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HOMELAND SECURITY

Alleged local ISIS backer charged



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A Pensacola man who allegedly expressed a desire to assist the Islamic State is facing criminal charges for making false statements to federal investigators.

In 2014 and 2015, Robert Blake Johnson, 31, allegedly made multiple Facebook postings expressing support for extremist terrorist groups and stating a desire to assist the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIS or ISIL), according to a news release from the U.S. Attorney's Office. When in-

terviewed by FBI agents in June 2015, he reportedly denied the activities.

Jackson was arrested Thursday morning on a charge of making materially false statements in a federal investigation. He later made a first appearance in federal court.

According to Jackson's warrant affidavit, the FBI's San Diego Division began reviewing the Facebook profile of "Abdur Rashid Bin Jackson" in early October 2014 after becoming aware of pro-ISIL posts. On Sept. 19, 2014, the user posted a picture of the ISIL flag and an ISIL recruitment

video. Another Facebook user posted the question "Are you isis?" to which Abdur Rashid Bin Jackson replied, "... I am not ISIS, though I wish I could help."

Other information on the Facebook page indicated Jackson lived in Pensacola, and on Jan. 29, 2015, a local telemarketing business reported they had fired Jackson for viewing terrorism-related websites and videos on his work computer, the affidavit said.

On June 3, 2015, Jackson was inter-

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ELECTION 2016
CLINTON VOWS TO BE A UNIFIER

Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton speaks during the final day of the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia.

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Clinton: 'We will rise to the challenge.' **1B**

Andy Marlette is surprised that the liberals at the DNC didn't live up to their wild classifications. **2A**

Troy Moon says we can't agree on a president but we will probably get the one we deserve. **3A**

State Democrats feel united, but say work remains

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PHILADELPHIA - Florida Democrats wrapped up their party's political convention Thursday feeling more unified and energized heading into the fall election, but they recognize there's more work to do.

Port St. Lucie delegate Charles Ray said he sees a significant number of Bernie Sanders supporters embracing Hillary Clinton now that she's the Democratic nominee.

But if Clinton wants to win over those still on the fence, she needs to be careful about how she addresses the hot-

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ENVIRONMENT

BEACH UPGRADE HALFWAY HOME



PHOTOS BY GREGG PACHKOWSKI/GREGG@PNJ.COM
 Beachgoers enjoy the finished area just beyond some of the equipment being used for the Pensacola Beach renourishment project.

Project should be finished by the end of August, says director of the Santa Rosa Island Authority



Russell Littleton, right, and Juel Tillman survey progress of the Pensacola Beach renourishment project as it reaches the halfway mark.

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A massive project to pump sand onto an 8-mile swath of Pensacola Beach has reached the halfway mark.

The \$16 million project should be finished by the end of August, weather permitting, said Paolo Ghio, director of the Santa Rosa Island Authority.

"When you go out there and look at what hasn't been done and then you walk 100 yards to where it has been done, it is quite amazing to see how much sand we have lost," Ghio said Wednesday during a project update for the Island Authority.

Crews are pumping 50,000 cubic yards of sand onto eroded sections of the barrier island every day during the 24-hour, nonstop operation, he said.

Ghio said work within the core area of Pensacola Beach should begin within the

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