

Boston Marathon Bombing:

Responding to Crisis

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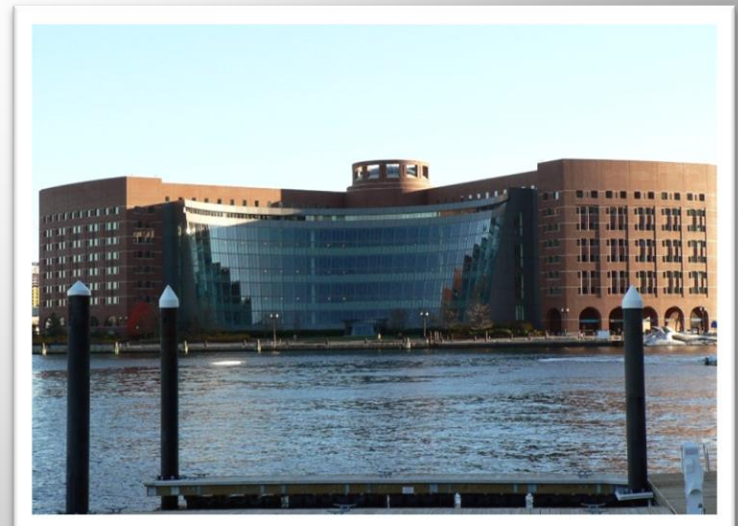
Agenda

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- Background – Patriots' Day & Boston Marathon
- Timeline – Week of Bombing
- Investigation
- Related cases: Kadyrbayev, Tazhayakov, Phillipos, Matanov
- Trial of Dzhokhar Tsarnaev
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District of Massachusetts



FBI Boston



Moakley Federal Courthouse

Background

Patriots' Day



Boston Marathon



Monday – Patriots' Day

April 15, 2013

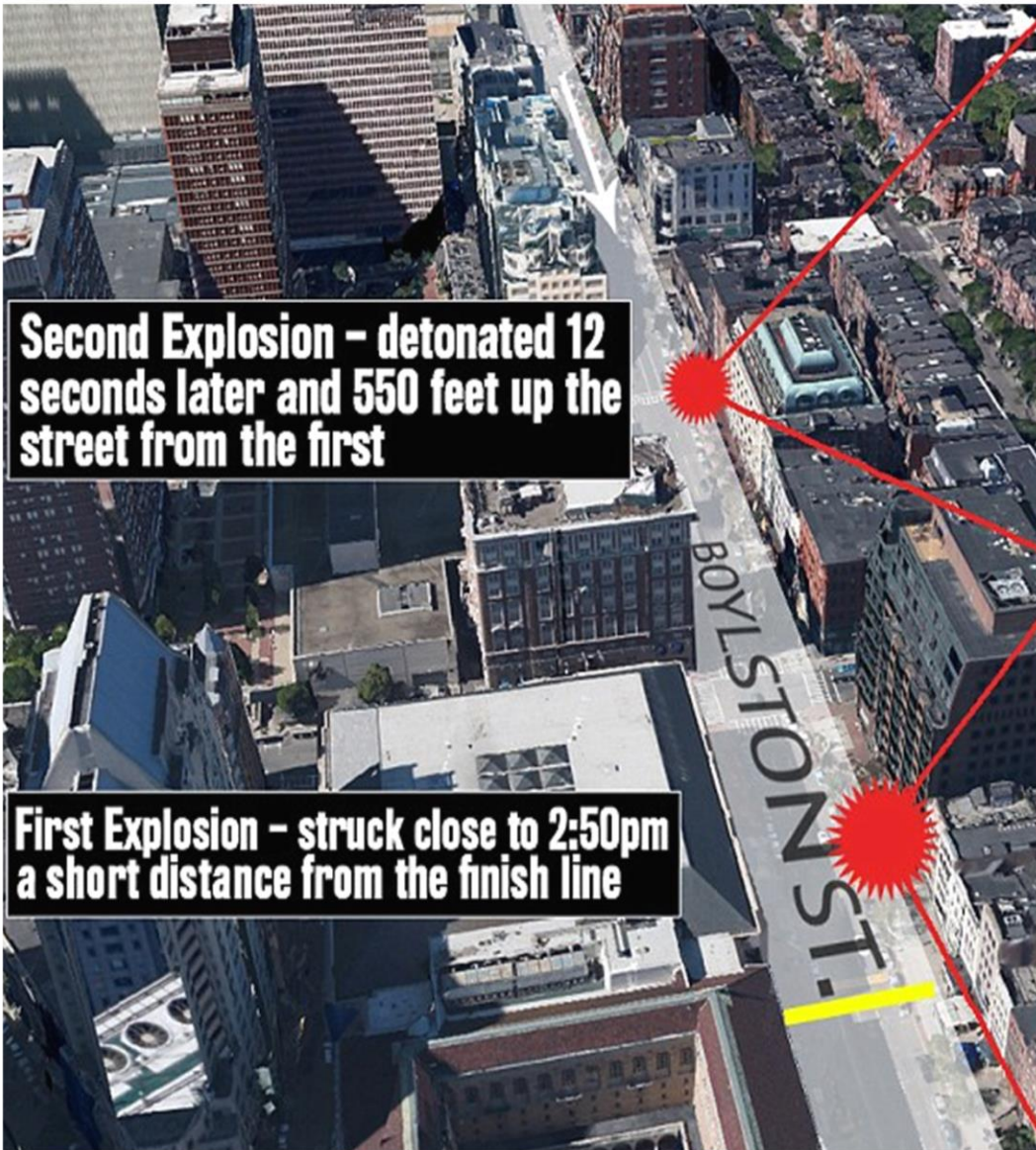


Beginning of Marathon course
Hopkinton, 10:00 a.m.



Finish line near Copley Square
Boston, 2:49 p.m.

Explosion Timeline



Scene Response



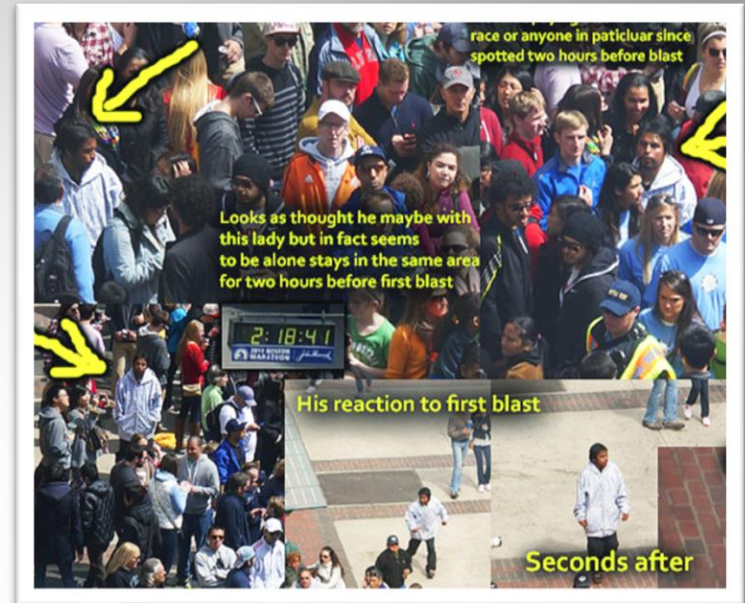
United Front



Tuesday



President Obama declares bombing
“an act of terror”



Inaccurate reports run rampant

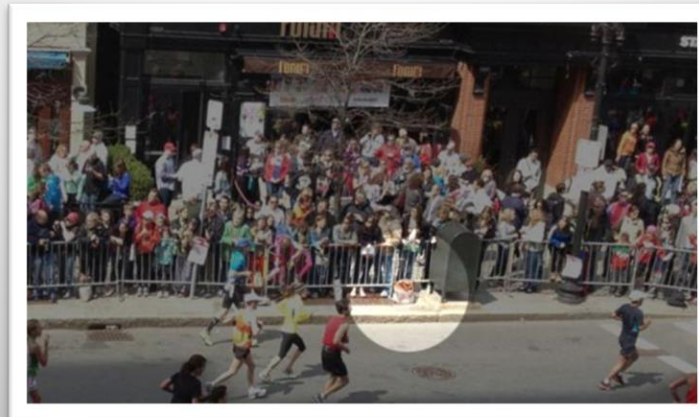


Photo-shopped image

Wednesday



The Boston Globe

@BostonGlobe



Boston Globe source reports one person in custody for Boston Marathon bombing.

8:23 PM - 17 Apr 2013

330 RETWEETS 27 FAVORITES



Thursday

Release of Suspect Photos

SEEKING INFORMATION

UNKNOWN SUSPECT #1



Multimedia: Images

DETAILS

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is seeking information about the photos which were taken near the bombing sites at the Boston Marathon on April 15, 2013.

This individual may be able to provide additional information related to the three victims and the injuries of more than 170 people.

The photo below with unknown suspect #1 and #2 was taken as the individuals ran past the finish line on the intersection of Boylston and Gloucester Streets within proximity of the finish line.

SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED / DANGEROUS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

BothA.jpg


Additional information and photos can be found at: www.fbi.gov/bostonbombings

If you have any information about the identities of the individuals depicted above, please call 1-800-CALL-FBI or submit information at <https://bostonmarathontips.fbi.gov/>. You may also contact your nearest American Embassy or Consulate.

Field Office: Boston

SEEKING INFORMATION


UNKNOWN SUSPECT #2



(Police) Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is seeking information about the individual shown in the above and below photos which were taken near the bombing sites at the Boston Marathon on April 15, 2013.

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Thursday Night

1. Shooting of MIT Police Officer



3. Watertown - first shootout

2. Carjacking victim escapes



Friday Manhunt Spans Greater Boston

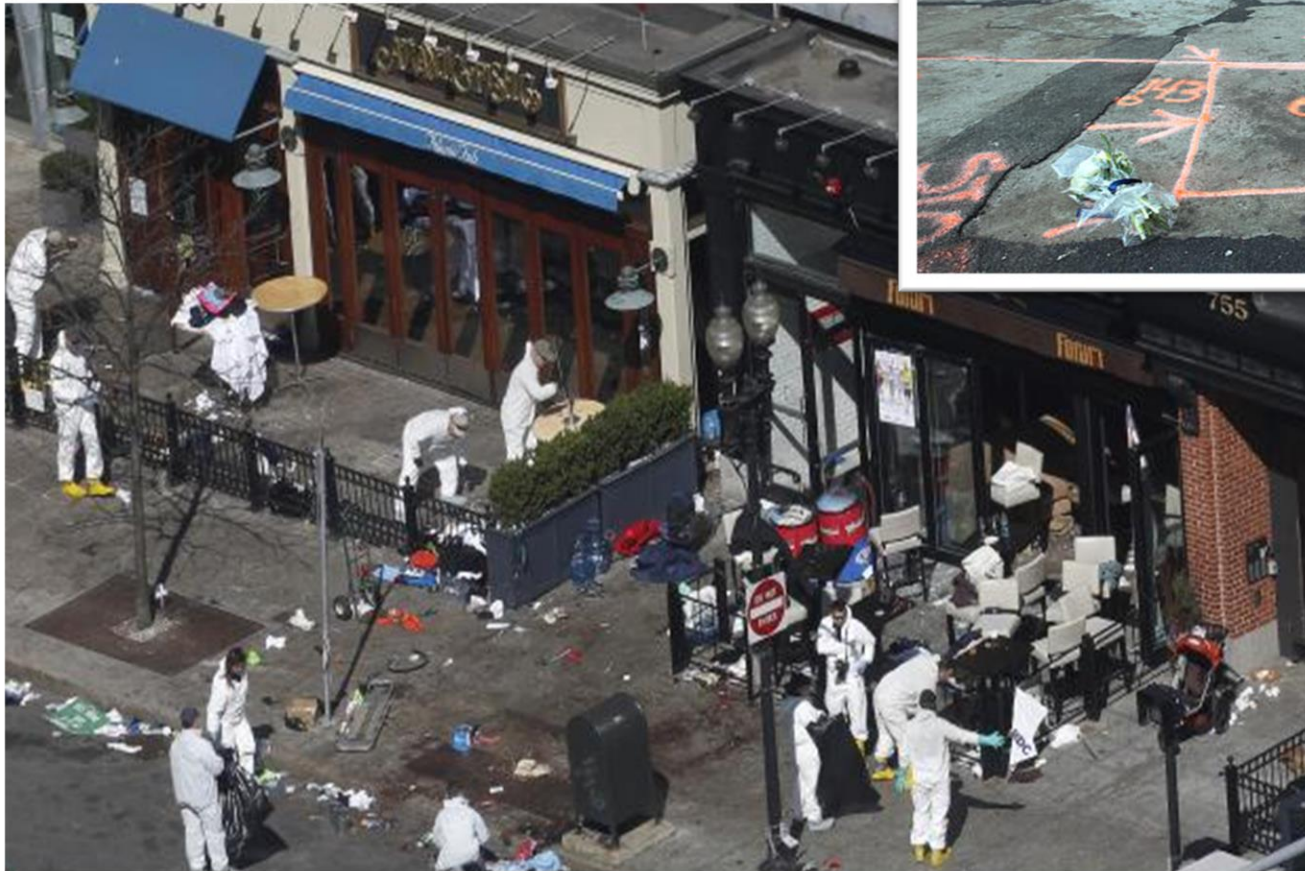


Watertown Shootout & Capture



Investigation

Evidence collection



Seat of blast

Related Cases

Kadyrbayev

Pled guilty and sentenced to six years in prison for retrieving and later disposing of evidence (Tsarnaev's backpack containing opened fireworks) connected to the investigation

Tazhayakov

Convicted and sentenced to 3.5 years in prison for helping Kadyrbayev to remove and dispose of evidence from Tsarnaev's dorm room.



Related Cases

Phillipos

Convicted and sentenced to three years in prison for lying to federal agents about being with Tazhayakov and Kadyrbayev when they removed Tsarnaev's backpack from his dorm room

Matanov

Pled guilty and sentenced to 2.5 years in prison for misleading agents about his relationship with the Tsarnaev brothers.

Trial of Dzhokhar Tsarnaev



↑ **Prosecution Team:**
William Weinreb, Al Chakravarty, Nadine Pellegrini, Steve Mellin



↑ **Defense Team:** **David Bruck, Miriam Conrad, William Fick, Judy Clark, Timothy Watkins**



Judge George A. O'Toole, Jr.

Victim Impact & Response

- Many organizations provide victim services
- FBI, USAO, state & city agencies, non-profits
- “One Fund” created to help the injured - \$61M distributed thus far



Key Lessons

- Collaborative relationships between law enforcement partners are critical
- Assembling strong teams is essential
- Need to prioritize media relations
- Provide immediate and long-term victim assistance
- Be prepared to face unexpected challenges that will inevitably arise
- Remember that the crisis does not end when the suspect(s) is captured

Final Thoughts

- Leaders need to be present
- Law enforcement collaboration is crucial
- Have a plan in place now
- Understand that you can't control everything
- Take care of your people