The Spanish separatist terrorist group ETA had targeted a Spain to England ferry, it emerged on Thursday.

A suspected ETA terrorist arrested in Santander was waiting for a car bomb and had information on the ferry from Santander to Plymouth, Spanish media reported. Brittany Ferries operates the 42,000-gt Pont-Aven (built 2004) ship on the route.

Aritz Arginzoniz Zubiaurre was held on Tuesday at a bus station in Santander.

Spanish police also said he had a timer and details of two other targets in the city in his possession.

It is thought that Arginzoniz was part of an ETA cell which has recently been created in Cantabria.

Arginzoniz claimed to be a member of ETA and did not at any moment try to escape.

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