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## YOUR LIFE

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Dermot O'Leary said the X Factor was throwing the acts in at the deep end on Saturday night. Explains why Blonde Electra sounded - and looked - like a pair of drowning kittens.



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## Armed siege man, 41, dies

A MAN has died after a stand-off with armed police at his home.

The 41-year-old was taken to hospital with suspected knife wounds on Saturday but could not be saved.

Neighbour Maria Robinson said 12 policemen with guns turned up at the house after a member of the public raised the alarm.

She said: "It was pretty scary. Someone was brought out covered in blood."

A postmortem was carried out yesterday and the police watchdog is investigating the death in Splott, Cardiff.

# MASS KILLER



**SALUTE**  
Demented killer in the dock in 2012

## EXCLUSIVE

BY TOM PARRY in Limoux, France

AS he flicks through old photos of his son, Jens Breivik lingers over an angelic picture of the boy in a forest clearing when he was five.

The smiling face of innocence on that idyllic afternoon 30 years ago is how the dad would like to remember Anders.

But 79-year-old Jens spends every day trying to cope with the agonising reality that his son is the far-right extremist who murdered 77 innocent people in Norway.

Jens, a retired Norwegian diplomat, says: "I have asked myself 'Am I to blame for him becoming so extreme?' I ask 'Could I have prevented it in some way?'"

"That is a question I think of all the time. I don't have an easy answer. It causes me a lot of stress and uneasiness."

"It is very difficult being the father of a mass murderer. It keeps me awake. It worries me all the time."

On July 22, 2011, Anders Behring Breivik detonated a home-made bomb at government buildings in the capital Oslo, killing eight people.

### MASSACRE

He then travelled to the nearby island of Utøya where a youth camp was being held by Norway's ruling Labour Party. The killer, wearing a fake police uniform and armed with guns, opened fire on scores of teenagers, leaving 69 dead and many more badly injured.

Three years on from the massacre, Jens, who lives in south-west France with second wife Wanda, 74, still cannot comprehend what his boy did.

I meet Jens where no one can eavesdrop on his blunt confession. In the garden of a hotel near his home, he admits not doing enough to prevent his fascist son, now 35, carrying out the killings - the worst ever mass murder by an individual.

While he talks of the good times he enjoyed with his son, he also refers constantly to his failings. Jens split from Anders' mum, Wenche, when the boy was a tot, but had constant contact with him during most of his childhood.

The dad regrets not fighting harder to win custody of Anders in a court battle with Wenche when the Anders was four.

"Even with a psychologist's report saying the conditions at the home were not good for Anders, I lost the case," Jens says.

"At that time there was no precedent for a father to gain custody of a child after



SMILE Anders looks carefree as a boy



CRAZED Posing with gun before killings

a divorce. I had to accept that his mother could keep him.

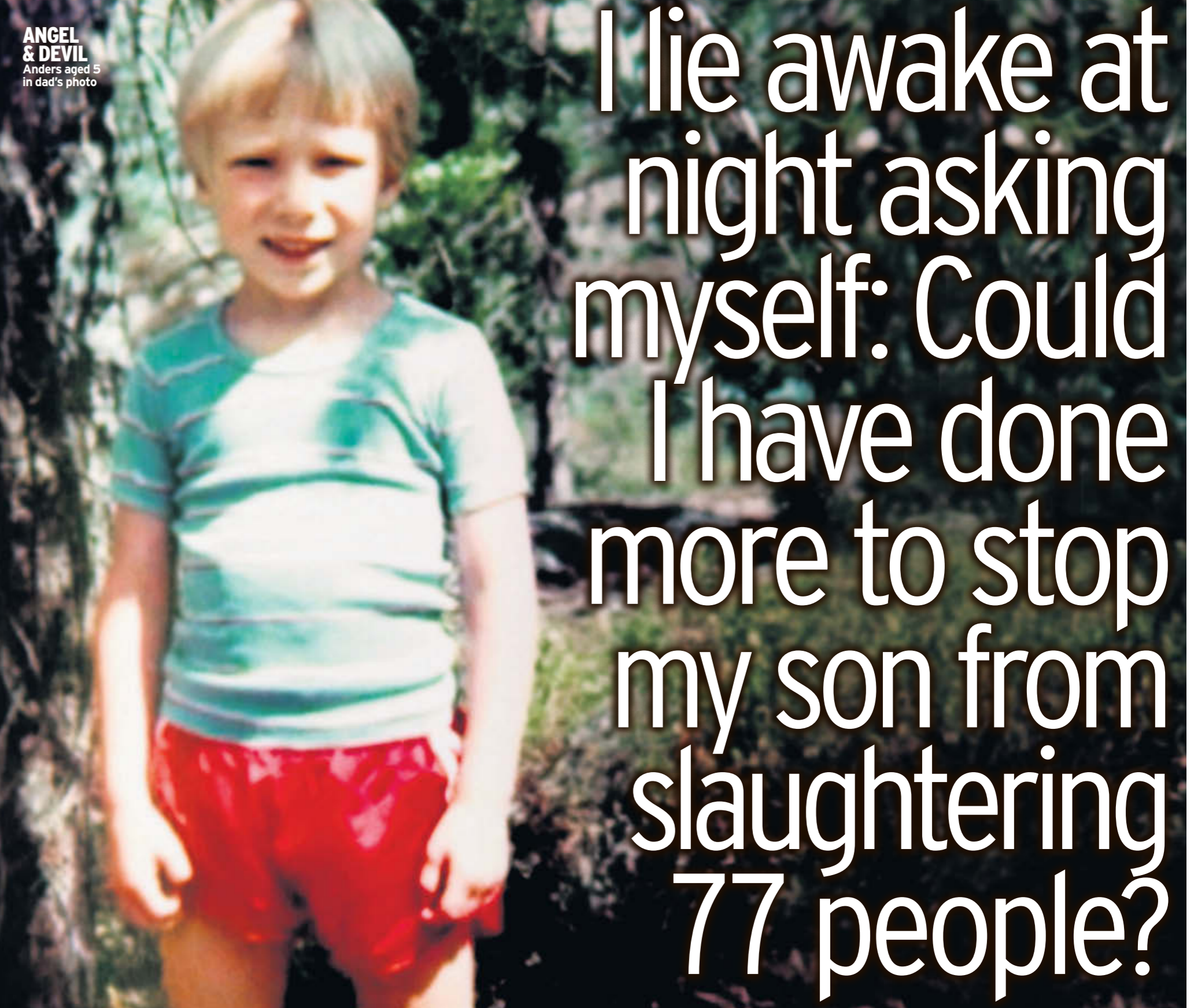
"I think if I had fought harder, if I had taken him with me, he would definitely have been another person today."

Before the break-up, the young family lived for eight months in London during Jens' posting at the Norwegian Embassy. Father and son were close, but something went wrong when Anders turned 16.

From that point, they were virtual strangers despite living near each other in Oslo. Apart from a brief phone call in 2006, there was little contact.

"In that phone call he told me 'I'm doing well. I have my own company with two employees,'" Jens recalls. "I had the impression he was very

# BREIVIK'S DAD REVEALS TORMENT



ANGEL & DEVIL  
Anders aged 5 in dad's photo

# I lie awake at night asking myself: Could I have done more to stop my son from slaughtering 77 people?

successful. That was the last time I heard from him.

"I should have done more to contact him. I was in Oslo for a lot of that time. I only moved to France to retire in 2011, not long before the attacks."

When footage of the atrocity started to appear on TV, he did not suspect for a second that his son was involved.

Jens says that when he found out the truth he was "paralysed with shock". He adds: "I was almost unconscious. It is still a big surprise to know he is so preoccupied with his insane ideas."

"What he did was terrible. I can never forgive him for that. Yet he is still my son. I feel sorry for him because I still think that there is some humanity in him."

In his primary school years, Anders visited his dad sporadically at his home in Paris. Jens recalls fondly: "When Anders was 11, I moved back to Oslo from Paris and from this point until he was 16 I saw him regularly. We had good

times together but it lasted only until 16, and then I lost contact with him. He became a member of a gang.

"I think I could have done more to re-establish contact with him."

In August 2012, following a lengthy trial, a judge sentenced Anders to 21

years in jail, the maximum sentence in Norway. But because of his refusal to show remorse, he is likely to spend his entire life in prison.

In Jens' nightmares, he sees Anders firing indiscriminately at the teenagers on Utøya at point-blank range, trampling

on corpses to shoot the terrified students. Dad-of-four Jens, who had three older children from a previous relationship, has only returned twice to Oslo since the attacks. He is afraid of reprisals.

Jens confesses: "I had some nightmares the first time, nightmares about being dead in Oslo or on the island." For Jens, a sprightly, smartly dressed pensioner, living in rural France - where he blends into the background - is a relief. Some of his neighbours know he is the father of a mass murderer, but they never ask him about it.

To try to come to terms with his heavy burden, Jens has written a book, published only in Norway at the moment, called My Fault?

I ask him if he often thinks about his son in Norway's highest security jail. "Of course I do, but

I think he got a fair sentence," he says. "In the first days after the attack I was furious. I said he should take his own life. I realised afterwards I didn't mean that. I hope one day he will realise what he did was wrong."

"Last year I phoned the prison to ask if I could visit him. Four months later, I received a letter. It was cold and formal. He addressed it to 'Mr Jens Breivik' and signed it 'Anders Behring Breivik'."

"Having seen the letter, I think he is getting more and more extreme. He was pursuing his ridiculous ideas. He said he'd only accept a visit if I became a fascist and joined his political regime. He won't have contact with me."

"I had thought I might be able to find out why he became so extreme. I thought I might be able to get him to apologise. I could ask him some questions. I would ask him 'What made you become so evil?'"

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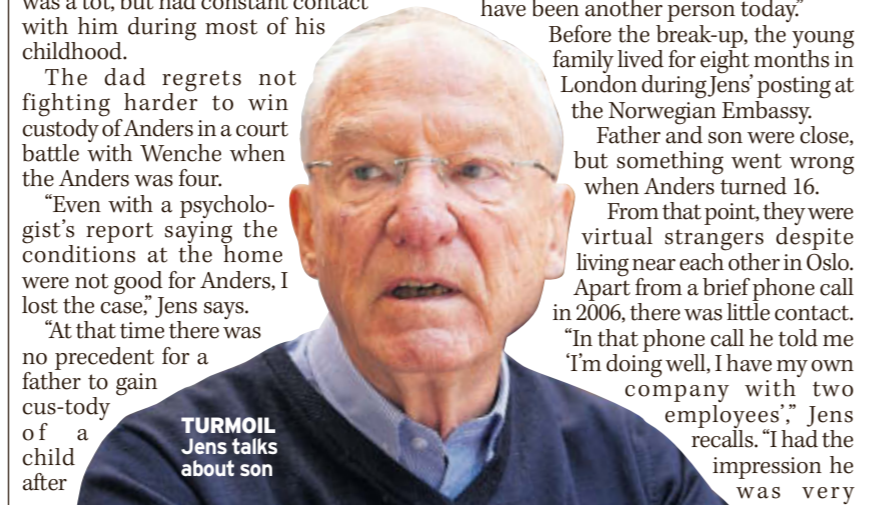
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