Cargo plane bomb suspects

Security services believe Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) are behind the attempt to send two parcel bombs on cargo planes

INSPIRATION: Anwar al-Awlaki
U.S.-born radical Islamist cleric – lacks formal Islamic training but powerful oratory appeals to non-Arabic speakers. Also linked to Detroit bomb plot suspect *Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab* and Fort Hood gunman *Nidal Malik Hasan.* Placed on U.S. hit list by *President Obama.* Currently in hiding with family tribe in Yemen

CHIEF SUSPECT: Ibrahim Hassan al-Asiri
Ruthless Saudi-born bomb-maker, believed to have supplied device for Detroit bomber, and sent his own brother, 23, on suicide mission to kill Saudi prince *Mohammed bin Nayef* with bomb hidden in body cavity. Currently hiding in Yemen

PLOT
Two devices containing PETN explosive – used in past by AQAP

— **Device 1**
— **Device 2**

UK: Device found on plane at East Midlands Airport

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Cologne

DUBAI: Device 1 transferred to UPS flight to U.S. via Germany and UK. Device 2 detected on FedEx plane

UPS

YEMEN: Devices addressed to Chicago synagogues – one sent with UPS via Dubai, second with FedEx on Qatar Airways passenger flight to Doha, Qatar

QATAR: Device placed on flight to Dubai

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FedEx

UPS