

All Source Assessment

What: Attack on the Route 91 Country Music Festival
When: 1 October 2017
Where: Mandalay Bay Hotel -- Las Vegas, Nevada
How: Semi-Automatic Weapons (Modified) and Pistol
Who: Stephen Paddock (and Possible Accomplices)

Executive Summary

This assessment was conducted following published reports regarding a possible second shooter or accomplice(s), who accompanied Stephen Paddock, the supposed lone gunman responsible for the attack upon the Route 91 Country Music Festival in Las Vegas, Nevada on 1 October 2017.

The report fuses open source information with tactical counter terrorism analysis, cyber intelligence, and digital data mining capabilities. The result is a comprehensive review that uses existing publicly available data and open source exploitation to propose an alternative theory of investigation.

The overall data analysis and tactical review resulted in several potential investigative pathways and preliminary findings including the following: 1.) The attack was likely planned as well as logistically and financially coordinated entirely by Stephen Paddock; 2.) Stephen Paddock may have anticipated the arrival of a “fly in” team of additional shooters that would assist in the operational execution. However, the team of additional shooters appears to have not arrived or not arrived in the numbers expected. It is also possible that additional members of the cell hadn’t yet reached Paddock’s suite when the security guard triggered a premature attack initiation; 3.) The digital signatures captured, tactical tradecraft, and media analysis of various individuals strongly suggest that Mr. Brian A. Hodge is a reasonably suspicious person of interest and deserves a much greater level of scrutiny; 4.) Social Media analysis, social and personal contacts, and geospatial data of Mr. Brian Hodge require detailed further investigation as preliminary indicators suggest possible ties to Islamic organizations and a possible Islamic State (IS) linkage. 5.) Mr. Hodge’s personal profile is more befitting of a left wing or Anti-Fascist Action (ANTIFA) affiliate, but recent intelligence reports point to an increased level of collaboration between groups like ANTIFA and Islamic State. 6.) Analysts believe that there is reasonable articulable suspicion of Mr. Hodge that would justify further observation and analysis.

I. Introduction and Overview

While this assessment is based upon a number of fused database sources, none of the information in this particular report was gleaned from official files or records, but was re-created from other data. As an assessment, it is our best evaluation, based upon the evidence assembled to date, but requires much additional collection and acquisition from disparate database platforms, to include public, private, proprietary, subscription-based, restricted access, FOUO and closed sources.

The view facing the hotel, and overlooking the ground level where the concern occurred, appears below:



The shooter(s) perch was from within at least one, and possibly two, vantage points, identified by the broken out windows on the 32nd floor of the hotel:

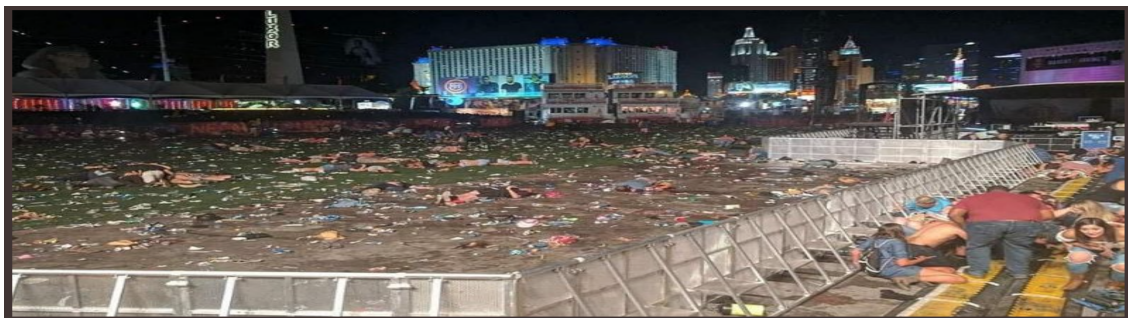


At the time of the first shots, the ground level had at least 22,000 concertgoers attending, and the separation space between them was minimal, making both discernment and escape very difficult. The effect of the shooting caused panic, to include human trampling, as attendees unfamiliar with sniper ambush tactics at first

chose to remain in place and reduce their horizontal profiles rather than running away. When the crowd became fully aware of what was transpiring, the attendees fled as quickly as possible.



The attacker(s) killed 58 people and used more than 1100 rounds of ammunition to inflict gunshot wounds to the head or torso of most of the fatalities. Several hundred additional concert attendees and first responders were hurt in this attack with many shot and several injured during the fevered effort to escape.



II. THE ACTUAL ATTACK: CHRONOLOGY

The attack begins at the 3:12 mark of the following video.¹ The attackers(s) sight their weapon(s) on the VIP trailers to the left side of the video screen and walk their fire into the crowd in order to ensure their point of aim is correct before deploying the “bump stock” enabled weapons.

The attack continues for approximately ten minutes (from 10:05 PM – 10:15 PM) with the shooter(s) engaging internal and external targets from the two-room suite in the Mandalay Bay Hotel. Several websites disseminating theories of possible additional shooter location(s), both within the Mandalay Bay itself and external to

¹ For review of the “Attack Commencement Video” please see <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=QCrNsC0mTBg>

the Mandalay Bay, have thus far failed to provide any publicly available evidence to support these claims.

Law Enforcement has publicly refused to consider a possible second shooter theory; however, some analysts appear to be looking at other possible evidence suggesting that Mr. Paddock did not act alone, directly or indirectly. The recent arrest of Mr. Haig for providing illegal ammunition to Mr. Paddock is not considered strategically relevant.

All sound phenomena observed by our analysts are explained by sound signature differential between internal and external (to the hotel) target engagements. The muffled shots (incorrectly identified as being distant) heard in the widely viewed "taxi video"² are either echoes of rifle reports from externally directed shots, or internally directed shots at the security guard and maintenance man.

By way of background, internally directed firing generates no echo as sound absorbent items like furniture and walls located throughout the hotel room muffle these rifle reports. According to some analysts, rifle reports, echoes, *internal* vs. *external* targets, microphone placement, and open/closed windows near the audio recording devices (primarily iPhones and other PDA's) account for acoustic phenomena discovered thus far.

However, tactical analysts believe there is a possible second shooter present in the audio stream and that this shooter is discernible at various points throughout the attack.

These analysts recommend additional detailed acoustic analysis of the entire event with a focus on the possible constructive interference and/or noise generation of sound waves within the rifle reports post-filtering the audio stream for the numerous echoes and other noise.

Sub-optimized due to non-synchronous firing of weapons, this constructive interference actually creates sound amplification spikes (loudness) in the sound waves themselves and this would indicate the presence of a second shooter. This phenomenon would be best captured from audio/video devices close to the Mandalay Bay firing point(s).

Online theories positing a second shooter being located closer to the Route 91 Festival and claiming to employ forensic acoustics fails to account for variable factors that would need to be measured and/or known for such an analysis to be accurate.

² See <https://youtu.be/au8x5YBf1gQ>

For example, two shooters acting from the same firing point and engaging targets over a wide area would generate overlapping bullet trajectories as well as overlapping sound phenomena. Additionally, the audio recording devices employed would need to include a means to discern between ricochets, supersonic bullets, bullet impacts, as well as a known distance between audio recording device and the acoustic phenomena being captured.

At the very beginning of another video³, two distinct streams of fire appear to be discernible. The first five audible shots appear to originate from a first shooter who pauses after these first five shots. The second possible shooter -- who is firing at a much higher rate of speed and for a longer duration -- follows immediately thereafter. The first shooter then begins firing again at the same time as the second shooter but at a noticeably slower rate. All of this takes place within the first five seconds of the video.

These seemingly disparate sound streams cannot logically come from the same weapon, fired at the same time, by the same lone shooter. One of the areas of keen interest is the acoustics and sounds that are being stripped and separated using highly sophisticated programs that digitally lay down the signature for each sound emission or in this case, each shot, from each gun and from every potential angle.

Again, constructive interference of rifle reports in this video stream may provide the most solid indicator as to the presence of a second shooter. Still, sound pathology is only as good as the recording device that collects or acquires the sound, and its ability to accurately capture the targeted sounds in a cluttered acoustic environment.

Some pundits assess that this discrepancy in firing rates may be due to the fact that one of the shooters being more familiar with “bump stock” employment. It is known that Mr. Paddock was conducting shooting practice at a remote location not far from his home prior to this event and therefore, had some practice or practical experience in bump stock usage.

This remote location would have been the only low signature means to train on “bump stocks” as they are not generally permitted or, if allowed, rarely observed, at most civilian shooting ranges.

Mr. Paddock’s⁴ possible training on “bump stocks”, with a first shooter less familiar with “bump stocks” might potentially explain the discrepancy between the firing rates.

³ See <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=x96Kem0ZYag>

⁴ For purposes of this assessment, the theoretical second shooter in the acoustics of the video in footnote 3

At the 3:20 mark of the same video (footnote 3), there appear to be two distinct pistol shots that complete all shooting associated with this incident. This audio evidence calls into question the official narrative of the single shooter suicide. These two shots are more indicative of an execution scenario where one unknown shooter disables the known shooter, Mr. Paddock, with a first shot to the sternum and then executes Mr. Paddock with a second shot to the head.

The current investigative direction is focused upon finances, forensics/biometrics, audio/visual recordings, incident reconstruction, and witness statements. However, this traditional and contemporary approach to such a complex investigation is not sufficient. One must also include analysis of the various individuals' social media profiles, geo-spatial device rectification against witness and suspect statements, as well as other classified applications.

This instant assessment incorporates traditional counter terrorism investigative approaches supplemented by basic social media profiling and tradecraft analysis.

III. THE MANDALAY BAY SUITE: Federal and State Law Enforcement Narrative

The Las Vegas Metro Police Department (LVMPD) leaked several photos of the suite rented by Stephen Paddock in the days following the attack. These photos depict what appears to be Mr. Paddock, deceased and on the floor of suite 32-135.

The narrative as provided by the FBI and Las Vegas Metro PD is that Mr. Paddock acted alone, bought numerous semi-automatic weapons for some unknown reason, and employed these weapons by himself in the attack on the Route 91 Festival. Several of the firearms pictured were configured with "bump stocks" in order to maximize weapon lethality against an area target.

However, this narrative does not account for the number of weapons procured or the escape plan of Mr. Paddock. Also, this narrative does not align with the photos that have been leaked to the media.

Regarding the number of weapons, Mr. Paddock appears to have been doing both pre-attack logistics, as well as reconnaissance in Chicago and Boston, for a wider series of attacks. Furthermore, Mr. Paddock may have been preparing for some sort of conflict, but to date no information has emerged to explain that he was fully aware of who exactly he was conducting these activities on behalf of – whether just for himself, for others, as an unwitting dupe, or as a willful actor in concert with others.

Despite this information gap, Mr. Paddock's purchasing pattern reflects a violent behavior profile that appears to be inspired by political or ideological bent. One possible domestic/political group would be ANTIFA related, but searches within his

digital DNA have thus far failed to identify any known associations that would confirm this.

However, what is evident is that Mr. Paddock's views were completely contrary to those espoused by, and as a result of the election of, President Trump. Circumstantially, Mr. Paddock's first weapons were reportedly purchased in October 2016, with numerous additional weapons (more than 40) purchased in the run up to the attack. The coincidence of such an escalating ramp of weapon procurement is, all beginning just after the election, compelling and cannot be ignored. Mr. Paddock's weapon purchasing pattern prior to October 2016 is not clear from open source and is fraught with uncertainties that we don't feel confident assessing.

Moreover, the behavior "baking period" from point of first procurement to final act of terror is extremely short and the election appears to have been the trip wire, with the final act inspired by other unknown factors. Key is trying to understand what his purpose was in doing dismounted surveillance in Chicago and Boston, and apparently without any weapons on hand.

The need to have a multiple room suite for the attack may have been due to the planned participation of several shooters. If the original attack plan had called for four or five shooters, then the spacing between firing points would have been necessary, as would have some form of noise and smoke abatement. Having a second room afforded the attacker(s) with the extra space required.⁵

IV. ONE DEAD SHOOTER THEORY: Non-Suicide

As stated above, law enforcement leaked several photos of the shooting scene. To date, there has been very little overt release of internal law enforcement assessment of this shooting, notwithstanding the gravity of the number of deceased victims, injured victims, the psycho-horror toll and economic impact upon the City of Las Vegas and the United States.

All of these consequential and concomitant factors add to the gravity of this event, which is seemingly minimized by the paucity of data being released to answer the key question on American's minds: Why?

⁵ It is important to note that the shooter(s) would not be able to easily discern the level of sensitivity to the smoke, chemical, and alarm systems in each room. Many factors can cause alarms to work one way, in one room, and to perform differently in another. The point being, in a small room, so many guns going off for such a period of time could have resulted in the alarms going off, rushing the attacker(s), and reducing the totality of the massacre.

From a practical perspective, while it is important for Law Enforcement to maintain control over its investigation; it is also important to release data that will inspire and promote the general public's desire and willingness to cooperate and provide leads.⁶

Two highly charged and gruesome death photos were released that fixate the viewer upon the horror, thus distracting from more important albeit seemingly mundane details. These images appear below:



The above pictures depict an individual who some posit could not have committed suicide, but rather, was executed. We note a number of anomalies consistent with such a theory:

- a. **One automatic weapon is photographed appearing to be over the deceased's left leg, but could not have remained in this position as his body fell to the floor. Clearly, if this weapon was in Mr. Paddock's hands or near him when he "committed suicide"; how could it thereafter find itself lying on top of him as portrayed?**
- b. **In the second picture, analysts note that there appear to be two gunshot wounds on Mr. Paddock. The first is a wound to the sternum area that bled for a short time before his heart stopped, and the second is a wound to the head. A plausible scenario is that a first shot knocked Mr. Paddock to the ground. Since the autopsy has not been released, it is not possible to positively determine if this wound to the chest is a gunshot or blood from some other source not clearly portrayed by the photos.**

⁶ Research has shown that the greater majority of crimes that Law Enforcement successfully solves are done not only as a result of their own skill, but because they receive an abundance of leads from a caring public who truly do wish to try and help. While a majority of these leads are not relevant, it only takes a few good leads to "key the lock."

- c. We note that the weapon under Mr. Paddock's legs was most likely carried in his left hand (Mr. Paddock was left handed) by the stock and fell under him as Paddock fell backwards from the impact of the first shot.
- d. The second shot appears to be the fatal headshot in the mouth. In essence, according to a "non-suicide theory", Mr. Paddock appears to have been executed where he is lying in the photo. Additionally, the autopsy report describes the bullet trajectory as "front to back and slightly upward." This is consistent with a possible homicide in which the victim is executed.
- e. After a successful breach entry into room 32-135, SWAT had to breach their way into room 32-134, as the internal door between the two rooms had been locked from inside room 32-134.
- f. So the theory goes, that after killing Mr. Paddock with a shot into his face (mouth), the unknown second shooter placed the pistol on Mr. Paddock's chest and exited through room 32-134. This unknown second shooter then locks the internal door behind him and exits the crime scene through the external/hallway door of room 32-134. Note that the police report details a second pair of gloves found on the bed in room 32-134. (Stephen Paddock was wearing gloves at the time of his death). To whom do these gloves belong and were they tested for gun shot residue or DNA? The hallway door of room 32-134 opens inward and is partially concealed by the cart placed in front of it allowing for a facile egress.
- g. At the time of the attack, room 32-134 was not damaged by automatic weapons fire, was not included in the initial reports of the shooting, and was not directly associated with these events in any way. Only later in the evening (around 11:20 PM) as SWAT approaches the entrance to suite 32-135 do the police notice the cameras placed on the cart and the wires running into room 32-134.
- h. Presently available timelines depict the first police forces arriving on the 32nd floor at approximately 10:17 PM, but SWAT does not breach suite 32-135 until an hour later at 11:20PM. Clearing individual rooms on the hallway during their approach slowed their access to the shooter(s) suite.

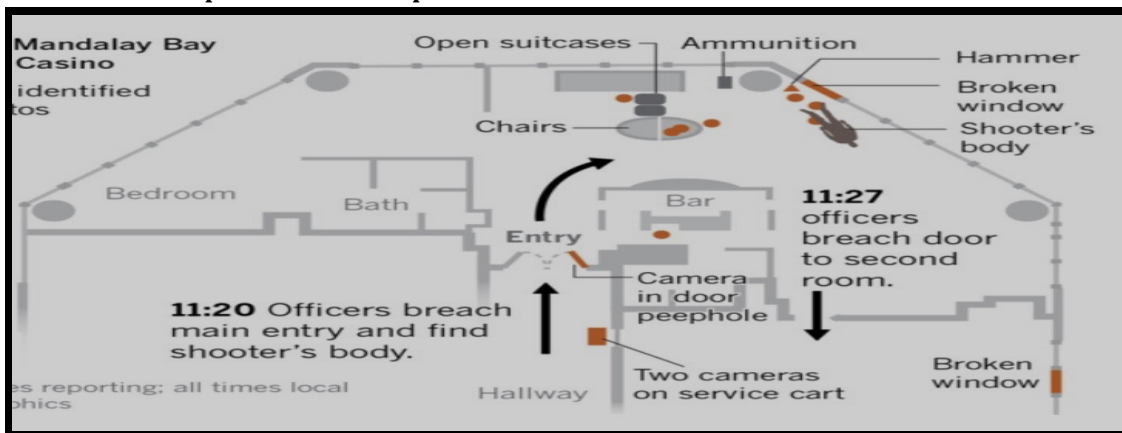
Below is a picture of the room following the police department breach. The picture shows a piece of the broken off and bullet ridden door laid sideways across the left side doorway, crime-scene tape affixed by local authorities, a cable running across the floor or the suite, various magazines, a broken off door knob plate, a broken off exit sign and a weapon that appears to be an AR-10 or AR-15 with a tripod and scope.

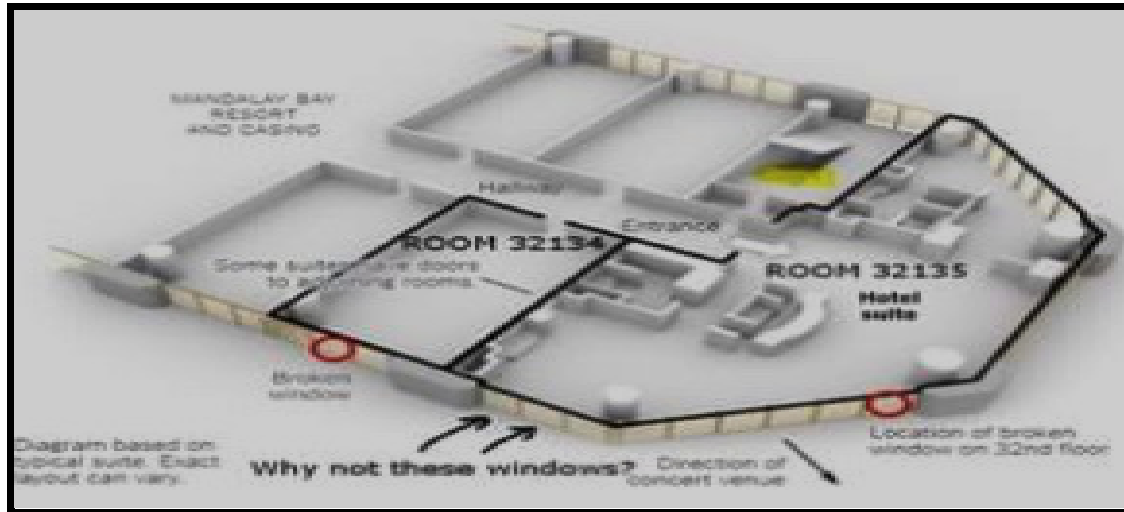


- i. It is not clear from publicly available sources if the wounded security guard (Mr. Jesus Campos) and maintenance man (Mr. Steven Schuck) were still in the hallway during the time window (10:15 - 10:17) that the possible escape of a second shooter might have occurred.
- j. If there was a minute or two between the final pistol shot and the police's arrival on the 32nd floor, and the security guard and maintenance man had both already departed the hallway or did not have eyes on the two rooms affiliated with the incident, then it is very possible that a second shooter may have exited the crime scene undetected. Even if the police and hotel staff had been present, it is possible that the second shooter, appearing as a guest leaving a room proximate to, but not involved with, the incident, could have avoided detection.
- k. There are no cameras on the 32nd floor or near Room 32-134 with direct views of the room entrance. Other cameras located near the elevator lobby may have captured any

persons going into or out of the room; and this would be dispositive of the second shooter theory.

- l. Such as a possible second shooter would likely have adopted a cover and appeared as just another hotel guest. If confronted in the hallway, this second shooter's cover story would have been that he was in a room adjacent to the incident in order to account for his presence on any expected security camera footage or his observation by other persons in the hallway.
- m. This would have been an effective cover to exit the hotel as it was understood at the time of the attack that the incident only involved room 32-135. It wasn't until the time (approx. 11:20PM) of the SWAT breach of room 32-135 that police learned that room 32-134 was also part of the crime scene and attack. If confronted in the hallway or later by the police, this second shooter could simply have stated that he was in the room next door to room 32-135 as his/her cover story.
- n. Similarly, it would also not be unusual or even suspicious to see a person "running" from the area and creating a greater panic, which would further increase the chaos level and provide additional cover for escape.
- o. In the leaked photos above, the pictured pistol location is probably not its original location at the time of SWAT breach. The level of crime scene contamination is not known. Our tactical analysts assess that it is likely SWAT breached the room and removed the weapon from Paddock's chest. This weapon displacement is consistent with normal police and SWAT protocol.





V. POSSIBLE SECOND SHOOTER:

When one considers the possibility of a suspect second shooter or accomplice, there is one individual who is a potential actor, **Mr. Brian Albert Hodge**, born **16 February 1981**, who publicly claimed to have been staying in the room next to Mr. Paddock. Mr. Hodge traces to Social Security account number **Redacted**, but it is not clear when this account was actually assigned to him.

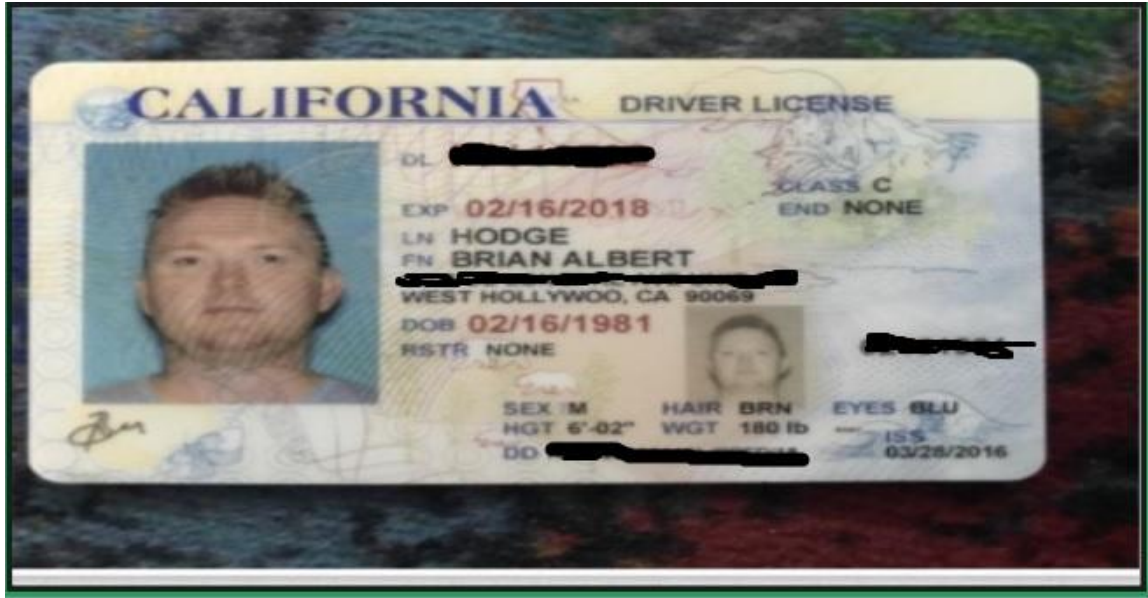
Mr. Hodge hails from Wagga Wagga, New South Wales, Australia and his social media profile claims that he specializes in concert promotion/production.

Searches into his background have returned with much data but even more important is the discovery of information known to be his legacy DNA data, which was willfully concealed and/or deleted by him following the events of 1 October.

Persons who delete their digital footprints often believe that it is gone permanently and forever, when it is not. Nearly all data can be recovered through a number of different tools that are available, both COTS and US Government forensic recovery instrumentation. The key is that Mr. Hodge thought that he could delete this data and that it could never be recovered. In some cases, the purposeful deletion of data is evidence of consciousness of guilt and the motive is to impede, obstruct and delay.

Mr. Hodge is linked to many addresses in the West Hollywood, CA area. His digital footprint reveals his residence as of Oct 1, 2017 was **Redacted**, since at least 4 January 2016. However, it appears that he has recently moved (November 2017) and that he is now receiving bills at **Redacted**.

Mr. Hodge's California driver's license is pictured here:



Mr. Hodge traces to several cellular phone lines, the most frequently used one being [REDACTED], but also has used [REDACTED] as well as [REDACTED].

Mr. Hodge's Time Warner Cable provider also functions as his internet service provider. His cellular phone [REDACTED] is tied to this account and the email used for this account is [REDACTED].

Key future investigative and collection efforts should focus on the following:

[REDACTED]@yahoo.com
[REDACTED]

Username identified through social and digital media exploitation include and are verified to include:

Bhodge81
Bahm81
Bah81
Brianhodge81

Mr. Hodge's principle phone used during the time of the Las Vegas attack was [REDACTED] and should be further exploited. Mr. Hodge's basic Telco profile appears below, followed by his identifiers:

BRIAN ALBERT HODGE
02/16/1981 (36)
[REDACTED]
Person ID: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES
Number of Associates: 10
Number of Relatives: 0
Number of Utility Records Available: 0

ALIASES

BRIAN ALBERT HODGE (Apr 2013 - Oct 2017)
BRIAN HODGE (Apr 2013 - Sep 2017)

ASSOCIATES

CHRISTOPHER PASCUAL SMITH

Person ID: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Names

CHRISTOPHER PASCUAL SMITH (Mar 2004 - Oct 2017)
CHRIS PASCUAL SMITH (Aug 2006 - Aug 2006)
CHRISTOP PASCUAL SMITH (Mar 2006 - Mar 2006)

Addresses

[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Jul 2017 - Nov 2017)
[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Dec 2015 - Nov 2017)

PHONES

[REDACTED] - LOS ANGELES, CA

Listing Name: BRIAN ALBERT HODGE
Carrier: CELLCO PARTNERSHIP DBA VERIZON WIRELESS - CA (VERIZON WIRELESS) (WIRELESS)
Phone Type: Mobile
Confidence: 99%

[REDACTED] - LOS ANGELES, CA

Listing Name: BRIAN HODGE
Carrier: TIME WARNER CABLE INFORMATION SERVICES (CALIFORNIA) LLC DBA TIME WARNER CABLE - CA (TW TELECOM) (LANDLINE)
Confidence: 78%

[REDACTED] - LOS ANGELES, CA


Listing Name: BRIAN ALBERT HODGE
Carrier: T-MOBILE USA INC (WIRELESS)
Phone Type: Mobile
Confidence: 66%

As stated above, Mr. Hodge traces to numerous addresses during the short time that he has resided in California, most all are in the West Hollywood, California area.

Mr. Hodge's place of employment is the George P. Johnson Experience Marketing Agency. The corporation is headquartered at [Redacted] and the phone number there is [Redacted].

Mr. Hodge's Social Security account number was checked for all addresses in the United States, using both commercial and non-commercial databases that cull information from banking, financial, credit, money changer and other liquid cash asset platforms and we found 12 entries for him for the period three years.

The abstract for each address and the dates when they were reported into the gateways (not the true source within the banks themselves) is found below:

Address	Source(s)	Reported Date(s)
1) [Redacted] APT [Redacted] W HOLLYWOOD, CA [Redacted] LOS ANGELES COUNTY Phone: [Redacted] Line Type: Cellular Phone: [Redacted] Line Type: Cellular Phone: [Redacted]	TransUnion Gateway Phone Record Household Listing Experian Experian Gateway TransUnion	04/29/2013 - 04/15/2017 09/15/2016 - 03/15/2017 01/01/2015 - 01/31/2017 12/03/2015 - 07/29/2016 12/03/2015 - 07/29/2016 01/04/2016 - 01/04/2016
		
2) [Redacted] [Redacted] LOS ANGELES COUNTY	Phone Record	- 03/15/2017
3) [Redacted] [Redacted] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [Redacted] LOS ANGELES COUNTY Phone: [Redacted]	Experian Gateway Experian Phone Record TransUnion Household Listing	05/08/2014 - 06/01/2015 05/08/2014 - 04/10/2015 02/20/2015 - 02/20/2015 06/13/2014 - 06/13/2014 01/01/2014 - 04/30/2014
4) [Redacted] [Redacted] N HOLLYWOOD, CA [Redacted] LOS ANGELES COUNTY	Experian Experian Gateway	12/13/2014 - 12/13/2014 12/13/2014 - 12/13/2014

5)	[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED]	TransUnion	06/13/2014 - 06/13/2014
6)	[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, CA [REDACTED]	TransUnion	05/30/2014 - 05/30/2014
7)	[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES COUNTY	Experian Experian Gateway New Movers Household Listing TransUnion	11/15/2013 - 05/02/2014 11/15/2013 - 05/02/2014 02/21/2014 - 02/21/2014 01/01/2013 - 12/31/2013 12/01/2013 - 12/01/2013
8)	[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES COUNTY	Experian Gateway	04/26/2014 - 04/26/2014
9)	[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, CA [REDACTED]	TransUnion	01/08/2014 - 01/08/2014
10)	[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES COUNTY	TransUnion	12/01/2013 - 01/08/2014
11)	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES COUNTY	TransUnion Experian Experian Gateway	12/01/2013 - 12/01/2013 06/04/2013 - 06/04/2013 06/04/2013 - 06/04/2013
12)	[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES COUNTY	Experian Experian Gateway	04/30/2013 - 04/30/2013 04/30/2013 - 04/30/2013

We checked the address information and linked it back to Mr. Hodge, but he also has used a date of birth in January 1981 that is not his own, based upon his Social Security account records. The information below was derived from the Customer Information Profile of at least one banking facility where he has a relationship:

HODGE, BRIAN			
SSN:	[REDACTED] - is part of Random Pool and not issued before June 25, 2011 (see Online Help)		AKAs:
Gender:	MALE		1) HODGE, BRIAN ALBERT (DOB: 01/01/1981)
			2) HODGE, BRIAN N
			3) HODGE, BRIAN A
			4) HODGE, BRIAN ALBERT
			5) HODGE, BRIAN ([REDACTED])
			6) HODGE, BRIAN ALBERT ([REDACTED])
			7) HODGE, BRIANALBERT ([REDACTED])
			8) HODGE, BRIAN A ([REDACTED])
			9) HODGE, BRIAN N ([REDACTED])
			10) HODGE, BRIAN ALBERT ([REDACTED])
DOB (Age):	01/01/1981 (36)		
Drivers License?	NO		
Marriage(s)?	NO	Divorce(s)?	NO
Professional License(s)?	NO	Recreational License(s)?	NO
Work Affiliation(s)?	NO		

The second source reported similar address trace information, but with slightly different dates. This source shows that Mr. Hodge was first reported into the databases on 4 March 2013 and continues to use his account number, as recently as 14 November 2017.

As can be seen from the profile below, the addresses used by Mr. Hodge from November 2015 through today's date [REDACTED], but he also simultaneously traces to a second and third address.

The second address, which appears to be a legacy address, is identified as [REDACTED].

The third address, which **he appears to have moved into after the attack**, is identified as [REDACTED], and is tied to his MasterCard account.

Mr. Hodge began using the [REDACTED] address in November 2013 and the last date when it was used was in November 2015, thus overlapping his DeLongpre address by two years. Since the attack, Mr. Hodge has begun using the Havenhurst Drive address and it is this last address that is tied to his credit card.

Mr. Hodge has three identified credit cards:

Bank of America Visa Debit

MasterCard Platinum Select
Corporate Card

There are many possible explanations for why databases will report overlapping addresses, from the benign to the malevolent. We would need to access another data program to determine the intensity of his use of these three addresses and the exact dates during the next phase of our inquiry.

Additionally it appears that Mr. Chris Pascual Smith shares at least one of these residences with Mr. Hodge. Mr. Smith's location on the night of the attack as well as his background and digital profile must also be explored further as part of a comprehensive investigation.

The overlap dates and the addresses is abstracted below (less the newest address which has not been incorporated yet):

NAMES
BRIAN ALBERT HODGE (Apr 2013 - Oct 2017)
BRIAN HODGE (Apr 2013 - Sep 2017)

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS
[REDACTED]

DATES OF BIRTH
02/16/1981 (36)

ADDRESSES
[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Nov 2013 - Nov 2017)
[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Nov 2013 - Nov 2015)
[REDACTED] NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Dec 2014 - Jan 2015)
[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90049-1810 LOS ANGELES (Nov 2013 - Jun 2014)
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (May 2014 - May 2014)
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Nov 2013 - Apr 2014)
[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Jun 2013 - Apr 2014)
[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Apr 2013 - Apr 2013)
[REDACTED] WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES (Mar 2013 - Mar 2013)

EMAIL ADDRESSES
[REDACTED]@hotmail.com

VI. SOCIAL MEDIA ANALYSIS

When checking various known Social Media accounts, and using sophisticated commercial tracking tools, we found a number of unusual behaviors and actions.

We note that non-public database systems employed by analysts were used to recover other suspected handles that trace to the name Brian Hodge. Whether these handles are associated with the Brian Hodge under study would require additional in-depth analysis. Refinement of the queries was done using his name and DOB; as well as Name and Telco Intel; as well as Name and Addresses, both current and past. When these restrictors were employed, we found the following details:

Subject Name: Brian Hodge DOB: 02/16/1981 Age: 36
Phone Number: [REDACTED]
Occupation: [REDACTED]
Current Address: [REDACTED], West Hollywood, CA
Previous Locations: [REDACTED], West Hollywood, CA
Education: [REDACTED]
Relatives: [REDACTED]
Email: [REDACTED]
Usernames: [REDACTED]
Websites: [REDACTED]

TOP SITES NO SOCIAL FOOTPRINT FOUND

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We expanded the scan to include possible email addresses, which recovered several email addresses used by Mr. Hodge. Future investigative efforts can utilize legal process to obtain all needed Meta data as our back analysis showed that the addresses (see comprehensive email list earlier in this document) are active.

2 LOCATION(S) FOUND WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA

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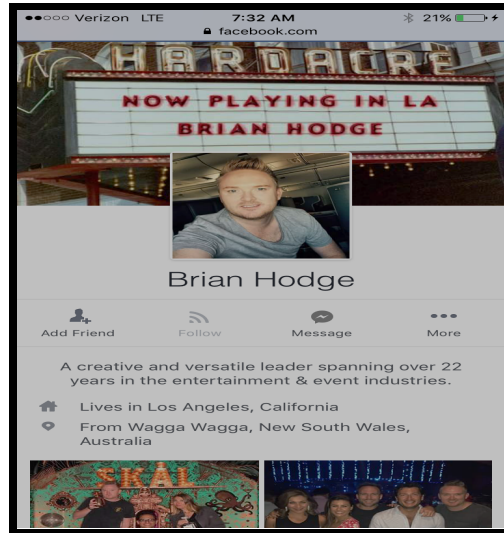
- [REDACTED]@gmail.com
- [REDACTED]@mac.com

Political Assessment of Mr. Brian Hodge from Facebook Postings:

Mr. Hodge's Australian background and support for left wing causes is well documented throughout his Facebook profile, although he does not outwardly appear to advocate violence. While not excessively political, it is clear from his Facebook activity that Mr. Hodge supports left wing issues such as transgender rights, support of gay marriage, and that he holds some anti-right wing views. These views possibly developed following an incident in Australia during which right-wing activists, who allegedly kicked him in the face, assaulted Mr. Hodge. This incident is documented in Mr. Hodge's social media commentary to an Australian member of parliament captured here:



The front page of his Facebook Profile appears below:



Hodge Arrives in Vegas Prior to Oct 1, 2017 Attack:

According to legacy social media analysis, Mr. Hodge traveled to Las Vegas on the afternoon of 30 September 2017 and arrived in Las Vegas at approximately 1730. According to Facebook, Mr. Hodge visited the Bellagio hotel on the evening of September 30th although it is not clear at what point he arrived or departed the facility or whom he was meeting with. Mr. Hodge checks into the Mandalay Bay room 32-314 at approximately 12:15AM on October 1, 2017.

Hodge's Twitter (Social Media) Activity Prior to Attack:

Mr. Hodge uses the Twitter Handle **@bhodge81** and early in the day of September 30th, Mr. Hodge posted on his twitter account the following picture and post:





Note that the twitter posting (pictured above) in Los Angeles includes an **active Twitter geo-location capability**. The post shows that Mr. Hodge is located in Los Angeles CA. prior to his departure for Las Vegas.

After arriving in Las Vegas and during the first portion of his trip, Mr. Hodge's twitter account remained inactive until an hour before the time of the attack on the Route 91 festival.

Hodge's Twitter Activity During and Immediately Following the Attack:

On the evening of the attack, Sunday night, October 1st, Mr. Hodge became active on Twitter again, utilizing his Facebook and Instagram accounts as well. Tactical analysts point to the potential of numerous indicators in Mr. Hodge's social media usage that could represent the use of social media to develop a cover legend, which may have been used to mask involvement in the Las Vegas terrorist attack.

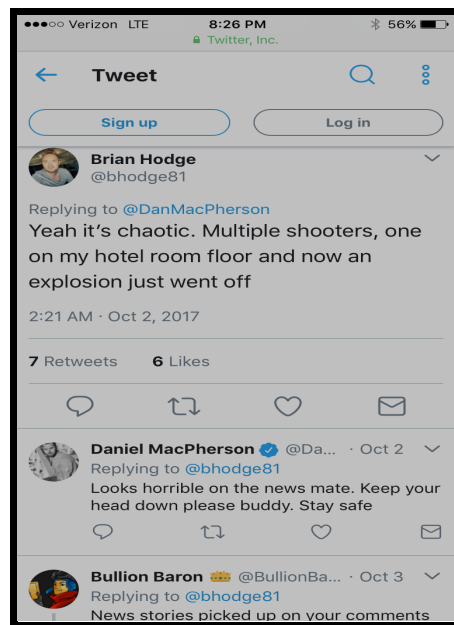
Mr. Hodge became active on his twitter account during the evening of October 1-2, 2017.

The twitter postings below also appear to be deceptive in their nature. Mr. Hodge published the following twitter postings during the attack. At approximately 10:52 PM Las Vegas time, Mr. Hodge posts that he is **"hiding in the bushes."**

However, we found that **Mr. Hodge took the active step to disable his twitter geo-location function** since his departure from Los Angeles. Disabling this feature may be an attempt to mask his actual location. This need to disable twitter geo-location is a surveillance avoidance tactic that is taught among various bad actors including domestic and international terrorist groups.



At approximately 11:21 PM Las Vegas time, Mr. Hodge again posts here:



Mr. Hodge's geo-location feature remains disabled throughout the attack timeline and in the post above he claims that there are "multiple shooters" with "one on my hotel room floor."

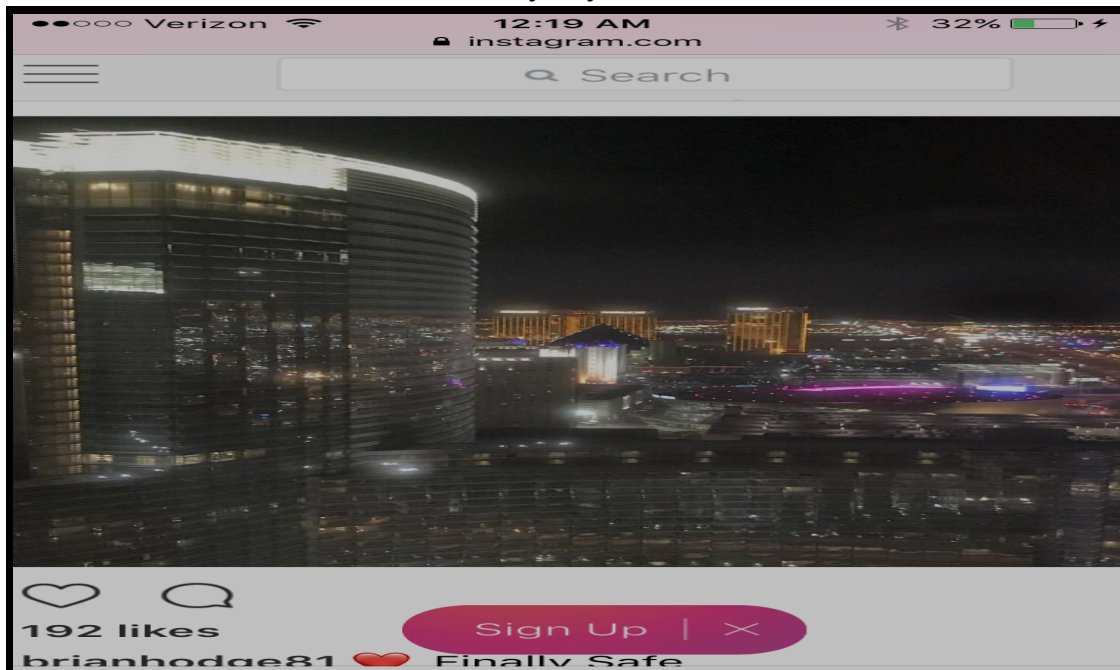
Is this terminology possibly a mistake by the unknown second shooter and killer of Paddock? Paddock was at that point deceased "on [Hodge's] hotel room floor."

Why did Mr. Hodge take deliberate necessary steps to disable his twitter geo-location capability during the period of time pre and post attack?

Later that night of the attack and during the following morning, at 2:43AM on October 2, 2017, Mr. Hodge checks into the Vdara hotel in Paradise, Nevada, which is located in downtown Las Vegas. His twitter posting features the following text and picture:



In the twitter post above, **Mr. Hodge has now reactivated his twitter geo-location feature.** The picture attached to this twitter post and shared via Instagram from the Vdara hotel is centered on the Mandalay Bay in the distance. See here:



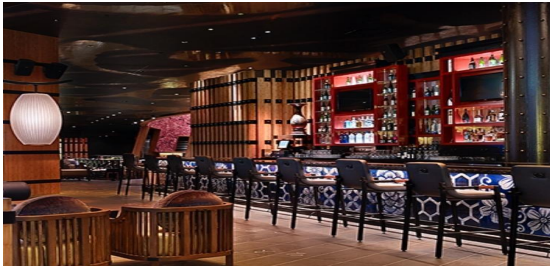
Hodge's Twitter Activity During the Days After the Attack:

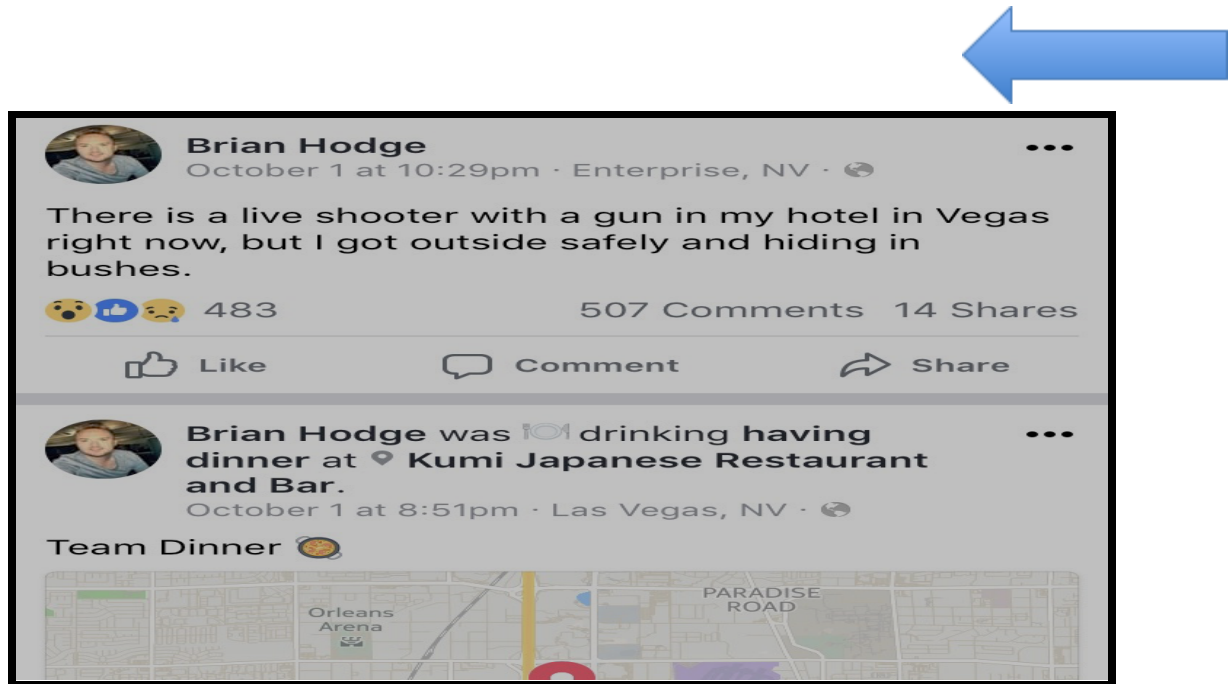
In the days following the attack in Las Vegas, Mr. Hodge becomes oddly silent on his twitter account. However, other sources reveal that **Mr. Hodge departs the Las Vegas area by unknown means of travel on October 2 and traveled east to Albuquerque, New Mexico arriving later that same day. Note that this travel is not publicly acknowledged on any of his social media.** Mr. Hodge appears to be concealing this travel to New Mexico.

Hodge's FaceBook (Social Media) Activity Prior to Attack:

Mr. Hodge is a prolific user of Facebook and shares numerous substantial life events with a wide audience of this Facebook "friends." On the evening of the attack, Mr. Hodge is active on Facebook.

At 20:51 PM on Oct 1, 2017, approximately one hour before the attack, Mr. Hodge posts on Facebook from the Kumi Japanese restaurant, which is located in the Mandalay Bay hotel. The post shows that Mr. Hodge is having a "team dinner" and geo-locates him as being in Las Vegas while eating at the restaurant. Interestingly, the coroner's report on Stephen Paddock's body showed high levels of arsenic and mercury, which would be consistent with the consumption of raw fish prior to death. The restaurant is pictured here and the Facebook post is seen below.





Hodge's FaceBook (Social Media) Activity Post Attack:

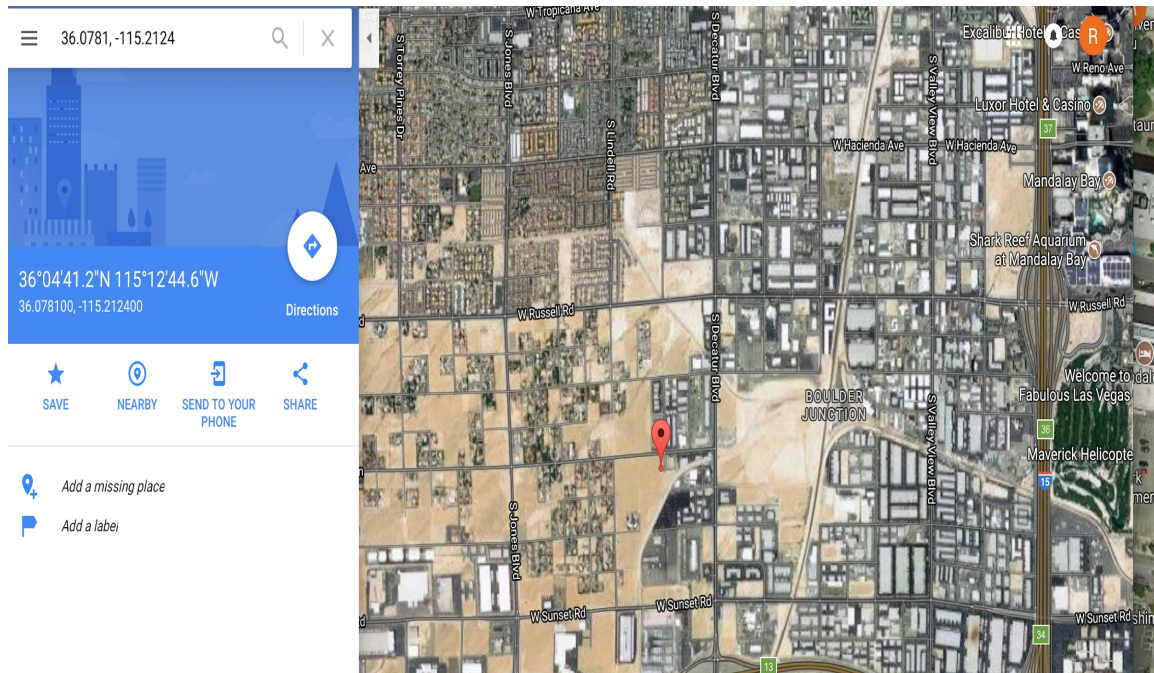
At 22:29 PM, approximately 14 minutes after the attack has ended, Mr. Hodge posts on Facebook that there is a "live shooter with a gun in my hotel in Vegas right now, but I got outside safely and hiding in bushes."



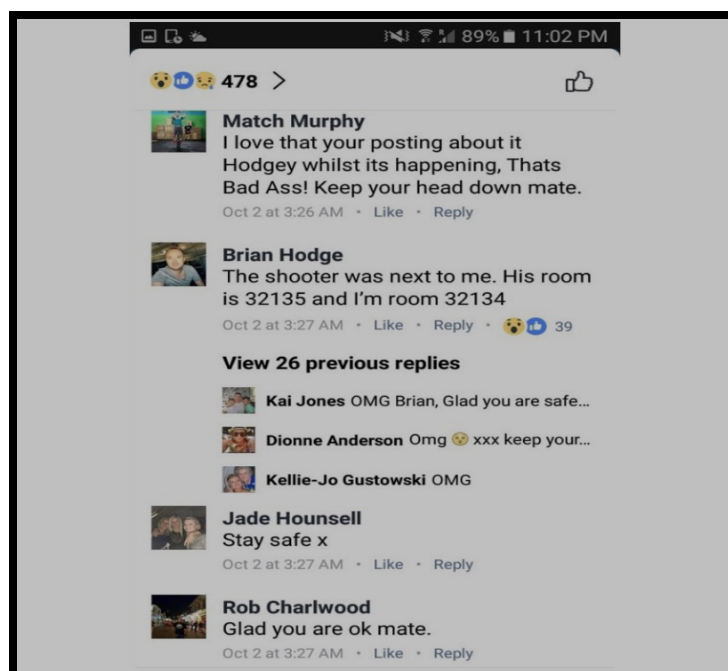
We note that this post attack 10:29PM message geo-locates Mr. Hodge in Enterprise, Nevada. The Facebook geo-location feature no longer identified him as being in Las Vegas as per his previous post when at the restaurant. If Mr. Hodge was – as he stated - outside the hotel, “hiding in the bushes,” it is possible that his geo-location function would identify him as being in the Enterprise subdivision of Las Vegas.

However, Mr. Hodge could also be as far as 5 miles away and with the time between the end of the attack and this posting, traveling such a distance is feasible. Further detailed investigation is needed into Mr. Hodge’s movements using other remote sensors to include cell tower data, CCTV footage, and whatever personal electronic devices Mr. Hodge happened to have been using that particular night.

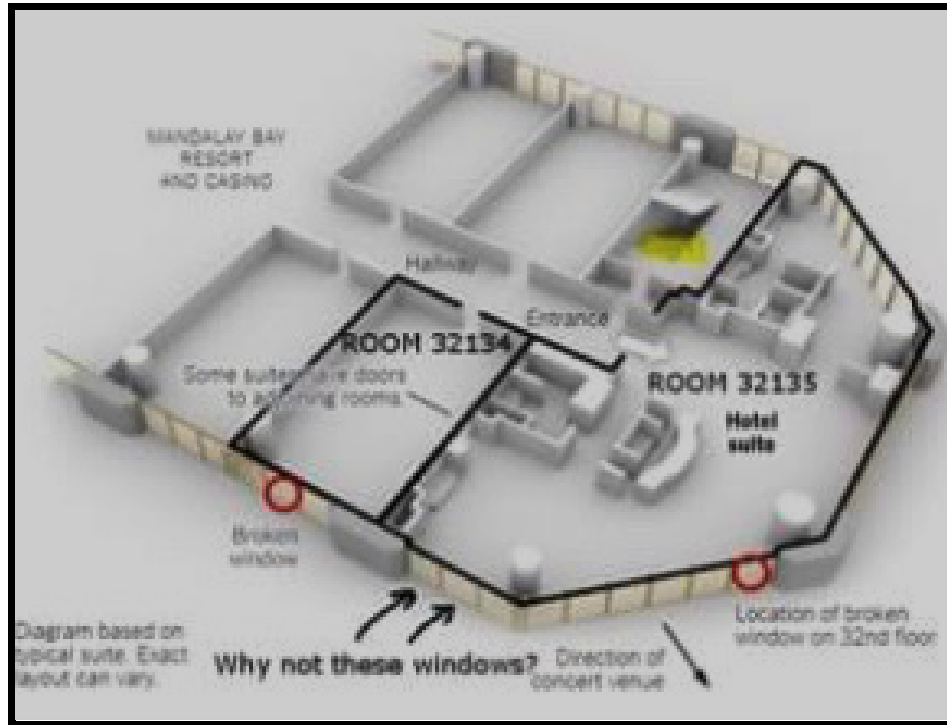
Below is an illustration of a Google map estimate of the Enterprise, Nevada location at which Mr. Hodge’s cellular phone is geo-locating. Again, earlier Facebook postings at Mandalay Bay geo-located Mr. Hodge in Las Vegas; this new geo-location in Enterprise, Nevada needs to be further reconciled against Mr. Hodge’s earlier posts.



Mr. Hodge makes several odd posts to his Facebook account in the immediate aftermath of the attack. The strangest being the following in which he claims that he is staying in room 32134 and Mr. Paddock was in room 32135. The post is uploaded on Oct 2, 2017 at 00:27 and is seen here:



In this Facebook post, Mr. Hodge places himself **inside the second room of 32134 that was rented by Stephen Paddock (using Marilou Danley's account)**. This room is also the most likely hallway egress point for a possible second shooter. A graphic of the suite appears below:



We also note that having breached 32135, the police SWAT team was required to perform a second breach of the doorway between suites 32135 and 32134 as the latter had been locked from the inside. Also note that both 32134 and 32135 had security cameras deployed. The cameras deployed on the food cart had wires that ran back into room 32134 according to the photo found below:



One possible question that cannot be overlooked regarding the plausibility of the second shooter theory: Is it possible that Mr. Hodge did not adequately communicate with Mr. Paddock on the cover story pertaining to their rooms? Is it possible that Mr. Hodge was posting on Facebook his original cover story used to justify his presence in the hallway having departed from room 32-134?

A possible miscommunication with Mr. Paddock may have caused Mr. Hodge to believe wrongly that room 32134 was a separate room for use in their cover story. Note that Paddock was packed and prepared to escape prior to “committing suicide” as per the official narrative. Perhaps Mr. Hodge felt he was already captured on camera and needed to utilize some excuse to justify his camera presence departing from 32-134?

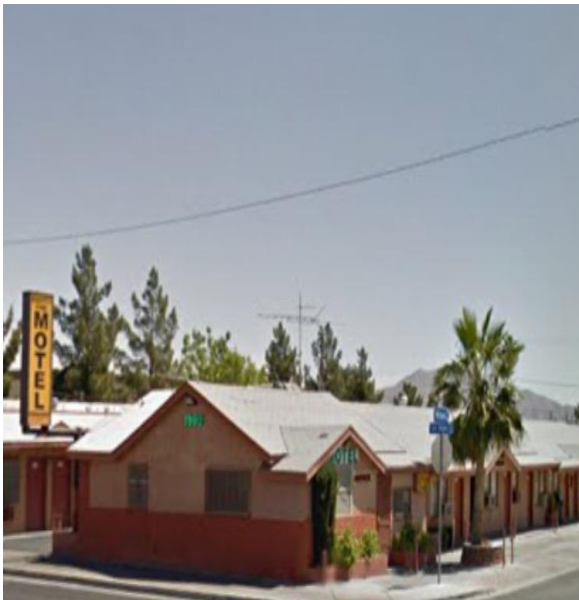
Hodge’s Signatures and Location:

Further data mining of Mr. Hodge’s activity on the night of the attack reveals that while he was originally located at the Mandalay Bay and the surrounding Enterprise area, **departed downtown** Las Vegas while publicly claiming to have been “hiding in the bushes” outside the Mandalay Bay.

Mr. Hodge’s signatures reveal that he is located approximately 10 miles north of the Mandalay Bay Hotel at 1900 Las Vegas Boulevard North. One of the applications on Mr. Hodge’s phone registered him at this location in the period following the attack.

Later that morning, at approximately 2:45AM, Mr. Hodge checked into the Vdara hotel in downtown Las Vegas. Mr. Hodge’s arrival at the Vdara Hotel is confirmed by Mr. Hodge on both his Instagram and Twitter accounts. A detailed geo-location

timeline for Mr. Hodge during the 5-hour period surrounding the attack can be developed. The motel and location at 1900 North Las Vegas Boulevard is seen here:



Suspiciously, according to Mr. Hodge's statements, he was "*hiding in the bushes for 3 or 3.5 hours*" and claims that he was "rescued by SWAT." Why would Mr. Hodge be reluctant to explain his presence at this motel and is there any additional evidence that supports his presence at this location 10 miles away from Mandalay Bay? (See his interview with Nicole Barlow in Australian new outlet.)

Mr. Hodge makes an accompanying post including pictures on his Facebook account. This posting seen below depicts numerous LVMPD officers in Mandalay Bay lobby area and is alleged by Mr. Hodge to have taken place at approximately 1:30AM, roughly 3 – 3.5 hours after the attack.



However, a closer analysis of these pictures highlights several inconsistencies and odd patterns regarding Mr. Hodge's posted statements.

First, this posting is also from Enterprise, Nevada and not Las Vegas, Nevada as his previous posts from the Mandalay Bay.

Second, the officers are located ***just outside the main lobby of*** the Mandalay Bay hotel and not ***outside "in the bushes"*** as Mr. Hodge claims.

Third, the officers in Mr. Hodge's pictures appear to be in a somewhat hurried and uncertain posture, which is more likely to be seen during an immediate response to an active shooter scenario, perhaps the first hour but almost certainly not 3 hours post-incident.

Finally, the pictures all appear to have been taken in a few short seconds. Is it possible that Mr. Hodge took these pictures during his hasty departure from the Mandalay Bay for later use as part of his cover story? Further investigation is required.

Note: On Friday October 27, 2017 an investigative journalist published a receipt showing the Mr. Hodge had in fact rented a room in the Mandalay Bay Hotel. Mr. Hodge's room was indeed on the 32nd floor with an arrival date of September 30, 2017 and a planned stay through October 5th. However, the room receipt shows that Mr. Hodge's rented room was actually 32-314 and not 32-134 as per his Facebook post. Mr. Hodge's reservation was made with his M Life account #61816415. Was Mr. Hodge's tying himself to Room 32-134 via Facebook a case of dyslexia, poor memory, a case of attention seeking behavior, or an adrenaline fueled tactical misuse of his cover story? Was Hodge's rented room 32-314 part of Paddock's and Hodge's planned cover story for their anticipated escape? Whatever the case, the fact remains that Mr. Hodge's social media behavior and interview statements remain worthy of further investigation. We also look forward to seeing the results of any biometric collection and analysis done on the Paddock suite of rooms.

Mr. Hodge's Facebook activity continued throughout the general time period surrounding the attack. In another interesting post at the same time as the police picture posted above, Mr. Hodge states on Oct 2, 2017 at 1:13AM that "they [shooters] killed a security guard on my floor." Hodge's statement is wrong and the security guard did not expire.

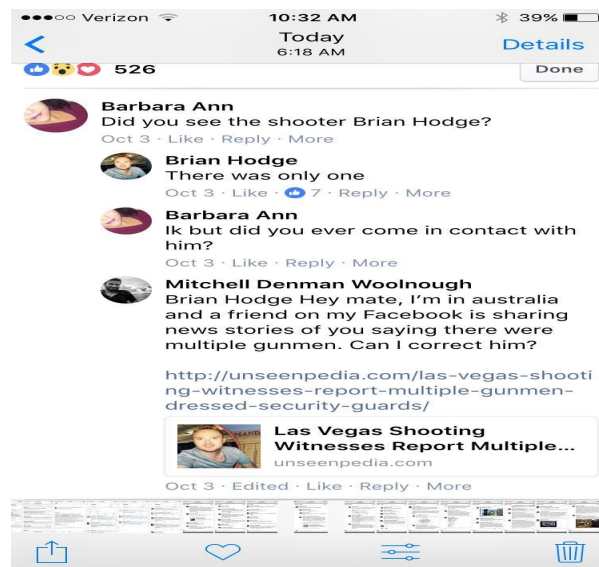
However, a security guard had in fact been shot and wounded on the 32nd floor. How did Mr. Hodge know, only 3 hours after the attack, in advance of the public and most officials, that a security guard had been "killed" (actually shot and wounded) on the 32nd floor?

It is also noteworthy that Mr. Hodge states that the security guard was killed as opposed to wounded. It is possible that Mr. Hodge is repeating initial faulty news reports, but it is also possible that Mr. Hodge was present during the shooting of the security guard and assumed, having fired numerous rounds at him, that the security guard had expired.



Surveillance data depicts Mr. Hodge departing the area surrounding the Mandalay Bay in the aftermath of the attack and traveling to a motel that is 15 minutes transit away that is located approximately 10 miles north of downtown Las Vegas. Mr. Hodge is located at the **Knotty Pine Motel at 1900 Las Vegas Boulevard North** after the attack.

On October 3, 2017, Mr. Hodge posts on Facebook as seen in the picture below. Note that he ignores the question that he is asked by Barbara Ann, but responds directly to an unasked question with a “there was only one” response. **This is a classic deception indicator.**



Hodge's Social Media Signatures and Geo-Location:

On October 2, 2017 Mr. Hodge conducts at least two television interviews and five radio interviews with Australian media outlets. After this PR blitz, ***Mr. Hodge heads east to Albuquerque, New Mexico but does not publicly acknowledge this travel on any of his social media accounts.*** On October 4th Mr. Hodge returns to Las Vegas by unknown means of travel and departs Las Vegas for Los Angeles on October 5, 2017.

Of course, this begs the question, why does Mr. Hodge go from Las Vegas to Albuquerque; then return to Vegas, and then go on to Los Angeles. What was his purpose? **Whom did Mr. Hodge meet with in New Mexico or during this travel? Why Mr. Hodge went on this *unacknowledged* and very brief trip is not known but it is a major point of inquiry.** None of Mr. Hodge's social media statements or overt communication addresses this travel or his location in New Mexico.

The curious anomalies, (a.) Mr. Hodge identifies as staying in Mandalay Bay room 32-134; (b.) Mr. Hodge is actively concealing his geo-location on twitter during the time immediately following the attack; (c) Mr. Hodge has odd pictures and anomalies in his Facebook and Instagram postings that merit further investigation; (d.) Mr. Hodge also has odd and unexplained travel pattern signatures; all merit further investigation.

Mr. Hodge's normal behavior pattern is one of an open, candid and prolific poster of other activity.

However, since the Las Vegas attack, Mr. Hodge has attempted to conceal his electronic Social Media presence, locking down his Twitter, Instagram and Facebook accounts.

Our team was able to recover much additional data using special programming that cuts into the redundant back files of his Social Media sites and associated applications. Many of the hits that we found may not relate to him as they were done based upon Name only; but others are definite hits because we included in the search query his known phone numbers, email addresses, handles, facial recognition, surveillance cameras, and geo-location history.

These search tools confirm that in the period immediately following the attack, Mr. Hodge appears to have departed Las Vegas on October 2, 2017 and traveled to Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mr. Hodge appears to have returned to Las Vegas by unknown means of travel late on October 4 or early in the morning of October 5. ***Mr. Hodge does not acknowledge this travel publicly on any of his social media sites and remains strangely silent on twitter during the period of October 2 through October 5th despite having just escaped the largest mass shooting in American history.***

Immediately following the attack, during the morning of October 2, Mr. Hodge appears in numerous Australian media reports including print, radio and television. Notably, he does not share the links to these radio and television interviews on any of his own social media outlets. This is highly suspicious behavior. Later in the day on October 2, Mr. Hodge departed Las Vegas and arrived in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

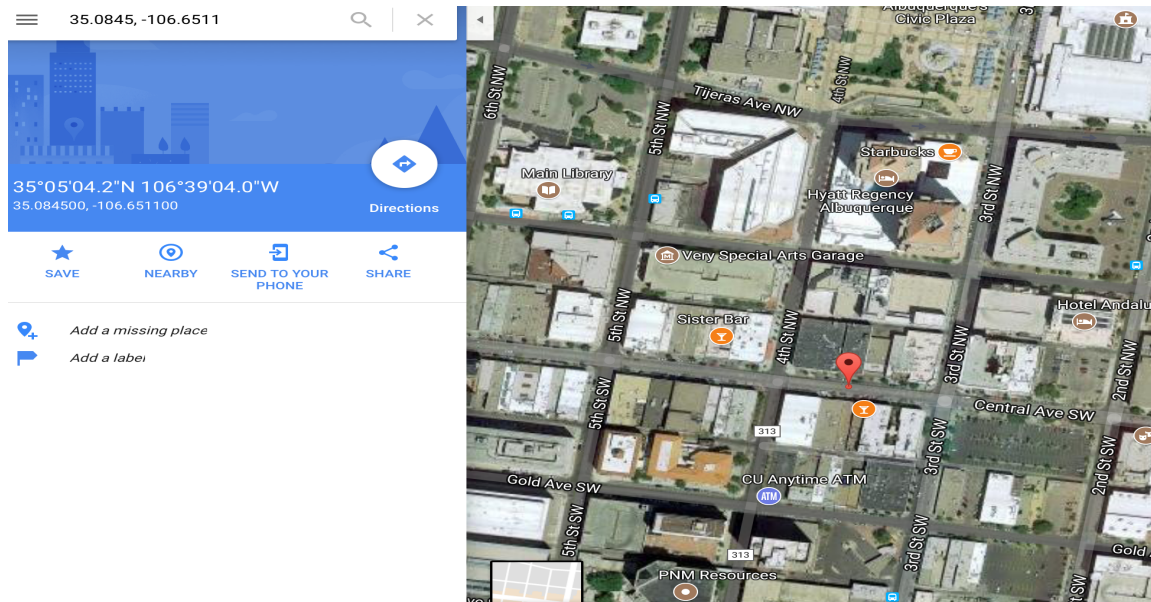
While in New Mexico, Mr. Hodge appears to travel to the Anatolia Doner Kebab House located at [Redacted], Albuquerque, NM 87102. Further detailed investigation on Mr. Hodge's travel in New Mexico is required. This restaurant address is affiliated with numerous other businesses in the Albuquerque area and is owned by a Mr. Mehmet Kokangul and Umut Kokangul. **Mr. Mehmet Kokangul appears to be a Turkish National from Adana Turkey**, a known center of Islamic State activity in Turkey. Mr. Kokangul's SSN is [Redacted] and he has an approximate DOB of March 1972. Mr. Kokangul's phone numbers are [Redacted]



Mr. Kokangul may also be using his social media and specifically his Facebook page to establish an operational cover. On the day that Mr. Hodge was in Albuquerque, NM, Mr. Kokangul posts a picture depicting a midday motorcycle ride. However, this is an odd activity for a chef managing two restaurants to undertake in the middle of a busy workday. Further investigation reveals that this is actually an older photograph and did not take place on the day of its posting. Coincidentally, Mr. Kokangul has not published on Facebook since the week of the attack.



Mr. Hodge remains in Albuquerque until October 4 and then returns to Las Vegas. Mr. Hodge then departs Las Vegas and returns to his home in Los Angeles on October 5th. While Mr. Hodge is located in Albuquerque, he is physically identified as being located somewhere near the following location:



Hodge's "Hiding in the Bushes" Alibi:

Mr. Hodge claims to have been "hiding in the bushes" from 10:30 PM on the night of October 1st until 1:30 in the morning. This is simply fantastical and impossible to believe. Intelligence methods reveal that Mr. Hodge's was located at the Knotty Pine Motel in North Las Vegas. Follow on investigation has discovered that the Knotty Pine Motel records included only two occupants on the night of the attack and one of these was an interesting registration that is worthy of further investigation. Below please see image of the registration of interest:

REGISTRATION

NO REFUNDS

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This property is privately owned and the management reserves the right to refuse service to anyone, and will not be responsible for accidents or injury to guests or for loss of money, jewelry or valuables of any kind.

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The receipt reflects occupancy of room # 17 for the nights of Friday September 29, 2017 and Sunday October 1, 2017. The total receipt shows a \$140 billing which is consistent with two night stay of \$75 for Friday night and \$65 for Sunday night (skipping Saturday night). The individual associated with this room is a Mexican National named **German Torres Moreno**. **Mr. Moreno has Mexican Federal Driver's License # [Redacted]**. **Mr. Moreno's DOB is 9/4/82**. Interestingly, Mr. Moreno's green ford vehicle has a license plate tag that identifies the vehicle as being from **Guanajuato, Mexico and specifically the City of Penjamo**. This part of Mexico has dealt with Islamic State related issues as depicted in articles like those here:

<https://www.judicialwatch.org/blog/2016/08/isis-terrorist-tells-feds-jihadist-brothers-mexico-confirming-jw-reports/>

<https://regeneracion.mx/150-mexicanos-se-han-unido-al-estado-islamico-isis/>

<http://www.eluniversal.com.mx/entrada-de-opinion/columna/carlos-loret-de-mola/nacion/2015/09/9/el-reclutador-del-estado-islamico>



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ISIS recruiter working out of
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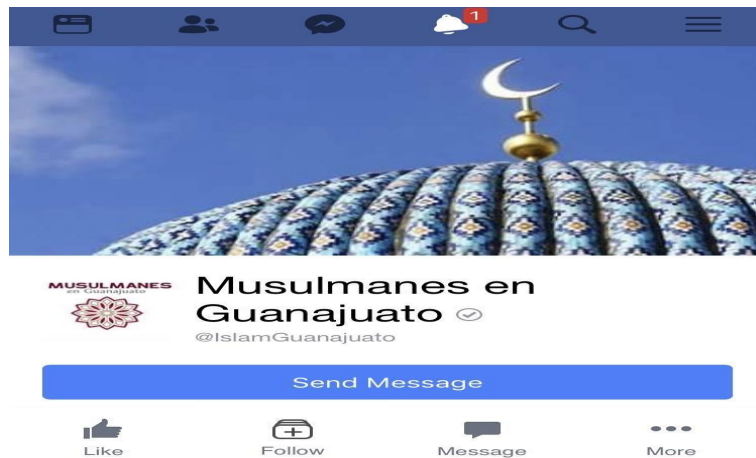
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At least 150 Mexicans were in the Islamic State of Syria. The British Institute of Defense IHS Jane's published a list where the number of foreigners who have joined the ranks of the Islamic state since 2013 is broken down by nationality. Of 12,000 foreigners, there were at least 150 Mexicans or "of Mexican origin" in the Islamic State who had traveled to Syria to fight against President Bashar al-Assad.

A recruiter of the Jihad in Guanajuato

According to the informative site Publímetro, a few months ago (September 2015) the Military Intelligence and agents of the Special Prosecutor's Office for High Impact Crimes of the Attorney General's Office of the State (PGJE) discovered an Islamic State recruiter in León, Guanajuato. The aforementioned was a martial arts teacher and practiced acupuncture. However, it could not be stopped because the dissemination of jihadist propaganda is not a crime in Mexico and apparently neither is recruitment.


Did Mr. Hodge meet up with Mr. Moreno and the other two individuals associated with this vehicle? Why does Mr. Hodge use such a vague and abstract alibi to explain away this three hour time period? Is this a possible team of Islamic State (IS) operatives that has crossed into Las Vegas to support the attack on the Route 91 Festival? If so, did the security guard cause Mr. Paddock and Mr. Hodge to prematurely initiate the attack prior to the arrival of this team of operatives and would this explain the enormous number of weapons and amount of ammunition?



Who is Mr. Moreno and does he know Mr. Hodge? Why did Mr. Moreno stay at this Knotty Pine motel on Friday evening and then on Sunday evening? Where was he on Saturday evening?

Hodge's Social Circles and Possible Islamic State Ties:

We discovered that Mr. Hodge is in communication with individuals associated with "Travel to Medina," an outfit based at [Redacted] in Brooklyn, NY. 11220. This physical address includes at least three other known businesses and appears to function as a store front for various semi-legitimate business activities. The website is <http://travel2madina.com> and the contact information screen captures can be seen here:



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 Safdar(347)651-5240

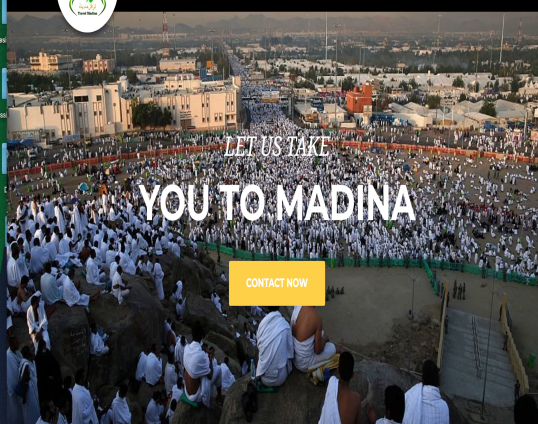
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Office Address: 460 52nd Street Brooklyn New York 11220 .



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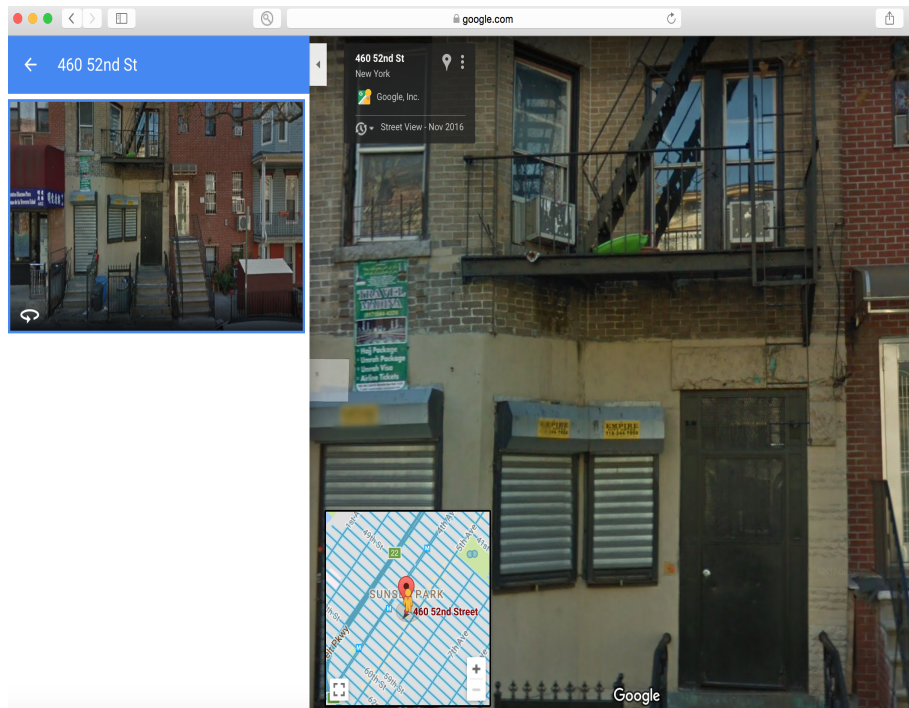
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Entities with the same location

Entity Name	Office Address	CEO / Agent	Start Date
A CITY WIDE CONTRACTING CORP	[REDACTED]	BROOKLYN	2015-02-24
PLAZA RESTORATION CORP.	[REDACTED]	BROOKLYN	2014-01-14
ITRAVEL SERVICES, INC.	[REDACTED]	BROOKLYN	2013-06-01



Mr. Hodge has no obvious reason to have contact with a business that supports Umrah and Hajj services as part of his network. This is an interesting data point and worthy of further investigation. Mr. Aklhaq Ahmed (Khan) appears to be the manager of this venue and additional investigative work is necessary to understand the exact function and network and finances surrounding this business entity. Additional investigation needs to be done to see if Mr. Hodge has another reason for having contacts with Hajj service organizations, as he does not outwardly appear to be a practicing Muslim.

VII. BRIAN HODGE STATEMENTS:

Mr. Hodge makes numerous press statements in the 24 hours immediately following the attack on Australian radio and television.

Oddly, the first of these public statements was made in immediate aftermath of the attack to a public relations specialist named Nicole Barlow in Australia. Ms. Barlow's email appears to be [Redacted] and her phone number is [Redacted]. Mr. Barlow published an article in an Australian newspaper at 9:30PM on October 2, Australian time. This means that the article was published before 2:30AM in the Las Vegas area. A link to, and screen shot of, the article is pictured below and shows the date/time of original publication.⁷

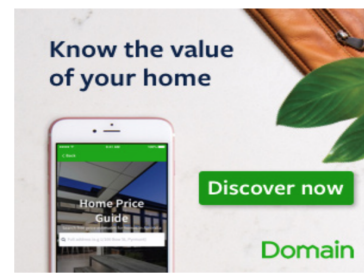
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Former Wagga man Brian Hodge escapes shooting in Las Vegas

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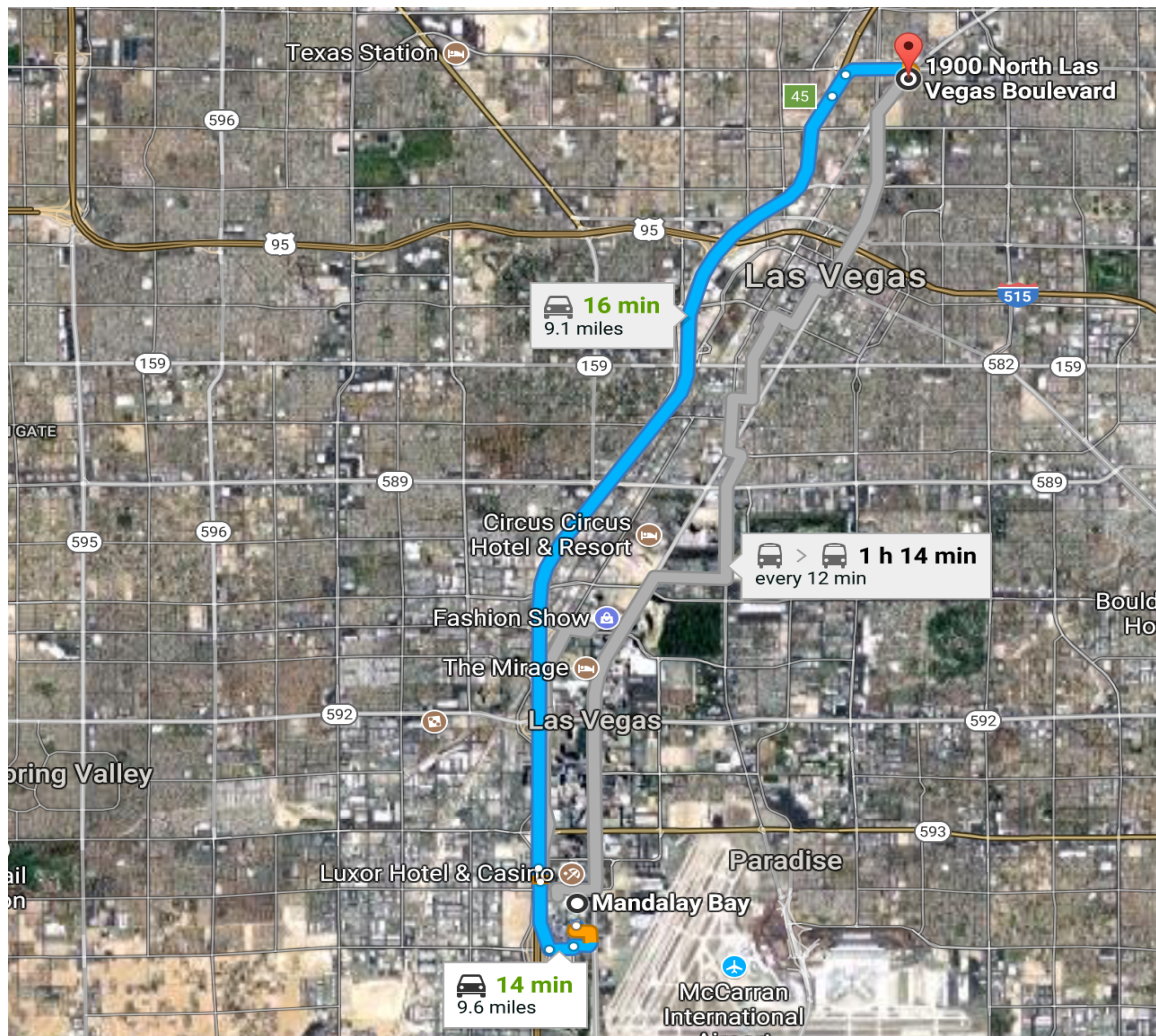
In this article, which was published at 2:30AM Las Vegas time, Mr. Hodge claims to Ms. Barlow that he is **“staying in a hotel on the outskirts of town while he awaits further instruction”** and that he was **“meant to be in Las Vegas for two weeks”**. These recollections are not consistent with other public statements and social media posting by Mr. Hodge. This requires further investigation beginning with a discussion with Ms. Barlow to see if she has notes of their discussion or an exact time that she communicated with Mr. Hodge and by what means.

Analysts note that the phrase the reporter used in her article, “on the outskirts of town,” aligns with earlier digital data that showed Mr. Hodge staying at the Knotty

⁷ Brian Hodge's first post attack public interview:

<http://www.dailyadvertiser.com.au/story/4962182/so-many-bullets-former-wagga-man-in-the-room-next-door-to-vegas-shooter/>

Pine Motel in the time immediately following the attack. For orientation purposes, a map showing the distance between, Mandalay Bay and the Knotty Pine is here:



Our analysts and researchers have not found any interviews with American television or radio personnel despite Mr. Hodge's proximity to the largest mass shooting in American history.

A sample of the in depth radio interviews from Australia are listed here:

1. <https://omny.fm/shows/carrie-tommy/brian-hodge-vegas-interview>
2. <https://audioboom.com/posts/6356648-las-vegas-brian-hodge>
3. <https://omny.fm/shows/melbourne-news/hot-breakfast-las-vegas-witness-brian-hodge>
4. <https://www.hit.com.au/shows/heather-dan-ben/content/heather-dan-ben-las-vegas>

5. <https://omny.fm/shows/sea-fm-gold-coast-breakfast/brian-hodge-from-las-vegas-shooting>

In these radio interviews, which all took place within 24 hours of the attack:

1. Mr. Hodge identifies himself as; staying inside the shooter's suite, located on the 32nd floor during the time of the attack, departing the floor via the elevator, exiting the hotel through the kitchen, and hiding in the bushes for 3.5 hours.
2. Mr. Hodge withholds significant information from the interviewers and does not disclose the fact that he has found shelter in the Vdara hotel or describe his exposure to weapons firing until prodded by the interviewers.
3. Mr. Hodge describes in vivid detail the view from the 32nd floor as the victims were cut down with "sweeping shots" and uses the term "full on" to excitedly describe the attack.
4. Mr. Hodge knows that Mr. Paddock brought a "a specific hammer that is designed to break that glass, double pane or bullet proof or whatever casino glass is made of" in order to shatter the windows of the hotel suite.
5. Mr. Hodge claims he was monitoring social media and listening to police "live scans."
6. Mr. Hodge claimed the "need to get us outside the casino" to kitchen employees, which was possibly in order to avoid the imminent lockdown of the hotel or to avoid cameras.
7. Mr. Hodge states in his interview there are "100 odd shots" which is a strange coincidence given the use of 100 round sure-fire magazines. The picture below from Mr. Paddock's room depicts a rifle with this type of 100 round magazine affixed.



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8. Mr. Hodge expresses concerns about "how to demonstrate we are civilians?" as well as a general fear of getting shot by the police.
9. Mr. Hodge claims that he attempted to return to his room within the first 24 hours after the attack and made it as far as the 32nd floor but had to leave due to the memory of the shooting stating "I was faced with what I.....ya know....what I was faced with last night....ya know the sound of the guns and the fire of the bullets when I was up there" and claims to have allowed the hotel staff and the police go in and gather his belongings on his behalf.

10. Mr. Hodge states that immediately after the attack he needed to “stay down, stay hidden” for 3.5 hours.

11. Mr. Hodge says, “from the hotel room....some of my team....could see” when describing what the attack was like.

Mr. Hodge also freely appears on Australian television and subjects himself to two live on camera interviews as seen in the footnote.⁸

Note that Mr. Hodge specifically states in this TV interview that “we were not going to use our phones.” When describing his interface with the police, Mr. Hodge says that the police had “detonated a bomb at the front of **our doors** because he (Paddock) had died” (note his tone in describing the death of Paddock).

Mr. Hodge states that it’s an “interesting feeling” to describe his reaction to the attack. Mr. Hodge does not describe or admit to having heard the actual weapons firing while he was on the 32nd floor until he is pressed on this subject by the interviewers and then elaborates on the attack and weapons in vivid details.

In both his TV and radio interviews, Mr. Hodge recounts a word for word story with very few specifics to all the interviewers and only speaks to events on the 32nd floor when pressed by the interviewers. There are points in the interview in which he seems to lose track of his story and reveals more than he would like or changes his story.

VIII. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION:

Additional research reveals that:

Mr. Hodge worked in Australia in the casino entertainment industry and remains employed in the entertainment industry in the United States. Mr. Hodge was employed by the Jupiter Casino on the Gold Coast of Australia, from January 2009 until February 2013, per his LinkedIn account.

Stephen Paddock’s girlfriend, Marilou Danley was both a former casino industry employee and resident of Australia’s Gold Coast region. Further research is required to assess the social networks of Mr. Hodge and Ms. Danley to see if there is any nexus through family, friends or colleagues in the Las Vegas area as well as within the Gold Coast or Melbourne areas of Australia.

⁸ See Brian Hodge television interviews here:

<http://www.9news.com.au/world/2017/10/03/11/23/australian-in-room-next-door-to-las-vegas-shooter>

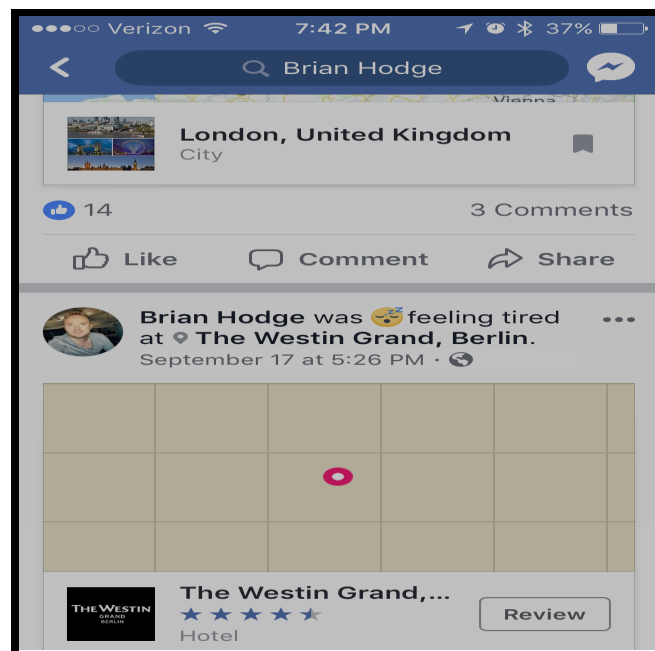
<https://au.news.yahoo.com/world/a/37315032/las-vegas-shooting-australians-caught-up-in-mass-murder/>

Additional data collection shows that Mr. Hodge is in contact with Ms. Becky Liston, who is employed by the Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group in Boston, MA. Ms. Liston's previous employment with Bellagio, MGM, Monte Carlo and Boardwalk hotels and casinos establishes her as a potential link between Stephen Paddock, via his spouse Marilou Danley and Mr. Hodge. This needs to be further developed.

Additional research need to be carried out that is aimed at establishing direct and indirect connections between Marilou Danley and Mr. Hodge through various people, places and organizations, whether in Australia or in the United States. Another possible point of convergence between Marilou Danley and Mr. Hodge is Kathleen DeLeon Jones, a small time actress, wealthy through marriage, who resides in Las Vegas but operates in the same Australian Phillipino circles as Ms. Danley. Note that Ms. Danley was *fully aware* of Mr. Paddock's involvement in the attack and took steps to conceal her relationship to Paddock by locking down and later deleting her Facebook account in the immediate minutes and hours following the attack and prior to Stephen Paddock being publicly named as an assailant.

According to his Facebook logs, Mr. Hodge traveled to Berlin, Paris, London, and back to Berlin approximately 2 weeks prior to the attack in Las Vegas. Is it possible that Mr. Hodge used this time in Europe to confer with potential operatives or other persons associated with Mr. Paddock? Here again, liaison work needs to be done with other equities and stakeholder partners.

Recent published work by Ed Klein reveals that the FBI was closely monitoring ANTIFA operative engagements with Islamic State and Al Qaeda (Arabian Peninsula and Islamic Maghreb) personnel in Germany and that the FBI has discovered a "level of chatter" between left wing revolutionary groups and Islamic terrorist groups.

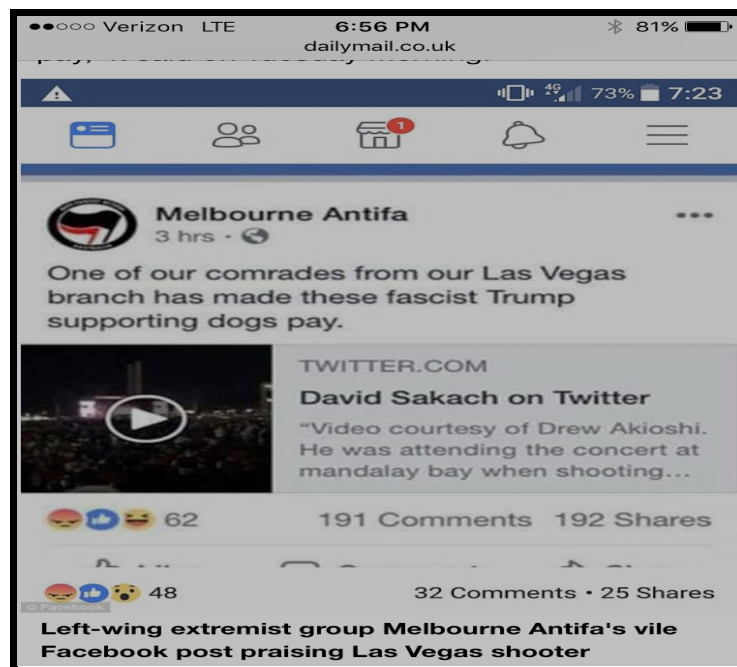


Interestingly, since the attack Mr. Hodge has again traveled to Berlin, Germany on November 16, 2017 and London, U.K. on November 17, 2017. The Berlin travel, like his New Mexico travel, does not appear to have been publicly acknowledged. Travel data queries show that Mr. Hodge arranges his own travel to London in November and Australia in December. Is this just a flight connection? Does he remain overnight in Berlin on November 16th? Social media data must be further rectified with his travel records and the purpose of these short, less than one-day trips, clarified. **This is a highly unusual travel pattern.**

Several analysts remarked that this type of hurried international trip, occurring inside an existing trip, was atypical and required further detailed investigation. Moreover, detailed analysis of his spending patterns, credit card usage, and method of transit is required.

Mr. Hodge flew to Melbourne, Australia on December 8, 2017. Mr. Hodge only remained in Melbourne for a day or two before returning to the United States.

Melbourne, Australia ANTIFA was one of the first organizations to claim this attack stating that the target was “fascist Trump supporting dogs.” Their initial post was up briefly and is now deleted but it is captured here:

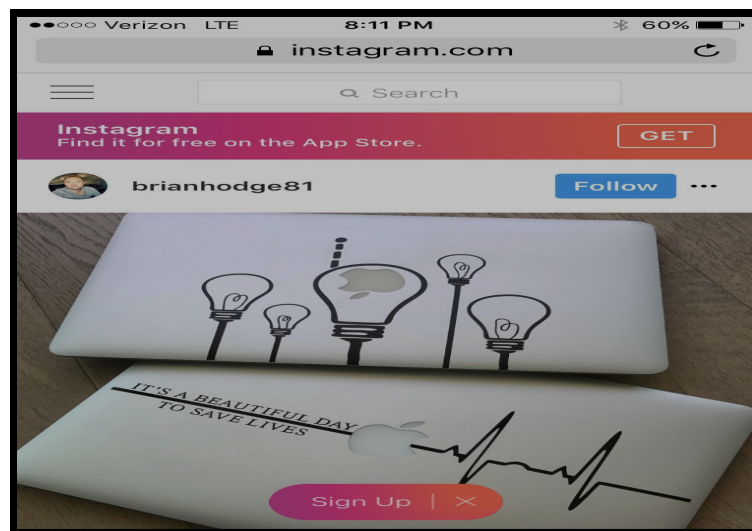


It is interesting to note that initially claiming an attack and then deleting the claim appears to be a normal tactic for Melbourne ANTIFA. There was a recent incident in

which Melbourne ANTIFA attacked an Australian Government official, initially claimed the attack, and then immediately deleted and retracted the claim.⁹

Mr. Hodge hails from an area near Melbourne, Australia and traveled there in December 2017 but only for a day or so. He was in Australia and geo-located on December 10, 2017 in the same area as the attack on Finders Street train station approximately 10 days later. This is possibly just an odd coincidence but worth noting.

Mr. Hodge posts on Instagram that he owns two Mac-book type computers. Technical exploitation using commercial capabilities identifies Mr. Hodge as owning a computer, a MacBook, an Ipad mini as well as a new iPhone. Additional investigation needs to be done to ensure the capture of Mr. Hodge's full technology hardware and software profile including the possible use of encrypted applications.



Despite his radio and public statements indirectly asserting his fear of and lack of familiarity with weapons and firearms, Mr. Hodge took his friend Casey Conway shooting at the Los Angeles Gun Club in 2016 according to a twitter post by Mr. Hodge's friend Casey Conway. From this post our analysts infer that Mr. Hodge is familiar with firearms and could comfortably operate them.

⁹ ANTIFA communication tactics article here:

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4587116/Left-wing-Antifa-Australia-attack-Andrew-Bolt-Melbourne.html>



@casey_conway

**Best present ever. @brianhodge81 took me Downtown to shoot some guns.
#LosAngelesGunClub #Shooting #Rio2016
L.A Pistol And Gun Club**

IX. THEORY OF MOTIVE:

Some might assess that if Mr. Hodge acted out of political malevolence, than the attack on the Route 91 Festival was probably directed toward President Trump supporters. If this supposition correct, it would seem logical that such persons committing this kind of act are aligned with the Marxist/Socialist violent movement. However, the presence of Islamic compliant religious travel organization contact information on Mr. Hodge's phone is worthy of further investigation. Additionally, the presence of Mexican Nationals from an area of Mexico with known Islamic State activity at the same motel that Hodge appears to have utilized as a safe house is worthy of additional investigation.

The social and political context within which the Las Vegas attack took place cannot be ignored in the overall analysis. The past two years have seen a steady rise of violence by left wing political groups in the United States. The convergence Islamic State and ANTIFA like interests opposing the rise of American Nationalism could be driving these groups to operate together in ways not seen in the past.

The attacks, conducted by groups like Anti Fascist Action (ANTIFA) and Black Lives Matter (BLM), have generally targeted police, American nationalists and conservative politicians.

This escalatory trend has been a progression from blocking traffic and protests, to attacks against Trump supporters during the 2016 election cycle, to targeted assassination of the police, to mass casualty attacks against the police, to the attempted targeted assassination of conservative Congressman and what could be

some involvement in the first large scale mass casualty attack directed against American nationalists or perceived Trump supporters.

Islamic State claims regarding the attack are readily explained by the recent release of a classified FBI memo from July 2017 that shows the FBI was aware of ongoing collaboration between ANTIFA operatives and Islamic State, AQAP and AQIM.¹⁰

Some analysts have concluded that Mr. Paddock was killed because he had completed all of the logistics, procurement, and financing of the Vegas attack, did the deed and was expendable. The possible second shooter was perhaps a “fly in” with limited personal contact with Paddock and who had cover for status and cover for action to perform this attack. Further link analysis and cross-domain analytics is required in order to examine possible connection between Paddock and Hodge.

Further investigation and verification of the information discovered through various sources focusing on the role of Brian Hodge and “his team” as described in his interviews is required as well.

Some believe that it is possible that Mr. Paddock and the second shooter planned to utilize an alternative room (perhaps 32314 as reserved by Hodge) as part of their cover for escape. However, poor internal communication and post attack adrenaline may have led to an operational compromise (Hodge continuing to name room number 32-134 after having already escaped the hotel). This may also have been an attempt by Mr. Hodge to explain his presence on the hallway proximate to the known shooter’s suite 32-135.

Mr. Hodge requires a detailed investigation and interview. Initial research shows that social media direct messages and historical data have been wiped, emails addresses and content have been wiped, direct messages in various social media forums have been deleted. Mr. Hodge also shows various irregular travel patterns that are concealed from social media and general knowledge. In addition to this, Mr. Hodge has changed his phone and his address since the attack.

Mr. Paddock probably procured this large amount of ammunition and weapons, as well as a very large suite encompassing two rooms, believing that there would be a team of ANTIFA (or Islamic State) affiliated individuals available to conduct the attack. Did the security guard interrupt the attack and trigger a response from Paddock and Hodge prior to Hodge’s team’s arrival.

Whatever and wherever the truth lies; it is not as claimed by the ever changing story and the recent silence of the local law enforcement. There are too many inconsistencies within the digital, behavioral, and legacy database profile of Mr. Paddock for him to have carried out this attack alone as presently portrayed. The

¹⁰ There are references to such movement in the recently published book by Edward Klein, *All Out War*

poor quality of the autopsy report is damaging the credibility of the police and security apparatus. There are too many missing pieces of his composition and life puzzle, and particularly during the period October 2016 to the date of the shooting, almost exactly one year later.