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### **EAST AFRICA**

#### **Kenya**

#### **KDF's elite forces finish Swift Eagle counter-terror training in Jordan**

Kenya Defence Forces' elite units have completed two-week joint specialised training on counter terrorism with the Jordanian Armed Forces. Some 100 soldiers from the Special Forces and Ranger Regiment units were among those in the Swift Eagle 2017 training with Jordan's Quick Reaction Force.

*thestarkenya 11 Oct 2017*

[https://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/10/11/kdfs-elite-forces-finish-swift-eagle-counter-terror-training-in-jordan\\_c1650968](https://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/10/11/kdfs-elite-forces-finish-swift-eagle-counter-terror-training-in-jordan_c1650968)

### **CENTRAL AFRICA**

#### **Cameroon**

**Lutte antiterroriste : vers un accord de coopération policière entre l'Afrique centrale et de l'Ouest**

Les pays de la Communauté économique des Etats de l'Afrique centrale (CEEAC) et ceux de la Communauté économique des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (CEDEAO) ont entamé la formalisation de leur coopération policière en approuvant la proposition de rédaction d'un protocole d'accord lors d'une réunion....

*aouaga 3:52:00 AM CEST*

<http://news.aOuaga.com/h/111512.html>

## **Central African Republic**

### **La Centrafrique "n'est pas en situation de pré-génocide" (responsable ONU)**

La Centrafrique "n'est pas en situation de pré-génocide", a estimé mercredi à Bangui le conseiller spécial de l'ONU pour la prévention du génocide, Adama Dieng, alors que ce sujet fait l'objet d'une controverse depuis l'été. "La République centrafricaine n'est pas en situation de pré-génocide.

*romandie 11 Oct 2017*

<https://www.romandie.com/news/La-Centrafrique-n-est-pas-en-situation-de-pre-genocide-responsable-ONU/851753.rom>

## **WEST AFRICA**

### **Mali**

#### **Lutte contre l'extrémisme violent : la MINUSMA encourage la participation communautaire**

La Division des Affaires Civiles de la MINUSMA a organisé, le 5 octobre dernier à Bamako, une rencontre entre les acteurs de la société civile malienne sur l'extrémisme violent, en partenariat avec l'organisation internationale Américaine DAI (Development Alternative Inc).

*reliefWeb 6:41:00 AM CEST*

<https://reliefweb.int/report/mali/lutte-contre-l-extr-misme-violent-la-minusma-encourage-la-participation-communautaire>

### **Niger**

#### **Islamist militants who attacked and killed US troops in Niger were new to area**

The Islamist extremists who ambushed and killed US Army commandos in Niger last week hadn't operated in that area before, Defence Secretary Jim Mattis said

Wednesday, referring to what officials believe was a relatively new offshoot of the Islamic State group there.

*scmp 7:35:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.scmp.com/news/world/africa/article/2115036/islamist-militants-who-attacked-and-killed-us-troops-niger-were>

## **Pentagon Blames Islamic State in Deadly Attack on US Forces in Niger**

The Pentagon said Wednesday that Islamic State fighters were responsible for an attack in southwestern Niger that killed four American soldiers, as new details suggested local villagers might have played a role in the ambush.

*globalsecurity 6:12:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.globalsecurity.org/military/library/news/2017/10/mil-171011-voa05.htm>

## **Attaque au Niger: Mattis salue la rapidité de l'aide française**

Le ministre américain de la Défense, Jim Mattis, a salué mercredi la rapidité à laquelle les forces françaises sont venues à l'aide de la patrouille américano-nigérienne tombée la semaine dernière dans une embuscade meurtrière au Niger. Dans les 30 minutes les avions français étaient sur place , a souligné M.

*maliactu 11 Oct 2017*

<http://maliactu.net/attaque-au-niger-mattis-salue-la-rapidite-de-laide-francaise/>

## **Attaque de Tongo-Tongo : l'armée américaine soupçonne des complicités locales et n'écarter pas une réponse appropriée**

CNN a obtenu de nouveaux détails sur l'embuscade de mercredi dans le Niger, une attaque qui a fait quatre morts et deux blessés. Cette nouvelle information provient d'entretiens préliminaires que des responsables militaires américains ont menés avec des survivants de la fusillade, informations....

*actuniger 11 Oct 2017*

<http://www.actuniger.com/societe/13411-attaque-de-tongo-tongo-l%e2%80%99arm%e9e-am%e9ricaine-soup%e7onne-des-complicit%e9s-locales-et-n%e2%80%99e9carte-pas-une-r%e9ponse-appropri%e9e>

## **Nigeria**

### **Military kills 15 Boko Haram terrorists while attempting to recapture Gwoza**

No fewer than 15 members of the Boko Haram terrorist group were shot dead by the military on Tuesday night, after the insurgents attempted to launch a major operation against Gwoza community of Borno State. Residents of the community had been alarmed when the insurgents pushed desperately to regain the community.

*sunnewsonline 11 Oct 2017*

<http://sunnewsonline.com/boko-haram-moves-to-recapture-gwoza/>

## **40 Boko Haram terrorists to surrender to NSCDC**

The Nigerian Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) in Borno says about 40 Boko Haram insurgents have indicated willingness to surrender to the Corps in the state. arrested: From left— Second-in-Command to Khalid Al-Barnawi of Boko Haram, Bello Danhajiya; suspected fraudsters and impersonators, Aminu Ado, A.

*vanguardngr 11 Oct 2017*

<https://www.vanguardngr.com/2017/10/40-boko-haram-terrorists-surrender-nscdc/>

## **Senegal**

### **Lutte contre l'extrémisme violent : les forces de défense africaines invitées à se "surpasser"**

Les forces de défense et de sécurité africaines doivent dépasser leurs difficultés de mobilité, leurs faiblesses logistiques et de déploiement pour la prévention de l'extrémisme violent, selon les participants à un séminaire régional sur l'extrémisme violent organisé à Dakar.

*adakar 11 Oct 2017*

<http://news.aDakar.com/h/91265.html>

## **NORTH AFRICA**

### **Libya**

#### **Eye On Jihadis in Libya Weekly Update: October 10**

An IS suicide bomb attack which targeted a Misratan court complex in the centre of the city on 4 October, killed four people and wounded several more. IS fighters opened fire on the complex and the explosion was triggered after one of the attackers detonated a suicide belt.

*jihadology 11 Oct 2017*

<http://jihadology.net/2017/10/11/eye-on-jihadis-in-libya-weekly-update-october-10/>

## **ISIS draws battle to Libya; U.S. military responds**

The U.S. military is ramping up operations and bombing raids against the Islamic State in Libya, where the terrorist group's fighters have increasingly found refuge as their territorial base shrinks in Syria and Iraq. U.S.-backed militias largely crushed the Islamic State's Libya operation in late....

*washtimes 3:41:00 AM CEST*

[http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2017/oct/11/isis-draws-battle-to-libya-us-military-responds/?utm\\_source=RSS\\_Feed&utm\\_medium=RSS](http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2017/oct/11/isis-draws-battle-to-libya-us-military-responds/?utm_source=RSS_Feed&utm_medium=RSS)

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **Asia**

#### **Philippines**

### **Filipino troops find 22 bodies of suspected militants, bombs**

Maj. Gen. Restituto Padilla said troops overcame days of militant sniper and grenade fire before they took back control of the buildings Tuesday and found the bodies, along with eight rifles and "dozens and dozens of improvised explosive devices." He said it's possible that some of the leaders of....

*siouxcityjournal 11 Oct 2017*

[http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/world/filipino-troops-find-bodies-of-suspected-militants-bombs/article\\_3d5a4573-1ab2-55b0-98e5-2e5c2945172f.html](http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/world/filipino-troops-find-bodies-of-suspected-militants-bombs/article_3d5a4573-1ab2-55b0-98e5-2e5c2945172f.html)

### **Iraq**

### **Lethal roadside bomb that killed scores of U.S. troops reappears in Iraq**

A roadside bomb that killed an American soldier in Iraq earlier this month was of a particularly lethal design not seen in six years, and its reappearance on the battlefield suggests that U.S. troops could again be facing a threat that bedeviled them at the height of the insurgency here, military officials said.

*WashingtonPost 9:07:00 AM CEST*

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle-east/lethal-roadside-bomb-that-killed-scores-of-us-troops-reappears-in-iraq/2017/10/11/87c5a57c-aeb7-11e7-9b93-b97043e57a22\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle-east/lethal-roadside-bomb-that-killed-scores-of-us-troops-reappears-in-iraq/2017/10/11/87c5a57c-aeb7-11e7-9b93-b97043e57a22_story.html)

## **Syria**

### **Suicide bombers strike in Damascus, killing 1**

Syria state media is reporting that at least two suicide bombers have struck outside the police headquarters in central Damascus, killing at least one person and wounding six. The state news agency says the two attackers tried....

*therepublic 11 Oct 2017*

<http://www.therepublic.com/2017/10/11/ml-syria-the-latest-10/>

### **Triple attentat suicide près du siège de la police à Damas**

Trois kamikazes se sont fait exploser mercredi près du quartier général de la police syrienne à Damas, faisant au moins un mort et six blessés, a indiqué le ministère de l'Intérieur syrien. Deux assaillants "ont tenté de lancer un assaut contre le quartier général du commandement de la police", a annoncé le ministère, cité par les médias officiels.

*lorientlejour 11 Oct 2017*

<https://www.lorientlejour.com/article/1077606/triple-attentat-suicide-pres-du-siege-de-la-police-a-damas.html>

### **Syrian army battles Islamic State in al-Mayadin town - report**

The Syrian army and its allies have captured areas of Islamic State-held al-Mayadin in eastern Syria, a Hezbollah-run military news outlet reported on Thursday, in an advance into the jihadist group's main urban base of operations in Syria. Backed by Russia, Iran and Shi'ite militias, the....

*channelnewsasia 9:05:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/world/syrian-army-battles-islamic-state-in-al-mayadin-town---report-9303806>

### **Raqqa: The human cost of degrading the 'Islamic State'**

How did Europe's refugee crisis start? Fleeing war and poverty. In late 2014, with the war in Syria approaching its fourth year and Islamic State making gains in the north of the country, the exodus of Syrians intensified. At the same time, others were fleeing violence and poverty in countries such....

*deutschewelle-en 11 Oct 2017*

<http://www.dw.com/en/raqqa-the-human-cost-of-degrading-the-islamic-state/a-39267772>

## **Daech assiégé à Raqqa, des discussions en cours pour évacuer les civils**

Avant de mener l'assaut final contre les derniers réduits tenus par Daech dans le centre-ville, la coalition a indiqué mardi soir que des responsables locaux et des figures tribales menaient des discussions pour que les civils puissent être évacués. Selon l'ONU, environ 8000 civils seraient toujours bloqués à Raqqa.

*l'express 11 Oct 2017*

[http://www.l'express.fr/actualite/monde/proche-moyen-orient/syrie-l-ei-assiege-a-raqa-des-discussions-en-cours-pour-evacuer-les-civils\\_1951409.html](http://www.l'express.fr/actualite/monde/proche-moyen-orient/syrie-l-ei-assiege-a-raqa-des-discussions-en-cours-pour-evacuer-les-civils_1951409.html)

## **White Widow IS recruiter Sally-Anne Jones 'killed in drone strike'**

US tell Britain they believe they got the ISIS white widow Sally Jones in a drone strike in June. He was killed by a US drone in 2015, and had allegedly been planning "barbaric attacks against the West", including terror plots targeting "high profile public commemorations" this summer.

*heraldscotland 8:58:00 AM CEST*

[http://www.heraldscotland.com/news/world\\_news/15591821.White+Widow+IS+recruiter+Sally+Anne+Jones+killed+in+drone+strike+/?ref=rss](http://www.heraldscotland.com/news/world_news/15591821.White+Widow+IS+recruiter+Sally+Anne+Jones+killed+in+drone+strike+/?ref=rss)

## **Turkey**

### **WSJ journalist convicted in Turkey of spreading 'terrorist propaganda'**

The Wall Street Journal said one of its reporters has been convicted in Turkey and jailed in absentia on charges of publishing "terrorist propaganda" in an article on clashes between the Turkish army and outlawed Kurdish militants. Ayla Albayrak, who is currently in New York, has been sentenced to....

*telegraph 11 Oct 2017*

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/10/11/wsj-journalist-convicted-turkey-spreading-terrorist-propaganda/>

### **Une journaliste allemande jugée en Turquie**

Le procès d'une journaliste et traductrice allemande s'est ouvert aujourd'hui près d'Istanbul. Mesale Tolu, emprisonnée depuis fin avril en Turquie, est accusée d'appartenir au Parti communiste....

*lefigaro 11 Oct 2017*

<http://www.lefigaro.fr/flash-actu/2017/10/11/97001-20171011FILWWW00183-une-journaliste-allemande-jugee-en-turquie.php>

## **Europe**

### **France**

#### **Une cellule spéciale pour surveiller les policiers soupçonnés de radicalisation**

Certains sont fichés au FSPRT (Fichier des signalements pour la prévention de la radicalisation à caractère terroriste). Une trentaine de policiers sont actuellement dans le collimateur de la police des polices, selon plusieurs médias. Une dizaine d'entre eux sont soupçonnés d'être en lien avec la mouvance islamiste.

*lefigaro 11 Oct 2017*

<http://www.lefigaro.fr/actualite-france/2017/10/11/01016-20171011ARTFIG00180-une-cellule-speciale-pour-surveiller-les-policiers-soupconnes-de-radicalisation.php>

#### **Attentat de Saint-Etienne-du-Rouvray : une femme en garde à vue**

Le père Jacques Hamel avait perdu la vie dans l'attaque qui avait eu lieu dans son église de Saint-Etienne-du-Rouvray (Seine-Maritime). Photo archives AFP. Une femme a été placée en garde à vue mardi après-midi dans le cadre de l'enquête sur l'attentat de Saint-Etienne-du-Rouvray (Seine-Maritime).

*republicain-lorrain 11 Oct 2017*

<http://www.republicain-lorrain.fr/faits-divers/2017/10/11/attentat-de-saint-etienne-du-rouvray-une-femme-en-garde-a-vue>

#### **French police arrest two over deadly Marseille train station attack**

But he was known to the police for drug as well as alcohol problems and had a history of petty crime, using seven aliases. He was not on a jihadist watch list. Two days before the attack, he was arrested for shoplifting in the eastern city of Lyon but was allowed to walk free the following day -- a....

*thelocal-fr 9:00:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.thelocal.fr/20171012/french-police-arrest-two-over-deadly-marseille-train-station-attack>

### **Germany**

#### **Federal Criminal Police call Reichsbürger a terror threat**

The Federal Criminal Police (BKA) have reported that followers of the Reichsbürger movement could commit "extreme violence, including terror acts," according to the



German newspaper Welt, which cited a 2016-17 report compiled by law enforcement.  
Somewhere toward the middle of Germany's right-wing....

*deutschwelle-en 11 Oct 2017*

<http://www.dw.com/en/federal-criminal-police-call-reichsb%C3%BCrger-a-terror-threat/a-39809072>

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