

# European assassinations (and attempts)

Slovak Prime Minister *Robert Fico* has been seriously injured in a shooting – one of several high-profile attacks on European leaders in the past 50 years



**2024, Robert Fico:**  
Slovak Prime Minister shot greeting supporters in *Handlova*  
**STATUS: Critically ill**



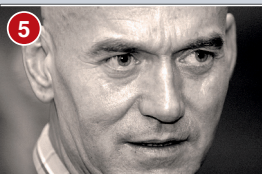
**2003, Anna Lindh:**  
Swedish Foreign Minister stabbed in *Stockholm* store  
**STATUS: Killed**



**2003, Zoran Djindjic:**  
Serbian PM shot with high-powered rifle in *Belgrade*  
**STATUS: Killed**



**2002, Jacques Chirac:**  
Shooter misses French President on Bastille Day in *Paris*  
**STATUS: Survived**



**2002, Pim Fortuyn:**  
Well-known Dutch politician shot in *Hilversum*  
**STATUS: Killed**



**1990, Wolfgang Schäuble:** German politician paralysed in shooting in *Oppenau*  
**STATUS: Survived**



**1981, Pope John Paul II:** Shot twice in Saint Peter's Square, *Vatican City*  
**STATUS: Survived**



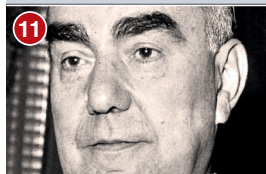
**1986, Olof Palme:**  
Swedish PM shot in *Stockholm* street while walking home  
**STATUS: Killed**



**1978, Aldo Moro:**  
Former Italian PM kidnapped and shot by *Red Brigades* in *Rome*  
**STATUS: Killed**



**1984, Margaret Thatcher:** British PM target of *IRA* bomb at *Brighton* hotel  
**STATUS: Survived**



**1973, Luis Carrero Blanco:** Spanish PM victim of *ETA* bombing in *Madrid* street  
**STATUS: Killed**