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German far-right gunman kills 10 in racist attack

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Frankfurt, February 21 (RHC)-- In Germany, a gunman with a high-powered rifle opened fire on patrons at two shisha bars in the town of Hanau -- a suburb of Frankfurt -- killing 9 people. The 43-year-old suspect then returned to his home and killed his mother before turning a gun on himself.

The attacks appeared to target people of Turkish and Kurdish ancestry, and German federal investigators said they're investigating the killings as a likely right-wing terror attack.

The killings came a week after German police arrested 12 members of a far-right group and accused them of plotting to use semiautomatic weapons to murder worshipers at mosques, in attacks that would mirror those carried out by a white nationalist gunman in Christchurch, New Zealand, last year.

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