each other to ensure the Security constantly improves. During this COVID period, they have remained on-site, assisting the Client to ensure it was safe for the return of their staff, whilst guaranteeing that people that were not permitted on site were sent home. Each member of the team has a sense of responsibility for their work, ensuring that they all feel supported and connected as a team.

Congratulations to all of the Security Team. Thank you for your hard work, especially during these uncertain times.



EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH AWARDS

Our MD had great pleasure in presenting **Nick Monaghan** with the **Officer of the Month Award**. Nick has been working as an Area Support Officer since early this year. In this short period we have received excellent feedback from Clients and our Operation Teams for his flexibility and willingness to go above and beyond. Area Support Officers are often the unsung heroes of our Operations.



Second Prize is awarded to **Dan Crosbie**. Dan has worked for the Company since 2014. On his assignment, he has successfully implemented several new processes to improve our service to the Client including recently introducing a new on-site alarm procedure and the feedback from the Client has been excellent.



Third Prize goes to **Romzan Ullah** for his constant flexibility and professionalism. During this COVID 19 period he has continued to go above and beyond, including covering different sites and shifts with little or no notice.



THE IMPORTANCE OF MAIL SCREENING

Counter Terrorism Policing are warning companies to refresh their mail screening policies and training after a series of incendiary devices were sent via mail throughout the UK.

This recent spate of devices being sent around the country has prompted security experts working for the National Counter Terrorism Security Office to advise companies to issue specialist guidance to their staff.

TAKE YOUR TIME, KNOW THE SIGNS

- Are there more stamps than strictly necessary?
- Is the handwriting unfamiliar?
- Is the recipient encouraged to open the package in a particular way?
- Are there any greasy or oily stains?
- Is the weight unevenly distributed?

SPOTTING JUST ONE SUSPICIOUS INDICATOR COULD MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

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2020 has been a difficult year for so many and with us all facing a variety of challenges in light of the pandemic. Understandably, the risk of terrorism hasn't necessarily been front of mind across the country, with COVID-19 changing all of our day to day routines.

However, recent attacks in Vienna and France and the UK's terrorism threat level changing from **SUBSTANTIAL** to **SEVERE** are stark reminders of how important it is to stay vigilant and report any concerns to police or local security staff immediately, wherever you are.

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OPERATION SANTA PAWS - 1st-24th December



Operation Santa Paws encourages animal lovers to share the gift of giving at shelters everywhere from **December 1st to December 24th**.

During this holiday season, let's show a little extra love to our furry friends whom we love with all our hearts.

The campaign goal of Operation Santa Paws is stocking the shelters with much-needed supplies. Our four-legged friends need to feel loved during the holidays just like we do!

Our pets are significant to us. For many people, they're a member of the family. They are our best friends, our protectors; sometimes, they even serve as therapists to us. The campaign reminds us of the millions of pets in shelters in need of a loving home. Unfortunately, about 7.6 million companion animals (dogs, cats, and other domestic pets) enter shelters around the country yearly. Although many get adopted, the majority spend much of their lives in cages. December is a time to donate a new blanket, toy, or even some treats for a shelter animal to enjoy during the holidays.