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Bombs and explosive alerts	Date: 11/08/2008

Policy Statement

The Civil Nuclear Constabulary (the Constabulary) is committed to reassuring the community and stakeholders over the fear of crime, to preventing and detecting terrorist activity, to ensuring the safety of the community and stakeholders, and to protecting the rights and freedoms of individuals.

In respect of actual or potential threats involving bombs or explosives the Constabulary will:

- Base any police action on necessity and proportionality as to the potential impact of the incident.
- Carefully manage the deployment of officers to ongoing incidents, utilising the Risk Assessment guidelines contained within Constabulary Policies, Procedures and Processes that are provided by the Constabulary Health & Safety Advisor.
- Highlight the responsibility of all officers, especially Managers and Supervisors, to conduct 'Dynamic Risk Assessments' when attending spontaneous incidents where Bombs and Explosives are suspected. Officers will be reminded that the duty of care is to all those affected by their actions, including the Community, stakeholders, colleagues and themselves.
- Work in partnership with Military Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) officers. This Policy is to work in conjunction with existing military Standard Operating Procedures.

Aims of the Policy

To reassure stakeholders that consideration has been given to the compatibility of this Policy and related procedures within the Human Rights Act 1998, with particular reference to the legal basis of its precepts; the legitimacy of its aims; the justification and proportionality of the actions intended by it; that it is the least intrusive and damaging option necessary to achieve the aims; and that it defines the need to document the relevant decision making processes and that the outcomes of action are to protect life and property. The Policy also reinforces the Common Law duty of the Police to protect life and detect crime.

This policy is enacted by the following management system documents:

CNC/PP/0047	Bombs
CNC/PP/0407	Health & safety general risk assessment

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