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Mortar devices found in shed safely removed by bomb squad

EL CENTRO, Calif. – May 3, 2025 – On Saturday, May 3, 2025, at approximately 4:00 p.m., officers responded to a report of possible explosive devices found in a shed at a home in the 800 block of Scott Avenue. Upon arrival, and after speaking with the reporting party, officers confirmed that two mortar devices were located inside a box in a rear shed on the property.

As a precaution, a safety perimeter was established and nearby residents were temporarily evacuated. The El Centro Fire Department and the Imperial County Fire Department Bomb Squad responded to assist.

The Bomb Squad successfully rendered the devices safe. Fortunately, no injuries or property damage occurred. The area was cleared shortly after, and residents were allowed to return to their homes.

We thank the community for their patience and cooperation during this incident.

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