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This Primer for Design of Commercial Buildings to Mitigate Terrorist Attacks – Protecting Office, Retail, Multi-Family Residential, and Light-Industrial Facilities, provides guidance to building designers, owners and state and local governments to mitigate the effects of hazards resulting from terrorist attacks on new buildings. While the guidance provided focuses principally on explosive attacks and design strategies to mitigate the effects of explosions, the document also addresses design strategies to mitigate the effects of chemical, biological and radiological attacks. In addition to applicability to the design of new commercial office, retail, multi-family residential, and light-industrial buildings, many of the concepts presented are also applicable to other building types and/or existing buildings.

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