Alleged terrorist Neil Prakash extradited to Melbourne and charged with six offences

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Alleged Islamic State fighter Neil Prakash has been extradited to Melbourne under federal police escort and has been charged with six terrorism-related offences.

Australian Federal Police (AFP) released footage of the flight from Darwin to Melbourne, which shows Mr Prakash being escorted across the tarmac in the dead of night before being bundled into a vehicle.



The Australian Federal Police released vision of officers escorting Neil Prakash off the plane. (Supplied: Australian Federal Police)

Mr Prakash, 31, was last week extradited from Türkiye, formerly Turkey, to Darwin.

The Northern Territory Chief Judge on Friday approved prosecutors' requests for Mr Prakash to be extradited to Melbourne to be charged by the AFP Victorian Joint Counter Terrorism Team.

The AFP on Sunday confirmed he had been charged with six offences, including engaging in hostile activity in a foreign state, being a member of a terrorist organisation and entering or remaining in a declared area.

Mr Prakash's case was heard before the Melbourne Magistrates' Court shortly after midday on Sunday for a filing hearing. . . Mr Prakash made no application for bail.

Mr Prakash is expected to return to court on February 27 for a committal mention.