Keeping the public safe 24/7

Press release

Sunday 24 July is International Security Officers' Day.



This is an important day in the Industry Calendar, as the day is celebrated here and around the world to recognise and thank the people who work tirelessly everyday — both visibly and behind the scenes — to keep us safe.

The date of the 24 July reflects that security work is a 24/7 occupation.

To mark this day in the UK, we are highlighting stories of security operatives from the different sectors and across the United Kingdom. We are celebrating the people behind the badge and paying tribute to their professionalism.

We have stories of real-life heroes who have saved lives, sometimes with a risk to their own safety and wellbeing.

We have security officers who at a moment's notice find themselves turning into first responders as they carry out critical first aid before the emergency teams arrive.

There are currently over 450,000 active SIA licences in the UK. Each licence holder will have undertaken training and checks to qualify for the SIA licence and badge so they can play their part in protecting the public.

On this <u>International Security Officers' Day</u>, we salute and thank every security operative on the front line, guarding every second, every minute, every hour of public life and property.

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