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Deutsche Bank staff caught in Mumbai terrorist attack

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The bank contacts staff reportedly trapped in Taj Mahal Palace & Tower

Deutsche Bank has made contact with all staff caught up in the Mumbai terrorist attack.

The bank's Asia-Pacific region managing director, head of communications, Michael West told C&IT: "All Deutsche Bank staff have been contacted and accounted for."

West refused to comment further.

It has been widely reported that a group of Deutsche Bank executives from Europe have been sheltering at the Taj Palace & Tower, Mumbai.

The hotel could not be reached for comment on the Deutsche Bank group but a statement on its website said:

"Taj Hotels are monitoring the development of the unfortunate situation unfolding at the Taj Mahal Palace & Tower in South Mumbai and are fully cooperating with the police and the government authorities who are working towards the safety and security of all our guests and staff."

Dozens of guests and staff at the Taj and Oberoi are reported to be trapped inside the properties, which were stormed by terrorists.

A statement issued by The Oberoi, Mumbai said:

"We are all very concerned about the safety of our guests and staff at the hotels in Mumbai. Our thoughts are with their families. Despite all efforts we are unable to make contact with the people inside the hotel. We are monitoring the situation and extending all our co-operation to the police and government authorities. The safety of our guests and staff remains our primary concern."

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