

*ABC's World News Tonight*  
03/07/26  
6:49:21 p.m.  
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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: "Suspicious Devices" Found at NYC Protest]

LINSEY DAVIS: Next tonight, two people arrested after a suspicious device went off during an anti-Muslim protest here in New York. The protests outside Gracie mansion, the mayor's residence, prompting counter protesters to show up as well. Two were arrested for allegedly throwing what is believed to be a smoke bomb. No injuries reported.

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*ABC's Good Morning America*  
03/08/26  
8:02:34 a.m.  
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GIO BENITEZ: And we have a lot of news to get to here this morning, starting with the security scare at the New York City mayor's residence, the FBI's joint terrorism task force is now investigating suspicious devices thrown during a protest as possible acts of terrorism.

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8:17:00 a.m.  
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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Six Arrested During Protest at NYC Mayor's Residence]

JANAI NORMAN: New this morning, New York City police say six people were arrested during a protest and a counter protest near the official residence of New York City's mayor. Police say two suspicious devices were found. Jars filled with nuts, bolts and screws, and a hobby fuse they say one protest of about twenty people was organized by far-right, anti-immigrant figure Jake Lang. About 125 people were part of the counter protest. The FBI's New York's Joint Terrorism Task Force says it is investigating the throwing of suspicious devices as possible acts of terrorism.

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*NBC's Sunday Today with Willie Geist*  
03/08/26  
8:11:01 a.m.  
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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Six Arrested During Protests Outside of Gracie Mansion]

WILLIE GEIST: Two people are in custody in New York City after protests outside of the mayor's residence turned violent. The NYPD says the suspects are accused of throwing incendiary devices towards a small group of anti-Islam protesters led by a right-wing influencer. Mayor Zohran Mamdani was home at the time, but was not injured. Four other people were arrested at the protests and counterprotests.

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*CBS Weekend News with Jericka Duncan*

03/08/26

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Terrorism Investigation]

JERICKA DUNCAN: Terrorism investigation.

SHANELLE KAUL: I'm Shanelle Kaul in New York City, where two people have been arrested suspected of igniting explosive devices during an anti-Islam protest outside the mayor's official residence.

NYPD COMMISSIONER JESSICA TISCH: This investigation remains active and we will continue working to analyze the devices and to determine whether anyone else may have been involved.

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11:08:43 p.m.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Terrorism Investigation]

DUNCAN: Tonight, the FBI is investigating two men after an explosive device with bolts and screws was thrown into a crowd. It happened in New York City on Saturday during a protest that turned violent outside the mayor's official residence. CBS's Shanelle Kaul is there with the very latest tonight. Shanelle.

[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Breaking News; FBI Investigating Two Men for Explosive Device at Protest]

KAUL: And Jericka, New York City Mayor Zohran Mamdani, who is Muslim, was inside Gracie Mansion when a small anti-Islam protest took place here yesterday afternoon. A larger counter-protest then showed up and police say two men who were part of that group brought

those homemade devices. [SHOUTING] This is the moment a homemade bomb was ignited —

ISLAMIST: Allau Akhbar.

KAUL: — outside the New York City mayor’s residence Saturday afternoon.

VOICE ON STREAM: He threw a bomb? Did he throw a bomb, bro?

KAUL: NYPD commissioner Jessica Tisch says the device did not explode, but that it could have caused serious injury or death

TISCH: Based on preliminary examination and x-ray imaging, the devices which were a bit smaller than a football, appeared to be ajar, wrapped in black tape — importantly — with nuts, bolts and screws along with a hobby fuse that could be lit

KAUL: The man seen throwing it. 18-year-old Emir Balat and his 19-year-old friend Ibrahim Kayumi, both from Pennsylvania, were arrested. Authorities say they were part of a group of nearly 125 people counter-protesting, a much smaller anti-Islam demonstration led by Jake Lang.

JAKE LANG: The violent left! They hate freedom of speech.

KAUL: — a pardoned U.S. Capitol insurrectionist who has frequently sought out political confrontations in the months after President Trump gave him clemency. In a statement, Mayor Zohran Mamdani saying “yesterday, white supremacist Jake Lang organized a protest outside Gracie Mansion rooted in bigotry and racism,” adding, “what followed was even more disturbing. Violence at a protest is never acceptable.” And police also say they found a third device in a vehicle just down the street from here the FBI, now investigating this as terrorism and, Jericka, sources telling CBS News authorities are also now working to determine if either of those two men were inspired by ISIS, Jericka.

DUNCAN: Shanelle Kaul, thank you.