

## REQUEST FOR ARMED SECURITY WITHIN THE COURT PRECINCTS

### PART 1: CASE INFORMATION

#### 1. Case name

Izzet EREN and Erwin AMOYAW-GYAMFI

#### 2. Court name and Court number

Wood Green Crown Court T20157492

First Appearance Wood Green 1st November 2015, defendants pleaded guilty to Possession Of Firearms With Intent to Endanger Life and associated offences.

#### 3. Date of hearing; date when deployment of armed police requested; nature of hearing

Friday 11 December at Wood Green for sentence, however this may not be effective as the CPS are considering an offence of Conspiracy To Murder.

A decision is expected "early this week" on this additional count.

#### 4. Name and status of person to whom the application relates (e.g. defendant or witness)

The defendants : Izzet EREN and Erwin AMOYAW-GYAMFI

#### 5. Nature of risk and reasons why other forms of security are thought inadequate

Reliable and high graded intelligence suggests that there is an ongoing conspiracy to assist Izzet EREN in escaping from custody on Friday 11th December. The intelligence suggests that those seeking to carry out this offence will be in possession of firearms and other weapons.

The intelligence indicates that the attempt will be on the van transporting him from Wormwood Scrubs Prison and **before he reaches the confines of the Court building**. It is not known whether Gyamfi will be assisted in escaping.

**There is no intelligence that any attempt will be made whilst Izzet EREN is at Court, or to smuggle weapons into the premises by breaching existing security measures.**

However should an escape bid not occur prior to his arrival, as an **operational contingency** to maximise the safety of all Court users, a request has been made to have two covert armed officers present throughout the Court hearing.

A further contingency has been agreed to place the defendants in a totally secure dock.

It is our assessment that any further attempt to facilitate any escape would be made only after EREN left the Court.

Izzet EREN is a senior member of a familial Turkish crime group who had returned to the UK in breach of a deportation order, having been sentenced for drugs trafficking offences.

The EREN's represent the Tottenham side of the long running feud with the rival Hackney Turks which has seen numerous shootings and murders dating back to 2009 in both London and Turkey.

Izzet EREN is indeed wanted in Turkey for murder.

#### **6. Any relevant security information (including details of risk assessment meetings) or police intelligence**

On Tuesday 13th October Izzet EREN and Erwin Gyamfi were stopped by armed police on a stolen motorbike travelling south from Haringey towards Hackney in Stamford Hill N16. They were in possession of two loaded weapons with the safety catches off; a Tokarov 9mm pistol containing six rounds of ammunition and a Scorpion machine pistol with a full magazine.

They were charged and first appeared at Wood Green Crown Court on Friday 1st November pleading guilty to offences including possession of firearms with intent to endanger life.

Taking into account the overall circumstances of their arrest the prosecution were allowed a period of six weeks to consider their position whether an offence of Conspiracy To Murder should be added to the Indictment prior to sentence. i.e.

- Stolen motor bike
- Nature and ready to use loaded firearms
- Clothing (wearing two sets each and balaclavas)
- Izzet EREN has been previously deported from the UK and had clearly returned with specific intent.
- Evidential history of shootings/murders involving the EREN family, who are based in Haringey and rival Hackney groups.

No decision has yet been made by the CPS.

Whilst there are currently no specific intelligence updates to indicate that firearms will be used on Friday, there is every likelihood that this will be the case, given the antecedents of this criminal network and the fact that any successful attempt would involve considerable threat and duress to any custodians.

Governor Nicholls at HMP Wormwood Scrubs is fully sighted on the intelligence and has consented to allow the defendants to be conveyed to Wood Green Court, having been satisfied that the police have sufficient control and resources to protect the transporting van.

A briefing has also been provided to The Resident Judge, His Honour Judge Pawlak and the Court