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AN EXPLOSION BY A KAMIKAZE BOMBER NEXT TO THE HOLY MOSK OF PROPHET MOHAMED

BLAST IN MADINAH BEFORE AID ON 4 JULY

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USPA NEWS - Today on July 4th, an explosion near one of Islam's holiest sites in the city of Medina, as two suicide bombers struck in different cities without killing anyone., reported Saudi Agencies.Sabq news site and other local media, quoting unnamed sources, said the explosion was caused by a suicide bomber

THE BLAST OCCURRED THE DAY BEFORE THE AID EL FETR FOR THE MUSLIMS AND THE 4TH JULY INDEPENDENCE DAY IN THE USA-----

People were breaking their fast with dates so the mood was subdued, he said. Many at first thought it was the sound of traditional, celebratory cannon fire, but then he felt the ground shake.

"The vibrations were very strong," he said. "It sounded like a building imploded."

Also Monday evening, a suicide bomber and a car bomb exploded near a Shiite mosque in eastern Saudi Arabia, according to a resident there, several hours after another suicide bomber carried out an attack near the U.S. Consulate in the western city of Jiddah.The possibility of coordinated, multiple attacks across different cities in Saudi Arabia on the same day underscores the threat the kingdom faces from extremists who view the Western-allied Saudi monarchy as heretics and enemies of Islam. Saudi Arabia is part of the U.S.-led coalition fighting the Islamic State group in Iraq and Syria.-----

The attack in the eastern region of Qatif did not appear to cause any injuries, said resident Mohammed al-Nimr, whose brother is Nimr-al-Nimr, a prominent Saudi Shiite cleric executed in January. He told The Associated Press the bomber detonated his suicide vest when most residents of the neighborhood were at home breaking the daily Ramadan fast.

Qatif is heavily populated by Shiites, who are a minority in the Sunni-ruled kingdom. Al-Nimr said that near the body of a suicide bomber was a car bomb that also went off around the same time. The IS group's local affiliates in the kingdom have previously attacked Shiite places of worship, including an attack on a Shiite mosque in Qatif in May 2015 that killed 21 people. Source CNN, AP, The Khaleej Times

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