

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SEATTLE DIVISION, INLAND NORTHWEST JTTF,
SPOKANE RESIDENT AGENCY

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

**THE FBI IS OFFERING A \$20,000 REWARD FOR INFORMATION
LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF INDIVIDUAL(S)
RESPONSIBLE FOR PLACING A DESTRUCTIVE DEVICE IN
SPOKANE, WASHINGTON ON MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2011**

At approximately 9:25 a.m. PST on Monday, 1/17/2011, a suspicious backpack was discovered on a bench at the northeast corner of N. Washington Street and W. Main Avenue in downtown Spokane. The Spokane Explosives Disposal Unit was notified and safely neutralized the device. Subsequent preliminary analysis revealed the backpack contained a potentially deadly destructive device, likely capable of inflicting multiple casualties. The Swiss Army-brand backpack and some of the clothing within it that concealed the device are depicted below:



As a part of this ongoing investigation, the FBI is seeking any information regarding the identity of the person or persons that may have been seen with this backpack from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 9:25 a.m. on Monday, 1/17/2011. If anyone has any information regarding this incident, they are requested to immediately contact the FBI. In addition, if anyone took photographs or video in the area of N. Washington Street and W. Main Avenue from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., they are also requested to contact the FBI as soon as possible.

SUBJECT(S) SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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