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UPDATE3 -- Garbage truck plows into pedestrians in Glasgow, killing several

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USPA News - A garbage truck plowed into a group of Christmas shoppers in the Scottish city of Glasgow on Monday afternoon, killing an unknown number of people and injuring others, local authorities said, adding that the crash is not believed to have been deliberate. The accident happened at around 2:30 p.m. local time at George Square in the city's center when a garbage truck struck a number of pedestrians before coming to stop against the side of the Millennium Hotel.

Police Scotland confirmed there were multiple fatalities as well as injuries, with Sky News citing sources as saying that at least six people had died. "A Glasgow City Council bin lorry was traveling north on Queen Street when it appeared to strike pedestrians outside the Gallery of Modern Art (GOMA) before continuing to travel towards George Square, when it crashed at the Millennium Hotel on Queen Street at George Square," police said in an emailed statement. The statement added: "There have been a number of fatalities and people injured. Emergency services are currently at the scene. Police have declared the scene a major incident. All roads in the surrounding area are closed and people are advised to stay away from George Square and make alternative travel arrangements." A police spokesman added that the driver was among those injured and had been taken to an area hospital, but his condition was not immediately known. The spokesman added that the crash was not believed to have been a criminal or deliberate act, but declined to provide further details. British Prime Minister David Cameron said on the social networking website Twitter that he was being briefed on the deadly incident. "I'm being kept fully briefed on the major incident in Glasgow. My thoughts are with the families of those involved and emergency services," he said.

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