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Hero ... Oslo with L/Cpl Darren Evans

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## Paw hero “Oslo” saves our boys in 20 kilo bomb find.

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**A British army dog has sniffed out one of the biggest bombs found in Afghanistan. The Sun can reveal.**

The 20 kilo device was spotted by two-year-old Belgian Shepherd “Oslo” – dubbed “Poirot the Nose” after the telly detective. Handler Lance Corporal Darren Evans, 28, said yesterday the dog took a minute to find the device. He added, “If Oslo hadn’t found it, someone could have stepped on it. I was very proud of him.” L/Cpl Evans and Oslo were called after the Afghan army saw a wire sticking out of the ground. Oslo was sent down the track in Narh-e-Saraj, Helmand Province, and within 25 metres had uncovered the device. Torual Army Veterinary Corps soldier, L/Cpl Evans, of the 102 Military Working Dogs Squadron, based in Sennelager, Germany, said, “It must have only taken a minute for him to find it, mark it and come back. But it felt a lot longer. It goes very quiet when he goes out. Every time he sniffs longer, you wonder if he has found something.” L/Cpl Evans, from Powys, Wales, spends two hours a day training Oslo. He added, “I am nervous in case anything happens. It is still your boy you are sending out.”