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Season One

Episode 1

Season 1
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Summary: Bomb disposal officers Lana Washington and Joel Nutkins are called out to a Met counter-terrorism operation at a London housing estate to investigate a potential bomb factory and suspected bomb-maker Andy Phelan.



As the episode begins, we join an EXPO team as they rush to the scene of a possible bomb factory. As Lana Washington and her partner arrive, they hear about the evacuation of Westhaven Estate on the loudspeaker. Joel Nutkins arrives with his partner and says it must be a big one since they have two EXPO teams. Nutkins is told that DI Samira Desai is in charge of the operation. They're introduced to Lana before Robins says there is intel that a dangerous individual is operating a bomb factory in these flats. The

flat is leased to Andy Phelan and it is located on the fourth floor in the south building. Robins says they need to go. Lana and Joel joke around a bit before Carney arrives and says it is time to move. Lana makes Joel give her his wire pliers because they're her lucky pair.

Robins tells everyone that Flat 127 has been identified as a bomb factory. Before long, the team surrounds flat 127 as the door is knocked down. They deploy a smoke grenade and move into the flat. Once they confirm that the flat is clear, Lana and Joel are sent in. As Lana looks around in the kitchen, Joel tells her and Robins to come to the bedroom. They suspect someone might be hiding under the bed. At first, they begin calling for the suspect to come out. However, Lana stops them because she notices they're dealing with hostages. While they've found a woman and kid with restraints, there is no sign of Andy Phelan or a bomb factory. Joel and Lana talk to Angie and Evie a bit after removing the restraints. Angie reveals they forced her to call in the bomb threat by putting a gun to Evie's head before Carney asks for the EXPO team to come to the bathroom.

Once they reach the bathroom, Lana finds a bomb taped to the bottom of the toilet. Angie and Evie are transported outside while Robins and Brown agree they need to gain control of the situation on the ground. Desai says they've had a first account from Angie Phelan who claims she was awoken by masked intruders at 4 AM. She believes they used Andy's keys to get into the flat because she heard the door open and thought it was him. Angie and Evie were told they'd be killed if they made any noise. Although she couldn't identify the intruders, Angie says they spoke a mixture of English and Arabic. Since there was A1 intelligence about a bomb factor and

Andy, they need to find him. The crowd nearby gets rowdy and throws a water bottle at one of the police officers. The white guy in the Metallic t-shirt surrenders to police without resisting as a result.

Seconds later, Lana tells DI Desai they'll need to move the crowd back before they can go back inside. Inspector Robins isn't sure that'll be easy since the crowd is getting more hostile. Joel says it looks like the IED has large amounts of HME so they're going to need a wider exclusion zone. Robins radios in the command to push the crowd back further while Joel and Lana head back to the bathroom. In the bathroom, Joel wonders why he picked a job where he spends so much time on his knees. Lana believes it is because he is an idiot. Joel scans the nearby area and detects a pressure plate under the bathroom mat. He marks it using a glow stick before taking a closer look at the explosive. He tells Lana they're going to need to prep the pulleys. Joel looks at the cord running through the wall. When he says he can't see a bloody thing in here, Lana carelessly turns on the light switch as he yells for her to stop.

She repeatedly asks why with her fingers on the switch while Joel says they have a secondary trigger. He confirms the light switch is the trigger and she is holding it in the middle so it isn't fully depressed yet. She tells him to run, but he says no since the circuit isn't complete yet and they have time to disarm the bomb. They argue a bit more about Lana killing both of them. Nutkins traces the wire to the cupboard while Lana's hand begins shaking. As Lana's hands begin sweating, Joel finds the power source and asks her to give him her mirror. Once she gives him the mirror, he realizes she has his snips too. He finally gets the snips, cuts the cord, and disables the bomb. Lana lets go of the switch. It does nothing so they begin joking about their near-death experiences.

Joel says they need to give these people a SitRep. He asks her to tape up before complaining he is getting too old for this stuff. Joel radios Desai to tell her to maintain radio silence until they clear the site and disrupt the main charge. While working on the wire, Lana notices a number that looks like 1912 carved into the wall next to her. Joel doesn't know what it could be either so he suggests they let counter terrorism look at it. They go outside to get some air before trying to neutralize the device. From the balcony, they watch and laugh as a kid throws something at a group of cops and runs off. Joel tells her to get Danny to get the pig stick. She forces him to give her the wire snips again. Once Joel walks off, she notices a squirrel running up the building and someone watching her from a window nearby. Joel goes down to the ground level where he looks at the picture of his family on his phone and drinks an energy drink.

We see a cartoonish tattoo on his arm. Meanwhile, Lana sets up the pigstick or waterjet disrupter in the bathroom. She walks back outside and confirms over the radio that she is ready to fire. Once Danny fires it, Lana goes back inside to see what happened, but she seems surprised by what she finds. She radios for Joel to come and check it out. Robins and Desai join them as they learn the main charge was filled with black powder from fireworks. It would be a weak charge that could likely take off a couple of fingers. Joel believes it could be significant that it was a non-lethal, low-explosive device. Next, Lana and Joel walk outside as they prepare to hand the scene over to forensics. He checks on her and tells her to take five in the van while he hands the scene over. Desai tells Robins forensics are going through the flat and they haven't found Andy's keys so Angie might be right. They wonder why the intruders would take his keys. Joel is told they're going to check the garage before moving out.

Joel finds Lana listening to rap music. He jokes about the music and tells her they're going to be moving out in five. Then, he tells her about him and Jaz turning a corner since she has convinced him to do some DIY stuff at home. They learn the team has found Andy's vehicle. Since the intruders would've had the keys and access to the vehicle, they're treating it as suspicious. They look into the windows and find nothing of interest. Lana looks under the vehicle. She immediately finds something that concerns her. Joel radios Robins to tell him to move the crowd back even further. While the crowd moves back, Robins warns Desai that bombers could be right here watching every move they make. Desai tells the police officers that the EXPO team is going to deploy a robot to deal with the possible bomb on the vehicle. Lana and Joel watch over Danny's shoulder as he controls the robot until he tells them they're in his light.

Lana makes him leave so she can take over. Pete follows him out to ask what is going on. Danny admits it feels like everything is going wrong today. Pete tells him everything will be fine so he should just stick with it. As Danny returns to the operations van, Lana complains the robot is not responding. Desai radios and learns about the robot issue while Lana decides to go

in for a closer look. Joel follows her and learns she has gone off script as she approaches the vehicle alone. Once she finds a disconnected wire under the vehicle, she radios Joel to tell him and says someone might be playing with them. It sounds like someone hits the car's remote and that causes the trunk to pop open. A man's hands with zip ties emerge from the trunk as he begins asking for help. The man climbs out of the trunk with a mask on his head as Lana pleads with him to stay still. The sniper, Costa, confirms he has a clear shot of the man in question.

Andy follows Lana's instructions and slowly removes the bag from his head. Lana tells them she is going to deal with the device although the others try to convince her to stay back. She approaches before getting Andy to lift his arms so she can take a closer look at the bomb. Lana backs away to radio that someone else is in control of the IED since there is a mobile phone attached to it. They're asked to get spotters and Danny is told to get active on the ECM. As Andy freaks out, Lana tells Joel to bring the kit quickly because he is losing out. Danny uses the ECM to jam any phone signals while Brown and the others look for someone with a mobile phone. Once Lana gets the kit and returns to Andy, the phone begins beeping. She suspects there is another phone since one is used to arm and the other triggers the device.

Desai wonders how they're bypassing the jammers as Joel rushes in to help. Lana finds the other phone and begins rapidly cutting wires. The cellphone rings and nothing happens so Lana says they're clear. They manage to keep Andy calm enough to remove the vest and put it to the side. Once Phelan is taken to the medics, Desai calls to ask her team to run a trace on the phone number that tried to trigger the bomb. DI Thom Youngblood arrives to be briefed by DI Desai. He joins Lana first to talk about what she saw. She says the device in the flat was non-lethal although the other one was professionally done. Thom says they've looked into the numbers on the wall 1912 and didn't find it connected to any terrorist group. Since the attackers were speaking Arabic, they wonder if they could be Islamists. Thom grabs her hand and says he is glad she is okay. They hold hands while Wash admits they were seconds away from the device functioning.

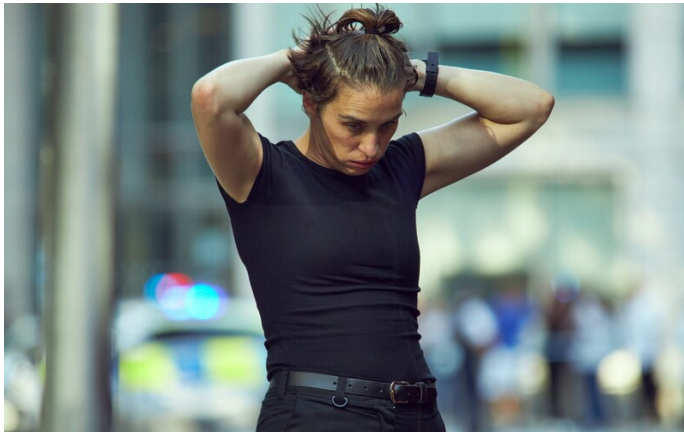
She is worried her time is about to run out, but Joel interrupts to say she was born lucky. Joel jokes he would've made more effort with his outfit if he knew a superstar like Youngblood was going to be there today. When Thom asks if he is good, Joel says his back is gone, his wife is gone, and his kids aren't talking to him anymore. Other than that, he is fine. Thom leaves to go talk to Desai while Joel jokes about Lana's relationship with him. Lana changes the subject forcing Joel to talk about Jaz and the family. He says he wants to be with them, but he doesn't want to make a choice between the family and the job. He says he'll speak to Danny tomorrow because they've all been there. They learn they're waiting for one plate check. Joel says he was thinking about the first device and wonders whether they messed up intentionally. He believes it was used to lure everyone outside and give them a bigger target since they do that in Afghanistan frequently.

She doesn't understand how they managed to get through the jammer to arm the suicide vest. Joel walks away and approaches the van of the plate they're checking on. Desai tells Thom there were two unregistered burner phones in separate locations so she believes they're dealing with an organized terror cell. Joel inspects the Zipcom Facilities van before telling everyone to stay back. He asks Lana for the snips so he can check it out. As she turns around, the bomb in the van explodes sending smoke to the sky and debris in all directions. Lana gets up and approaches Joel's body. Thom tries to pull her back to prevent her from looking at Joel.

Episode 2

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Summary: Far-right group English Flag take to the streets to blame Islamists for the attack.



We hear a news report about the West-haven terror attack and the death toll standing at 18. The reporter mentions Joel Nutkins who died in the explosives attack. Lana Washington turns it off as Danny drives her to the scene of another possible bomb. Once they stop, Lana tells Danny to get the suit before she talks to a police officer about the bag on the bus in front of them. He explains that red wires were seen sticking out of the bag on the lower level of the bus. Lana asks him to push them back 15 more meters and keep the comms clear. Danny brings

Lana her bomb suit, but she only wants her day sack. She eventually relents and agrees to put it on after Danny pleads with her to do so. Lana goes to the bus alone. She approaches the bag in the back before finding the wires sticking out of it. Eventually, she finds that the red wire is a USB cable and the small, black wire belongs to earbuds.

She yells for Danny to help her remove the suit. Once he reaches her, Lana tells him it was a false alarm since it was only headphones. She thanks him as they walk back to their vehicle. At the police station, she is greeted by one man and runs into Sonya in the locker room. The male officer agrees to check to see if the board is ready to listen to her yet. Sonya read her report earlier so she tells her she is so sorry for what happened to Nutkins. As she steps inside, Commander Bregman stops to tell her to come in and sit down. Lana sits down as DI Thom Youngblood smiles at her from across the table. DSU Hamilton begins by saying they've just received an update from the hospital and the death toll is 18 with 27 critical patients. DI Thom says Andy Phelan has been on the watchlist for three years because he is a right-wing activist and ex-English Flag member.

He has a history of assaulting black, Asian, and LGBT targets. They're looking at his prison time and connections to see if he was attacked by Islamists. DI Samira Desai begins talking

about the numbers 1912 they found on the wall in the apartment. They don't know if it is a date, signature, or nothing at all. Moira is asked if that means anything to the security service. So far, they've been unable to link it to any terrorist group. CCTV was reported vandalized the day before the attack, but there is CCTV from nearby that could show how the attackers escaped. Desai shows them a video of a van with stolen plates driving by a minute after the van exploded. DSU Hamilton speculates it was an Islamist attack against known white supremacists. Then, Lana is asked to talk to the group about the events that day. She starts by telling them about the minor explosive device found in the bathroom and how it wasn't meant to cause a large explosion.

She suspects the attackers wanted to lure emergency services, force an evacuation, and set off a larger device. Andy was put into a bomb vest and forced into the trunk of his own vehicle. Commander Bregman asks about Andy getting out of the vehicle and walking toward them. Lana explains it was a fairly simple suicide vest although the firing mechanism was complex. After that, the vehicle IED was exploded before they had time to engage. When Joel tried to push the crowd back, he took the brunt of the blast. She is told she did a great job and Joel will be put forward for commendation. Sonya says the suicide belt's main charges were TATP similar to what was used during the attacks on Manchester Arena. It is volatile and unstable. They're still analyzing the scene at Westhaven. Once the meeting ends, Hamilton stops Lana in the hallway to thank her for coming in. She suspects Lana wanted to say something else during the briefing.

Lana says they were able to bypass the jammers so they're dealing with sophisticated bombs and not amateurs who just have a grudge against Andy. Hamilton reveals they're short so they'd like Lana to take over. Hamilton joins her team and says their primary lines of inquiry are CCTV, forensics, and suspect identification. Security Services has already given them a list of top suspects. She encourages them to leave no stone unturned because they've already killed one of them. Later, Lana relaxes in bed until she gets a call from Thom. She joins him in the car as Thom gets an update about the suspects and green van. He tells Sam he'll be offline for a few hours before hanging up the call. He tells Lana how grief and love are intertwined. They get stuck in traffic as Thom says they have about half a mile or so left.

Lana contemplates getting out because she doesn't want the work crowd to see them together. Thom says it won't hurt for them to know, but Lana doesn't want that to happen today. She says she'll see him there. Before she gets out, Thom says he loves her although she doesn't repeat it. Lana finishes walking to the church for Joel's funeral and meets up with Danny and the others. She talks to them briefly before joining her father, mother, and brother Billy. Val believes Nutkins would've loved this. Hassan Rahim tells Lana that they're beginning. Lana goes inside and helps them carry the coffin. When Lana walks outside, she talks to Jaz who says Nutkins always said his team needed him like his family didn't. Lana gives her condolences and walks away. Thom checks on her. Lana insists she needs a minute.

She rushes around the corner so she can cry without anyone seeing her. Then, she joins Jeff, Val, and Billy at the pub for drinks. When Billy goes for more drinks, Jeff and Val tell Lana how proud they are of her, but they're also worried. Her father says she has done her bit so she doesn't need to keep taking chances. Lana insists she isn't taking chances though. It is her job, she is really good at it, and has been doing it for years. She tells them not to worry about it. She leaves them to see if Thom wants to get hammered with her. However, he says he needs to get back. Thom offers to take her with him, but both think she should be here. Meanwhile, John Hudson snaps pictures of himself, Billy, and Hassan. Lana joins them and they soon begin taking shots. Karl Maguire believes it is his time to buy a round of drinks.

When she calls him Chris, they begin laughing at her for getting his name wrong. Billy tells Karl it is so tough because he has applied for countless jobs without getting an interview. Karl tells him you just have to stick with it before revealing he is a mechanic. Before long, one of the guys begins belittling Billy for not being able to get into the army. As he walks off, Lana calls the guy a dickhead. Lana follows him although Billy says he doesn't need her looking after him. She admits she hasn't had enough to sit around and listen to bad army jokes. Lana tells him to come have a drink since he doesn't need to prove anything to those guys. Before long, Lana crashes to the ground and pleads with them to let her sleep. Karl helps her up before telling her to get some water although she doesn't want any. He follows her outside as she stumbles around. She sits outside on the ground.

Karl admits he has been where she is. She wonders where that might be and if it is the

gutter. Karl says he has been in the gutter a few times actually. He offers to drive her home and she quickly takes him up on that offer. In the morning, a hungover Lana drinks water directly from the tap. We hear a news report about English Flag members protesting in the streets with their leader Agatha Jack saying their people are dying because of Islamist terrorists. As Lana joins John and Hassan, Agatha accuses the police of covering up for the terrorists. John says he can help if she ever needs someone to talk to or a few days leave. Lana tells them about her conversation with Hamilton and becoming the new senior. She goes to the office where Thom gives her a cup of coffee. Then, they join Desai and Sonya to look at more CCTV footage from Westhaven.

They watch the initial explosion again and realize it is white at first so it was a pure burn explosion. It used a lot of powder and whoever did it likely knew what they were doing. Sonya says this proves they likely have very professional manufacturing methods. Karl sends Lana a text asking about her head. Thom asks about tracing the explosive before Desai gets a call confirming they've found the bomber's van. They go to an abandoned building where they meet Inspector Robins. They learn that the van is blocking the entry point so they'll have to move it. Lana asks Danny to get the T9 robot. Danny uses the robot to slowly move the van forward. Once the van is moved, the team storms the building while Lana and Danny wait outside. Seconds later, Danny and Lana are told to come inside and they hear someone yelling IED. The officer marks the pressure plate on the ground using a glow stick.

While Lana begins checking out the wires, Danny wonders why they'd want to blow this up since there doesn't seem to be anything here. Lana steps over the plate and follows the wires to a desk in the middle of the room. When she looks under the desk, she finds a battery pack explosive taped under it. She gets up and says they need to see if they've gone for a secondary. She looks over and finds a shelf full of ammonium nitrate and other items leading her to believe they've found the bomb factor. She asks him to get the destructor so they can begin separating the components. Moments later, she tells the officer there will be a controlled explosion in 45 seconds. While Danny prepares to push the trigger, Lana hears Nutkins asking her for his snips just before the explosion that killed him. After Danny does it, Lana returns to check the bomb under the desk.

She quickly confirms that the device has been neutralized. Before long, Sonya and others are in the building collecting evidence. Sonya shows her something she has found that could be something or not. Lana says she saw special forces use an FG-9 in Afghanistan. Although it confirms that they had military training, it doesn't explain how they got past their jammers at Westhaven. Lana tells her about the weird stain on the ground before she steps out and joins Danny. He asks if she is okay since she seemed odd once she saw the device, but she insists she is fine. She walks over to Thom and Desai to say the bomb factory is pristine so she doesn't think they'll pull prints. John isn't sure if he agrees. Lana asks them to name one Islamist attack in which they used jammers and high-grade explosives. John says the jammer is just a theory though. Sonya arrives with something they found inside.

John identifies it as an improvised detonator that happens to be popular among ISIS. Next, we join another meeting as Hamilton tells the group about finding the van and it leading them to the possible bomb factory. Thom shows them a picture of the booby trap and the detonator which is commonly used by suicide bombers. Lana says the booby trap was meant to mess up the scene. Defusing it allowed them to see how pristine it was. There were no fingerprints even on the detonator left behind purposefully. The Commander asks them to keep this information quiet until they can find out who it is and make arrests. When the meeting ends, Thom asks Lana to stick to the things she knows. She reminds him she is the explosives expert and she knows exactly what she saw. John watches a news report about the bombing at Westhaven and English blame Islamists for the attack.

He sits with Lana and talks to her about the special forces battery they found. He says you can use lead acid batteries in other things and not just jammers. John goes on to say the detonators are only used by the ones willing to blow themselves up, but Lana thinks that is too easy. As he leaves the room, he tells her to stop making excuses for them. Sonya arrives to say the preliminary report came back on the stain they found. Lana leads her to a private spot where she learns the stain was HMX319 which is HMX combined with an additive. Sonya finished her analysis at Westhaven and it contains the same substance. She agrees they planted the evidence there to make it look like an Islamist attack. Danny interrupts to tell Lana they have to go deal

with another device. Lana asks Sonya to dig a bit. Once they arrive at the scene, Robins tells Lana a worshipper found the device in the mosque nearby.

She immediately says Islamists don't bomb mosques before she is introduced to the man who found the device. He says it is upstairs in a bag on a door and is tied with one of those plastic cable ties. It had nuts, bolts, and a cheap watch. Danny believes it is a timer. The man is escorted away. Lana says she'll have radio silence around the device. She goes inside alone and begins looking for the bomb. Once she finds the bomb, she checks it and the door thoroughly. The watch looks like it has about five minutes left. She runs outside to tell Danny they have a nail bomb and five minutes left. She wants to disrupt it without damaging it for forensics purposes. Thom sets his watch as Lana runs back inside and cuts a small hole in the plastic bag so she can see the watch. She cuts another and finds a mercury tilt switch.

Lana is surprised when she hears a man screaming from inside the room. She pries off the door sweep and looks underneath. She sees a man handcuffed and chained to a rail behind him. She tells him to stay still and quiet. Meanwhile, Thom warns Danny that he has three minutes on his watch and no movement from inside. He believes they should get a message in there to get Lana out. Thom runs in and screams for her to get out now. Lana keeps working on the bomb until the episode ends.

Episode 3

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Summary: Lana struggles to cope with the dangers of her job, but finds support in her relationship with Karl. After a terror group claims responsibility for the mosque attack, the bombing campaign intensifies with an attack on an LGBT target.



The episode begins with Lana Washington continuing working on the bomb at the mosque while the man screams at her nearby. Outside, DI Thom Youngblood tells civilians to move back and police officers to wear a lid. Lana looks under the door and tells the man to be still and quiet as Thom yells that she has 90 seconds left. The man, Ali Hussein, pleads with Lana to help him. She uses a screwdriver to remove the pins from the door's

hinges. Danny runs in screaming for Lana while she continues hammering away. Inspector Lee Robins looks at his watch and says they only have 30 seconds left. With 20 seconds left, Danny tries to get Lana to leave although she wants to remove the door. They make a run for it as Ali continues screaming from inside. They run out of the mosque and scream hard cover just before the bomb inside explodes.

We jump ahead to that night. After Danny and Lana get into the vehicle, Danny tells her he is sorry. Back at the base, we hear Thom asking about getting the audio file traced. He also asks if Security Services has any updates on their priority targets. Lana joins them as Thom says he wants CCTV footage from around the mosque. They're under pressure to get this resolved so they should mark off any extremists in custody or already under surveillance. DSU Marianne Hamilton walks in and thanks everyone for working throughout the night on the incident at Amburiq Mosque. The incident will now priority for all counter-terror units. Since she has an ELG meeting in five minutes, she needs something to take into the meeting. Thom plays a recording for her that they received. The individual says this is payback for Westhaven and Amburiq is the start of the fight back. We call on the white race to take up arms. We are the Crusaders. When the recording stops, DI Samira Desai says the audio source is heavily encrypted.

The team is working on it although it could be a dead end. The team looks at a picture of a crusader flag that was used as a gag for the victim, but it didn't have any prints or DNA. Hamilton

asks if the Crusaders are known to their friends at Thames House. Thom reveals Agatha Jack tried to take English Flag into the mainstream and that led to the formation of a few splinter groups. They're not sure about the Crusaders though. As for the victim, Ali Hussein was the muezzin so he held many responsibilities including keeping the mosque clean and welcoming newcomers. Desai walks them through CCTV footage of a white man with a black baseball cap walking into the mosque carrying a blue bag. She explains it was Jumma and Friday prayers so there were many people coming and going. The man entered at 13:56 and left at 14:09 without the bag. Since his head is down, they believe he is a pro who is trying to avoid the cameras. Hamilton thanks Lana for coming in to give them her report.

When she is asked if there is anything about yesterday they need to know, she says the device appeared to be designed to stop them from gaining access to the room where Ali was found. She found a secondary time switch with a countdown and tilt switch. Once she admits she ran out of time, she asks Sonya Reeves if she has the video file. While they watch the video, Lana says the impact confirms they used a high explosive. It is like the compound at the bomb factory and the main charge at Westhaven, but they'll need a chemical confirmation. Hamilton orders them to get on top of this. As Danny loads the robot, Lana approaches John Hudson to say they could've used a second EXPO unit. She is mad that she never got assistance although John says the Ten Liner request never mentioned a second EXPO team. Hassan Rahim backs him up as he says it is the Senior's role to ask for additional support.

That was her responsibility so John says she needs to get some sleep and sort her head out. Lana goes after him and pushes him against the squad car. It is quickly broken up with Lana rushing away. She goes to the locker room where she sees Nutkins's locker empty. She slams it shut. As she tries to calm herself, Billy Washington calls. She picks him up from the police station and calls him an idiot for being involved in a scuffle with Halal butchers. Once they reach his place, Lana tells him he is allowed to clean up before learning Becky went to her mother's. She urges Billy to get his hand checked since it could have glass or something in it. When she asks whether he likes it here, he jokes about it being a palace. She opens the curtains and he asks her to close them back. Then, he asks her not to mention this to their mother and father. She agrees. Once she asks what they've ever done to him, Billy says they killed Nut.

He goes on to say people like them did that to Nut so they're at war. She scolds him for saying that they're at war with Halal butchers. Lana tries to go to sleep later, but she can't stop hearing Ali screaming for her assistance. Before long, she gets a message from Sonya saying about the HMX-319 being classified and not letting her trace it. She calls Sonya who says the HMX-319 comes from Porton Down, but they wouldn't tell her anymore about it. It is classified at a level above the bottom-feeders like themselves. Lana promises to speak to Hamilton or Thom about it. They wonder what they're dealing with and what kind of bombers have this type of access. While going for a run, Lana stops to call Thom from a park bench, but he doesn't answer. After that, she decides to meet up with Karl Maguire at his mechanic shop. She is quickly introduced to Elly's gorgeous dog Nelson. They leave and share Vietnamese weasel coffee.

They talk about Lana getting drunk and letting loose the other night. As for Karl, he says he has too much upstairs so he can't do it. He reveals he still has an evac pack next to his bed just in case they call him out. She understands how that feels and worries about telling her mates because they'd think she was losing it. Karl argues they lose part of themselves out there that they'll never get back. He grabs her hand and begins running through the streets. He takes her to a pub which he calls paradise. They play a game of pool and Lana quickly wins, but Karl says she sharked him. They agree to play for double or quits. As they play, Lana asks Karl whether it gets easier. He says it does. Then, he corrects himself by saying it still hurts and he still feels like he is lost. They discuss not being able to shut off their training when they return. Lana admits she was cocky when she returned although she almost died on her first call out.

She missed a secondary that Terry had put in the hallway and Nut had to scream for her to stop. Lana confesses she froze at the mosque so she is afraid it'll happen again when she steps up to a device. Karl says fear is what drives them on and she should be worried when she loses that fear. She says Nut would've disarmed that device, but Karl isn't sure about that. He encourages her not to be herself up over something she doesn't know. Later, Lana eats dinner with Thom who reveals they managed to get clearer CCTV pictures of the mosque bomber. The man has already been identified as Nic Roberts and he has a lengthy record including violent assault and armed robbery. He was a member of English Flag until last year. Thom says they

have an alert out for him so it is only a matter of time before he is captured. Once Thom steps away from the table, Lana gets a message from Karl who says he let her win.

When Thom asks about it, Lana claims it was just Danny sending a stupid GIF. She asks Thom whether Hamilton has heard anything from Porton Down about HMX-319. Thom only says they're on it. Karl sends another message asking if she is down for a rematch. She blames it on Danny again. Thom takes her cellphone, puts it aside, and says they haven't talked about the mosque. Lana says his name was Ali, he had two kids under three, and she failed him. Thom refutes that by saying there was nothing she could do since it was a complex device. He wants her to know she can always talk to him because he loves her. He has been thinking about it for a while and he thinks it might be a good idea for Lana to move in with him. Although she doesn't say one way or another, Thom believes it is sorted then.

Later, Danny walks in and finds Lana lounging around playing a game on her phone. John walks in behind him and asks Lana if they're okay. She apologizes although he says it is okay because they've all been there. Once he admits he was wrong too, she says they shouldn't be fighting amongst themselves since there is a nutter out there. A news report comes on the television as it confirms the Crusaders say they've carried out the attack. The former shadow defense minister, Ayesha Campbell, is standing as the Labour parliamentary candidate leading a progressive alliance made out of the Green Party. John asks Lana if she thinks it is some loon doing this. He questions what they think in CT and whether they have a name or anything. He suspects her fella tells her things, but Lana doesn't say. He says here we go when Ayesha begins talking on the television. John argues it is a typical lefty siding with the enemy. Lana gets a message from Sonya asking her to come to the lab immediately.

She meets with Sonya and learns they've got their confirmation for the HMX-319 compound. Sonya explains it is the same exact levels used at Westhaven. The Crusaders are lying about the mosque being revenge since it has been them all along. There is nothing from Porton Down since Youngblood hasn't even asked Hamilton for clearance yet. Sonya insists she needs to tell Thom to get on it. Lana asks if she would know about her and Thom if she hadn't told her because she doesn't know how John knows. Sonya admits it isn't that obvious. Lana gets a call from Danny about another device allegedly planted by the Crusaders. As they rush to the scene, Lana learns from Thom that there is a stationary black van outside an LGBT pub called The Five Oaks. There is a noticeable sag in the rear axle. Then, we see a black van with Elsom Brewers on the side parking outside of the club.

Once Lana arrives, Desai tells her it arrived at 6 PM and the bar staff thought it was a beer delivery until the driver did a runner. At 6:25 PM, the Crusaders sent them an encrypted message claiming responsibility. Since the van is sagged down so far in the back, Lana suggests there are enough explosives to take down the whole street. Danny drives the robot toward the van. Once he gets the front door open, Danny says it must be a rental because nobody keeps their motor that clean. They don't see any wires upfront so they decide to move to the back of the van. Then, a sniper begins shooting at the robot. The robot stops working as Thom and the others try to locate the sniper. Thom and Robins run across the street and take shelter behind another building. The sniper takes aim at the van while Robins tries to find out where the sniper is hiding. Robins sees the sniper on the top floor so Thom quickly radios that information to the others.

They run back across the street before Thom joins Desai and requests air support. Randall and PS Carney are told to head towards the target as the bullets begin flying. The air support will be there in roughly three minutes. The front tire of the van is shot and flattened. Thom joins Lana who says the bomb will total the whole street if it functions. A single shot could enable the device. Lana tells Danny to get the pig stick bag right now. She asks Robins for smoke grenades. The green team redeploys to the tower block while Lana prepares to move in with the pig stick. She throws two smoke grenades. The sniper takes several shots at her while she moves toward the back of the van. While Robins and his team prepare to storm the apartment complex, Lana rushes to set up the pig stick and disarm the explosive device.

Danny screams that the smoke is thinning while Lana responds by saying she is nearly there. Lana screams for Danny to take the shot as soon as she reaches the corner. As the helicopter arrives, the gunman begins shooting at it with a handgun. Lana makes it back to Danny who takes the shot and disarms the explosive device. Lana confirms over the radio that the device has been neutralized. Meanwhile, Robins and his team wait for the elevator. When the elevator arrives, a man steps off with his face covered and a suicide vest around his body. Robins calls

for EXPO after the man is shot and killed. Another officer searches one of the rooms and finds a police officer's vest and hat sitting in a chair in the middle of the room. When he walks over to the items, he is attacked from behind and his throat is slit. Lana arrives to deal with the suicide vest. Thom watches as she removes the trigger from the man's hand and unplugs a few wires.

She says it is clear. As Thom and Danny walk in, Lana says it is real so Danny should get ready to set up a controlled explosion. The man's mask is pulled down allowing Thom to confirm it is Nic Roberts. When Thom and Lana walk outside, she tells him she'll ask Sonya about forensics on the device. He tells her that was good work with the smoke grenades although it wasn't by the book. He reminds her they're not in Afghanistan. Desai calls for Thom who goes inside with her. They go inside and join Carney and Robins to discuss the dead officer. Robins tells Carney he'll need to report for forensic recovery. Before he goes, he tells them that the man's missus is six months pregnant. Brown is told to go write his report and both should get some rest. Back at the office, Hamilton tells everyone about the murder of Simon Randall. She believes they have a bombing campaign carried out by one group, the Crusaders. Nic Roberts was one member, but there has to be at least one other.

She lists their targets while saying they're highly skilled with weapons and explosives. They suspect that the Crusaders wanted their van to be traced to the bomb factory although they're not sure why. When Desai begins talking, she says they know Andy Phelan was Nic's cellmate in Ashcombe Prison for three months in 2015. During an interview, he is asked about Nic. Andy asked what that psycho has to do with anything. He reveals he stopped sharing a cell with Nic because he attacked him and tried to stab him in the neck. Desai suggests Nic had a personal grudge against Andy so the Crusaders decided to use him as a patsy. Hamilton says it is a worrying development that the far-right is now using suicide vests. The CCTV footage says there is a second police officer at the apartment complex and he is unaccounted for. He is tracked getting into a white Prius with license plate RX10-XMG. They haven't been able to find the vehicle yet.

Desai says the attackers knew where the CCTV cameras were. Since Nic had no gunshot residue on him, the second Crusader had to be the gunman. Lana says he knows how to move and behave like a firearms officer. Hamilton wants them to focus on tracking down the second Crusader. She suggests doing that by studying all of Nic's contacts. Then, Lana says Nic didn't have bomb-making training. It was either number two or someone else. We see someone getting out of the white Prius and dealing with the license plate. The car is blown up as the person walks away from it. Next, Lana tells Sonya to come look at this because she feels like something is staring her in the face. Sonya admits they haven't had any luck tracing the device from the pub van yet. She looks at the picture and asks if it is from Vauxhall. Sonya compares it to the picture from Westhaven and the way the wires are twisted and cut.

She is convinced it is the same technique. Lana believes it is military training since that is how she does it too. She tells Sonya it has to be an inside man because they know so much. Later, she listens as Hass jokes about Danny's aftershave. They ask Lana to come with them, but she stays to finish the paperwork. While she is alone, she tries to break into John's locker. She breaks in and finds a pamphlet that says something about being proud of being English. She finds a map book of sorts and a page that has a card for Zipcom Facilities and Andy's name on the other page. The Westhaven Estate has been circled. Another page says deliveries on Monday to Friday at 18:00. On that page, Vauxhall is circled. The next page contains information about the mosque. Lana snaps pictures of everyone on her phone before locking it back.

Episode 4

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Summary: Following the murder of a Counter Terrorism officer, Lana Washington and the EXPO team race against time to stop the bombers before they strike again.



The episode begins with Lana Washington driving to the burned vehicle while a news report confirms the man shot was Nicholas Roberts. DI Samira Desai asks an officer to speak to the nearby jogger to see what she saw if anything. She tells DI Thom Youngblood there are no fingerprints or evidence regarding the second Crusader. However, the vehicle matches the one spotted on the CCTV camera although the number plate was removed. CCTV cameras likely won't be helpful out there. Sonya suspects an accelerant was

used on the interior before a det charge went off on the petrol tank. Lana joins them and learns that petrol was likely used as the accelerant. When Samira asks if the det charge proves this guy was the bomb maker, Lana doubts it since anyone could learn to use a det charge.

Samira and Sonya leave while Lana asks for a second with Thom. She asks him about the HMX and Porton Down. He replies that they're looking at it. Lana shows him a picture of the wire and explains that is how professionals tie their wires. The same pattern was found on all three devices. Then, she shows him pictures of the stuff she found when snooping through John's locker. Thom scolds her for looking through his locker since it would make all evidence inadmissible. She tells him about the A-to-Z book she found in his locker and the locations marked in the book. Lana wants to know if he is going to help her or not. Thom says he will and she did the right thing bringing this to him. She intends to text him the pictures. Later, she gets a call from DC Jones who says her brother, Billy, failed to attend a further interview at Holloway Police Station.

Lana doesn't believe there is much she can do about that, but Jones argues it is in Billy's best interest to cooperate with these additional inquiries. Before the call ends, she promises to bring Billy into the station herself. She begins looking for her brother, but he isn't home and won't answer his phone. During a team meeting, Moira Bloxham talks about the far right and how there were 100 expulsions for extremist views when Agatha Jack tried to reform English Flag

last year. Since those names were easy to track, the far right changed tactics by looking at people without criminal convictions or far right activism. They targeted the disillusioned, unemployed, and those left behind. Commander Bregman says they believe the attack on Westhaven was a false flag by the Crusaders to justify their attack on the Amburiq Mosque.

Andy Phelan was the target because Nic Roberts had a personal grudge against him. Interviews with Phelan suggest Nic thought he had been deliberately placed in his cell by MI5 to gather info on the far right. DSU Marianne Hamilton says they're working through a list of suspects provided by Thames House that had connections to Nic. The autopsy of Nic revealed he was in the advanced stages of terminal prostate cancer. Hamilton suggests that might explain why he was willing to carry out a suicide bombing. Then, Bregman mentions Lana's report on the Five Oaks and it was well done. Although it isn't certain, she says it is highly likely they're looking for one bomber. Lana begins telling them about the three distinct elements they've found with one being HMX-319. When she says it is reported classified by Porton Down, Thom quickly says they're tracing it. The working theory is that some of the explosive found its way onto the dark web.

Lana mentions the method of delivery and repeated use of secondaries. Finally, she tells them about the distinct signature in the wiring. She explains that means the bomber has received high-level military training. Bregman admits that is going to increase the threat level. Lana shows him an example of the wiring while explaining the technique is durable and prevents snagging. An expo can quickly check for damage without pulling the whole thing apart and it isn't something just anyone can do. Hamilton asks when the report was submitted so Thom claims Lana only made the discovery about the wiring earlier today. They're looking through official databases to see if they can identify any persons of interest while keeping an open mind.

Hamilton wonders if it could be a ruse to throw them off their tracks since it is odd for the bomber to advertise themselves so clearly. Bregman agrees since the Westhaven attack was meant to send them in the wrong direction. However, Lana argues that finishing a wire like this is like second nature because you do it without thinking. The bombers likely didn't expect them to check the wiring since the circuits are usually damaged by the blast. She is almost certain the bomber is a former member of the military. After that, Lana meets up with her parents, Val and Jeff, to find Billy. There is evidence that Billy started the party without them although he isn't home. Val questions whether he went out with Becky, but Lana doubts it since they've split for good now. When Lana last saw Billy, he was mardy and confused. Jeff says there was no change there then. Val spots the bloody bandage on the ground. Lana quickly grabs it, throws it to the side, and says Billy cut his hand a couple of days ago.

She admits it was after Nut's funeral when Billy was drunk. They learn that he drank too much, smashed a window, and got arrested. Lana promised she wouldn't tell them anything because he didn't want them to worry. Val asks what is really going on. Lana tells them not to worry and she isn't going to stay around since he isn't home. As Lana leaves, she stops to text Karl to see what he is doing this evening. She goes to the Meerab Halal Butchers shop to apologize for the window. The owner says they're an easy target when things go wrong and he was here when it happened. She offers to pay for his window although he isn't sure why she'd do that since it wasn't her fault. She admits it was her brother's fault. The man tells her that they don't need anything from her. Lana tries to find out if there were more than one guy that night, but he won't say and instead urges her to leave them alone.

She goes to an ice cream shop with Karl. After they sit down, Lana tells him about her brother going on a bender and concerning her parents. Karl suggests he is just letting off steam until he learns about Billy smashing the window of the halal butcher shop. Lana reveals Billy has been charged with racially aggravated criminal damage. Karl believes it was mostly because Billy was wasted since he and John drank Flaming Sambucas once they left. Micky told him that John Hudson and Billy were still drinking by the time he left. Later, Lana finds John working out with Danny so she confronts him. She asks if he has seen Billy around. At first, he acts like he doesn't know who Billy is. Then, John says he hasn't seen him and he isn't sure why she'd think he has. He denies that they were mates while claiming Billy only said a few words to him. She sits down and watches John put the A-to-Z book in his bag.

She follows him when he leaves. John stops momentarily to check the book before continuing. As she stalks him, John stops again and writes something down. After she nearly gets hit by a vehicle, she walks over to where John was writing. She looks up and sees it is the Borough Hill

Jewish Centre. Lana tries to get in touch with her brother who still isn't answering his phone. Thom pulls up and asks her what she is playing at. She is told that they have a person under active surveillance and they saw her following John so he had to ask them not to include it in the report. She argues he is caught up in all of this, but Thom just wants her to let them deal with it. Back at the office, she talks to Pete about John being on shift at the Five Oaks although he didn't show up and Hassan had to cover for him. He remembers John going home with the stomach bug right before the call. Lana finds that odd since John was just fine when she saw him that day.

At New Scotland Yard, Lana tries to call her brother once more. When Thom joins her, she asks if he has talked to John Hudson yet. She is confident he is involved since he pretended to be sick before the Five Oaks incident and lied about Billy too. Thom insists John wouldn't be on duty if they had anything against him. As for the trace on the military explosives, Thom says that is ongoing. He reveals a DCI position is opening up in Serious and Organized Crime so he can't afford to blow it. Their conversation ends abruptly when John, Danny, and the others arrive for an EXPO briefing. As John walks by, Kate asks him what he has gotten Billy mixed up in. He denies everything while she accuses him of grooming her brother. He chuckles so she pushes him to the ground. Hamilton arrives in time to see the others breaking it up. She asks John if he'd like to make a formal complaint against Lana, but he says no because he isn't like that.

He believes the pressure is getting to her with everything that has been going on lately. Since Hamilton is worried about Lana, she asks her to take some personal leave although Lana thinks she should be worried about John. Hamilton says it wasn't a question. Lana calls that decision bollocks before leaving as John laughs at her. At home, Lana gets in touch with Sonya and thanks her for taking the time to talk to her. They discuss HMX-319 which is what the special forces use. Lana wonders what the lifespan of it is. She believes they can use that information to determine who had access to it at that time. Sonya says it would have a lifespan of about 50 years depending on the storage and the traces they found were roughly 10 years old. Sonya promises to see what she can find about military operations using HMX-319. When asked, Lana admits she didn't get much sleep last night. She can't sit around and wait while the bomber is out there. She is also tired of watching after Billy who is a magnet for bullies.

Sonya recommends finding a way to take her mind off things. Lana goes to the pool hall where she plays with Karl. They play a game before sitting around and talking about two guys playing nearby. Karl likes coming here because of the vibe. While the boys are useless, they're having the time of their lives and he enjoys that. He tells her he just wants the simple things while she thanks him for not asking how she is. She wonders what they are and whether they're just mates. Karl says you tell me. She leans over and they begin kissing. A call interrupts that. The kissing continues until she gets another call. The male caller's voice is all broken up due to the bad reception in the club. When she steps outside, she learns it is Commander Bregman who wants to talk to her about Billy. The Commander reveals they believe Billy is involved in a Crusaders cell. Hamilton looks through CCTV pictures of Nic Roberts meeting with Billy while Bregman tells Lana about them.

Billy's car has tripped an ANPR camera and they've tracked him heading into North London. Another attack could be imminent so they need to question Billy. They believe Lana can help convince him to cooperate. Once Lana agrees to cooperate, Sam tells her they'll text her and they need to get as much information as possible. His phone records show Billy has been contacting Becky Walters, but she hasn't been answering. They decide to text Billy while pretending Lana is with Becky to get him to answer. The call will be recorded with Thom and the others listening on a secure line. When Karl comes out to check on her, Lana tells him she has to go. Lana's text message work convincing Billy to call her. Billy says he is going to meet his mates although he won't say who. As their conversation continues, Billy runs into a protest at the Farringdon tube station. Sam tells everyone there is an anti-fascist demo taking place there. Commander Bregman believes they should intercept Billy.

Billy tells Lana he was supposed to meet his mates there, but he only sees a bunch of lefty wankers. She tells him that his friends aren't who he thinks they are. He learns about Nic being involved in the Crusaders and Nic's death. Once she asks him to search the vehicle for anything unusual, he finds masking tape and wires under the tape. The wires run into the glovebox where he finds a bomb. Although Billy wants to get out of the car, Lana doesn't think that is a good idea. Hamilton and the others strategize to find a way to get the car away from the crowds. They

decide to send him to Cranstead Fields and meet him there. EMS and EXPO units are sent there as well.

Lana tells her brother not to turn the car off or touch anything when he arrives. When Billy asks her to tell mom and dad he is sorry, she says he can tell them himself since he is going to be fine. Billy hears the bomb arm and learns he only has eight minutes to disarm it. Then, his battery dies which makes matters even worse. As officers arrive, they find a group playing football so Hassan tries to get them to move out of the way. Billy drives into the field and has to lock the door to avoid being attacked by the players. Hassan gets rid of them and tells Billy to stay calm because it is going to be okay. Then, Lana arrives and rushes toward Billy's car. Billy tells her it only has about three minutes left. She looks around the car and tries to open the trunk, but it is locked. She sees the bomb as Billy asks her how bad it is. She struggles to find out what the bomber has done while Sam and Thom arrive. Lana believes the timer is a decoy since the bomber wouldn't know where the car would be when it goes off.

She tells her brother that the timer means nothing and is trying to trick him into opening the door. Lana repeatedly tells him it is going to be fine and she is going to go get some stuff. Lana informs Thom that the timer is a decoy and the bomb will likely explode if the driver's side door is open. She isn't sure about the passenger side although she doesn't want to risk it. The bomb's timer turns off at 30 seconds before it begins counting down again. Lana and the others prepare to extract him through the rear window. Billy freaks out, opens the door, and dies in a fiery explosion. That night, Lana grieves with her mother and father. She goes to Karl so he can comfort her. She sleeps with him. Once she wakes up in the morning, she finds a bunch of missed calls from Thom. She listens to one of the voicemail messages in which Thom says he just wants to know she is okay. She learns and listens to another voicemail message from Thom. She goes to the scene of the explosion where police are searching for evidence. She sees John walking around and stares at home before leaving.

Episode 5

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Summary: Lana struggles to come to terms with her personal loss and her failure to prevent the explosion. Meanwhile, Counter Terrorism officers identify the bomber and launch a manhunt.



As the episode begins, we see that Lana Washington is still struggling with the loss of Billy. While laying in bed, Karl Maguire tries to call her. She doesn't answer as we see that her phone has several missed calls. DI Thom Youngblood comes to her place later because she hasn't been responding to his text messages. He offers to help her get some bags packed and get her moved into his place so he can look after her properly. Lana doesn't think now is the right time for that though. When she asks about John

Hudson, Thom admits they didn't find anything on him. They looked through his entire comms history and it seems he is clean. Thom leaves after that. Next, Lana meets with Karl who wants to know how she is doing. He knows they don't like talking much, but he is still willing to listen regardless. Lana believes Billy would've been okay if he just trusted her.

They were close before her job and life got in the way. If they would've still have been close, Billy would've listened to her and been okay. Karl understands what it is like to carry that type of guilt. He reminds her of what it was like to stand in front of a device for the first time and the sheer terror she experienced. After years of training, you go into autopilot so there aren't any nerves. It wasn't that Billy didn't trust her. Instead, he just didn't know what the heck was going on. Karl encourages her not to beat herself up over it because she is a good EXPO, great person, and nobody could've done more. Lana isn't sure about that, but she thanks Karl for saying it anyway. Lana admits Karl reminds her of Nut. Karl understands that since Nut was a great person. He says that is one of the nicest things anyone has ever said to him before suggesting they have a lot of stuff in common.

Karl thinks she gets him and he gets her although she isn't sure she gets herself. Before they leave, Karl asks if she wants to watch a movie or something, but Lana just wants to be by herself

for a bit. She goes home and gets drunk by herself that night. She eventually breaks down and starts crying. The next day, DSU Marianne Hamilton thanks Lana for coming in for a meeting since it couldn't have been easy. DSU Hamilton starts by saying they do not believe Billy was aware of the Farringdon VBIED plot. A pressure plate was rigged under his seat to arm the door when he got up. Billy saved many lives by driving away from Farringdon. They managed to geolocate Billy to an address in Streatham registered to someone named Thomas Marshall. Lana knows him because Tommy was an old friend of Billy's. It is believed Billy spent the night with Tommy and left on the day of the anti-fascist demo before spending an hour at an address in Brixton.

After that, he went north in his car and tripped an ANPR camera. They called Lana at 11:41 AM when she was at O'Hara's Pool Hall. She claims she was with some mates Danny and Mike there. The conversation turns to Billy being charged with racially aggravated assault. Lana says he hadn't shown any far-right inclinations before. She blames it on Billy being naïve and easily misled. Thom asks if Billy ever mentioned someone named Frank, but Lana doesn't recall that name. They believe Frank is connected to the Crusaders and possibly a member. Lana believes Billy was groomed. She learns DNA was found in Billy's flat matching Frank Adrian Welsh who was born in Dagenham on June 7, 1978. Frank was released from prison three years ago after doing time for armed robbery. Thom says he was a former member of English Flag and they believe he was among the members expelled by Agatha Jack.

There is a connection between Frank and Nic Roberts since they attended the same rehabilitation group in late 2019. Frank was in the Territorial Army from 2005 to 2014 with a record of explosives training. He fits the profile of the bomber and is likely the man they're looking for. When the meeting ends, Lana chases down Hamilton to beg to be allowed to return to work. She argues this is not the time to be one EXPO down and they brought her on as senior for a reason. She goes on to say she is ready, she was wrong about John, and she needs to do everything she can to get Frank Welsh. Hamilton relents and agrees, but she wants Lana to provide daily reports after each job she is sent to.

Hamilton says they have a duty of care to her and Lana understands that. Lana promises to do whatever is required of her. She begins meeting with Dr. MacAndrew who asks Lana served two tours in Afghanistan in EOD. Once Lana completes the questionnaire, MacAndrew notices she ticked no on every question. She encourages Lana to trust her. Lana confesses she doesn't discuss things or share her feelings with work colleagues because they're focused on the job. It can be hard to shut it off when she is away from the job and she knows that makes it difficult for the people around her and her partner. She laughs while saying Nut used to say that EOD stood for Every One Divorced. While he job is to keep people safe, she hasn't been able to do that. Dr. MacAndrew listens as Lana begins talking about Ali Hussein, Billy, and Nut because she wasn't able to save them. When she is asked how it feels to carry that responsibility, Lana says she doesn't know how to answer that.

As Lana goes back to work, she hears Thom telling everyone that Frank Welsh is their number one priority right now. Once Thom finishes speaking, he pulls her aside to ask about playing pool with Danny and Mike since he knows better. He checked the log and knows she was lying about that. After she admits she was with someone else, Thom asks if their relationship is over now. She doesn't know what that means. Meanwhile, John and Danny listen to Simon talk about Agatha Jack and the English Flag group not producing any clear policy yet. John says Simon is so biased although Danny isn't sure why they're listening to him. Then, we see Simon Shenley take the stage for a special show for the upcoming by-elections. He says this one is particularly important since it comes at a time when London is facing a critical threat level. Lana joins the others and tells them to turn down the volume. Then, she reveals they have a name, Frank Welsh.

She tells them more about his secondaries and tilt switches before saying they need to be at the top of their game to avoid losing anyone else. Moments later, Lana visits Sonia Rees who has created a replica of the device from Cranstead Fields. The timer was indeed a dummy. Sonia gives her Nut's lucky snips. She reveals she checked with Porton Down about the HMX they found. She shows Lana the batch data report for the HMX-319. All the information has been removed except for 661142. It has been wiped clean although the export code shows it was produced for license in Afghanistan. DI Samira Desai receives a call about a security alert at South London University. At 2:05 PM, a member of the security team noticed a suspicious item hidden amongst

the recording equipment brought in for the upcoming broadcast. The team looks at video footage of an unknown man moving equipment around. When sorting through the entry IDs, they found a suspicious one with the name Dave Harris.

It is actually Welsh. The talk show people have been moved to a safe location in case they're Welsh's intended targets. Desai tells Inspector Robins and the others that Welsh could be in the vicinity and could be armed. Lee Robins tells his team to move to their positions. Lana reminds them there will be radio silence once they're in there before telling John he is coming with her. Danny gives her encouragement before she heads inside. In a flashback, Lana tells Dr. MacAndrew how she overcomes the urge to run by making it personal. She says what scares someone is the unknown so she always tries to get into the bomber's head. She claims it is her and the device as well as her and the bomber. John and Lana make it to the bomb as Lana pinpoints the location of the device. While she works, John admits he has been meaning to say sorry about Billy who was a good kid.

She tells him not to say that now. John complains he can't say anything without her biting his head off. Outside, Desai tells her team to keep the crowd back before asking if anyone has spotted the subject, but they haven't. Lana finds a phone and timer so they suspect it is a decoy timer with remote detonation. PC Costa can't find Welsh from his spot. Then, Lana finds two phones meaning there is one to prime and one to trigger. She asks John to go tell Thom to look out for any suspect who has two phones while she sets up the pigstick to disrupt the bomb. John walks outside and notifies Thom and Desai that they should be looking for someone with two phones. Costa spots a man walking around in a flat across the way with two phones. One of the phones rings so Lana radios that it is armed as she rushes to complete the circuit for the pigstick.

Once Costa gets a positive ID on Frank Welsh, he takes the shot and immediately kills him. John goes back inside to tell Lana that Frank has been killed so there is no pressure. John walks outside, radios that they're about to disrupt the bomb, and calls the other phone. Lana hears it arm so she has to run outside before it explodes. She makes it to safety just before the bomb blows. She looks over and watches John continue running from the scene. Back at the station, Thom confirms they have reports of John Hudson fleeing the scene seconds before the blast. Mobile data also shows he used his mobile in the seconds before the device was triggered. Frank Welsh was the caller to the primer phone. When Welsh was killed, Hudson took over. They've also confirmed that the explosive used was the same as the devices at Westhaven, Amburiq, and The Five Oaks.

More explosives were found at a property belonging to John Hudson but they're still analyzing it. A woman via a video stream admits they hadn't previously encountered his name. Desai admits he had been under surveillance and fits their working profile. Until now, there was no evidence of his involvement. Commander Bregman insists it is imperative to locate and detain Hudson as quickly as possible. Later, Karl meets with Lana to say he was out of order for believing she'd come to back his place or he'd go back to hers. He doesn't want her to think that or believe he is pressuring her, but she doesn't. Then, she explains she had to pick some things up and return to work. Karl knows she is used to doing the hard things herself. He can help, but she needs to let him in. For the first time, he thinks he has met someone who can help him make sense of his life. He wants to do the same for her.

Lana says that is very kind. Her head is all over the place at the minute though. Next, Lana meets with Sonia who has evidence from John Hudson's place. She can't understand how an EXPO would do something like this since they understand what the explosives do to people. When Thom joins them, Sonia confirms that the explosives match the ones found in John Hudson's flat. Some found the number 1912 in the interior of the device so it matches what they found at Westhaven. While they look through the evidence, Thom apologizes for doubting Lana about John. They look at John's A-to-Z book and find something else marked on the mosque page. Thom calls to get a background check on the address, Caredale Road SE1. After he learns it is the progressive alliance campaign headquarters, he tells them to get in touch with the Labour candidate and their security.

They rush over there and tell Ayesha Campbell-Khan about a potential security threat. She says she posts regular updates on social media so people would know her schedule. Desai tells Lana they've been checking vehicles and they've found one that has been a long-term parking violation. They rush over to the vehicle to stop the tow man from moving it. As Thom walks over,

he learns there is no council logo on the clamp. Lana looks under the vehicle and finds that the gas lid has been removed from the ground. Since council didn't order any car removal, Lana suspects they wanted the car moved as a part of a set-up. Desai orders the team to evacuate the area since there is possibly a VBEID on Caredale Road.

Lana returns to Danny who asks if they want the robot. She says no and instead asks for the optic cable. They drill out a small hole in the back of the vehicle and push the optic cable camera inside. They find a tilt switch so the bombers wanted them to lift the car and the tilt switch. Then, they find an EFP. Danny tells Desai and Thom about the EFP or explosively formed projectile. Lana tells them that the charge is set off when the car is lifted onto the ramp thanks to the tilt switch. The projectile would be strong enough to go through the boot of the car and into the gas pipes below. Lana doesn't think they're trying to create an underground explosion since the gas would need oxygen to become an explosion. There is a more complex plan in play here. The staff at the campaign HQ were told that the gas pipes were faulty because they were filled with water and dirt.

An officer interrupts to say most residents on the street have had a gas engineer inside changing the meter. Lana expects it is John. Thom orders a bronze evacuation since this could impact thousands of residents. He is going to get them to turn off the gas there while Lana asks for EXPO support. She is going to enter all the buildings to check all the gas meters starting with the campaign headquarters. Lana checks the first gas meter and immediately finds something she doesn't like. She uses her mirror to get a better look. Lana suspects John is going to release the gas. She runs outside to warn the others that he has set up a gas explosion in every building on the street and to ask for EXPO support now.

Episode 6

Season 1
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Season Episode: 6

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Writer: Daniel Brierley
Director: Jennie Darnell
Show Stars: Vicky McClure (Lana Washington), Cal MacAninch (Inspector Robins), Mark Stanley (DI Thom Youngblood), Manjinder Virk (DI Samira Desai)
Guest Stars: Kris Hitchen (John Hudson), Ralph Ineson (Commander Bregman), Tom Stokes (Pete), Gwynfor Jones (PS Brown), Gavin Sibson (PS Costa), Nabil Elouahabi (Hassan Rahim), Warren Brown (Karl Maguire), Kerry Godliman (Sonya Reeves), Paul Marlon (Firearms Tactical Advisor), Nadine Marshall (DSU Marianne Hamilton), Melissa Phillips (Police Officer), Camilla Power (Agatha Jack), Salima Saxton (Ayesha Campbell-Khan), Eric Shango (Danny)
Summary: A desperate manhunt for the mastermind behind the bombing campaign plunges Lana Washington's EXPO team into ultimate danger.



As the episode begins, Lana Washington quickly shuts off the gas at the meter while DI Desai escorts families out of their homes. Lana and Hassan Rahim try to disable some of the bombs. When DSU Marianne Hamilton arrives, she learns from Thom that they've evacuated everyone in a two-mile radius and Lana and the team are dealing with the devices right now. Ayesha Campbell-Khan has been moved to a secure location. A robot will be brought in to disable the car bomb. Desai shows Hamilton video from

a doorbell camera of the man who set up the bombs. Since he wore his mask the whole time, they're not sure if it was John Hudson. The evacuation is complete. Pete works with Danny to move the robot closer to the car.

Lana joins them and confirms they've removed all the gas meters. The car bomb is quickly taken care of using a controlled explosion. Lana sends word over the radio that all devices are dealt with. Danny and Lana agree they deserve a drink after this. Hassan approaches Lana to say he served with John and would expect to have formed a bond as a result. After all, Lana and Nut were practically family. John never made him feel like a part of the team and regularly spewed racist banter. Lana apologizes and admits that must've been rough. Hassan just wishes people would've opened their eyes. She wishes she could've worked it out with Billy. Hassan isn't sure he would've worked out the setup with the gas meters. Nutkins would've been proud of her because they all are.

Back at the office, Hamilton tells Lana that her instincts have been right about this from the very beginning. Lana seems to have an understanding of John's methods so they want to use her to see if they can identify his next move. Hamilton tells the team they're running out of time before the Commander goes public with Hudson's name. Lana tells everyone that the device at HQ was very sophisticated so she has to piece together all the pieces to see the final goal. There was more trickery and his strategy is hard to predict although it seems he is leaving a trail. When she mentions 1912, DI Thom Youngblood admits they can't find a significance to the number for the far-right. Desai claims the last two targets have been related to the by-election.

They discuss the amount of planning it would've taken to set up the gas meters and car bomb. Lana believes he is going to have more determination than ever. The team agrees he will likely try to do something during the counting of the by-election. After the meeting ends, Lana gets a text message from John who wants to talk to her. Thom watches anxiously as Lana tries calling John with the intention of keeping him on the phone for as long as possible. He doesn't answer, but he sends another message with the numbers 66 11 42. Lana remembers the number from a redacted HMX file. She explains that Sonya Reeves called in a favor from a friend at Porton Down. Thom announces they've got John's location outside of the MOD Steephholm facility which is possibly a dark site.

Lana takes a screenshot of the text messages as they prepare to leave. As Danny and Lana arrive, they agree they've never heard of this place. Thom talks to Paul Kirby who says his team is inspecting the entire perimeter. Thom argues with a man who doesn't believe anyone could've breached the facility. The man in charge of security approaches and makes it clear they won't be allowed to enter without proper clearance. Thom explains the suspect has military training that he could've used to get inside the facility. It is eventually revealed that the facility is used to store high-grade military explosives. They're told to search the perimeter of the facility. Thom wants to make sure nothing has been stolen. Their search warrant has been received although a decision hasn't been made yet. Once they leave, Lana says John must have a reason to come here. Desai says they checked the numbers with the Security Service, but they don't mean anything to them.

They're still in the dark about whatever he is currently planning. Later, Lana visits Sonya and admits it is late or early, but she isn't sure since she hasn't been to bed. Lana tells her about the text message from John Hudson. She told them they were using back channels and suggests John is sending them signals right now. They want Sonya to reach out to her Porton Down contact to see if they can help. She agrees to look into it and the possible code as well before asking Lana if she is okay. Lana can't believe everything that has happened. She hasn't grieved and just keeps working because she has to make this stop. Sonya comforts her by insisting Nutkins and Billy knew how much she cared about them. Lana goes to sleep on the sofa. Outside the Deptford Assembly Halls, Thom tells Lana there has been no work here in the last week as the count is getting started.

They've checked the interior and exterior although Lana feels like they're missing something. Thom tells her about the coffee shop across the road before Sonya calls Lana. She confirms HMX-319 was distributed from Steephholm with the last occasion being in July 2009 for Operation code name Dynamo. There is nothing on the numbers. It has sparked something for Sonya, but she can't put her finger on it. Back at the base, Hamilton and Thom tell everyone about Operation Dynamo. It has been difficult to find anything on Dynamo. However, there was a road accident in Kandahar in July 2009 when seven allied soldiers were killed. Official records show that all passengers were killed in the crash, but the families of the victims suspect it was an explosion. There are some sections of John Hudson's military file that were redacted so it is hard to connect him to the Dynamo.

Lana asks what they were doing driving there and whether it was a supply truck. Thom says they're trying to find out like the victims' families who've been demanding answers for 10 years. Their request to release the files was rejected in 2019 by the Defense Select Committee. The chair of the committee back then was Ayesha Campbell-Khan. They agree John is after Ayesha because he thinks it is a cover-up. Hamilton will give the information to the commissioner and Home Officer so they'll decide whether the by-election results will be revealed behind closed doors or online. Until then, they'll increase security on the ground and around Campbell-Khan. Inspector Lee Robins asks to have two men deployed to the roof to keep watch. When Lana arrives, DI Desai says the order has come down for the results to go ahead or terror will be winning.

Desai gets a call from Hamilton and gives her a quick update before leaving. Lana is surprised when Karl Maguire shows up with coffee. He says he doesn't want to give up on this and wants to be with her. Lana insists she isn't in a good place. Although she cares about him, she doesn't think she is in the same place. He asks for a chance, but Lana doesn't think they should see each other anymore. Karl tries to convince her otherwise. Lana walks off and joins Danny as they return to work. Lana looks around the building even though it has already been checked previously. They agree they can't believe what has happened over the past few weeks. Lana gets another message from John saying "Endgame". They run back to Thom to show him the message

while Desai tries to get the location of Hudson's phone.

They make sure Ayesha is still covered before Desai says John is at an old military chapel. Desai suggests it might be a trap so she is going to take the blue team to the chapel. Lana and the others will stay with Ayesha for the election results. Commander Bregman meets with Hamilton to learn about everything that is going on. Desai tells them that the blue team is entering the chapel. Hamilton and Bregman watch as the team storms the chapel and finds nothing. Meanwhile, Agatha Jack and Ayesha head to the stage to hear the election results. John Hudson is found nearly dead.

Ayesha receives far more votes than the others. Thom receives a call from Desai who confirms they've found John. Hassan checks on John and finds a pulse. Lana learns they've got John and it looks like an overdose. As Agatha rushes off the stage, Thom says the chapel is where they held the services for the soldier who served with John. Lana wonders why he'd send them there. Ayesha talks on stage while Lana looks around to see if there is anything suspicious going on. Karl enters as Ayesha's speech continues. Sonya calls Lana to say she has figured something out with the numbers. Sonya explains it is the periodic table of elements meaning 11 would be sodium or NA. According to the theory, the numbers would spell Dynamo. Then, they focus on 1912 which would be KMG. Lana suggests it is Karl Maguire who is standing nearby.

Karl takes to the stage and removes his shirt revealing a bomb vest. Police enter the building as Karl orders the audience to shut the doors and listen to him. Karl shows them the dead man's switch and tells the police to turn off their radios. Hamilton loses the feed. Thom and Robins get closer to the room. Karl calls out Ayesha for covering up the murders of British soldiers in 2009. He doesn't believe she cares about soldiers since she wouldn't even let anyone know his real name in the report. Karl puts her in front of the camera and begins telling them about what happened in July 2009. He says the operation was code named Dynamo. Despite the importance of their cargo, they were lightly defended, ill-equipped, and undermanned. An RPG hit the truck full of HMX and that took out a school so angry locals came after them as well. They tried to fight back, but there were too many of them. Karl ran for it.

He confesses that he ran and left those boys behind. The soldiers were covered up as non-combat deaths. He complains that they wouldn't even tell the families what happened, but Ayesha justifies it by saying they had to maintain the public's trust in their mission overseas. They stuck him in the hospital wing for three months while they tried to figure out how to make it go away. When he threatened to go public, they set up a kangaroo court to court-martial him. They threatened to jail him for life if he ever talked about it. He argues that the world needs to know. Then, he looks over at Lana and tells her he didn't want her to be there. He tried to set it up so she'd go looking for John at the chapel. He pleads with Lana to go. Outside, Robins tries to find out where they can set up a sniper with a clear shot.

PS Costa is sent to his position. CCTV shows Karl retrieving the IED after entering the building so they have to assume it is real and active. Lana tries to negotiate with Karl. She insists he'll be seen as another nutter, but he says this is revenge. He tells her about the rehabilitation group he was running in South London with Nic Roberts and Frank Welsh. He tapped into their anger because he needed boots on the ground and couldn't risk getting caught before. He says they were racist idiots who deserved to die. He gave them a purpose. They wanted a culture war. Although it was different than what he wanted, they all wanted the same thing in the end. As for Billy, he was a loose cannon who was making Lana unhappy so he did it for her. He couldn't take the chance of Billy leading Lana to him and the Crusaders. He sees something that worries him. He orders the hostages to get up against the windows.

Karl freaks when he sees one of the officers as Lana tries to get him to talk about them and their relationship. She asks if he was just using her, but he says he meant everything he said. Once he makes the cameraman turn off the camera, Commander Bregman realizes he is getting more agitated. He orders the ground team to prepare for a dramatic entry. They're ordered to send a message to Lana that the critical shot is imminent. Karl thought they were the same because they carried the guilt of trying to protect people and failing. She tries to tell him about the people who will suffer and that they'll just cover it up if he kills Ayesha. She tells him he still has a home before they get struggling for the dead man's switch.

Karl is shot and killed by the sniper. Lana continues holding Karl's finger down on the switch while Hassan and Danny rush in to deal with the device. Once Hassan cuts the cord, they tell Lana she can let go. A distraught Lana continues holding onto the switch though. She lets

go and Danny tries to comfort her. Before long, Lana comes out of the building and tries to collect herself. Thom joins her and holds her hand as she begins sobbing. Later, she meets with Hamilton and Desai as she arrives for a preliminary hearing. She says she has been talking about everything and it helps. Hamilton reveals Karl's fingerprints were found on John's mobile device. They believe he sent the texts and convinced John to call the number that armed the bomb at the university. The suicide attempt was set up since there were no drugs or alcohol in his system. Instead, John was knocked out.

When Thom steps outside, he is left with Lana. He tells her Sonya is inside trying to explain what a twisted, stranded wire is. John is awake and claimed he was using to book as a way to track the bomber because he wanted to prove he should've been made senior. His story checks out. Thom says he is going to head to the nearby pub for a few drinks. Lana might see him there in a bit. Lana goes in for the hearing. When she goes out, Sonya offers her a coffee and half a donut. Lana admits she was lost after Nut died and thought she had a lot in common with Karl. She thanks Sonya for being there for her and always having her back. They agree to head to the pub.

Season Two

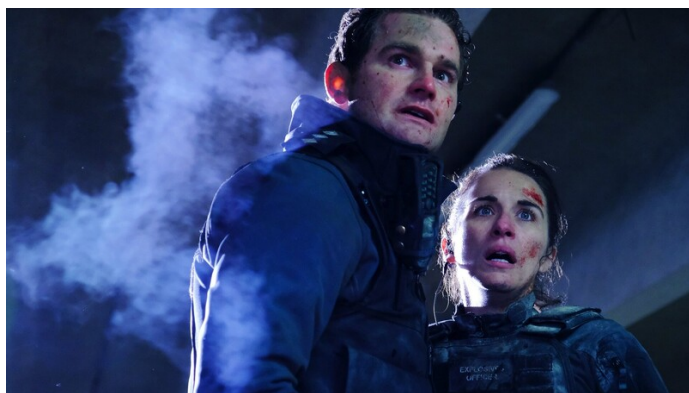
Episode 1

Season 2

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Guest Stars: Thom Ashley (Nick Hood), Lee Colley (Joe Hanson), Antony Byrne (Shaun Hodge), Anthony D'Arcy (CTSFO 2), Zoe Goriely (Fran), Pierre Bergman (Farmer), Karl Farrer (Wedding Guest), Delia Florea (Best Man's Wife), Joakim Skarli (Constable Wilson), Richard Sutar (Constable whitebrook), Stuart Whelan (Police), Cain Aiden (Police staff), Stuart Cooke (Passerby), Cris Haris (Counter Terrorist Specialist Firearms Officer), Robert Smith (Security Official), Simon Strutt (Wedding guest)
Summary: Expo Lana Washington is giving a routine talk, having just returned from secondment, when an explosion rocks the heart of the city. But is she ready to return to active duty?



The episode opens with Lana arriving in the City of London to give a talk on bomb-related terrorism to the heads of security from a series of major financial institutions. Meanwhile, at a power station on the Isle of Dogs, a worker sneaks away from his colleagues and disables the fail safe relay alarm, before a drone descends to blow up a generator.

Lana isn't due to return to active service until tomorrow, but after talking to Senior Expo, Hass Rahim, Lana heads straight there as she's the closest to the

blast. Apparently there are another two devices rigged to the power station gates, which are stopping the firefighters getting inside to rescue three trapped shift workers.

While Lana steps up to take a look, her old flame, DCI Thom Youngblood, arrives with his new girlfriend, DS Helen Morgan. Soon Hass turns up with John Hudson, whom Lana is very surprised to see still working as an expo after the part he played in the finale to the last season, where he almost got her killed. When he says hello she completely blanks him.

Lana wants to fire two disruptors at the devices to disarm them, one works, but the second one fails to go off. To make matters worse a 30 second timer has now started on the remaining device. Everyone takes cover, but Lana ignores Hass's warnings and rushes to replace the disruptor before making another attempt, disarming the device with seconds to spare. It's brave, but reckless and John cynically asks "who misses a timer?" Zip it mate.

New Metropolitan Police boss, Commander John Francis is on the scene and gets a full debrief from Hass. He wants to know if Lana is in a fit state to work and why they have an expo on their team who helped orchestrate the last bombing campaign. Fair questions tbqh.

Meanwhile, Lana says hello to DI Youngblood, who dodges the question when she asks if he's seeing anyone. It looks like he still has feelings for her, although Hass quickly bursts that bubble by telling Lana that Thom and DI Morgan are now an item.

Later on we find that two of the shift workers we saw in the opening scene died, while one — Joe Hansen — survived. We reckon he's the one who set the bomb, but he's in "no fit state to be interviewed". To make matters worse, the CCTV footage of the station from 6 pm is missing. "They could have been hacked," says DS Morgan.

Before long there's a link all over the web showing drone footage of the explosion, followed by the message "We're taking back the power for the people". But who is this terrorist group and what do they want?

Luckily for the police, a member of the public spotted someone launching a drone at Crayford Place, an abandoned multi-storey car park in East London, and everyone heads there to investigate. As they prepare to go in, Danny tells Lana he doesn't like John and was lumbered with him. That's cool, but it doesn't explain why he's letting him plan his stag do!

On the way up the stairs, Lana finally grills John, who refuses to apologise and says the team's been getting on fine without her. "You're still f**ked. I know it and so do they." he says. Meanwhile, back at HQ, news comes through that the tip-off about the car park came from a burner phone purchased yesterday, meaning it's almost certainly a trap.

On the 11th storey an officer steps on a pressure plate bomb and detonates a bomb, killing him and John Hudson — which is no great loss. However, seconds later, DCI Thom Youngblood steps on a device — and he would be a great loss!

Lana makes her way across to Thom, who's standing just a few feet away from DI Morgan. If he removes his foot then they'll all be killed in the blast for sure. Further examination reveals there are pressure plates everywhere, but DS Morgan manages to get to the stairwell without activating any of them.

As Hass comforts DI Morgan, Lana works on the pressure plate, although she needs to reassure a terrified DCI Youngblood. He tells Lana to leave and save herself, but she refuses and tells him she knows what she's doing. "I'm not going to let you die because I love you! I always have and I always will!" says Lana.

After calming him down she eventually manages to defuse the bomb and in the emotion of the situation, he kisses her on the lips. It's a moving moment and one that no one else witnesses.

Or so they think, because at that moment a drone armed with explosives arrives and seems ready to attack. However, Thom rushes past all the pressure pads, grabs a machine gun and shoots it down. Yet the drone has been streaming the whole event live on the web, with the message "Who are they protecting, the police are your enemy". It also means Lana and Thom's kiss won't stay a secret for long.

Meanwhile, police spot someone they suspect of being the drone operator on top of a nearby building, but who is it and what do they want?

Episode 2

Season 2
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Guest Stars: Bethan Cullinane (Hope), Dan Whitlam (Tim), Thom Ashley (Nick Hood), Lee Colley (Joe Hanson), Victoria Lloyd (Zara Baxter), Rose Baisista (Suzie), Nick Read (Carter), Alexander Eliot (Luke)
Summary: The police launch an investigation to find the bombers, whose skill and sophistication keeps them one step ahead. Under pressure to get results, Helen makes a breakthrough.



The suspected drone operator flees, but is caught by armed police and wrestled to the ground by DCI Youngblood. He didn't seem that bothered about being shot though. Elsewhere, Lana comes home to find that her dad, Jeff, has been staying at her place. It seems Lana's parents' marriage is struggling in the aftermath of their son's death. "She's so angry and bitter," he says.

Meanwhile, a man called Alex lights a candle for his deceased daughter, as he watches a news report about the attack

on the power station on TV. Someone calls him up and thanks him for erasing the power station's CCTV, but tells him it's now time to "get his hands dirty".

At Met Police HQ, Lana is reunited with her old pal, Sonya Reeves, an expert in the chemicals and equipment used to manufacture explosives. She's examined the drone bomb and pressure plates and says they're sophisticated work. Getting beyond the power station's security would also have been no mean feat.

She then reveals that someone on the inside would have needed to turn off the fail safe to allow the transformer to be turned into an explosive device. We know this was Joe Hansen.

Elsewhere DCI Youngblood leads a briefing on the previous night's terrorist attack and says the suspect they have in custody is called Nicholas Hood, who has no criminal record or terrorist connections. "An attack of this kind is unprecedented on British soil," says Commander Francis. "We can't afford another."

DS Morgan questions Hood, who denies even being in the tower block, but does go on a rambling rant about inequality of society, meanwhile Alex is picked up by a grey van and the terrorist group takes some of his blood for "insurance".

In New Cross, armed police storm Hood's address and find a young couple with a baby inside. They check out his room and find absolutely nothing, which Lana finds very suspicious. DCI Youngblood won't discuss the case with her and when she pulls him up on that he asks if she meant it when she told him she loved him in the car park. She can't answer.

The couple tell the police Hood keeps to himself, although has been doing some babysitting for them! Lo and behold, underneath the cot, Lana finds a load of old dismantled phones.

At the hospital, DS Morgan speaks to Joe Hansen. If he was in on the attack, then he certainly regrets it, because he's in a very bad way. She asks if he deactivated the fail safes and despite barely being able to speak, he gives her an address.

Lana heads straight there and sees a woman lying on the floor through the window, wearing an explosive device. Is it a trap? Probably. Lana gains access through an upstairs window and finds the homeowner — Zara Baxter — tied to a towel rail in the bathroom, with a device around her neck. When Lana moves her hair to take a better look, she activates it and is unable to remove the device before it blows up, killing Zara.

DCI Thom Youngblood tells Commander Francis he believes there's a connection between Zara Baxter and Joe Hansen, suggesting the bombers may have threatened her to force the power station worker to turn off the fail safe. The bomb was set off by a Light Dependent Resistor, which is activated when the light increases or decreases. Terrifying stuff.

In the van later on, Lana tells Thom she could have saved Zara and blames herself for her death, but he tells her there was nothing she could have done. She responds by telling him she DOES still love him and she'd love to have another go at their relationship. He says he'll talk to Helen. Yet Sonya Reeves spoils the moment somewhat when she brings Thom circuitry from the collar bomb, which suggests someone knew Hansen was having an affair.

Back at Met Police HQ, Thom accuses Hood of discovering just that and using that knowledge to blackmail Hansen into helping them attack the power plant. When he refused, the terrorists rigged his partner with a collar bomb. He remains silent, but there's a load of evidence linking him to the collar bomb. "I don't recognise your laws, I'm no longer a pawn" he replies.

Meanwhile the terrorists are streaming again and their latest broadcast starts with the preface "Let's pull the plug on big tech". It seems there's a device in a lift in a building belonging to Ratea Global Analytics, with six people trapped inside. Lana gets access through the roof of the lift, examines the device and evacuates all the passengers, except for one, who's a conspiracy theorist that refuses to leave the lift. "Mate, have you got a death wish or something?" says Danny.

Lana is forced to deal with the bomb while he's in the lift cowering beneath a bomb blanket. Oh mate. She finds the device is "just a jammer", which stopped the lift from operating. They head down to the ground floor "soft furnishing and men's wear.. You can pick up some new pants," she says to her not-so-courageous companion.

But as DCI Youngblood evacuates the other passengers he hears a deafening blast. A fire-fighter opens the lift shaft for him, inviting him to take a look, before pushing him down through the open door to land far below on the roof of Lana's lift. Is he dead?

Episode 3

Season 2
Episode Number: 9
Season Episode: 3

Originally aired: Sunday January 28, 2024
Writer: Simon Ashdown
Director: Audrey Cooke
Show Stars: Vicky McClure (Lana Washington), Mark Stanley (DI Thom Youngblood), Kerry Godliman (Sonya Reeves), Nabil Elouahabi (Hassan Rahim), Julian Ovenden (Commander John Francis), Eric Shango (Danny), Natalie Simpson (DS Helen Morgan), Maanuv Thiara (DI Amar Batra), Tomiwa Edun (Alex), Kevin Eldon (Jeff Washington)
Guest Stars: Bethan Cullinane (Hope), Dan Whitlam (Tim), Thom Ashley (Nick Hood), Lewis Jamison (Josh), Gabrielle Glaister (Martina Wyatt), Belinda Owusu (Female Officer), Ashley Sean-Cook (Royal Engineer), Jon Tarcy (Ollie Jenkins), Charles De'Ath (Matthew Palfrey)
Summary: As the team mourns Thom's death, a new lead emerges — an informant, promising intelligence on the terror cell. Meanwhile a journalist is sent a suspicious package, and a new leader emerges with intel on the cell.



Lana is devastated by Thom's death, while DS Helen Morgan is also in shock at the loss of her boyfriend (after all he hadn't yet broken up with her). We all are tbh, Thom was a good guy. The CCTV showing how he was pushed to his death makes for agonising viewing. Commander Francis leads the debrief and hears about how Tratea Global Analytics — the building where Thom died — had been accused of obtaining and using data illegally. But did the terrorists have a specific reason for attacking them?

It turns out the terrorists stole the van of a lift repairman — who's now missing — and used his pass to get access to the building. However, DI Amar Batra says they've received a call from an informant with information on the terrorists, who wants to meet. Could this be Alex?

As for Nick Hood, there's not much information available. Although he did fly to Poland for a chess tournament, played one match and was then not seen again. Yet he returned to the UK a week later. What was he doing in Poland that week?

Meanwhile, Lana's dad is still pestering her to get in touch with her mum. She's not taking Lana's calls and we're starting to get quite worried about her safety.

How Lana's keeping it all together amid all this stress and anguish is anyone's guess, but when another call comes in she heads straight to the scene. It's from a journalist who's received a large digital countdown clock through the mail and there's a note on the table next to it reading "Welcome to the labyrinth".

It seems to be just a stunt, but the police have traced the fake lift engineer's van to a building, which is rigged with a possible IED. We bet it is! The bomb is connected to the real lift engineer who's been tied to a radiator, yet it proves to be just another hoax. The clock is still counting down though — but to what? Something horrible, no doubt.

DS Helen Morgan continues interrogating Nick Hood, who starts shouting a French revolutionary slogan "Under the streets, the beach". Meanwhile, Alex is back on the line and arranges a

meeting with Lana and DS Morgan. He tells them the terrorist group calls themselves 'The Wave' and they want to sweep away the whole corrupt system of our society. "I was on comms, but they want me more involved," says Alex, who says he'll help them catch The Wave, but he wants immunity.

Lana's mum finally turns up — hurrah! — but says she doesn't want her coming round the house, because things are so awful between her and Lana's dad. Oh dear. Although we're still convinced there's something odd about this whole situation.

At a coffee shop a young businessman named Oliver is distracted by a woman called "Hope", while another customer steals his bag. He takes it to the grey van we saw Alex get into in the last episode and returns it before Oliver leaves. Later on we get our first glimpse of The Wave, who seem to be led by "Hope" from the coffee shop.

The Wave releases a new stream, with the message "The clock is ticking", yet DS Morgan believes the slogan Hood could have inadvertently revealed a key part of their strategy when he shouted that slogan during their interview. Could their target be somewhere underneath London?

It seems The Wave are targeting a fibre optic network worth billions to the financial sector situated in the heart of the city. To get to it the expos need to access a disused tube station, where there's another hoax device waiting for them.

Yet Lana and Hass soon come across a fiendish bomb attached to a pressure sensor, which Hass manages to disarm in the nick of time. "Catch us if you can" it says on the wall, while a camera on the other wall captures the whole episode.

But how did they know the expos would be there? Unless Nick's outburst in the interview wasn't a mistake, but a plan. Hang on a moment, didn't the solicitor pass him a note just before he said that? Yes she did! But the timer hasn't run out yet — which means there's another bomb!

Meanwhile, Alex takes a picture of Hope's chat with Oliver while working at The Wave's HQ and forwards it on to Lana and DS Morgan. GCHQ's facial recognition technology tells them he's a special advisor to cabinet minister Matthew Palfrey, who works just off the Strand.

For someone so careful, it seems strange that Hope would be so lax with her laptop and let Alex catch a glimpse of Oliver. Unless she meant for him to see him because she knew he would tip off Lana?

Lana and DS Morgan dash to the scene, yet in the meeting, Oliver receives a message from Hope and when he opens it, his laptop explodes.

Episode 4

Season 2

Episode Number: 10

Season Episode: 4

Originally aired: Sunday January 28, 2024
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Director: Jon East
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Guest Stars: Bethan Cullinane (Hope), Dan Whitlam (Tim), Dino Kelly (Mac), Os Leanse (Hugo), Oliver Senton (Webster King), Jarren Dalmeda (Inspector Pierce)
Summary: Alex contacts the police with critical information about a new attack planned for that day, but Commander Francis warns the team against placing too much trust in him.



Following the blast in central London, Commander Francis confirms that cabinet minister Matthew Palfrey and two civil servants have been killed. Oliver Jenkins, whose laptop set-off the blast, has also died. Moments later Alex calls to say there will be another drone attack with up to 12 bombs later that day.

Alex forwards the address The Wave are headed for, Bullion Wharf in East London, to the expos and they set off immediately.

In East London, a series of explosions ring out and when Wash finally manages to upload the live stream Alex has forwarded to her, it becomes clear the bombs are not attached to drones — but scooters! Lana can only watch as a woman is blown apart in brutal fashion, while riding one.

It's another memory to add to Wash's enormous list of traumas and when Sonya Reeves arrives on the scene she tells her mate she needs to start taking better care of herself. Obviously, there's no way a real expo would be able to carry on after suffering such a litany of horrors, but we suppose we have to take these things with a pinch of salt — after all it's great telly!

After several missed calls from her mum, Lana pays her parents a visit and finds them arguing about the death of her brother. "She says she wants a divorce," says her dad when Lana walks in. "We all tried with Billy, but he wasn't well. Can we stop blaming each other and start looking after each other!" says the expo, before leaving.

Back at Counter Terrorism HQ, Hass confronts Lana about her decision to run after the woman on the scooter. He says she's stopped caring about the rules and is starting to put herself in danger through complacency. "You don't give a shit anymore!" he says, but she doesn't seem ready to listen.

Meanwhile, The Wave have posted another video, entitled "The rich don't work for you, don't work for them. The kingdom must fall". Lana has some thoughts on it, but it's clear Commander Francis isn't as keen on her opinions as he used to be. When he questions the veracity of Alex's intel, Lana says she has a feeling he's trying to help. "Feelings aren't going to solve this case!" he replies furiously. He says until they have evidence that proves otherwise, Alex remains a suspect.

Nevertheless, Alex is back on the line and suggesting there will be another attack today on a "big house", which will be The Wave's "crowning glory".

Commander Francis believes they could be talking about Buckingham Palace, yet his team soon finds a link between the attack at Bullion Wharf and the one on Ratea Analytics. They're both owned by Webster King, who's facing investigations into bribery and has taken several government bailouts, while pocketing billions of pounds from the sale of his previous company. What a guy.

It turns out King is getting married in Hertfordshire, in a ceremony bound to be packed with hedge fund managers and cabinet ministers. "Let me manage Wester King," says Francis, before setting off to attend the imminent COBRA meeting.

At a very swish country estate in Hertfordshire, Wash and the team arrive as Webster King is making his speech. Thankfully there's no bomb in the wedding cake, but there IS an enormous IED concealed in the staff toilets, with enough explosives to take down the entire building. There are less than two minutes on the clock, but Wash uses the wedding Range Rover to pull the bomb into an empty field.

"Better to have arrived late than not to come at all," says King, in a comment that doesn't land well with Lana. He then goes on to lament the loss of his Land Rover, which apparently meant a great deal to his family. Tbh, he makes us sympathise with The Wave a bit, but is there something more sinister about this aristocrat than his pomposity?

Meanwhile, Commander Francis wants to take the fight to The Wave and his first step will be to arrest Alex. "You'll have to find him first," points out Lana. In the debate that follows, it's clear he doesn't really care what Lana has to say. Maybe he feels she's been through too much and has become a loose cannon. That isn't entirely unfair, but of course we're still #TeamLana.

Yet when she arrives home, Lana finds Alex is waiting for her. "You're the only one who can save me!" he says. "I need your help to stop these people." Alex then goes on to tell his story. He had a wife, a daughter and a well-paid job, but his daughter died two years ago at the age of 13. She was being bullied online and ended up taking her own life.

When he was at his lowest he joined a cyber group who were fighting back against big tech. That group eventually became The Wave and started planting bombs. He wants out, but he also wants to try and make up for some of the damage he's helped to wreak. "You could get killed," says Alex. "Or maybe I could do some good!" he replies.

He then tells her his real name and begs her not to give it to the police, saying she's the only person he wants to deal with. "They're planning something terrifying now, no one in the city's safe!" he says eerily.

Episode 5

Season 2

Episode Number: 11

Season Episode: 5

Originally aired: Sunday January 28, 2024
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Director: Audrey Cooke
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Guest Stars: Bethan Cullinane (Hope), Dan Whitlam (Tim), Lewis Jamison (Josh), Dino Kelly (Mac), Os Leanse (Hugo), Oliver Senton (Webster King), Christopher Patrick Nolan (Superintendent Byrne)
Summary: Lana breaks protocol to try to help Alex, knowing he has nobody else to turn to. Then the team makes a shock discovery about the terror cell they're tracking down.



At The Wave's HQ, the terrorists appear to be loading bombs into cuddly toys, while keeping a very close eye on Alex. However, Commander Francis is furious to hear Lana didn't bring Alex into custody when he came to her flat last night.

Meanwhile, bomb expert Sonya Reeves has discovered The Wave's explosives are likely imported from Poland. That alerts DI Batra, who says Polish counter-intelligence has been tracking an illegal arms dealer, whom they filmed talking to our old friend Nicholas Hood.

The film shows Hood and the arms dealer meeting with a woman and another male suspect, dubbed 'Suspect B' by the police. Is the female suspect Hope? Or the woman who pushed DCI Thom Youngblood down the lift shaft? Or are they one and the same person?

DI Batra also says Webster King is the individual who links many of the bombings, as he had an interest in the properties that were attacked and was also a business partner of the cabinet minister who was killed. Commander Francis plays the theory down, saying "let me deal with Webster King", which is pretty suspicious.

Later on, King tells Francis he's leaving to honeymoon on his private island in the Adriatic the next day, before hinting that he could put a word in with the Home Secretary and see Francis become police commissioner. Is Francis colluding with King or is he simply terrified of ruffling feathers?

DI Batra then uncovers CCTV footage showing Suspect B near the scooters just before the attack at Bullion Wharf took place, and it's not long before The Wave realise the police are onto him. "Get him back here now!" says Hope.

Meanwhile, reports have arrived of a second property leased to Nick Hood. Lana gains access through the back of the property and finds a brand new filing cabinet in the kitchen, with a driver's licence and a light-sensitive bomb inside.

The name on the licence is Mark Griffiths, but it has Nick Hood's mugshot, which is intriguing. It turns out the licence was used to hire a van in Streatham the day after Hood returned from

Poland. He then drove it through Scotland, where he caught a ferry to Northern Ireland and drove across the Irish border. When he returned it seems he had Suspect B as a passenger, however, there was a two-hour window when the van was unaccounted for when in Ireland.

Lana tries to call her mum again but is interrupted by a possible sighting of Suspect B in a hardware store in East London. Has he led the police straight to The Wave? Apparently not, because The Wave have already evacuated, leaving a boobytrap that kills him before the police can apprehend him. Farewell Suspect B.

"We have to lose anyone who represents a threat to our mission," Hope tells Alex as they arrive at their new HQ, which isn't great news for him — although it's probably not news. Yet we also hear Hope explaining her plans to someone on the phone — but who? Could she be in league with Webster King? Is The Wave simply a means for him to achieve some dastardly capitalist end?

Alex meets Lana and tells her about this latest development, but he's seen by a member of The Wave, so his days could be numbered. Commander Francis is furious that once again, Lana didn't follow orders and arrest Alex, and she finally loses it with him, saying he cares about his career and not saving lives, before calling him a "brown-nosing t***". Mic drop.

Meanwhile, DI Batra has been very busy and discovered the woman at the arms deal in Krakow, was the same person who pushed Thom down the lift shaft — "Suspect A". He's also found out about an airstrip at Birdhill, Ireland, which is where Hood could have picked up Suspect B. More digging reveals that our old friend Webster King has used this airstrip NINE times in the last year! King didn't fly in on the day that Hood was there, but his jet did and spent about 20 minutes on the runway.

Over at Lana's parent' house, she tells them she's effectively quit her job, before listing the traumas that have been weighing on her since she first set foot in Afghanistan. It's a long list, but it's good she's finally letting all her pain out. She then crosses the line a little bit and starts laying into her mum and dad. It's clear she's finally breaking down under the monumental stress of her trauma.

Back at Police HQ, DI Batra starts explaining how all the attacks carried out on King's properties have actually benefited him. The global analytics firm was under investigation until the bomb destroyed the evidence, while he also had a falling out with his former business partner Matthew Palfrey. He even planned to knock down his country pile and build new homes on it!

Yet Commander Francis says the bomb at the wedding would have killed King if Lana hadn't saved the day, so his theory doesn't add up. But we think DS Morgan and DI Batra are onto something.

Outside, when Danny calls Lana she reminds him that King had actually left the room to take his photos when the bomb was about to go off at his wedding. When Danny mentions this to Francis later on, DS Morgan points out how he even joked that most of the people in that room were his enemies. It seems he was simply assassinating his business rivals!

What's more it looks like King's heading to Kuwait of all places for his honeymoon. It's a country that doesn't have an extradition treaty with the UK. "If he leaves now, we'll never get him back!" says Commander Francis and greenlights the tycoon's arrest.

When they get there to take him into custody he says, "people like me don't go to prison!" He's right about that, because when he takes a call from his wife, his phone explodes and blows his brains out! But who killed him? Was it The Wave? Or was he really the target after all, as he claimed?

The bombers have released another video "Hoist by his own petard. KILL THE RICH". It seems King thought he was in charge, but the bombers were just using him. Meanwhile, the police have lost two key witnesses, King and Suspect B. Alex is now their only lead.

Speaking of Alex, he's currently on the phone to Lana and says he's been given a bomb to deliver to the London Stock Exchange. "I'm certain they know I'm a mole and this bomb is meant for me!" he says. He begs her to come and help him, as she promised she would. She reluctantly agrees.

When she finds him in an old church, she tells him to get to safety while she tackles the bomb, yet when she accidentally sets it off, all that's released is a load of confetti. Hope then arrives on the scene and tasers poor Lana, whom we get the feeling had kind of accepted her own death. But was Alex in on this whole thing? Is he really a good man trying to help or is it all just an act? Is Alex the leader of The Wave or is it Hope?

Across town, after another argument with Lana's dad, Lana's mum pours herself a drink and answers the door to someone she clearly recognises.

Episode 6

Season 2

Episode Number: 12

Season Episode: 6

Originally aired: Sunday January 28, 2024
Writer: Chris Brandon, Amanda Duke
Director: Audrey Cooke
Show Stars: Vicky McClure (Lana Washington), Mark Stanley (DI Thom Youngblood), Kerry Godliman (Sonya Reeves), Nabil Elouahabi (Hassan Rahim), Julian Ovenden (Commander John Francis), Eric Shango (Danny), Natalie Simpson (DS Helen Morgan), Maanuv Thiara (DI Amar Batra), Tomiwa Edun (Alex), Kevin Eldon (Jeff Washington)
Guest Stars: Bethan Cullinane (Hope), Dan Whitlam (Tim), Lewis Jamison (Josh), Hilary Greatorex (Home Secretary), Lloyd James (Security Guard), Janet Jones (CTSFO Commanner)
Summary: Lana is faced with an impossible decision when she is kidnapped by the terror cell. A choice between her duty and saving those who matter the most to her.



Lana has been taken hostage by The Wave and after killing Alex with a terrifying bomb inside a motorcycle helmet, Hope tells her of the terrorist group's plan to overthrow the government. The first step is killing the Home Secretary and Hope says Lana will help them strike the decisive blow. Yet when no one's looking, Lana digs Alex's phone out of his pocket and stashes it.

Meanwhile, Commander Francis says the Home Secretary is coming to Counter-Terrorism HQ for an emergency meeting.

DI Batra thinks it's a risky move given the current threat level and he's not wrong, because Hope's planning to send Lana in there with an enormous bomb in a briefcase!

The detonator for the bomb will be a mobile phone and when Hope calls it, the whole thing will blow...

"There's no chance I'm doing this" says Lana, but we think she will, as earlier that day The Wave paid her parents a visit (while disguised as police officers) to secretly rig their house with explosives. However before The Wave take Lana off on her bombing mission, she's able to remove the SIM from Alex's phone and put it in her pocket.

The Wave set off for Counter Terrorism HQ, with Lana in the back of the van. Luckily she's very resourceful and she manages to unscrew the wooden case that contains the bomb. She opens the briefcase and swaps the SIM inside the phone that will detonate the bomb for Alex's old SIM and memorises the number.

When the van arrives at CTHQ, there's increased security and The Wave head for another entrance, while Lana quickly replaces the briefcase and screws up the wooden case.

Yet with extra security due to the Home Secretary's visit, it now it looks like getting the bomb in will be too difficult, so in a bid to save her parents' lives, Lana offers to enter the building and build a new device. "I will kill your parents if you're messing with me!" threatens Hope, who reveals she'll be able to see her wherever on CCTV.

She also gives Lana an earpiece. Crucially it's only one-way, so Lana will be able to hear Hope, but not the other way around. Hope then gives Lana a new phone to wire to the device, so she remains in charge of the bomb.

"What if someone else tries to call the phone?" says Lana. "It's code protected, same as the other one" replies Hope. However, Hope has no idea that Lana has switched the SIM in the phone, thus removing that protection.

On her way to the building, Lana goes into the new phone's settings and diverts calls to the number of the first phone, which is still wired to the bomb in the back of Hope's van.

She manages to get access to the building and meets her old pal, Sonya Reeves, before heading into a lift where there's no CCTV. "I need your pass and your OME code," says Lana. We presume Sonya gave it to her, but Hope is none-the-wiser. She then bumps into Danny and tells him what's going on. While doing it she tells him to take Hass to her parents' house, but not to do anything until they're called by Sonya.

Lana then builds the bomb and places it on the table alongside all the other old devices, which are being used for evidence. She then persuades Commander Francis to let her stand-in for Sonya in the meeting with the Home Secretary. After what she called him last time she saw him, this is probably the trickiest part of the whole plan!

Lana's presence at the meeting has aroused suspicion with DS Morgan and DI Batra, who use CCTV to find out what she's been up to, while outside, an armed response team is ready to storm the room.

"You're going to have to make a move Lana," says Hope. So with the hitmen training their sights on her, Lana dives forward, shoves Commander Francis to the ground and throws the bomb at the Home Secretary. Hope calls the phone to detonate the IED, but the call is diverted to the bomb in the back of her van — killing her and her accomplice!

As she's arrested, Lana asks DI Batra to tell Sonya to call Hass, who rescues her parents from their bomb-rigged house. But not before her mum and dad have a moving heart-to-heart, which will hopefully be the first step in repairing their relationship.

Later on, when Lana explains what happened to Commander Francis, she says she had to bring her bomb to the Home Secretary because she needed The Wave to believe they were setting it off, as the real device had a four-digit code that only they had access to.

Francis is furious with her for risking the Home Secretary's life, but Lana says she didn't want The Wave to kill her parents. I mean who would you save if you had the chance? Your mum and dad or the Home Secretary? Tough one. Elsewhere the rest of The Wave are all arrested. Hurrah.

We end at Danny's wedding, where Lana admits she's not okay, but that she'll just get "shit-faced".

Actor Appearances

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| Cain Aiden..... | 1 |
| 0201 (Police staff) | |
| Michael Akinsulire..... | 4 |
| 0101 (PS Carney); 0102 (PS Carney); 0103 (PS Carney); 0105 (PS Carney) | |
| Thom Ashley..... | 3 |
| 0201 (Nick Hood); 0202 (Nick Hood); 0203 (Nick Hood) | |

B

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|---|---|
| Russ Bain..... | 1 |
| 0105 (Frank Welsh) | |
| Rose Basista..... | 1 |
| 0202 (Suzie) | |
| Pierre Bergman..... | 1 |
| 0201 (Farmer) | |
| Warren Brown..... | 5 |
| 0102 (Karl Maguire); 0103 (Karl Maguire); 0104 (Karl Maguire); 0105 (Karl Maguire); 0106 (Karl Maguire) | |
| Antony Byrne..... | 1 |
| 0201 (Shaun Hodge) | |

C

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|---|---|
| Nicholas Clarke..... | 1 |
| 0102 (Police Officer) | |
| Nick Clarke..... | 1 |
| 0102 (Police Officer 2) | |
| Lee Colley..... | 2 |
| 0201 (Joe Hanson); 0202 (Joe Hanson) | |
| Stuart Cooke..... | 1 |
| 0201 (Passerby) | |
| Bethan Cullinane..... | 5 |
| 0202 (Hope); 0203 (Hope); 0204 (Hope); 0205 (Hope); 0206 (Hope) | |

D

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| Anthony D'Arcy..... | 1 |
| 0201 (CTSFO 2) | |
| Jarren Dalmeda..... | 1 |
| 0204 (Inspector Pierce) | |
| Charles De'Ath..... | 1 |
| 0203 (Matthew Palfrey) | |
| Emilio Doorgasingh..... | 1 |
| 0104 (Butcher) | |
| Evelyn Duah..... | 1 |
| 0102 (Jaz Nutkins) | |

E

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| Kevin Eldon..... | 2 |
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 0102 (Jeff Washington); 0104 (Jeff Washington)

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| Braik Elijah..... | 1 |
| 0102 (Mohammed) | |
| Alexander Eliot..... | 1 |
| 0202 (Luke) | |
| Nabil Elouahabi..... | 5 |
| 0102 (Hassan Rahim); 0103 (Hassan Rahim); 0104 (Hassan Rahim); 0105 (Hassan Rahim); 0106 (Hassan Rahim) | |

F

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| Karl Farrer..... | 1 |
| 0201 (Wedding Guest) | |
| Mark Field..... | 1 |
| 0102 (Mick) | |
| Delia Florea..... | 1 |
| 0201 (Best Man's Wife) | |

G

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| Vivienne Gibbs..... | 1 |
| 0105 (Producer) | |
| Gabrielle Glaister..... | 1 |
| 0203 (Martina Wyatt) | |
| Kerry Godliman..... | 4 |
| 0103 (Sonya Reeves); 0104 (Sonia Rees); 0105 (Sonia Rees); 0106 (Sonya Reeves) | |
| Zoe Goriely..... | 1 |
| 0201 (Fran) | |
| Hilary Greatorex..... | 1 |
| 0206 (Home Secretary) | |
| Tamzin Griffin..... | 2 |
| 0102 (Val Washington); 0104 (Val Washington) | |

H

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| Cris Haris..... | 1 |
| 0201 (Counter Terrorist Specialist Firearms Officer) | |
| Pippa Haywood..... | 1 |
| 0105 (Dr. MacAndrew) | |
| Kris Hitchen..... | 5 |
| 0102 (John Hudson); 0103 (John Hudson); 0104 (John Hudson); 0105 (John Hudson); 0106 (John Hudson) | |

I

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| Mo Idriss..... | 2 |
| 0102 (Ali Hussein); 0103 (Ali Hussein) | |
| Ralph Ineson..... | 5 |
| 0102 (Commander Bregman); 0103 (Commander Bregman); 0104 (Commander Bregman); 0105 (Commander Bregman); 0106 (Commander Bregman) | |

J

Lloyd James 1
 0206 (Security Guard)

Lewis Jamison 3
 0203 (Josh); 0205 (Josh); 0206 (Josh)

Gwynfor Jones 5
 0101 (PS Brown); 0103 (PS Brown); 0104 (PS Brown);
 0105 (PS Brown); 0106 (PS Brown)

Janet Jones 1
 0206 (CTSFO Commmander)

K

Dino Kelly 2
 0204 (Mac); 0205 (Mac)

L

Claire Lams 1
 0101 (Angie Phelan)

Os Leanse 2
 0204 (Hugo); 0205 (Hugo)

Stephen Leask 1
 0102 (Police Officer 1)

Adrian Lester 1
 0101 (Joel Nutkins)

Victoria Lloyd 1
 0202 (Zara Baxter)

M

Paul Marlon 1
 0106 (Firearms Tactical Advisor)

Nadine Marshall 5
 0102 (DSU Hamilton); 0103 (DSU Marianne Hamil-
 ton); 0104 (Marianne Hamilton); 0105 (DSU
 Marianne Hamilton); 0106 (DSU Marianne Hamil-
 ton)

Matt Mella 1
 0102 (Forensic Scientist)

Connor Mills 1
 0103 (PS Simon Randall)

Ewan Mitchell 2
 0103 (Billy Washington); 0104 (Billy Washington)

Yassine Mkhichen 1
 0105 (Council Driver)

N

Mike Noble 1
 0102 (Daryl)

Christopher Patrick Nolan 1
 0205 (Superintendent Byrne)

O

Belinda Owusu 1
 0203 (Female Officer)

P

Melissa Phillips 2
 0105 (Police Officer); 0106 (Police Officer)

Camilla Power 2
 0102 (Agatha Jack); 0106 (Agatha Jack)

R

Nick Read 1
 0202 (Carter)

Lucy Russell 3
 0102 (Moirra); 0104 (Moirra Bloxham); 0105 (Moirra
 Bloxham)

S

Salima Saxton 3
 0103 (Ayesha Campbell-Khan); 0105 (Ayesha Campbell-
 Khan); 0106 (Ayesha Campbell-Khan)

Ashley Sean-Cook 1
 0203 (Royal Engineer)

Oliver Senton 2
 0204 (Webster King); 0205 (Webster King)

Eric Shango 6
 0101 (Danny); 0102 (Danny); 0103 (Danny); 0104
 (Danny); 0105 (Danny); 0106 (Danny)

Gavin Sibson 6
 0101 (PS Costa); 0102 (PS Costa); 0103 (PS Costa);
 0104 (PS Costa); 0105 (PS Costa); 0106 (PS
 Costa)

Joakim Skarli 1
 0201 (Constable Wilson)

Robert Smith 1
 0201 (Security Official)

Neil Stoddart 1
 0103 (Nic Roberts)

Tom Stokes 6
 0101 (Pete); 0102 (Pete); 0103 (Pete); 0104 (Pete);
 0105 (Pete); 0106 (Pete)

Simon Strutt 1
 0201 (Wedding guest)

Richard Sutar 1
 0201 (Constable whitebrook)

T

Jon Tarcy 1
 0203 (Ollie Jenkins)

W

Lucia De Wan 1
 0101 (Evie Phelan)

Rick Warden 2
 0101 (Andy Phelan); 0103 (Andy Phelan)

Stuart Whelan 1
 0201 (Police)

Dan Whitlam 5
 0202 (Tim); 0203 (Tim); 0204 (Tim); 0205 (Tim);
 0206 (Tim)