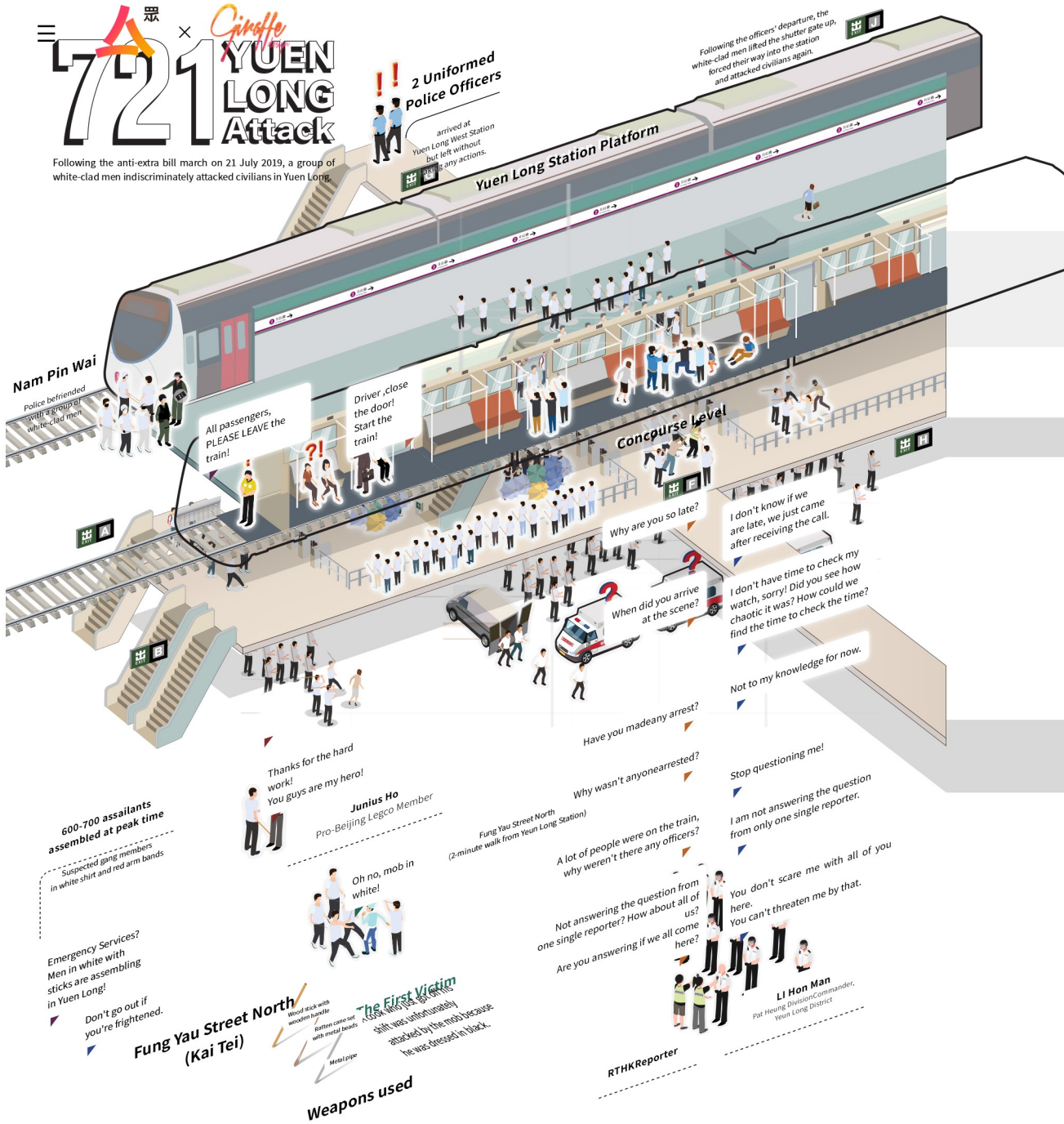


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COURSE OF ATTACK

6pm

White-clad men began gathering and handing out surgical masks among themselves at Fung Yau Street North.

830pm

Close to 200 men headed towards Fung Yau Street North resting area. Some were seen swinging their wooden sticks.

Yuen Long district councillor Johnny Mak Ip-sing and other witnesses started calling 999 emergency services.

930pm

A witness had called emergency services 3 times. No one explained why no police officers arrived at the scene.

A patrolling police vehicle drove past the mob at Fung Yau Street North. Officers inside the vehicles did not bother to approach them.

945pm

A chef was attacked by the white-clad men near Fung Yau Street North.

At least 3 patrolling police vehicles have driven past Fung Yau Street North. No police officers got off the vehicles.

THAT NIGHT

Legislative councillor Junius Ho Kwan-yiu was found taking photos with some white-clad men, giving thumbs up to them, and shaking hands. He said: "Thanks for the hard work... You guys are my hero."

1040pm WHITE-CLAD MEN ENTER MTR STATION 1120pm

- 1 A large number of white-clad men entered Yuen Long West station, attacked civilians indiscriminately with wooden sticks.
- 3 A pregnant woman was attacked and fell to the ground. Her head was injured, and her baby was unharmed.
- 5 White-clad men entered the ticketing gate to chase civilians. People fled to the train platform to escape from the attack. They defended themselves with
- 7 White-clad men entered the police train and officers attacked passengers the indiscriminate, A passenger but the took to his attackers knees, saying "We are all bloody Kongers". He tried to help locals pick up the pair of eyeglasses for one of the white-clad police but got a punch on his face in response.



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A reporter from Stand News was attacked. She suffered head and finger injuries. A video journalist from Now TV News was also attacked, with his camera shattered.

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2 uniformed police officers were seen at the Yuen Long West station. They fled the scene.

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Passengers demanded the train captain to start the train. But passengers were asked to get off the train.

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On his way to request Yuen Long to investigate the incident, MTR Legislative Councillor ~~Law~~ Cheuk-ting ~~was~~ attacked inside the train. He later had 18 stitches on his mouth and bone fracture in his arm. the station; they were too afraid to leave.

12am

A group of white-clad men attacked civilians. But police officers arrived quite late to the scene. In his reply to reporters, Pat Heung Division Commander Li Hon-man said: "I don't know if we're late, I did not look at my watch." He went on to say, and "Stop asking me these questions, you won't scare me like this."

White-clad men still gathered outside Yuen Long West station, attacking local residents with wooden sticks.

Yuen Long gang leader "Fei Tin Nam" waved a long stick as citizens were attacked at Exit J of Yuen Long West station. He had a heart attack

1230am

1 White-clad men forced their way again into the station and beaten up citizens. They even chased after citizens to the Yoho Mall.

2 Former news anchor Ryan Lau was attacked when he tried to assist citizens at the scene. He had 8

3 District Councillor Wilson Wong showed up at Yuen Long West Station and was wounded when he tried to protect citizens from the assailants.

4 The staff of Yoho Mall and local residents witnessed the attack and called the police, who did not respond.

1-3am

1 Angry citizens went to Yuen Long Police Station and Tin Shui Wai Police Station to protest against the police's condoning of the attack. Both stations shut their gates.

2 White-clad men gathered at Nam Pin Wai throughout midnight. Some still

3 Police attempted to enter Nam Pin Wai village as some residents began throwing objects at them. The later retreated.

4 Police finally entered Nam Pin Wai village to investigate seized a



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White-clad Men

Indiscriminately
Attacks

600 – 700 People

Wo Shing Wo (Triad)	14K (Triad)
Yuen Long	Wo On Lok (Triad)
Rural Committees	

Until December 18, 2019

37 attackers only **7人**
arrested

charged with rioting
and/or conspiracy
to injuring others

Aged between **18** to **61**



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Citizens

1030^{PM}



0130^{AM}

24000calls

to 📞 Emergency hotline
in 3 HOURS

Emergency Call Handlers

Hung Up

Did not go through



were told "Don't go out if you're afraid"



Police

11minutes

after the initial attack,
2 policemen arrived at
the scene but walked away.
They claimed that they were
waiting for reinforcement.

28minutes

later, around
40 policemen
arrived

15minutes

is the average
time of arrival

Failed Citizens'



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The police headquarters

has access to the MTR

REAL-TIME CCTV



Emergency
Call Handler

20 call handlers

Handling 3 districts,
severely understaffed

Call handlers are asked
to tell incoming calls:

We have received similar reports
and are handling that.

However, did not immediately
send police to the scene

Yuen Long Police Station gates closed;

HANGING UP PHONES

to stop calling in;

increased burden of call handlers

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Injured Victims

45 patients
were HOSPITALISED

Tuen Mun Hospital

Pok Oi Hospital

Tin Shui Wai Hospital



Lam Cheuk-ting
Legislative Councillor



Female Journalist
The Stand News



Photo Journalist
NOW News



3-Month Pregnant Woman



Ryan Lau
Media Personnel

Bleeding at corners of the mouth,
multiple wound on body.

Arms and right shoulder slightly
wounded, swelling at the back of the
head.

Camera shattered.
Injuries at back and arms.

Forehead and back of head injured.

Bashed head, bleeding, bruises.



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MTR Staff

8 Train Operators

Join-Signature
in complain

Over **700** employees
issued a statement with their real names,
SEVERELY CONDEMNED
the MTR management



EXPRESS REGRET
at staff and passengers
being attacked



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INVESTIGATIVE DOCUMENTARY

The Stand News Investigation | 7.21 Finding the Source

7.21 兩周年，事件由最初公認的白衣人無差別襲擊，變為建制所指有「暴徒」帶入元朗掀起衝突。

究竟 7.21 襲擊前發生過什麼事？當中有沒有假消息假文宣？閉路電視還見到幾多鄉事派頭目？

《立場新聞》檢視網絡大數據、閉路電視與網絡片段，繼續追尋新線索。

Hong Kong Connection: 7.21 Who Controls the Truth

7.21發生近一年，事件論述由最初的白衣人襲擊市民；演變成係白衣人與黑衣人的暴力衝突。鏗鏘集再次翻查當日閉路電視、網絡片段裡的線索，追查當中的人物，了解他們口中的事件真相

Hong Kong Connection: 721 Yuen Long Nightmare

The police have been accused of mishandling Yuen Long's attack on 21 July. Stephen Lo Wai-Chung, the Commissioner of Police, explained that the "delay" was due to insufficient manpower as the force was busy dealing with a protest in Hong Kong Island, as well as 3 cases of fight and 1 case of fire in the Yuen Long district.

Hong Kong Connection's reporters have collected CCTV footage dated 21 July from different cameras along Fung Yau Street North, Yuen Long, and interviewed relevant persons, to reconstruct the attack's timeline and take a closer look at the police's arrangement during Yuen Long's "nightmare".

Senior Superintendent Struggles to Answer Questions

不斷喘氣、搖動身體、停頓思考、質問態度的新界北總區刑事總部高級警司陳天柱，下午見記者，回應警方今早上門拘捕民主黨林卓廷及許智峯等19人。當中多次為元朗721襲擊受害人申訴的林卓廷，事隔一年後被警方控指涉嫌參與暴動。





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New York Times: Visual Investigations

After a violent mob attack in Hong Kong, protesters accused the police of ignoring their calls for help. We reconstruct what happened that night.

Now Report: Yuen Long Black Night

六月以來的反修例抗爭，持續至七月。在元朗發生的白衣人追打市民的無差別暴力襲擊事件，令人髮指。今集《經緯線》搜集元朗區居民事前收到的訊息、網上帖文的蛛絲馬跡、被襲人士親述被迫打經過，警方當日是否部署失當？七月二十七日，大批市民不理會市民反對，在元朗集結及遊行，抗議襲擊事件。一名居於元朗的青年，決定走到前線，希望可以在警方與示威者之間做調停。

Translation:
Since the Anti-extradition protests began in June through July, the Yuen Long attack from the violent incident of white-clad men indiscriminately attacked citizens caused an outrage. This episode of "Now Report" gathered information received from Yuen Long residents, onlines posts, and relatives of victims. Were the police improperly deployed that day? On July 27, a large group of protestors, despite other

i-Cable News: 721 Yuen Long Black Night

元朗白衣黑夜：7月21日晚，元朗一批白衣人出現，發生打人暴力事件。本台特備節目「元朗黑夜」，重整襲擊事件過程。

Translation:
Yuen Long White-Clad Black Night: On July 21, Yuen Long, a violent incident caused by a mob of white-clad men. Our channel's special program "Yuen Long Black Night" organised the course of events of the terror attack.



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incident. A young Yuen Long resident decided to go to the frontline, hoping to mediate the clashes between the police and the protestors.



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