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Terrorists strike London



MAX NASH/AP

British police forensic experts walk away from the wreckage of a double-decker bus that was ripped apart by an explosion in Russell Square in central London on Thursday. The explosion was one of four attacks Thursday during the morning rush hour.

At least 38 dead, 700 injured in series of four explosions

By John Daniszewski
Los Angeles Times

LONDON — Bombs ripped through three underground trains and a red double-decker bus in central London during the Thursday morning rush hour, killing at least 38 people and wounding more than 700.

The blasts were apparently timed to coincide with the first full working day of a summit in Scotland where British Prime Minister Tony Blair was hosting leaders of the world's most industrialized nations.

British foreign minister Jack Straw said the bombings bore "the hallmarks of an al-Qaida-related attack," but police said they could not confirm the claim of responsibility posted on the Internet by a group claiming links to the terror network.

The group, calling itself "The Secret Organization of al-Qaida in Europe," said the blasts were in



EDMOND TERAPOPIAN/AP

Injured people leave Edgware Road tube station to be treated at the London Hilton Metropole on Edgware Road on Thursday.

retaliation for British activities in Iraq and Afghanistan. The same organization posted new threats against Italy and Denmark, two U.S. allies with troops in Iraq, causing security officials across Europe and as far away as Mexico to announce heightened states of alert.

While police stopped short of identifying any individuals or groups, Blair said he suspected peo-

ple who claim to act "in the name of Islam."

"We will not allow violence to change our societies or our values nor will we allow it to stop the work of this summit," Blair said, with President Bush, French President Jacques Chirac and other leaders of the Group of 8 nations at his side.

Blair returned to London and **SEE LONDON, PAGE A5**

S.J. County agencies tell staff to increase focus on security

By Yasmin Assemi, Jennifer Murphy and Zachary K. Johnson
Record Staff Writers

STOCKTON — San Joaquin County gaped with most of the world Thursday at news of London's terrorist attacks, but the tragedy likely won't affect travel or service on local transit, officials said.

Though terrorist attack threats are not the top concern of local transit officials, San Joaquin County agencies have told their employees to be more vigilant since hearing news from London. Dozens of passengers in that city were killed Thursday when a series of explosions tore through subway trains and a bus.

"Our crews will be more focused on security issues, more than collecting fares," said Gregg Baxter, director of operations for Altamont Commuter Express, the commuter train that travels between Stockton and Silicon Valley.

ACE employees will continue normal security activities such as checking garbage cans and walking through trains to look for sus- **SEE SECURITY, PAGE A5**

Wards charged with assault on counselors

By Scott Smith
Record Staff Writer

STOCKTON — Three wards returning to their living units from work assignments in the kitchen Wednesday at the N.A. Chaderjian Youth Correctional Facility attacked three staffers, who were rushed by ambulance to local hospitals, a spokeswoman for the state's youth prison system said Thursday.

One ward booked in the incident had recently returned to the juvenile prison after finishing a sentence in an adult state prison for a previous assault

on a Chaderjian correctional officer, said Sarah Ludeman, a spokeswoman for the California Division of Juvenile Justice, formerly known as the California Youth Authority.

The youth correctional counselors — who sustained injuries ranging from concussions, hurt knees, bruised heads and cut lips — were released from the hospital early Thursday, Ludeman said.

The attacks are just the latest example of what critics have called a failing youth prison that is dangerous for both wards, whom the state is charged with

rehabilitating, and staffers who blame attempts at reform for escalating tensions.

The three wards were booked into the San Joaquin County Jail on charges of assault with a deadly weapon other than a firearm, inflicting great bodily injury and an enhancement for being members of a criminal street gang. They are scheduled to appear today for arraignment in the San Joaquin County Superior Court.

"It certainly was a violent attack, no doubt about that," Ludeman said. "The depart- **SEE WARDS, PAGE A5**

\$117.5B state budget awaiting governor's OK

By Staff and Wire Reports

SACRAMENTO — With uncharacteristic dispatch, the state Legislature approved California's \$117.5 billion budget Thursday, sending Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger the same agreement he struck earlier this week with top legislative leaders.

The budget was approved 64-13 in the Assembly and 34-4 in the Senate, a show of support far greater than the

two-thirds vote required for passage in both houses.

All eight members of the San Joaquin County-area delegation voted for the spending plan.

The governor is expected to sign the legislation early next week, allowing him and Democrats to focus on finding compromises to initiatives on the November special election ballot. It would mark the earliest date California has approved a **SEE BUDGET, PAGE A5**