

Chilling treatise tells how to attack

NORWAY ATTACKER'S VIOLENT STRATEGIES

Call for 'pre-emptive declaration of war' against W. Europe

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In the photographs now circulating around the world, Anders Behring Breivik looks almost preppy.

Neatly parted blond hair frames a boyishly handsome face. The upturned collar of a peach-colored polo shirt pokes through a dark Izod sweater.

It's hard to reconcile the softly smiling young man in these professional studio shots with the monster who witnesses say donned a police uniform and ruthlessly hunted down scores of young Norwegians.

Now it is up to investigators to fit the two seemingly incongruous images together in an effort to comprehend what motivated the man be-

lieved to be behind the deadliest attack in Norway since World War II.

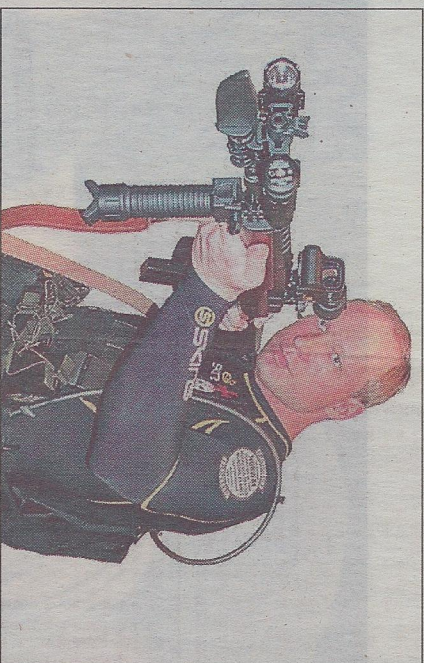
According to a Facebook page with Breivik's name and photo, the 32-year-old describes himself as former business-school student with an interest in Winston Churchill, bodybuilding and Freemasonry.

He lists a preference for violent movies, war-themed video games, classical music and the HBO drama "Dexter," about a guilt-ridden serial killer.

Police are focusing on a darker side, describing him as a "right-wing Christian fundamentalist" who frequented extremist websites

and left a trail of passionate, sometimes obscure rants that reflected strong anti-Islamic views, deep skepticism about the mixing of different cultures and animosity toward socialism.

Officials said they would not speculate on whether his political or religious views played a role in the attack. But a chilling 1,500-page



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A video from a manifesto attributed to attacker Anders Behring Breivik shows him aiming an assault rifle. The image was digitally altered to remove the background.

political manifesto, titled "A European Declaration of Independence," that Breivik appears to have posted on the Internet earlier this year lays out his world views. Exact authorship of the book could not be immediately verified.

Sections of the online book include "What your government, the academia and the media are hiding from you," "Documenting EU's deliber-

ates," including assassinating professors and coordinated assault operations against multiple targets at the same time.

In a passage that appeared to predict the tactics in the twin attacks on Friday, the manifesto advises: "You will usually always be caught, so instead of going home and waiting for someone to knock at your door, move to your second target, then the third, etc."

The treatise suggests wearing a police SWAT uniform as a disguise to enable perpetrators to move around with weapons without raising suspicion. And it specifically mentions targeting annual political meetings, barbecues and gatherings that draw hundreds of people, using flamethrowers or assault rifles against the crowds. "The party delegates will flee like rats from the fire," the book reads.

Friends of Breivik — a single man who lived in Oslo with his mother until recently — said he began in recent

years to voice ever more extremist and nationalist views, according to Norwegian media reports. He is a gun enthusiast, with several weapons registered in his name. But he did not appear to exhibit any personal violent behavior, other than his writings, that might have raised red flags.

On social-media forums, he claimed to be a disgruntled former member of Norway's anti-tax, small-government Progress Party, according to the Norwegian Netavisen news service.

In 2009, he founded a farming company called Breivik Geofarm, which cultivates melons and roots, according to Norway's TV2.

On a Twitter account created recently in his name, a posting on July 17 quotes British philosopher John Stuart Mill and gives little indication of a man preparing to use guns and bombs to deliver his message: "One person with a belief is equal to the force of 100,000 who have only interests."