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## **Abdeslam arrested in Brussels, head of the jihadists who attacked in Paris**

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**USPA NEWS** - The most wanted terrorist by France since last November 13, 2015, the alleged leader of the commands who attacked in three places of the French capital, Salam Abdeslam, was arrested in Brussels on Friday during a police operation carried out in the Molenbesk district.

The anti-terrorist operation was brought forward to Friday after the discovery on Tuesday, in the register of a house in the neighborhood Molenbesk, where he was killed another jihadist, several fingerprints of Abdeslam. Special Forces of the Belgian Police surrounded a house Friday in which the alleged leader of the terrorist commands who attacked in Paris had barricaded himself with another person. During the police operation shots they were fired and threw grenades. Eyewitnesses reported that two explosions were heard and various media claimed that Salam Abdeslam was injured in the leg by police gunfire.

His accomplice and an agent were also wounded during the operation and three others, family members who had taken refuge to terrorist, were arrested. Salam Abdeslam was fled since last November 13, 2015, and had become the most wanted terrorist by the European police, after confirming their participation in the attacks against a party room, the Stade of France and the restaurant Bataclan in Paris. He was the one who rented the car in which the jihadists commands that strafed the audience at a concert at the Bataclan room and diners in a nearby restaurant, and was linked with a belt of explosives was found unexploded moved. This relationship, however, is not confirmed.

French President Francois Hollande, who appeared with his counterpart from Belgium, Charles Michel, congratulated the Belgian Police and highlighted the coordination between intelligence and operations to the success of the antiterrorist operation. "There is no reason to be restless," Hollande said when asked about reports that forwarded the Belgian authorities in recent months.

However, he stressed the need to cooperate with authorities in other countries to reduce the risk of further attacks. "What I can say is that Salam Abdeslam was in Paris that terrible night of November 13. Then escaped," recalled Francois Hollande. "And we know that we have a very large network with branches in several countries," said the French President, who confirmed that he had spoken with US President Barack Obama to inform him of the arrest of the most wanted terrorist in Europe.

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