

Paris airport attacker shouted: 'I'm here to die for Allah – there will be deaths

I suppose the authorities are still unclear about his motive – they usually are even when it is glaringly obvious. From [Other sources have a full name – Ziyed Ben Belgacem](#) – a French born and French passport holder of North African heritage.



He was initially stopped for speeding at a road check north of the city early this morning, shooting a policewoman in the head. He then held up a woman motorist at gunpoint, stealing her car and driving to Orly airport. In the airport terminal the attacker assaulted a patrol of three counter-terrorism soldiers, making the statement about Allah. He wrestled one of the soldiers to the floor, trying to take her gun.

A police source said the man was “a radicalised Muslim known to intelligence services and the justice system”. He had a history of thefts and violent robberies. The man’s father, brother and a cousin have been taken into police custody.