

Sweden rejects Euro currency

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Just when you think it's France that always does the exact opposite of everything most of Europe agrees on, Sweden pulls a slick one.

On Sept. 14, Sweden overwhelmingly voted to reject the Euro currency, administering a tremendous blow to Europe, which had developed the Euro in an effort to unify several countries. "This was a result worse than I expected," said Romano Prodi, the head of the European Commission, to the *New York Times*. "It

was about more than the Euro. The Euro is a symbol of more integration. This was a moment of prudence, not integration. We have to meditate how to explain better what we are doing."

Out of 5,976 voting districts where ballots were tallied, 56% returned a no vote while 42% voted yes for the Euro. However, Prime Minister Goran Presson feels that the vote against the Euro was a smart move when it came to establishing Sweden's economic independence.

"To convince the people in

that situation to change your currency - say farewell to your own currency and go for the project when you can see that you are performing better, we are performing better - that's not easy," said Presson to CNN.

The death of former Foreign Minister Anna Lindh, who was murdered on Sept. 10, may have caused Sweden to fear

for change. This also may have given the country flashbacks of the 1986 killing of

Prime Minister Olof Palme. Many people feel that this vote was swayed by the recent murder of

Lindh. "[The Swedish Krona must now] rejoin and come together again," said Presson in CNN.com. Lindh was a strong

supporter of the euro and her death may have caused the country to be fearful of change considering they are doing very well economically.

Police have arrested a suspect in the Lindh murder case. The 35-year-old man, who has a history of drugs and violent crime, is the only prime suspect the police have in custody as of now. However, the police have not released the suspect's identity and have urged people with information to call tip hotlines throughout Sweden.



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PA pizza deliveryman dies from bizarre bomb explosion



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Pizza deliveryman Brian Douglas Wells in police custody

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The next pizza deliveryman that arrives at a Guilford College dorm could have more on his plate than a late-night snack. What you may not suspect is a mission to rob four banks with a bomb ticking away at his chest.

One such bizarre incidence happened to a pizza deliveryman in Pennsylvania. A pipe bomb attached to the neck of Brian Douglas Wells exploded during a PNC bank robbery in

Erie, P.A. on Aug. 28, killing him. Wells had been handcuffed by the police, sitting down safely away from others, and was waiting for the bomb squad when the bomb exploded before their arrival.

According to authorities, Wells was carrying a lengthy note demanding \$250,000 from the bank. Also with him was a single-shot firearm disguised as a cane, which he did not use. Despite the bomb, a witness reported that Wells patiently waited for his turn in line. He was reported

as saying the bomb was "going to go off in 22 minutes," by an unnamed witness.

Before his death, Wells was

captured on camera by the local ABC affiliate WJET asking, "Why is nobody trying to get this thing off me?"

Although there had been previous bank robberies involving a bomb in the area, this was the first time one had exploded. Friends and neighbors of Wells described him as gentle and withdrawn, and strongly believed in his inno-

cence. Authorities are still uncertain if Wells is the criminal or victim in this case, and whether this was a plot of bank robbery or murder.

The FBI has released sketches of a man seen acting suspiciously near the crime scene before the bomb went off.

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