The conspirators of the Fort Dix plot chose five military installations and one military event across three states before finally selecting Fort Dix as the location to attack.

One of the conspirators was a pizza delivery person who used his access to the installation as a means of obtaining maps and locating large concentrations of Soldiers and critical facilities on Fort Dix.

The conspirators worked to obtain a large amount of weapons both through legal and illegal means.

The conspirators trained with weapons numerous times at remote outdoor ranges in Pennsylvania while also rehearsing actions on the objective through the use of paintball weapons close to their residence.

Terrorists’ plans aren’t usually uncovered in neat bullet points; such plans are usually foiled by someone seeing—then reporting—one suspicious detail. Like the one that Circuit City employee Brian Morgenstern saw in a video the suspects described above gave him. After Brian saw “stuff on the film that was disturbing,” he called Mount Laurel, NJ police, who quickly involved the FBI. Brian’s actions illustrate how proactive awareness can uncover prospective terrorists and their methods. Antiterrorism is principally defensive, but any vigilance on your part—that’s going on the offensive.

The Action of One Can Save the Lives of Many

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