

Terror Talk: Politicians, Former CIA Head, FBI, Homeland Security All Ramp Up Warnings For July 4th

Congressman warns of "terrorists in American basements"

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It's a good job no one in the US watches the mainstream news media any more. Any one who did take in the multitude of news shows over the weekend, however, is now most probably convinced that they are about to be attacked any second by armies of terrorists in their own back yard.

Politicians and intelligence officials were paraded out one after the other to harp on about how terrorists hate the freedom of Americans and blah blah July the 4th is most likely going to end up in a terrorist attack.

Following attacks in Tunisia, France and Kuwait Friday, the Department of Homeland Security and the FBI<u>issued alerts</u> to local law enforcement and urged Americans to "remain vigilant" for the upcoming Independence Day celebrations.

"They don't put those statements out that far in advance, unless there's reason for concern," said harbinger of doom New York Rep. Peter King in an interview with ABC's "This Week."

"I would say there's probably more concern now than at any time since September 11th." King added, repeating the same thing he says every time there is any threat of terrorism.

King called ISIS "incomparable" in its ability to reach the "disaffected," the "deranged" and the "ideologically committed."

"I mean, it's no coincidence that you've seen a series of arrests here in New York of terrorists over the last week to 10 days. This is not just something that's happening by coincidence." King, almost salivating in anticipation, told viewers.

Rep. Michael McCaul (R-Texas) was wheeled out on "Fox News Sunday" to deliver a similar message.

"There's a great deal of chatter, a high-volume if you will," McCaul, the chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee said.

McCaul cited a "confluence" of events as pointing to an almost definite terror attack in

America. "ISIS spokesman calling for jihad during Ramadan, which is happening right now. You have the one-year anniversary of the caliphate or Islamic State; and now we have the Fourth of July coming up, which is one of the holidays we celebrate that they like to target this sort of thing and these anniversaries." McCaul urged, throwing in an unsubstantiated claim that the federal government has prevented over 50 terror plots in the past year.

McCaul also intimated to viewers that the internet is at least partly to blame.

"I'm extremely concerned about the way these Syrian ISIS recruiters can use the Internet at lightning speed to recruit followers in the United States with thousands of followers in the United States and then activate them to do whatever they want to do whether it's military installations, law enforcement or possibly a Fourth of July event parade." he said.

McCaul added that ISIS " demonstrates a global threat that they can conduct external operations and they are very savvy at doing that over the Internet."

Referring to the attacks overseas, McCaul again blamed... the internet – "The idea that they could do this, and now, the external operations potentially into the United States by use of the Internet." he stated.

McCaul warned that because of... the internet, terrorists are able to get in "homes and in the basements in the United States".

"This is not bin Laden with courriers now. This is a new generation of terrorists using the Internet in a very savvy way to attack the West and also get in the homes and in the basements in the United States to radicalize individuals and then call them up as sleeper cells to attack Americans." the Congressman claimed.

In addition to these two clowns, former CIA Deputy Director Michael Morell said Monday that he "wouldn't be surprised" if there's a terrorist attack during the 4th of July weekend.

"This one really resonates with me for two reasons," Morell said. "One is there's been about 50 people in the last 12 months who have been arrested in the United States for being radicalized by ISIS, wanting to go fight there or wanting to conduct an attack here, so there's a lot of people out there who are seeing themselves as aligned with ISIS, number one."

"Number two, you have this ISIS call to arms during Ramadan," Morell said. "We are right in the middle of Ramadan, call to arms, conduct attacks against our enemies, so I'm worried about this one."

"I don't want to tell Americans what to do or what not to do, but...I wouldn't be surprised if we're sitting here a week from today talking about an attack over the weekend in the United States," he told co-host Norah O'Donnell. "That's how serious this is."

So remember to enjoy yourselves this 4th of July weekend, but expect the worst... and don't forget that the internet is to blame for all this.

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