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Police discovered the connection between jihadism and organized crime

Spanish Government said

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USPA NEWS - The Spanish intelligence services have succeeded evidence of the connection between jihadist terrorism and organized crime. So said Secretary of State Security of the Government of Spain, Francisco Martínez.

The Secretary of State stressed that this connection has been established in a few weeks and stressed that this is the first time the Spanish intelligence services have evidence of the relationship between jihadism and organized crime. Earlier, speaking at a seminar on 'The security, guarantee of freedom', Francisco Martínez said that "all terrorism have in common their contempt for freedom and this demands a firm and decisive response to the flag of terror, display ideology, religion or color, it is. The political leader added that we hold in our democracy signing the pact against jihadism, a state pact promoted by president of the Spanish Government, calling it "vital" to combat jihadist terrorism.

Francisco Martínez said that this covenant is a priority in which the Executive had been working since the beginning of the legislature, in 2011, and proof of this, he said, is the participation of Spain with the utmost commitment to the development of preventive measures to combat radicalization and in the operating field through police and intelligence activities. In his view, "if Spain is now one of the safest countries in Europe is because we are unwilling to any terrorist group to condition our lifestyle and suffocate our freedoms".

The pact aims to "break the chain of transmission of radicalization," while also "awareness and sensitize" the Spanish society about the importance of violent extremism, said Francisco Martínez. He stressed that Spain, with more than 100 police operations and more than 500 arrested since the 11-M (March 11, 2004) and with 28 operations and 62 arrested so far this term, is one of the European countries leading the fight against jihadism.

Speaking of the fight against organized crime, referred to balance the fight against this type of crime in the past year, according to which 17,358 people were investigated and 6,292 arrested, and during which also identified 497 criminal organizations. Martínez, who also highlighted the management of the Spanish Government in the fight against drug trafficking, said that until November 2014, the Forces of State Security confiscated 450,000 kilos of drugs.

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