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EAST AFRICA

Kenya

Police Foil Major Terror Attack Targeting Nairobi, Arrest Al-Shabaab Agents

Police have foiled a major terrorist attack after fighting off gunmen, killing one and arresting two others, after which they found a cache of arms including 36 grenades and five automatic rifles. Initial investigations showed the car was headed to Nairobi where....

topix 9:05:00 AM CET

<http://www.topix.com/ke/nairobi/2018/02/kenya-police-foil-major-terror-attack-targeting-nairobi-arrest-al-shabaab-agents?fromrss=1>

Terror suspects targeted church with explosives, police say

Some of the weapons recovered from terror suspects in Merti, Isiolo County. Police on Wednesday foiled a plan to attack a mainstream church in Nairobi. A cache of weapons and a vehicle rigged with explosives were intercepted in what police described as the final stages of a terror attack planned for yesterday.

standardmedia 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.standardmedia.co.ke/article/2001270222/terror-suspects-targeted-church-with-explosives-police-say>

Kenya police foil major terror attack

Terrorists had probably booked a hotel room because they were carrying a key, which indicated the name of the hotel a room number; Police also identified those in custody as Kenyans, going by the national identity cards they were carrying; With intensified war against Al-Shabaab in Somalia where....

EastAfrican 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.theeastafrican.co.ke/news/Kenya-police-foil-major-terror-attack/2558-4310114-6gkxpr/index.html>

We lost tens, resisted, relented and still, we're not safe in the North

In 2015 attackers ambushed passengers on a bus and killed 28 of them, majority of them teachers headed home/FILE. By NAIROBI, Kenya, Feb 18 – The Kenya National

Union of Teachers (KNUT) and the The Kenya Union of Post Primary Teachers have called on the government to do more to ensure the safety of teachers posted to terror hotspots.

capitalfm 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.capitalfm.co.ke/news/2018/02/we-lost-tens-resisted-relented-and-still-were-not-safe-in-the-north-knut/>

Tragedy as Al Shabaab terrorists end lovebirds' dreams

A picture of Seth Odada and his fiancée Caroline Adhiambo who were felled by suspected terrorist's bullets inside a primary school in Wajir county on February 16,2018. Seth was a teacher at the school and Caroline was a subordinate staff. (Photo: Denish Ochieng/ Standard) What appeared to mark the....

standardmedia 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.standardmedia.co.ke/article/2001270227/tragedy-as-al-shabaab-terrorists-end-lovebirds-dreams>

topix 18 Feb 2018

Compensate terror attack victims, teachers tell State

Kuppet Secretary General Akello Misori(right) and his deputy Moses Nthurima addressing the press at a Nairobi hotel on 18/2/18-Beverlyne Musili,Standard. Teachers' unions want the Government to compensate the victims and families of those killed by Al Shabaab terrorists.

standardmedia 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.standardmedia.co.ke/article/2001270232/compensate-terror-attack-victims-teachers-tell-state>

Officers battling Al Shabaab militia cry out for support

Police officers in Boni Forest, Lamu County. Officers machine guns break down and have to rely on poor cell phone network to call for reinforcement [Maarufu Mohamed, Standard] Administration Police officers involved in the security operation in Lamu County have warned that the exercise risks failing unless the government intervenes.

standardmedia 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.standardmedia.co.ke/article/2001270169/officers-battling-al-shabaab-militia-cry-out-for-support>

Insecurity killing the once vibrant tourism industry

After the violence many tourists avoided the country, marking a long journey of pain for the sector. Mr Osoro says some curio traders have altogether left the tourism value chain and opted for other sources of income. When he ventured into the business in 2006, Mr Matiro had hoped to cash in on the....

nation-ke 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.nation.co.ke/counties/Insecurity-killing-the-once-vibrant-tourism-industry/1107872-4310374-1evuaa/index.html>

Rwanda

Mardi dernier, l'armée congolaise a lancé une attaque contre la « RDF » en violant l'intégrité du territoire rwandais

Des experts militaires du Mécanisme conjoint de vérification, basé en République Démocratique du Congo, ont lancé des enquêtes pour déterminer les circonstances dans lesquelles les Forces Armées Congolaises (FARDC) ont violé l'intégrité territoriale du Rwanda, et ont lancé une attaque contre une....

rwandaises 17 Feb 2018

<http://rwandaises.com/2018/02/mardi-dernier-larmee-congolaise-a-lance-une-attaque-contre-la-rdf-en-violant-lintegrite-du-territoire-rwandais/>

Somalia

Navy cuts 'put trade at mercy of pirates'

SHUTTERSTOCK Marco Giannangeli, EXCLUSIVE A boarding team from the Fort Victoria Royal Fleet Auxiliary ship searches a Somali pirate boat UK Chamber of Shipping chief executive Guy Patten spoke out after a series of leaks indicating the possibility of major cuts to Royal Navy capabilities as part of....

express 18 Feb 2018

https://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/920464/Royal-Navy-shipping-cuts-trading-pirates-Brexit-Guy-Patten?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+daily-express-uk-news+%28Express+%3A%3A+UK+Feed%29

Sudan

Agar, al-Hilu fighters clash again in Blue Nile

The Sudan People's Liberation Movement/North (SPLM-N Agar) led by Malik Agar said its fighters in the Blue Nile have been attacked by forces belonging to the SPLM-N al-Hilu faction. The Sudanese army has been fighting the SPLM-N rebels in the Blue Nile and South Kordofan, also known as the Two Areas since 2011.

sudantribune 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.sudantribune.com/spip.php?article64757>

South Sudan

South Sudan objects dissolution of security sector

South Sudan's information minister Michael Makuei Lueth speaks to reporters in Bor, December 25, 2016 (ST) "As you know the government delegation went to Addis Ababa with open heart and commitment to ending the suffering of the people but the opposition groups united themselves with one position....

sudantribune 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.sudantribune.com/spip.php?article64756>

Rebels Seek Help to Quash Machar's Spokesman Death Penalty

South Sudanese rebels are seeking the intervention of the region and international community to help quash a death penalty handed to a top rebel official. James Gatdet Dak was sentenced to death on February 12 for treason. The Sudanese Peoples' Liberation Movement-In Opposition (SPLM-IO), the main....

allafrica 17 Feb 2018

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201802130819.html>

Rebels warn executing James Gatdet will affect reconciliation efforts

A diaspora group affiliated to South Sudan's main rebel movement led by the country's former first vice president Riek Machar has warned against executing the death sentence handed down on James Gadet. James Gatdet Dak, the former official spokesman of South Sudan's rebel leader Riek Machar was....

radiotamazuj 18 Feb 2018

<https://radiotamazuj.org/en/news/article/rebels-warn-executing-james-gatdet-will-affect-reconciliation-efforts>

More Regional Protection Forces Arrive in Juba

More foreign troops arrived in South Sudan's capital as part of the U.N. Security Council-mandated Regional Protection Force (RFP). But a South Sudanese analyst says the additional peacekeepers will have no impact on the country's deadly conflict if they are not deployed outside of Juba.

allafrica 17 Feb 2018

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201802160164.html>

Signs of Progress in Peace Talks

South Sudan peace talks in the Ethiopian capital Addis Ababa show signs of progress after nearly two weeks marked by boycotts and walkouts. On Wednesday, the parties to the Igad-led negotiations agreed on the composition of a transitional government and security arrangements.

allafrica 17 Feb 2018

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201802160472.html>

CENTRAL AFRICA

Cameroon

Crise Anglophone. Les séparatistes armés dans une logique de guérilla au Cameroun anglophone

« Je ne veux pas mourir, mais notre seul avenir, c'est l'indépendance. Et ils ne veulent pas nous la donner. » Réfugié dans un village nigérian à quelques kilomètres de chez lui, au Cameroun anglophone déchiré par les violences, Victor Obi, songe, pour la première fois de sa vie, à prendre les armes relate l'AFP.

cameroun24 18 Feb 2018

http://www.cameroun24.net/actualite-cameroun-info-Les_separatistes_armes_dans_une_logique_de_guerill-44281.html

Central African Republic

Les acolytes du chef rebelle Abdoulaye Hissène devant la cour criminelle

Le procès des seize acolytes parmi les éléments ayant aidé le chef rebelle Abdoulaye Hissène à s'échapper de la capitale centrafricaine Bangoua a été reporté à lundi prochain par les juges de la cour criminelle, a appris Xinhua vendredi du tribunal. Après la vérification de l'identité des accusés, quatre d'entre eux ont été relaxés.

journaldebangui 9:30:00 AM CET

<http://www.journaldebangui.com/article.php?aid=13988>

Democratic Republic of Congo

Embuscade des rebelles ougandais, 5 morts

Recrudescence de la violence en RDC où cinq personnes ont trouvé la mort dans une embuscade tendue, samedi matin, par des rebelles ougandais des Forces Démocratiques Alliées (ADF) dans l'Est de la République démocratique du Congo (RDC). C'est ce qu'a appris l'agence Anadolu d'une organisation de la société civile locale.

afrik 18 Feb 2018

http://www.afrik.com/rdc-embuscade-des-rebelles-ougandais-5-morts?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+afrikfr+%28Afrik+VF%29

Six morts dans une embuscade attribuée aux ADF près de Beni

Une embuscade a été menée le 17 février au matin contre un véhicule de l'Institut congolais pour la conservation de la nature (ICCN) non loin d'Eringeti, dans le territoire de Beni, en République démocratique du Congo (RDC). Elle a fait six morts et six blessés dont un grave, selon l'Institut.

allafrica-fr 18 Feb 2018

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201802180081.html>

Girls Targeted for Recruitment As Child Soldiers

Kinshasa CHILDREN'S rights groups are concerned at the forcible recruitment of girls as child soldiers as well as their sexual abuse at the ranks of armed groups. The concern came amid revelations during 2017, more than 3 000 cases of child recruitment in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) were....

allafrica 18 Feb 2018

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201802130382.html>

Péage, commerce et sécurité aux frontières au menu de visite de Joseph Kabila en Zambie

Le président Joseph Kabila a échangé avec son homologue zambien Edgar Lungu, au cours de sa visite en Zambie samedi 17 et dimanche 18 février, sur des questions liées au péage, au commerce et à la sécurité aux frontières entre les deux pays. Ces échanges ont eu lieu dans le cadre de la commission bilatérale RDC-Zambie.

radiookapi 18 Feb 2018

https://www.radiookapi.net/2018/02/18/actualite/politique/peage-commerce-et-securite-aux-frontieres-au-menu-de-visite-de-joseph?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+radiookapi%2Factu+%28Radiookapi.net+-+Actualit%C3%A9%29

WEST AFRICA

Burkina Faso

West Africa's extremism spreading as thousands flee homes

Roch Marc Kaboré, président of Burkina Faso, speaks at the security conference in Munich, Germany, Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018. (Andreas Gebert/dpa via AP) West Africa's extremist threat has moved into a new part of the vast Sahel region, with a previously calm area of Burkina Faso facing the kinds of....

ABCnews 18 Feb 2018

<http://abcnews.go.com/International/wireStory/west-africas-extremism-spreading-thousands-flee-homes-53180075>

Mali

Ultimatum du conseil de sécurité aux acteurs de l'Accord d'Alger : La demande de sanctions du Mali contre la CMA et la Plateforme se retourne contre lui !

Le ministre des affaires étrangères Tiéman Hubert COULIBALY a participé à la réunion du conseil de sécurité de l'organisation des Nations-Unies autour du secrétaire Général Antonio Guterres . Au cours de cette réunion, il a rappelé que le Mali a pris l'initiative de demander au conseil de sécurité....

abamako 18 Feb 2018

<http://news.abamako.com/h/181449.html>

Un terroriste abattu à Tinzawaten: Le tour d'Iyad Ag Ghaly arrivera-t-il un jour ?

L'information est tombée en milieu de semaine dernière. L'opération Barkhane, lors d'un raid à Tinzawaten, a abattu plusieurs terroristes, dont un certain Malick Ag Wanasnat, présenté comme un fidèle lieutenant d'Iyad Ag Ghaly. Egalement, trois véhicules appartenant aux terroristes ont été détruits.

abamako 8:38:00 AM CET

<http://news.abamako.com/h/181487.html>

Opération militaire française au Mali : Paris a-t-il informé Alger ?

« Une dizaine de jihadistes ont été tués et 14 ont été appréhendés », a rapporté le journal citant une source sécuritaire malienne. L'état-major français a avancé, d'après France 24, un bilan de vingt terroristes tués ou capturés. Le chef d'état-major de l'armée française a qualifié, dans un....

mali-web 18 Feb 2018

<http://mali-web.org/crise-malienne/operation-militaire-francaise-au-mali-paris-a-t-il-informe-alger>

Regain de tension dans le nord

Les hostilités connaissent un regain d'intensité dans certaines régions au Nord et au centre du Mali. Hier, des combats entre des présumés jihadistes et la force Barkhane non loin de Tegharghar au nord d'Aguelhoc auraient fait 5 morts et des véhicules détruits côté jihadistes.

mali-web 18 Feb 2018

<http://mali-web.org/nord-mali/mali-regain-de-tension-dans-le-nord>

Nigeria

Niger trial: 475 Boko Haram suspects freed for lack of evidence

Nigeria has freed another 475 Boko Haram suspects following a series of mass trials in which most cases were dropped for lack of evidence, the justice ministry said Sunday. Over the course of the week, hundreds of suspected Boko Haram extremists have appeared before a court at the Kainji military base in central Niger state.

punchng 18 Feb 2018

<http://punchng.com/475-boko-haram-suspects-freed-for-lack-of-evidence/>

Boko Haram: Get Shekau dead or alive, Buratai charges troops

Chief of Army Staff, Lt. Gen. Tukur Buratai, has, again, charged troops to capture factional leader of the Boko Haram, Abubakar Shekau, dead or alive. Buratai gave the charge at former Boko Haram's Command and Control....

sunnewsonline 3:13:00 AM CET

<http://sunnewsonline.com/boko-haram-get-shekau-dead-or-alive-buratai-charges-troops/>

Un attentat suicide attribué à Boko Haram fait 19 morts dans le nord-est du Nigeria

Trois kamikazes suspectés d'appartenir à Boko Haram se sont fait exploser sur un marché aux poissons du nord-est du Nigeria, tuant 19 personnes, et démontrant une nouvelle fois la capacité de nuisance du groupe jihadiste. Les explosions se sont produites vendredi vers 20h30 (19H30 GMT) à Konduga, à....

journaldumali 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.journaldumali.com/2018/02/18/un-attentat-suicide-attribue-a-boko-haram-fait-19-morts-dans-le-nord-est-du-nigeria/>

Police reinstate officers acquitted of killing Boko Haram leader

The Police Service Commission (PSC) has reinstated four police officers who were acquitted of extrajudicial killing of late Boko Haram leader, Mohammed Yusuf. The late leader, who was later succeeded by Abubakar Shekau, was arrested in Maiduguri after the Nigerian Army crushed the 2009 Boko Haram uprising.

dailytrust 10:13:00 AM CET

<https://www.dailytrust.com.ng/police-reinstate-officers-acquitted-of-killing-boko-haram-leader.html>

Sahel

Sahel trade routes: Arms, people and drugs

The Sahel region is made up centuries-old routes - routes that have been used for the movement of people, goods, weapons and drugs. And over the centuries these routes haven't changed, said Wolf-Christian Paes, who was addressing a panel of security experts for the region.

deutschewelle-en 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.dw.com/en/sahel-trade-routes-arms-people-and-drugs/a-37125072>

Le monde au chevet du Sahel ?

Si des pays optent essentiellement pour les solutions militaires, la majorité des pays africains confrontés au terrorisme en expansion plaident pour des stratégies globales incluant des solutions socioéconomiques pour l'éradiquer en s'attaquant à ses racines.

liberte-algerie 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.liberte-algerie.com/international/le-monde-au-chevet-du-sahel-287322>

G5 Sahel - Le financement de la force conjointe se précise

Réunis à Munich, en Allemagne, pour la conférence sur la sécurité, les responsables africains ont évoqué la mise en place d'une force conjointe pour le G5 Sahel. Les responsables réunis à la conférence sur la sécurité de Munich ont voulu faire passer un message : la sécurité du Sahel et la lutte....

allafrica-fr 18 Feb 2018

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201802180095.html>

Coordination des journalistes du G5 Sahel : Accompagner et soutenir les actions du G5 Sahel

Ce vendredi 16 février, à la maison de la presse, le bureau de la coordination nationale de la COJ-G5 Sahel (Coordination Nationale des Journalistes du G5 Sahel) a présenté son association aux Autorités, aux PTF et à la presse. Pour l'occasion, l'ambassadeur de la délégation de l'Union Européenne....

mali-web 1:48:00 AM CET

<http://mali-web.org/societe/coordination-des-journalistes-du-g5-sahel-accompagner-et-soutenir-les-actions-du-g5-sahel>

POUR LE MALI ET LE G5 SAHEL

Directement visés par la lente montée en puissance de la force du G5 Sahel aux confins du Mali, du Burkina Faso et du Niger, les groupes jihadistes tentent de la contrecarrer par des attaques de plus en plus meurtrières, selon des experts. C'est dans cette zone «des trois frontières» que se jouera....

lexpressiondz 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.lexpressiondz.com/internationale/286674-la-peur-doit-changer-de-camp.html>

En un mot : Menace évidente

La sécurité du Sahel et la lutte contre le terrorisme ne concernent pas que cette seule région, mais l'ensemble de la communauté internationale". Ce message de la conférence sur la sécurité à Munich (RFA), rapporté par RFI, conforte l'idée que "le Mali est une digue. Si elle rompt, l'Europe sera submergée".

mali-web 8:51:00 AM CET

<http://mali-web.org/crise-malienne/en-un-mot-menace-evidente>

NORTH AFRICA

Egypt

Egypt sentences 65 Islamists to jail for incitement

The decision late Saturday by a court in the Nile Delta city of Zagazig also acquitted eight individuals. Prosecutors say the group was caught with inflammatory leaflets opposing the army and state institutions, and calling for violence. Of the group, 44 were sentenced to 10 years imprisonment, while the rest received two years.

startribune 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.startribune.com/egypt-sentences-65-islamists-to-jail-for-incitement/474421753/>

Egypt says three soldiers killed in campaign against militants

Three Egyptian soldiers have been killed in a 10-day-old campaign against Islamist militants focused on the Sinai peninsula, Egypt's military said on Monday. It was the first time the military has reported its own casualties since it launched the operation on Feb. 9. The statement did not say where or when the soldiers had died.

jpost 8:39:00 AM CET

<http://www.jpost.com/Breaking-News/Egypt-says-three-soldiers-killed-in-campaign-against-militants-542998>

Libya

Rebels Block Libyan Refugees' Return Home

Tripoli ARMED groups have blocked thousands of refugees from returning to their communities in the crisis-torn Libya. The militancy has stalled some 5 000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) from the northern Tawergha after recently attempted to return to their hometown.

allafrica 18 Feb 2018

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201802120395.html>

Tunisia

Qui sont les terroristes ?

Un seul terroriste suffit pour mettre le pays en danger. C'est ce qu'avance l'expert sécuritaire, ancien officier de la Garde nationale Ali Zeramdini, qui a appelé, mardi dernier, à la vigilance face à la présence de terroristes sur les hauteurs tunisiennes.

allafrica-fr 18 Feb 2018

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201802180137.html>

UN BATEAU CHARGÉ D'ENGINS MILITAIRES ET D'ARMES ARRAISonné PAR LA TUNISIE

La région sous-maghrébine vit dans l'inquiétude depuis que des informations concordantes ont fait état d'un redéploiement du groupe autoproclamé Etat islamique dans le sud de l'Egypte et en Libye, mais aussi en Tunisie. Les gardes-côtes tunisiens ont arraisonné vendredi dernier un navire chargé de....

lexpressiondz 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.lexpressiondz.com/actualite/286656-le-feu-sous-les-cendres.html>

INTERNATIONAL

La multiplication des conflits a aggravé l'insécurité mondiale en 2017

«Les conflits deviennent de plus en plus interdépendants et de plus en plus liés à une nouvelle menace terroriste mondiale pour nous tous», a indiqué M. Guterres lors de la cérémonie d'ouverture de cette conférence. Pour la première fois depuis la fin de la Guerre froide, le monde est confronté à la....

lnr-dz 2:41:00 AM CET

<http://lnr-dz.com/index.php?page=details&id=74090>

America

US

Minnesota terror case shows challenge of predicting attacks

Four months later, the 19-year-old was arrested for allegedly setting small fires on her former college campus in St. Paul in what prosecutors say was a self-proclaimed act of

jihad. No one was hurt by the Jan. 17 fires at St. Catherine University, but her case raises questions about why she wasn't....

lacrossetribune 17 Feb 2018

http://lacrossetribune.com/news/state-and-regional/mn/minnesota-terror-case-shows-challenge-of-predicting-attacks/article_1da53dfe-ef90-568a-800f-17fe01d4887c.html

Is the West finally pushing Saudi Arabia to squelch its version of radical Islam?

The world heard the get-tough rhetoric of President Trump last May in the Saudi capital of Riyadh when he admonished Muslim leaders to begin “honestly confronting the crisis of Islamist extremism and the Islamist terror groups it inspires.” Now Europe is finding its voice with a new willingness to....

foxnews 10:47:00 AM CET

<http://www.foxnews.com/opinion/2018/02/19/is-west-finally-pushing-saudi-arabia-to-squelch-its-version-radical-islam.html>

Where will ISIS seek to establish its next safe haven?

During his first State of the Union address, US President Donald Trump correctly pointed out that “the coalition to defeat ISIS [Islamic State] has liberated very close to 100 percent of the territory just recently held by these killers in Iraq and in Syria and in other locations as well.

jpost 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.jpost.com/Opinion/Where-will-ISIS-seek-to-establish-its-next-safe-haven-542967>

Asia

Dagestan

Cinq femmes tuées à la sortie d’une église au Dagestan

Un homme a ouvert le feu dimanche 18 février à la sortie d’une église orthodoxe du nord du Dagestan, république musulmane instable du Caucase russe, causant la mort de cinq femmes. Voisin de la Tchétchénie, le Dagestan, dont la population de 3 millions d’habitants est majoritairement musulmane,....

la-croix 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.la-croix.com/Religion/Orthodoxie/Cinq-femmes-tuees-sortie-dune-eglise-Dagestan-2018-02-18-1200914738>

Liban

Amnistie : des proches de détenus islamistes protestent à Tripoli

Des proches de détenus islamistes, qui réclament une loi d’amnistie, ont coupé lundi la route au niveau du rond-point al-Salam, à Tripoli, au Liban-nord, pour protester contre des informations non confirmées... Pour enregistrer cet article dans votre dossier personnel Mon Compte, vous devez au préalable vous identifier.

lorientlejour 10:42:00 AM CET

<https://www.lorientlejour.com/article/1100658/ammistie-des-proches-de-detenus-islamistes-protestent-a-tripoli.html>

Irak

Libération d'une djihadiste française qui a purgé sa peine

La Cour pénale centrale de Bagdad a remis aujourd'hui en liberté une djihadiste française qu'elle venait de condamner à sept mois de prison pour "entrée illégale en Irak", car sa peine était couverte par sa détention préventive. Mélina Bougedir, 27 ans, avait été arrêtée l'été dernier à Mossoul,....

lefigaro 10:27:00 AM CET

<http://www.lefigaro.fr/flash-actu/2018/02/19/97001-20180219FILWWW00069-irak-liberation-d-une-djihadiste-francaise-qui-a-purge-sa-peine.php>

Iraq frees suspected French extremist who served sentence

An Iraqi court ordered the release of a suspected French extremist sentenced on Monday to seven months in prison for entering the country illegally, saying she had already served her time. Melina Bougedir, 27, was arrested last summer in former Islamic State group stronghold Mosul with her....

GulfDailyNews 10:26:00 AM CET

<http://www.gdnonline.com/Details/318449/Iraq-frees-suspected-French-extremist-who-served-sentence>

Iraqi Makes Plan For Wives And Children Of ISIS Members

Authorities in Iraq have formulated a plan to deal with the foreign wives and children of the members of the Islamic State in a bid to balance the security concerns with international laws. According to a report by Fox News, Shia al-Sudani, the Iraqi minister of Labor and Social Affairs who is in....

ibtimes 18 Feb 2018

<http://www.ibtimes.com/iraq-formulates-plan-deal-families-isis-members-2654819>

Iraqi court sentences Turkish woman to death over joining IS group

An Iraq court Monday sentenced a Turkish female citizen to death and ten foreign women to life imprisonment for joining Islamic State (IS) militants group, a judicial spokesman said. "The Central Criminal Court issued a death penalty by hanging for a female Turkish....

xinhuanet_en 10:47:00 AM CET

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-02/19/c_136985429.htm

Iran

The Syrian Army sends fresh forces and more military equipment to the Yarmouk Palestinian Refugee Camp in the Southern countryside of Damascus province amid intensified infighting between terrorist groups in the camp, local sources reported on Monday.

The sources said that hundreds of fresh forces and a large volume of equipment and several military vehicles have been forwarded by the army to the Yarmouk camp. They further said that the army's fresh forces will possibly take part in an imminent anti-terrorism operation in Yarmouk camp after....

farsnews-en 10:26:00 AM CET

<http://en.farsnews.com/newstext.aspx?nm=13961130000349>

Philippines

Philippines says suspect Islamist militant recruiter arrested

Philippine security forces have arrested a foreigner suspected of recruiting domestic fighters for pro-Islamic State militant groups, including an alliance that occupied a southern city for five months last year, police said on Monday.

reuters-in 10:32:00 AM CET

https://in.reuters.com/article/philippines-militants/philippines-says-suspect-islamist-militant-recruiter-arrested-idINKCN1G30SZ?feedType=RSS&feedName=worldNews&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+reuters%2FINworldNews+%28News+%2F+IN+%2F+World+News%29

Syria

Deux importants groupes rebelles islamistes fusionnent

"Nous, Ahrar al-Cham et Nouredine al-Zinki, annonçons notre fusion sous le nom de Front syrien de libération", ont indiqué les deux groupes, présents à la frontière des provinces syriennes d'Alep et d'Idleb. Cette dernière, qui est la seule du pays à échapper quasi entièrement au régime syrien, est....

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<http://www.levif.be/actualite/international/syrie-deux-importants-groupes-rebelles-islamistes-fusionnent/article-normal-801731.html>

The Turkish Army and Ankara-backed militants managed to beat the Kurdish fighters back from more villages in Afrin region amid reports on an agreement between the Kurds and the Syrian Army for government forces' deployment to Northwestern Aleppo on Monday, militant-affiliated sources said today.

The sources said that the Turkish army men captured the villages of al-Darwisheh, Hajikanli Foqani and Hajikanli Tahtani in Rajou region after heavy fighting with terrorists. In the meantime, some Kurdish sources reported that based on an agreement between the Kurds and Damascus the Syrian Army will enter Afrin region in the next two days.

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<http://en.farsnews.com/newstext.aspx?nn=13961130000442>

Europe

France

Enquête sur les réseaux toulousains

Arrêtés fin décembre 2017, par les forces kurdes en Syrie, Thomas Barnouin, Mohamed Megherbi, Kevin Gonot et son demi-frère Thomas Collange, tous originaires de la région toulousaine, appartenaient déjà, à des degrés divers, à la première filière d'acheminement de jihadistes vers l'Irak et implantée à Toulouse dès 2005.

ladepeche 18 Feb 2018

<https://www.ladepeche.fr/article/2018/02/18/2744865-enquete-sur-les-reseaux-toulousains.html>

Netherlands

30 refugees in the Netherlands have jihadi watch list passports: NRC

Around 30 people who applied for asylum in 2015 and 2016 had passports which were flagged as possibly belonging to jihadis but none were found to be a danger to national security, the justice ministry had told the The paper says IS and other jihadi groups have stolen....

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<http://www.dutchnews.nl/news/archives/2018/02/30-refugees-in-the-netherlands-have-jihadi-watch-list-passports-nrc/>

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