

Overview of the Defendant's Conduct

1. Between in and around January, 2017, and June 15, 2017, as part of the defendant AZIZ IHAB SAYYED's attempt to provide personnel and services to ISIS:

A. Defendant AZIZ IHAB SAYYED (SAYYED) obtained and viewed ISIS propaganda videos of the type described in paragraphs 8 and 9 of this Information. These videos depicted ISIS forces committing bombings, executions by gunshot, beheadings, and other violent acts. SAYYED shared the videos with others, narrating the video contents.

B. SAYYED expressed his support for ISIS. Among other things, SAYYED stated that ISIS was "on the right path," he displayed an ISIS flag, he possessed and shared ISIS videos, and he expressed support for ISIS attacks, which had occurred around the world.

C. SAYYED learned how to make an explosive called triacetone triperoxide ("TATP"), an extremely dangerous and highly volatile material, which is made by combining sulfuric acid, hydrogen peroxide, and acetone.

D. SAYYED acquired sulfuric acid, hydrogen peroxide, and acetone from stores in the Huntsville, Alabama area.

E. SAYYED expressed his desire to conduct attacks on police stations with TATP.

F. On or about June 13, 2017, SAYYED met with a person he understood to be an ISIS member. During this meeting, SAYYED and the other person discussed, among other things, the danger of TATP, ISIS's preference for the use of certain explosives, and SAYYED's desire to assist ISIS. During this meeting, SAYYED offered himself as personnel to the person he understood to be a member of ISIS.

Count One
Attempting to Provide Material Support or Resources
to a Designated Foreign Terrorist Organization
18 U.S.C. § 2339B

1. Beginning on a date unknown, but no later than on or about January 1, 2017, and continuing until on or about June 15, 2017, in Madison County, within the Northern District of Alabama and elsewhere, the defendant,

AZIZ IHAB SAYYED,

knowingly attempted to provide material support or resources, including services and personnel, to a foreign terrorist organization, namely ISIS, knowing that ISIS was a designated foreign terrorist organization and that ISIS engages in and has engaged in terrorist activity and terrorism, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2339B.

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