
GERMAN SOLDIER POSING AS SYRIAN REFUGEE ARRESTED FOR 'PLANNING ATTACK'

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A German soldier who posed as a Syrian refugee has been arrested for planning an attack that would have been blamed on asylum seekers.

A second suspect was also arrested, believed to be a co-conspirator.

Authorities in Frankfurt believe the 28-year-old suspect was motivated by xenophobia, and planned an attack in order to blame it on migrants or refugees.

He is believed to have posed as a Syrian war refugee at the end of December 2015 using a false name. He is believed to then having asked for asylum with authorities in Bavaria before receiving accommodation at a Bavarian refugee centre, Frankfurt prosecutor Nadja Niesen told reporters.

Security concerns are paramount in Germany which has seen a string of ISIL-inspired attacks over the past year. Chancellor Merkels decision to open borders in 2015 polarised opinion, and led to a rise in hate crimes.

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