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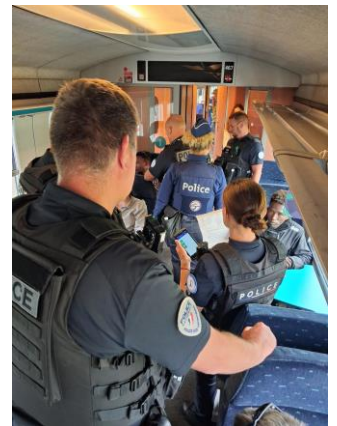
Press release **Rail Action Day Active Shield.**

**RAILPOL**, the European Association of Organisations responsible for policing the railways in Europe, organised the Rail Action Day “Active Shield”, on 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026.

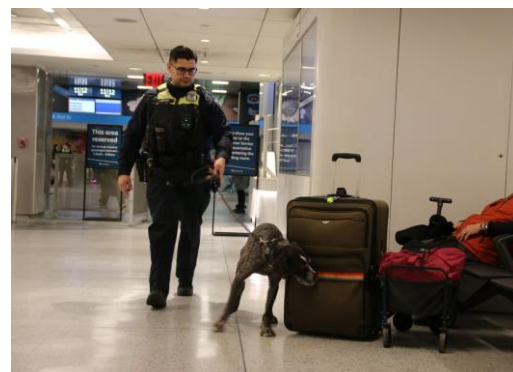
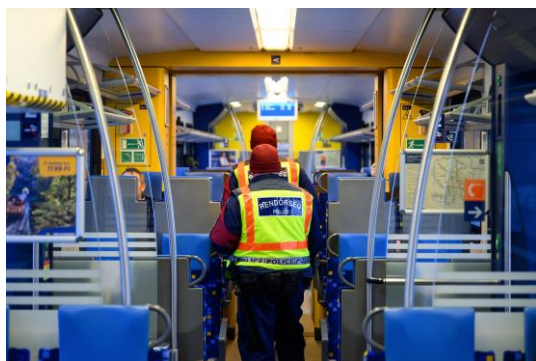
On this occasion, a coordinated action has been organised by the members of RAILPOL supervised by the Working Group Counter Terrorism.

This action focuses on combating all threats, particularly terrorist threats. For this reason, identity checks were carried out and baggage, trains and stations were inspected.

Various means and tools were used for the checks, such as dogs (K-9 unit) and explosives and metal detectors.



**17 295** police officers have been involved in the operation with a total of **59 958** ID checks. **283** persons have been arrested but not related to terrorism. During the operation, **8 232** train stations have been checked with a total of **7 435** checked trains.



*We would like to express our sincere gratitude for everyone's invaluable contribution, dedication and active involvement in ensuring the success of this operation.*



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