

# Nineteen suspected terrorists – including five linked to ISIS – are living in taxpayer-funded migrant hotels after crossing the Channel

*Another exclusive from the [Daily Mail](#). It's easy to mock the Mail but they are first with a few important stories recently; just ignore the 'side bar of shame' celebrity gossip to the right.*



Nineteen suspected terrorists have arrived in Britain via small boats across the Channel, security sources have told the Mail.

The foreign nationals linked with groups including Islamic State reached the United Kingdom illegally from northern France last year. Most have since lodged asylum claims here – and cannot be deported due, in part, to human rights laws.

The 19 men are now believed to be living in hotels paid for by

the British taxpayer. Seven were already under 'active investigation' in other countries when they arrived here, it is understood.

Some of the 19 suspects are now under surveillance by the Security Service MI5, the government listening post GCHQ, and counter-terrorism police, it is believed.

But the Government is powerless to remove any of the 19, because they face a risk of torture or ill-treatment in their home countries.

Five of the known terror suspects who arrived last year are Iraqi, five are Iranian, four are Afghan, four are from Somalia and one is Libyan. Of the seven under active investigation, five are linked with Islamic State (Isis) or its offshoots. Three of those are Iraqi and two are associated with Isis's Afghan affiliate, Islamic State in Khorasan. The remaining two are associated with Iranian terror groups.

British security services established the true identities of many of the 19 suspected terrorists through the routine fingerprinting carried out on all Channel arrivals, it is understood. Evidence against them varies from case to case but is thought to include a mix of overseas convictions and intelligence material.

The revelation will place intense pressure on opponents of the Government's Illegal Migration Bill, which sets out new powers to detain Channel migrants, limit their access to human rights appeals and then remove them from the UK to Rwanda or another safe country. Shooting them as spies and enemies of the state would be nice.

Former Army officer Bob Seely, a Tory MP, said: 'There are now not only criminals coming into the country illegally, but people with terrorist affiliations. This is appalling and deeply concerning. Our security agencies have enough on their plate without having to increase monitoring to cope with an

influx of foreign terror suspects. Those who oppose Government measures to halt the small boats crisis frankly need a reality check.'

Police and MI5 are able to carry out intense, round-the-clock surveillance of a maximum of only ten individuals because of the extraordinary cost. This type of surveillance on one suspect requires 20 to 25 armed officers working shifts, costing more than £2million a year.

Prosecution of the 19 suspected terrorists who arrived by small boat last year is currently thought to be impossible. If the cases against them are based on surveillance material – or other information from intelligence-gathering – it cannot be used in British courts. MI5 and MI6 resist attempts to use such evidence in open court, fearing it will expose their surveillance capabilities or put covert sources in danger.

The suspects cannot be arrested and remanded in jail because there is no prospect of them being charged or prosecuted, based on available evidence. *So deport them as undesirable illegal immigrants*