
TERRORIST ATTACK TIMELINE

November 1979

Tehran, Iran: American Embassy attacked and seized, hostages taken. Hostages released 1981.

April 1983

Beirut: 63 people killed from truck filled with explosives driven into U.S. Embassy.

October 1983

Beirut: 241 U.S. servicemen killed from truck filled with explosives driven through main gate at U.S. Marine Corps headquarters.

September 1984

Beirut: Truck filled with explosives crashes through gate into U.S. Embassy compound in Beirut, no deaths.

August 1985

Rhein-Main, Germany: 22 killed from car filled with explosives driven into main gate at U.S. Air Force Base.

October 1985

Achille Lauro cruise ship hijacked, one American killed.

November 1985

Hijackers on Egyptian plane kill U.S. passengers

December 1985

Rome and Vienna: 20 killed from suicide bombers at U.S. and Israeli international airports

April 1988

259 killed in bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland.

December 1992

Aden, Yemen: Two people killed from bomb at Gold Mohur Hotel immediately after one hundred U.S. servicemen just left on their way to duty in Somalia.

February 1993

World Trade Center, New York City: Six deaths and more than 1,000 injuries from bombing.

October 1993

Mogadishu, Somalia: 18 U.S. servicemen killed, Bin Laden claims he supplied weapons and fighters to Somalis involved in the battle.

Late 1994, early 1995

Manila, Philippines: Investigators discovered plots to assassinate the Pope and President Clinton during visits to the Philippines and to explode a dozen commercial jets over the Pacific.

June 1995

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: Unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

November 1995

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia: Five Americans killed by car bomb at a U.S.-run training facility for the Saudi National Guard.

June 1996

Dhahran, Saudi Arabia: 19 U.S. airmen killed by truck bomb at the Khobar Towers apartment compound where hundreds of U.S. Air Force personnel were stationed.

August 1998

Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania & Nairobi, Kenya: 224 killed, including 12 Americans, and more than 5,000 wounded by truck bombs at U.S. embassies in both cities.

December 1999

Port Angeles, Washington: U.S. Customs agents stopped Ahmed Ressam from crossing out of Canada into the U.S. with a truck full of explosives headed to Los Angeles airport.

December 1999

Amman, Jordan: Intelligence officials reveal plot to kill U.S. and Israeli citizens by bombing a fully booked hotel and prominent Christian sites over millennium celebrations.

October 2000

Aden, Yemen: 17 sailors killed and 30 wounded when terrorists on boat rigged with explosives attack the U.S.S. Cole.

September 2001

New York City; Washington, DC; Shanksville, Pennsylvania: Thousands killed from four hijacked passenger airliners crashed into New York City's two tallest buildings, the Pentagon and a field in rural Pennsylvania.

September 2001

Paris and Brussels: Intelligence officials uncover evidence of plots to bomb the U.S. embassy in Paris, and possibly also NATO headquarters in Brussels.

October 2001

Sarajevo, Bosnia: NATO officials break up an al-Qaeda cell planning to attack the U.S. embassy and Eagle Base airfield, home base to 3,000 U.S. peacekeepers.

March 2004

Madrid, Spain: 198 killed and more than 1,400 wounded from 10 coordinated bomb detonations on Madrid subway during commuter rush hour.