

# WANTED BY THE FBI

"AK-47 Bandit"

California

Idaho

Washington

February 29, 2012; March 12, 2012; July 6, 2012; November 7, 2012

## UNKNOWN SUSPECT



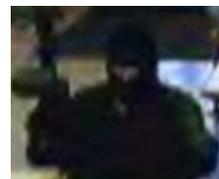
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## DESCRIPTION

**Height:** Approximately 5'10"

**Weight:** 180 to 220 pounds

**Sex:** Male

**Build:** Stocky

**Race:** White

**Age:** 25 to 40 years of age

**Clothing/Disguise:** In some of the robberies, the suspect has been dressed in tactical gear over a dark-colored, short-sleeve collared shirt and blue pants. He has also worn a black full-face ski mask, a blue ballistic vest and/or a green mesh vest marked "Sheriff." He has also been known to wear a black coat with a hood, black gloves, and baggy Levi jeans. During the robberies, the individual has also been armed with a AK-47 style assault rifle with a drum magazine.

**Weapon Used:** Ak-47 style assault rifle with a round drum magazine.

## CAUTION

An unknown male suspect is wanted for his alleged involvement in the following activities related to armed bank robberies: On Wednesday, February 29, 2012, the California Bank & Trust on the 5400 block of Riverside Drive in Chino, California, was robbed by an unknown white male. The suspect was armed with an AK-47 style assault rifle with a drum magazine. Following the robbery, a police officer patrolling the area came upon the bank robbery suspect who was fleeing the bank. The suspect fired upon the officer and seriously wounded him. Prior to the bank robbery, a threat was called into the 911 dispatch center from a pay phone in the general vicinity of the bank by a male caller. Investigators believe the suspect employed a diversionary tactic in an attempt to delay officers responding to the bank robbery. The suspect was seen leaving the scene in a vehicle described as a late-model, dark gray, four-door Nissan Maxima with chrome trim and tinted windows. The suspect is also believed to be connected to the March 12, 2012, robbery of the Bank of the West on the 1000 block of Helen Power Drive in Vacaville, California. He may also have been involved in an attempted robbery three days prior on March 9, 2012, of the Tri Counties Bank on the 1700 block of Challenge Way in Sacramento, California. The suspect is believed to have used the above-described Nissan Maxima in both the Vacaville robbery and the Sacramento attempted robbery. On July 6, 2012, a similar style take-over robbery occurred at the Chase Bank on Mt. Si Boulevard in North Bend, Washington. The suspect was armed with a AK-47 style rifle with attached drum

magazine. He had a loud, deep voice with no obvious accent, and threatened to shoot the tellers if they did not hurry. The suspect carried the cash by hand as he did not bring a bag. A dirty, reddish-orange Jeep Patriot or Liberty was parked out front of the bank as a getaway vehicle. It may have had out-of-state license plates with a prominent blue stripe across the top. On November 7, 2012, a robbery took place at the East Idaho Credit Union in Rexburg, Idaho. At approximately 4:30 pm, the suspect entered the bank with what may have been an assault rifle and ordered the employees and customers into the vault. After obtaining the money, the suspect fled in a dark blue sedan with tinted windows and a red and blue license plate. He was last seen headed south on South Yellowstone Highway.

## **REWARD**

The FBI is offering a reward of up to \$50,000 for information leading to the arrest of the individual responsible for the above crimes.

### **SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS**

**If you have any information concerning this case, please contact your local FBI Office or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate. You can also submit a tip at: [tips.fbi.gov](https://tips.fbi.gov)**

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