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## Attacks

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ment. Authorities said the two planned to use machine guns and grenades in the attack. In audio and video recordings, they discussed the plot, including strategies to time their attack on military recruits, such as by tossing grenades in the cafeteria, the complaint said.

The attack would not target "anybody innocent - that means old people, women out of uniform, any children," Abdul-Latif allegedly said. "Just people who wear the green for the kaffir army, that's who we're going after."

Abdul-Latif was recorded in conversations with the informant where he spoke admiringly of the 2009 massacre at Fort Hood, Texas, that claimed 13 lives. He referred to war crimes charges against five soldiers accused of killing Afghan civilians for sport last year, saying "he was not comfortable with letting the legal system deal with these matters," according to an FBI agent's affidavit filed in U.S. District Court.

Mujahidh confessed after the arrest, saying the attack was aimed at preventing the U.S. military "from going to Islamic lands and killing Muslims," court documents said. He is also known as Frederick Domingue Jr., 32, of Los Angeles.

Court-appointed lawyers for the men declined to comment.

The arrests and news of the plot come after a May 31 assessment from the Homeland Security Department that said coordinated terrorist attacks against military recruiting and National Guard facilities were unlikely. But it warned that lone offenders or groups would try to launch attacks against those facilities.

Abdul-Latif and Mujahidh face federal charges of conspiracy to murder officers and employees of the United States, conspiracy to use a weapon of mass destruction, and possession of firearms in furtherance of crimes of violence. Abdul-Latif was also charged with two counts of illegal posses-

sion of firearms.

"The complaint alleges these men intended to carry out a deadly attack against our military where they should be most safe, here at home," U.S. Attorney Jenny A. Durkan, of Seattle, said in a statement. "This is a sobering reminder of our need to be vigilant."

Abdul-Latif was previously convicted for robbing a Bremerton, Wash., convenience store and for obstructing a law enforcement officer, assault and theft. When he faced the robbery charge in 2002, he was found to have some "issues" during a psychological evaluation but allowed to stand trial, FBI Special Agent Albert C. Kelly III wrote in the complaint.

A copy of the evaluation showed that Abdul-Latif believed he suffered from depression and abandonment issues, because his father served time in prison in California and he had not seen his



Mujahidh Walli

mother in a long time. He also said he "huffed" gasoline and smoked marijuana to get high, and that he tried to kill himself in 2001 by deliberately overdosing on seizure medication.

He served prison time on the robbery charge from January 2002 until July 2004. State Corrections Department spokesman Chad Lewis said "nothing in Davis' records that indicates that he converted to Islam while he was in prison."

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## Cameras

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Sutinen needs about 2,800 signatures and to win a legal battle against the city. Supporters have turned in 3,628 but believe they will need hundreds more in the coming weeks after officials finish sorting through which ones are valid.

Longview has about a dozen cameras covering three intersections and two school zones. Mayor Kurt Anagnostou said he is sensitive to the concerns about the cameras and initially opposed them himself - until he got feedback from the public about red-light runners and intersection accidents.

"I heard from enough citizens that we have a problem in Longview," Anagnostou said. "They changed my opinion."

The city began a one-year trial of the cameras this year, and Anagnostou said the program has made people more aware at intersec-

tions.

Sutinen is certainly aware. He avoids the traffic cameras at all costs, taking detours that extend his three-mile commute to five. Even before he had a driver's license, Sutinen said he hated the idea of the cameras and sought help from Eyman, who provided the initiative's wording.

Comparatively, local initiatives in Washington can be more challenging than statewide ones because they typically require activists to gather signatures equaling 15 percent of voters registered in the area during the previous election. Statewide initiatives require signatures totaling 8 percent of the number of people who voted for governor in the previous election.

Supporters believe the proposals in Longview, Monroe and Redmond would be

the first local initiatives to reach the ballot in those cities.

Longview leaders are looking to block the proposal, contending that the issue is not subject to the initiative process. They have instead proposed that the public take an advisory vote on the matter.

The nine states that have banned red-light cameras are Arkansas, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, New Hampshire, West Virginia and Wisconsin, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. Arizona did not renew its speed enforcement camera program last year. Several other states have passed laws limiting the use of camera enforcement.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

# SEATTLE JUNE-JULY 2011



If you have an event you want to share with the community, email it two weeks in advance to *The Skanner* at [info@theskanner.com](mailto:info@theskanner.com)

**Thursday June 30**

**TEACHING KIDS ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT - JOB OPPORTUNITY.** This is another paid opportunity. We'll potentially install bat boxes, remove invasive plants & more. Meet at 9 a.m. and return by 7 p.m. Discover Park ELC, 3801 W Government Way. For more info call 206-423-1501

**Friday July 1**

**STARS AND STRIPES FUN FAMILY FRIDAY!** Family fun at Munger pool: Themed swim with activities, games and prizes. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Prices are \$4.75 adults, \$3.25 youth/sr. 5:30 p.m. 2535 32nd Ave. W.

**Saturday thru Monday July 2 - 4**

**2011 LAKE UNION WOODEN BOAT FESTIVAL:** The festival will include visiting vessels, free public boat rides, activities for all ages and more. Saturday & Sunday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. The Center for Wooden Boats, 1010 Valley St.

**Monday July 4**

**27TH ANNUAL NATURALIZATION CEREMONY.** Over 500 people, from more than 75 countries will be sworn in by U.S. Circuit Judge, as new citizens of the United States of America. 11 a.m. concert and then the ceremony at 12:00 p.m. Fisher

Pavilion, Seattle Center Free for everyone to enjoy.

**2011 FAMILY 4TH AT LAKE UNION:** Family 4th at Lake Union starts at noon at Gas Works Park, 2101 N. Northlake Way. The event features a broad range of family friendly activities as well as games and entertainment. Then end the evening with the fireworks display.

**Tuesday July 5**

**ARE YOU AFRAID OF COMPUTERS?** The Seattle Public Library can help! Learn how to use a keyboard and mouse. 2:30 - 4 p.m. Central Library, 1000 Fourth Ave. For more info call 206-386-4636.

**Friday thru Sunday July 8 - 10**

**WEST SEATTLE SUMMER FEST!** West Seattle Summer Fest is a 3-day street fair. Friday 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. - Midnight and Sunday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. California Ave. and SW Alaska St.