

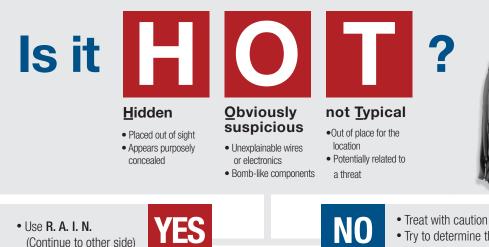
# **Suspicious or Unattended?**

#### OFFICE FOR BOMBING PREVENTION

### Criminals or terrorists sometimes conceal improvised explosive devices (IEDs) in backpacks, suitcases, or common items.

Use this process to safely determine if an item is a serious threat or just unattended.

(Suspicious)





(Unattended)

## If an item is suspicious you should:



#### <u>Recognize the Indicators of a Suspected Explosive Device</u>

Indicators can be related to the characteristics, events, location, or time, including whether the item is Hidden, Obviously suspicious, or not Typical (HOT).



#### Avoid the Area

Don't touch the suspected item. Instead, immediately move and direct others to move away immediately.



#### Isolate the Suspected Item

Establish a perimeter to secure the area and continue to direct people away. Use frontal and overhead cover and if available wear personal protective equipment.



#### Notify Appropriate Emergency Services

Describe the **S**uspicious items and persons, the person's **A**ctions, the **L**ocation of the item, the **T**ime of placement and discovery, and **Y**our actions to mitigate risk (SALTY).

## If you **see** something, **say** something®

**REPORT SUSPICIOUS ITEMS.** Contact **local law enforcement** or **9-1-1** in case of emergency

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