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UNIDENTIFIED NEWS ANCHOR: Two teenagers arrested in New York City for allegedly throwing explosive devices during a protest near the mayor's mansion.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Explosives Outside NYC Mayor's Home Amid Protests]

VLADIMIR DUTHIERS: The FBI is now investigating after it says an improvised explosive device was thrown during rival protests outside the official residence of New York City's mayor. Mayor Zohran Momdani, the city's first Muslim mayor, denounced the violence. Jericka Duncan has more from outside Gracie Mansion.

[SHOUTING]

JERICKA DUNCAN: Protesters and counter-protesters of an anti-Islam rally clashed on New York City streets outside Gracie Mansion, Saturday. Police allege 18-year-old Emir Balat threw an improvised explosive device into the crowd. You can then see him grab what may be a second device from 19-year-old Ibrahim Kayumi. Balat appears to try and light it before police chased him down the street, tackled Balat and handcuffed him. Neither device exploded. Police also arrested Kayumi. Investigators are now looking into whether they were inspired by ISIS extremist messaging.

NYPD COMMISSIONER JESSICA TISCH: The devices appear to be a jar wrapped in black tape along with a hobby fuse.

DUNCAN: On Sunday, a third suspicious device was found in connection with the investigation. [SHOUTING] The original anti-Islam protest was organized by far-right influencer Jake Lang, a January 6 insurrectionist who was granted clemency by President Trump. Mayor Zohran Momdani, who is Muslim, said "white supremacist Jake Lang organized a protest outside Gracie Mansion rooted in bigotry and racism...What followed," he said, "was even more disturbing." CBS News law enforcement contributor Richard Esposito.

RICHARD ESPOSITO: They will work CIA's in there. They'll work hard now to take apart who else these people might be connected to. And, in the longer term sense, are there people we need to watch?

DUNCAN: The FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force is now investigating which could mean federal

charges could be next. Now, we're expected to learn more at a news conference right outside of Gracie Mansion later today, Adriana.

DIAZ: Thank you so much.