

# Suspect kept a list

Official: Intended targets discovered amid Fla. probe

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MIAMI — The man suspected of sending pipe bombs to prominent Democrats and other opponents of President Donald Trump kept a list of elected officials and others who investigators believe were intended targets, an official told The Associated Press on Monday.

The disclosure came as 56-year-old Cesar Sayoc made his initial court appearance in Miami federal court Monday, saying little but tearing up, and after bomb squads were called to a post office in Atlanta about a suspicious mailing to CNN similar to the pipe bomb packages recovered in the case last week.

The official said authorities had recovered soldering equipment, a printer, and stamps similar to those used on the package bombs in the investigation into Sayoc, who was arrested last week in Florida. Authorities be-



Mail bomb suspect Cesar Sayoc, left, in Miramar, Fla., Friday.

lieve Sayoc was putting explosives together in his van.

The official wasn't authorized to discuss the ongoing investigation and spoke on condition of anonymity to the AP. The official also said that, as part of the investigation, authorities were scrutinizing Sayoc's social media posts.

The FBI said via its Twitter account that the recovered pack-

age in Atlanta was "similar in appearance" to the bubble-wrapped manila envelopes authorities say were sent by Sayoc to intended targets from Delaware to California, including former President Barack Obama, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and former Vice President Joe Biden.

CNN President Jeff Zucker says all mail to CNN has been

screened off-site since last week, when a series of package bombs began appearing around the country. Among them were two apparent mail bombs sent to CNN.

At least some listed a return address for U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-Florida), the former chair of the Democratic National Committee.

She represents the South Florida district where the former male stripper, pizza driver and strip club DJ lived in an older van covered with bumper stickers praising Trump, disparaging Democrats and CNN and showing rifle crosshairs over Clinton and filmmaker Michael Moore.

At Monday's hearing, federal prosecutors said they will seek to keep Sayoc jailed until trial as a flight risk and a danger to the community. A judge set another hearing for Friday on whether to grant bail to Sayoc and to discuss when he will be sent from Miami to New York, where five federal charges were filed.

One of Sayoc's attorneys, Daniel Aaronson, urged people not to rush to judgment based on media reports.

"Right now, we know very,

very, very little," Aaronson said of the case. "We do not know all the evidence the government has. You have to keep in mind he has not been found guilty of anything."

Sayoc, shackled at the wrists and ankles and wearing a tan jail jumpsuit, said little at the hearing but at one point teared up. Aaronson said he did not know what made Sayoc seem emotional but noted he is facing decades in prison if convicted.

Although authorities did not immediately say who might be responsible for the most recent package to CNN, the FBI said it believes the package discovered Monday is similar to those that Sayoc is accused of sending. Law enforcement officials have said they believe the packages were staggered and more could be discovered.

Sayoc was arrested Friday outside a South Florida auto parts store after investigators said they identified him through fingerprint and DNA evidence.

Authorities say Sayoc faces more than 50 years in prison if convicted on all charges. None of the bombs exploded and no one was injured.

## Green Stream hauls away stockpile at recycling facility

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Green Stream Recycling on Monday stopped processing recyclables at Brookhaven's recycling facility, but the company was on site to haul away the tons of unprocessed materials that remain there.

"We are ceasing operations processing incoming material. Right now, we are cleaning up the stockpile material," Green Stream President George Bateman said at the facility on Monday.

The company informed Brookhaven last week that it could no longer afford to run the town's recycling facility because of collapsing commodities prices streaming from China's decision to curtail purchases of U.S. recyclables. Brookhaven officials say the company owes the town \$1.7 million in fees and unpaid bills.

"I don't know what the number is, but going forward I'm sure we're going to negotiate with the town," Bateman said.



Unprocessed recycling material is hauled from Brookhaven's facility Monday. ■ Video: newsday.com/suffolk

Will Flower, vice president of Winters Bros. Waste Systems, which co-owns Green Stream, said Monday the company planned to meet with Brookhaven in the coming weeks, after saying last week that the company likely will not pay.

Green Stream was only four years into a 25-year contract with the town. The company's

exit means Brookhaven could be forced to abandon its single-stream recycling program, in which residents were allowed to combine paper, plastic, aluminum and glass in one container. Whether Brookhaven continues single stream or switches to dual-stream recycling will depend on which operator takes over the program long term.

"What's happening in the world industry is extremely frustrating," Bateman said. "It's an industry crusher."

He said material was once sold at \$180 per ton and the company now has to pay to get rid of it.

"The market has always been up and down, but this is an industry, worldwide change," he said.

On Monday, one truck from

Winter Bros., based in West Babylon, was being filled with unprocessed recyclables from Smithtown, Southold, Huntington and Brookhaven towns.

Bateman said the material would be taken to other company-owned recycling centers across Long Island.

Meanwhile, Brookhaven will hold a special meeting Thursday to name a new operator to temporarily run the recycling program.

Brookhaven Town Chief of Operations Matt Miner said Monday that the emergency contract bid is for six months with a possible six-month extension as town officials contemplate a long-term solution regarding single-stream or dual-stream use.

Brookhaven officials have told villages and towns that use the facility that they may opt out of the program. Smithtown and Huntington are seeking new recycling vendors. Those towns, as well as Southold and Oyster Bay, have also said they are reconsidering single-stream programs.