

Two dead and seven injured in knife attack in south of France

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Two people were killed and seven others injured in a knife attack outside a bakery in the southern French town of Romans-sur-Isère on Saturday. It is believed the victims were in the queue to enter the bakery.



A man has been arrested, but the motive is unknown. He told investigators that he is Sudanese, born in 1987. Police are verifying his identity as he was not carrying papers.

Some publications claim the man shouted “Allahu Akbar” while charging at his victims. France’s National Anti-Terrorism Prosecutor’s Office is evaluating the case.

At least one of the injured is described as being in “critical” condition and several others “serious”, officials said.

David Olivier Reverdy, a police union spokesman, said: "This appears to have all the elements of a terrorist attack. The investigation will confirm whether that is the case."