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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Breaking News; FBI: Shooter Left Anti-ICE Messages]

DAVID MUIR: Also tonight, the sniper attack on that ICE facility. Tonight, new video, first obtained by ABC News. ICE agents and detainees in shackles racing for cover and you'll see it. Three detainees shot. One killed. Two in critical condition. Tonight, what the FBI has now revealed about the gunman, the handwritten notes and what he was doing at 3:00 a.m., hours before that attack.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: FBI: Shooter Wanted to "Terrorize ICE"]

MUIR: In the meantime tonight, we have chilling new details about that deadly sniper attack on an ICE facility in Dallas. We have new video first obtained by ABC News tonight. ICE agents and detainees in shackles, you can see them racing for cover. Three detainees were shot. One killed. Two remain in critical condition. And tonight, what the FBI is now revealing about the gunman. The handwritten notes, and what they say the suspect was doing at 3:00 a.m., hours before the attack. Again tonight, ABC's Mireya Villarreal from Dallas.

[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: ABC News Exclusive; FBI: Shooter Wanted to "Terrorize ICE"; New Video Shows Vans Coming Under Fire in Dallas]

MIREYA VILLARREAL: Tonight, we're seeing the moment gunfire erupted at an ICE facility in Dallas. Officers and detainees ducking for cover as bullets rained down. Detainees shackled at the hands and ankles, rushing to safety inside the building in video first obtained by ABC News. Armed agents then seen approaching the vans that came under fire, peering inside, carrying victims away. And tonight, authorities say the sniper who carried out that attack killing a detainee and critically wounding two more wanted to terrorize ICE agents.

ACTING U.S. ATTORNEY FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS NANCY LARSON: He hoped his actions would terrorize ICE employees and interfere with their work, which he called human trafficking and this, what he did, is the very definition of terrorism.

VILLARREAL: Officials identifying the suspect at 29-year-old Joshua Jahn, saying they found handwritten notes in his home expressing hatred for the federal government and revealing a high degree of pre-attack planning.

LARSON: Notably, these loose notes included a game plan of the attack and target areas at the facility.

VILLARREAL: FBI Director Kash Patel today saying one of the notes read, “Hopefully this will give ICE agents real terror to think, ‘is there a sniper with ap rounds on that roof?’” Investigators believe the suspect acted alone, seen on surveillance video driving with a large ladder on his car around 3:00 a.m.

LARSON: We believe that that is what he used to position himself on top of the building.

VILLARREAL: The investigation revealing the suspect opened fire three hours later, using an eight-millimeter bolt action rifle he legally purchased in August. The FBI releasing a picture of some of the ammunition found. One bullet reading ‘anti-ICE.” Officials say the suspect used ICE trafficking apps to pinpoint agents’ locations.

FBI SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE JOE ROTHROCK: He knew with a high likelihood ICE detainees would be transported that morning in the exact location where he was facing from his perch on a nearby rooftop.

VILLARREAL: The suspect firing a barrage of bullets as detainees were being taken out of a van.

LARSON: The tragic irony for his evil plot here is that it was a detainee who was killed and two other detainees that were injured.

VILLARREAL: Agents running back into the gunfire to pull the detainees to safety.

LARSON: While the bullets were flying, these agents were heroic, clearly willing to lay down their lives to save the lives of the detainees in their custody.

VILLARREAL: David, investigators do not believe the suspect had any affiliation with any hate groups, and, in fact, they also say that he wrote notes saying, “this is my plan,” and it came from my brain. Also, late today, we got ahold of his voter registration out of Oklahoma, and it has him registered as an independent. David?

MUIR: Mireya Villarreal from Dallas tonight. Mireya, thank you.