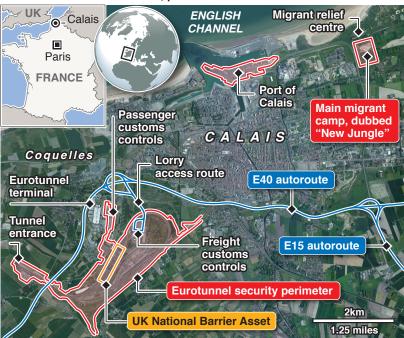
UK, France scramble to boost Calais security

The UK and French governments are scrambling to beef up security around the Channel Tunnel as thousands of migrants, mainly from Africa and the Middle East, put their lives at risk to reach British soil



- Police: France deploying extra 120 armed officers to Calais to secure Channel Tunnel terminal – 650-hectare site previously guarded by 60 French police along with 200 Eurotunnel security staff
- Detention: Migrants caught on French side are generally freed to return to camps and try again. Those caught in Britain may be detained while their asylum applications are considered. Many hide aboard trucks as they roll off trains until they stop for fuel, then hop off and vanish
- Fences: Eurotunnel crews repairing damage to perimeter fence. UK deploying section of 2.75m-high National Barrier Asset used during 2014 NATO summit in Wales to surround lorry terminal
- Cost: Groupe Eurotunnel says it has spent total of \$175m on fencing, cameras, infra-red detectors and personnel to protect terminal.

 Operator requesting over \$10m from UK and French governments to compensate for loss of business though delays to service