

Not Just Statistics  
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INT. LAB - DAY

CHRIS

Sam! Where's the report on  
yesterday's bombing?

Sam is looking through a pile of photos.

SAM

Still waiting for Trace and  
Particulates to get back to me,  
which is exactly what I told you  
two hours ago.

CHRIS

In the last two hours I got the  
mayor, the deputy mayor, every  
member of the city council, and a  
baker's dozen worth a' priests,  
rabbis, hell even an Imam, movin'  
through my office like they're on a  
conveyor belt.

SAM

Now if only the terrorists had  
thought about how much trouble it  
would cause you they might've  
thought twice about blowing up a  
bus full of kids.

The photos get put into a folder. Slid over to Chris.

CHRIS

Whattaya doin' looking at these  
for?

SAM

Reminding myself that real people --  
real children -- were involved.  
Not specimens on slides or  
statistics, and not grist for a  
political mill.

(beat)

Try it.