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Collection (Section 58 TACT 00)

PRE- GUIDELINE			
Name	Description	Actual Sentence	Predicted guideline starting point
Mohammed REHMAN Feb 2017	Serving prisoner for a previous s5 TACT offence. Found to be in possession of a handwritten document detailing instructions on how to make HMTD (explosives). The offender's s5 case had involved planning to use explosive devices somewhere in London	3 years (pleaded guilty- without reduction would have been 4.5 years)	B2 *
Jade CAMPBELL Apr 2017	Young female offender pleads guilty to falsely obtaining a passport and being in possession of the first edition of Inspire (includes articles such as 'how to build a bomb in the home of your mom'). Has clear terrorist connections and motivations; the year before her husband left the country to travel to Syria	12 months but Judge said starting point was 16 months	B2*
Roger SMITH January 2017	Convicted after trial of 2 possession of explosive substance offences and 1 s58 offence- namely possession of the anarchist handbook. The offender claims to be preparing to defend himself against an Islamist uprising. He has in his possession a quantity of black powder and chemicals. He has no immediate plans for their use but would use them should the need arise. The anarchist handbook contains instructions useful for a terrorist attack.	Explosive offensive 5 years and 2 years concurrent. Collection of terrorist information: 2 years concurrent	B2*
Nathan SAUNDERS May 2017	5 counts of possession of Daesh publications. One includes the article: 'Just Terror Tactics: Choosing the right weapon'. It focuses on the knife as a weapon of choice for carrying out lone-wolf attacks, which it calls 'a just terror operation'. Count two, includes an article entitled 'Just Terror Tactics'. The article gives advice on how to plan a vehicle attack using a truck to drive at large crowds of people in order to kill and maim them. count three, contains an article entitled 'Just Terror Tactics – knife attacks' and provides advice on how knife attacks can be carried out with the greatest effect in terms of technique and choice of weapons, and where and when such attacks should be conducted.	3.5 years on each concurrent	B2*

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	<p>Count four, contains instructions on how to make Molotov cocktails and napalm bombs. The instructions provide sufficient information to make viable devices, as well as identifying targets to be attacked, including places of worship of non-Muslims. Count five relates to possession of the anarchists' cookbook.</p> <p>The offender had terrorist motivations.</p>		
<p>Hussein YUSEF September 2017</p>	<p>Offender shared on Facebook a post stating 'all praise to Allah alone date 700 US army pigs completely hacked'. He added his own words, 'God be praised'. The material contained the names and addresses of the United States armed forces. It was said that the offender knew very well that his audience contained a number of people who, if not disposed to carry out attacks themselves, were in touch with those who were.</p>	<p>7.5 years</p>	<p>B1/2</p>
<p>Mohamed AWAN December 2017</p>	<p>3 counts; 2 x s58 and 1 x s5.</p> <p>The possession of information offences related to a guidebook which explains how to become a sleeper cell. The second was a half hour instructional video depicting techniques for garrotting, beheading and other instructions for kidnapping, firing weapons et cetera.</p> <p>The s5 offence related to conduct in researching, planning and sourcing materials with a view to the commission of some unspecified act of terrorism. The allegation related to a great deal of extremist material found on the offender's USB, mobile phone and laptop and material of a more practical nature such as instructional videos on the making of a folding ring knife, a matchbox fuse igniter and a booby-trap wire. Finally, the offender had ordered, amongst other things, a large number of ball bearings, which had been specifically identified in 'How to Survive in the West' as suitable for use as shrapnel in the bomb-making process.</p>	<p>For the s5 offence an extended sentence of 13 years' imprisonment.</p> <p>S58 offences: 4 years on each count, concurrent with one another and concurrent with the first count.</p>	<p>B2</p>

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Christopher PARTINGTON December 2018	<p>6 offences under s58 and 1 firearms offence.</p> <p>The s58 offences related to a document; “How to make black powder and other explosives”. The second item was a file entitled “FM5-31 booby trap”, a document describing how charges and materials intended innocently for use in demolition can be employed to make explosive booby trap devices.</p> <p>The third item, entitled “Poor man’s James Bond, volume 1”, contained information on DIY explosives, related electronics, automatic weapons, unarmed combat and the use of poisons. The 4th item entitled “Poor man’s James Bond, volume 4”, a document covering techniques of warfare including explosives, booby traps, ballistics and survival techniques. The 5th item “Improvised munitions handbook”, a reference book concerning IEDs and other weapons, timing devices and an altimeter switch which could be used to detonate a device in an aircraft in flight. The 6th item “Amateur pyrotechnics by Dan Williams”, a document which included instructions on the application of black powder.</p> <p>The firearms offence related to the possession of two live or unfired shotgun cartridges.</p> <p>In addition, the offender had a great number of IRA related documents. He had expressed to the probation service his support for the IRA, apparent hatred of the British Government and the Crown.</p>	<p>4 years on each s58 offence to run concurrently. 2months for the firearms offence (concurrent)</p>	B2
Jack COULSON July 2018	<p>19-year-old defendant pleads guilty (just before trial) to 1 x s58. The book in the offender’s possession (‘Big Book of Mischief’) provides sufficient detail to assist in the preparation and use of component parts necessary to form an IED. There are practical tips on how to acquire the materials, a list of suppliers is provided and a list of chemicals available to buy. It</p>	<p>Five and a half years’ (before reduction for guilty plea)</p>	B1

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	<p>also advises that orders should be placed for large quantities of a few unrelated chemicals at each of several companies and that separate addresses should be used for each order. This book clearly contains instructions for specific terrorist activity, endangering life and harm is very likely to be caused. Those reading this material are unlikely to be discouraged by warnings as to illegality, etc.</p> <p>The offender came to the attention of the police after posting on a social media site of images of him wearing a camouflage jacket with a German flag alongside an exploding mosque with the words “It’s time to enact retribution upon the Muslim filth”. There were other images of a racist nature and the pictures included a Nazi swastika.</p>		

Encouragement (Sections 1 & 2 TACT 06)

Name	Description	Actual Sentence	Predicted guideline starting point
Mijanul HAQUE December 2017	Convicted of three counts. The first related to material circulated to friends clearly intended to encourage them to commit or prepare or instigate similar acts within this country. The material included messages such as assassination is allowed in Islam; killing somebody who insults Mohammad is a religious duty; anybody who insults Mohammad is Kafir. The message	Three and a half years (counts one and five concurrent), reduced to three years due to the age of the offences. Two years on count four (concurrent)	A2*

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	<p>the offender was conveying was that the activities of the terrorists in Paris were justified and should be emanated.</p> <p>Count five related to the offender sending a 38-minute video to another WhatsApp group of friends which clearly sought to glorify the acts of ISIS. In his comments the offender defended the killing of a police officer in Paris as being justified because the officer was enforcing the laws of the Kafir and was implementing democracy which the offender denounced as being a sin. Count four relates to recklessly distributing the live link video entitled 'Blood of Jihad 2'.</p> <p>The volume and content of the material disseminated was small and the immediate target audience was also small.</p>		
<p>Farhana AHMED November 2017</p>	<p>Opened a FaceBook account in a false name. In the two months that followed the offender published statements which were direct and indirect encouragement to others to commit acts of terrorism. (Count 1). Counts two, three and four concern dissemination of terrorist publications. The offender circulated terrorist publications on a Facebook page which attracted a large number of followers. The posts were made within a closed Facebook group known as Power Strangers. As part of that group the offender overtly extolled the aims of the so-called Islamic State. It is clear that at the time she shared the group's ideology and aims, which were all published in the name of terrorism.</p>	<p>For all counts 3 years (concurrent). Reduced due to guilty plea and significant mitigation to a two year sentence suspended for two years.</p>	<p>B2</p>
<p>Zameer GHUMRA October 2017</p>	<p>The defendant showed to a child aged 8 ISIS propaganda videos of beheadings. It was part of a determined effort to indoctrinate and to radicalise the child, and to turn this small boy, into a terrorist. The jury was sure that Zameer Ghumra showed to the child a recording of an Islamic State beheading and that it was his intention to encourage the child to commit an act of terrorism within the foreseeable future, once he was old enough to do so. The defendant created a Twitter account for the boy. It was set up to follow hate preachers such as Abu Baraa and Anjem Choudrey. The defendant spoke of taking the boy to Syria. He taught him how to punch and kick, and to throw a knife.</p>	<p>6 years</p>	<p>A1</p>

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<p>Saer SHAKER September 2017</p>	<p>Two Counts; count 1, related to a posting on Facebook of a three-and-a-half-minute video with the headline “Who are the Sahawat?” This was reference to a body opposed to the Islamic State. The video depicted images of these opposition leaders; also images of individuals who have been murdered or beheaded. The video contained moving-footage depicting the execution, by shooting, of a number of Iraqi officers. The last piece of footage was both graphic and shocking. When captured by the authorities, the video had been viewed 92 times and had been “liked” on three occasions.</p> <p>Count 2 related to a posting on Facebook of a still image from a video film entitled “Nights of Bureaucracy”. This was a 38-minute video containing propaganda in support of the ISIS cause. In particular, it extolled the asserted virtues of those involved in suicide bombing attacks. Following the posting, the offender engaged in an online dialogue with an audience which evidently approved of his message.</p> <p>His social media accounts, interrogated by investigating officers, contained clear evidence of approval of extremist activity.</p>	<p>3 years on each (concurrent)</p>	<p>A2*</p>
<p>Taha HUSSEIN September 2017</p>	<p>Seven offences of disseminating terrorist publications.</p> <p>Count one posted the link to a post which called for the destruction of the tyrants and the disbelievers, tyrants being Muslim states who are not governing according to Sharia law.</p> <p>Count two relates to a communication celebrating the fighters of so-called Islamic State.</p> <p>Count three was a lecture attempting to justify the killings in Paris by reference to Islamic law.</p> <p>Counts four and five contain information likely to be of use to those contemplating fighting in Syria. The publication gives specific advise to would-be fighters, amongst other things, on how to prepare, how to get past airport security, how to conceal their intention from their parents and how to behave when they arrive in Syria. Chapter eight contains advice to those who could not go to Syria. The advice includes to wait a few months and try again; steal from the Kufar, kill local Kufar in their own</p>	<p>Six years’ (counts 4 and 5), 4 years on the remaining counts – all concurrent</p>	<p>A2</p>

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	<p>land. It states: ‘The best of all people to kill are those who work with the government, the politicians, those who have worked in the army, the police officers or anyone else who has any links or ties to the government. You do not need to know much. The kitchen knife is sufficient to send the Kufar to the hereafter, even a petrol bomb is an easy tool one can make and use without the need for research online.’</p> <p>Count five was a document in similar terms.</p> <p>Count six was a video justifying the attack on Charlie Hebdo and count seven was a link that enabled the reader to open and read Dabiq, which was the magazine containing ISIS propaganda.</p> <p>The offender clearly intended to encourage others to engage in terrorist activity.</p>		
<p>Mehdi BIRA September 2017</p>	<p>Two offences of distributing a terrorist publication relating to section 2 of the Terrorism Act 2006. two videos were posted on his Facebook account on separate days. The defendant also researched and downloaded issues of Dabiq, a terrorist publication. ‘I come to the conclusion that it is appropriate to sentence you on the basis of recklessness, rather than intention’.</p>	<p>12 months custody on each concurrent.</p>	<p>B2*</p>
<p>Sabbir MIAH June 2017</p>	<p>Counts 1-3 relate to the dissemination of three separate films on Facebook which had some 500 followers. The Judge commented that ‘one at least is gruesome’.</p> <p>The offender maintained that the comments and postings were either conceived by him or were copies of quotes from the Koran, and the postings were sent to him by friends via a WhatsApp chat group, whose details he would not provide.</p> <p>The offender had an Internet-enabled mobile phone in his possession, in contravention of a bail condition. It was found that he was in flagrant breach of the condition of bail because he disseminated two more videos, via Instagram. And that is the conduct reflected in counts four to five.</p> <p>At the time the offender disseminated a terrorist publication, he was reckless as to whether his conduct would have the effect of directly or</p>	<p>Counts 1-3 - Two and a half years’ imprisonment on each concurrent.</p> <p>Counts 4-5: Three years’ imprisonment, (concurrent but consecutive to the sentences on counts 1-3).</p> <p>Five and a half years total</p>	<p>B2</p>

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	indirectly encouraging, or other inducement to the commission preparation or instigation of acts of terrorism’		
Ashvin GOHILL May 2017	<p>Two counts of dissemination of terrorist publication. The offender used his Facebook and twitter account to distribute material that could have influenced one of its recipients to act in a way that could have had catastrophic consequences.</p> <p>Count one concerns the Facebook account. On 27 December 2015 he posted a summary of a speech by Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, the leader of Islamic State. The speech entitled ‘So wait, indeed we, along with you are waiting’. The content of the speech is aimed at Muslims and states that those fighting in Syria are doing so out of obedience to Allah. It goes on to say that from its creation, 10 years ago, the Islamic State is the pillar of the fight against the enemies of Allah and urges those who are fighting on behalf of Daesh, to crush all absolute apostates. It goes on, ‘come to the rescue of your brothers in Sham, Iraq, Egypt, Libya and Turkistan. The material posted, ends with ‘Oh mujahidin, stay firm, you have in front of you, two options, victory or martyrdom. No honour for us if we do not live under Allah’s laws. Read the Quran a lot, repent from your sins, be aware of oppression and obey your messengers. Be patient, for victory comes after patience.’</p> <p>Of particular concern, are the passages that state that every muslim is obliged to carry out Allah’s commands and participate in jihad and those who obey will receive salvation in the name of Allah, but those who disobey will be destroyed and incur Allah’s wrath. Secondly, that every muslim is obliged to engage in war, to defend the religion of Allah and support the oppressed men, women and children. It is an obligation on all Muslims to participate, and if they do not, Allah will punish them and that there are only two good ends to fighters, victory or martyrdom. The speech tells fighters not to fear death and to obey their commanders.</p>	2 years (reduced to 18 months due to guilty plea)	B2*

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	<p>There are references to religious texts throughout the speech which are used to justify the speaker’s views. This post was liked 30 times and was shared by 15 followers. This shows the impact that your post had on others.</p> <p>Count two: the offender published a link on his twitter account to a YouTube video- an hour and ninety minutes long. It encourages and justifies extreme violence and the murder of those who commit blasphemy against Allah. The words are persuasive, the voice and the delivery, seductive. ‘Whoever insults the prophet must be killed regardless of who they are and historic texts and stories are used to justify such actions.’</p> <p>Sentenced on a basis of plea that when he disseminated both of these terrorist publications he was acting recklessly and had no specific intent to encourage the commission, preparation or instigation of act of terrorism.</p>		
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Name	Description	Actual Sentence	Actual starting point
Nourdeen ABDULLAH June 2018	4 Counts. Count one related to three videos posted to a YouTube account taking the form of a question and answer session created with Anwar Al-Alaki, using extracts from his speeches to answer questions posed by the offender. They referred to ways to support jihad, providing physical and financial support to ‘our brothers in Afghanistan’. There was a statement that fighting is a duty on all Muslims to free the Muslim lands of occupiers and that the defamation of the prophet will be met by the sword. The most popular of the videos was viewed 1,698 times before its capture by the police.	3 years for count 2, 20 months on all other counts concurrent	A3 for count 2, B3 for the other counts

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	<p>Count two concerns communications via WhatsApp between late-2016 and early 2017, with an acquaintance who had travelled to Syria to become involved in fighting. It is plain that he was sympathetic to the group called Islamic State. The videos sent included men covered in dust after an attack, reference to a good death is the ultimate success and one video featuring a mass execution. On 8 January he sent a voice message that the State was the people answering Allah’s cause.</p> <p>Counts three and four, in effect subsidiary counts because they relate to the same piece of video, or extracts from the same video footage referred to in count 1, but posted in other ways.</p>		
<p>Mohammed KILJI June 2018</p>	<p>Convicted of eight counts of sending links to Islamic State propaganda videos by social media so as to encourage support for their terrorist atrocities. The videos glorify terrorism and applaud the brutal and barbaric behaviour for which Islamic State have become infamous. They show, in gruesome and graphic detail, executions by shooting and beheading and celebrate the death and destruction caused by suicide bombers driving vehicle-borne improvised explosive devices.</p> <p>Count eight was a link to a video entitled, ‘We will surely guide them in our way’. It showed vehicle-borne improvised explosive devices being prepared and focused on two particular suicide bombers, one of whom uses scripture to endorse his acts and encourages others to do the same after him.</p> <p>There are further images from the attack on Brussels’ Airport, the Boston Marathon, and the very recently conducted Westminster Bridge attack. The narrator says, ‘Those who cannot get to the Caliphate to fight, you live in the land of Kufr and can strike them in their heartlands’. And the narrator encourages attacks by lone wolves.</p> <p>This video also includes an Islamic State instruction on the best type of truck to use, on having a slightly raised chassis and bumper, being heavy in weight, with a double-wheeled rear axle, and the targets in which to drive it, so as to achieve maximum carnage when driven into pedestrians in a terrorist attack.</p>	<p>6 years (reduced to 5 due to his young age) for count 8, 4.5 years’ on counts one to four, (concurrent), for counts 5-7 concurrent</p>	<p>A1 (for count 8), A2 and C2 for the others</p>

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Failure to Disclose Information (section 38B TACT 00)

PRE- GUIDELINE			
Name	Description	Actual Sentence	Predicted guideline starting point
Siraj ALI November 2018	<p>Ali failed to disclose information about the attempted detonation of a suicide bomb by Yassin Omar on an underground train near Warren Street station and by Muktar Ibrahim on the number 26 bus. Ali was convicted of two offences of failure to disclose information that he had prior to the intended bombings, two offences of failing to disclose information after the intended bombings, and one offence of assisting Ibrahim, namely by removing and disposing of incriminating property.</p> <p>Ali was a good friend of Omar and both were very good friends of Ibrahim. Ali allowed Omar and Ibrahim to stay at his flat when the concentrating process necessary to build the bombs had rendered Omar's flat uninhabitable. Found in Ali's flat was a notepad bearing Ibrahim's fingerprints, with calculations relating to detonators, as well as a note detailing the steps to 'martyrdom', a list of bomb making equipment and business cards from two different suppliers of hydrogen peroxide, the essential ingredient in the men's explosives.</p>	Total of 9 years: 5 years for each of the two prior knowledge offence (concurrent); 4 years for each of the two post event offences (consecutive to the first offences but concurrently to each other) and 2 years for assisting an offender (concurrent). (After trial)	A1
Ismail ABDURAHMAN November 2018	<p>Convicted of one charge of assisting Osman (who attempted to detonate a suicide bomb at Shepherd's Bush), and four charges of failing to disclose information after the event, relating to all the bombers.</p> <p>The offender met Osman at Clapham Junction station on 23/7/05 and took him to his home where Osman stayed for a couple of days. He also collected Abdul Sherif's passport and a video camera that had been used by the bombers to record suicide messages and gave them both to Osman.</p>	Total of 8 years: 4 years for assisting an offender and 4 years for failing to provide information (on each concurrent, but consecutive to the assisting an offender conviction). (After trial)	B1
Abdul SHERIF November 2008	Brother of Osman, convicted of one count of assisting him, and one count of failing to disclose information after the bombings. Provided a passport to his brother which assisted him to escape to Italy. The prosecution demonstrated	Total of 6 years and 9 months: 6 years 9 months for assisting an offender and 4 years for failing to disclose information	B1

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	that Sherif had relevant knowledge about the terrorist offences due to the numerous phone calls and attempted calls between him and Osman.	after the event (concurrent). (After trial)	
<p>Wahbi MOHAMED November 2008</p>	<p>Convicted of four counts of offences concerning prior knowledge relating to each of the 4 bombers. Convicted on two counts of assisting an offender, one relating to Osman and the second relating to his brother, Ramzi Mohamed (who had attempted to detonate a bomb on an underground train near Oval). Convicted of one count of failing to provide information post event.</p> <p>The Crown’s case was that he was present at the same address as the bombers on the morning of the 21st July as the bombers prepared to set off. He took away the video camera used by them to make their suicide videos and handed the camera to Abdurahman to give to Osman after the bombings. Also after the bombings he provided his brother with a mobile phone, SIM card, charger and food whilst he was in hiding. There was also evidence of considerable telephone contact between him and his brother and with Osman before the bombings.</p>	<p>Total 17 years: 5 years for each of the prior knowledge offences (concurrent), 2 years for one offence of assisting an offender, 5 years for another offence of assisting an offender and 5 years for failing to give information post event. (After trial)</p>	A1
<p>Muhedin ALI November 2018</p>	<p>Convicted of one count of assisting an offender which related to Osman and two counts of failing to disclose information after the bombings, relating to Osman and Ramzi Mohamed. The offender was a close friend of Osman’s. He received Ramzi Mohammed’s suicide note. In the hours and days after the bombings he was involved in a number of telephone calls with Ramzi Mohamed and Osman’s wife. He also offered Osman the opportunity to stay in his flat- which formed the basis of the count of assisting an offender.</p>	<p>Total 7 years: 2 years for assisting an offender and 5 years for failure to give information post event. After trial</p>	B1
<p>Yashiemebet GIRMA May 2009</p>	<p>Convicted in June 2008 of failing to disclose information that might have prevented an act of terrorism by her husband, Hussain Osman, namely the attempted detonation of a suicide bomb at Shepherd’s Bush Underground station. She was also convicted of assisting him, namely by collecting him from Wandsworth and, with her brother, driving him to the house of their sister in Brighton; providing him with a SIM card; removing evidence from his flat in London and withdrawing cash for him. She was also convicted of failing to disclose information after the attacks.</p>	<p>Total 11 years 9 months: 6 years 9 months for assisting an offender and 2x 5 years for failing to disclose information after the attacks. (After trial).</p>	B1

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Khwala BARGHOUTH June 2018	The offender had befriended another woman, Rizlaine Boular, who was a supporter of ISIS and had developed a plan to carry out a knife attack on members of the public in London, even becoming a martyr herself if that proved necessary. Boular had told Barghouth of her plans and they had met on a number of occasions, on one occasion Boular practised getting the knife out of her rucksack and stabbing, using Barghouth as a pretend victim.	Starting point of four years , reduced by a third for the guilty plea and adjustments for aggravating and mitigating features.	A1

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