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SUSPECT IN TURKEY MURDER CAUGHT IN VENICE

ITALIAN MINISTER SAYS ALERT IS HIGH

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USPA NEWS - Police officials said a suspect connected with last weeks' murder of a prosecutor in Istanbul was arrested. The suspect is also allegedly connected with a terrorist organization and was arrested in a hotel in Mestre (Venice) with Austrian documents.

Police believe the suspect was an alleged recruiter for the Revolutionary People's Liberation Party Front, known as the DHKP-C, a violent Marxist-Leninist group.

Prosecutor Mehmet Selim Kiraz died of injuries after he was taken hostage by terrorists one week earlier in an Istanbul courthouse. Two of the kidnappers were killed during a police blitz to free the prosecutor.

The suspect was arrested on an international warrant and is to be extradited to Turkey.

Italian Interior Minister Angelino Alfano said that the country has been on a "high alert" concerning possible terrorists and acts of terror.

According to CNN news network, the DHKP-C group is known for terrorist attacks, including the claimed responsibility for a 2013 suicide bombing at the U.S. Embassy in Ankara.

Other attacks attributed to the DHKP-C was the assassination of a former justice minister, Mehmet Topac, in 1994, as well as the murders of a number of senior police and military officials as well as as businessman.

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