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### **EAST AFRICA**

#### **Somalia**

##### **Car bomb explodes near presidential palace in Somalia capital**

A car bomb exploded at a checkpoint less than a kilometer away from the presidential compound in the Somali capital Mogadishu on Tuesday, police said. "A suicide car bomb rammed into a checkpoint near the national theatre. It is too early to know details and casualties," said Ahmed Hussein, a police officer.

*channelnewsasia 21 Mar 2017*

<http://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/world/car-bomb-explodes-near-presidential-palace-in-somalia-capital/3614236.html>

##### **Au moins cinq morts dans une explosion à Mogadiscio**

Au moins cinq personnes ont été tuées et dix blessées, mardi après-midi, par l'explosion d'un minibus dans le centre de Mogadiscio, a annoncé un porte-parole de la capitale somalienne. Au moins cinq personnes ont été tuées et 10 blessées mardi après-midi par l'explosion d'un minibus dans le centre....

*Europe1 21 Mar 2017*

<http://www.europe1.fr/international/somalie-au-moins-cinq-morts-dans-lexplosion-a-mogadiscio-3008741>

### **WEST AFRICA**

#### **Mali**

##### **Contre le terrorisme : Des parlementaires de la Cédéao s'approprient le cadre juridique international à Bamako**

Les défis de la lutte contre le terrorisme en Afrique de l'Ouest : cas du Mali. La question est au centre d'une réunion de cinq jours ouverte ce mardi 21 mars à Bamako. Organisée par la Commission mixte affaires politiques, paix, sécurité et MAEP/affaires juridiques et judiciaires du parlement de la....

*mali-web 8:24:00 AM CET*

<http://mali-web.org/crise-malienne/contre-le-terrorisme-des-parlementaires-de-la-cedeao-sapproprient-le-cadre-juridique-international-a-bamako>

## **Nigeria**

### **Gunmen killed 17 in Nigeria market attack**

Gunmen killed 17 people, mostly women and children, after invading a farming community in central Nigeria, police said Tuesday, the latest violence linked to grazing rights disputes. The attack in Benue State occurred Monday, state police spokesman Moses Yamu told AFP, saying attackers on....

*vanguardngr 21 Mar 2017*

<http://www.vanguardngr.com/2017/03/gunmen-killed-17-nigeria-market-attack-police/>

### **17 morts dans l'attaque d'un marché dans le centre**

Un groupe d'hommes armés a attaqué une communauté rurale du centre du Nigeria et tué 17 personnes, dernier épisode en date du conflit opposant éleveurs et cultivateurs pour les droits de pâturage, a annoncé mardi la police locale. Des inconnus ont lancé une attaque hier contre un marché de Zaki Biyam, dans l'Etat du Benue.

*maliactu 21 Mar 2017*

<http://maliactu.net/nigeria-17-morts-dans-l-attaque-dun-marche-dans-le-centre/>

### **Children who escaped Boko Haram live in shadow of famine**

Izah fled her home in northeast Nigeria in 2015 when Boko Haram militants attacked her village, set her house on fire and shot her husband dead. She is now a widow raising seven children alone in a displacement camp in Monguno, a remote town in Nigeria's....

*upi 21 Mar 2017*

[http://www.upi.com/Top\\_News/Voices/2017/03/21/Children-who-escaped-Boko-Haram-live-in-shadow-of-famine/111490105805/](http://www.upi.com/Top_News/Voices/2017/03/21/Children-who-escaped-Boko-Haram-live-in-shadow-of-famine/111490105805/)

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **America**

#### **US**

### **Sept. 11 Families Sue Saudi Arabia Over 9/11 Attacks**

Hundreds of relatives of those killed on Sept. 11 have sued Saudi Arabia, joining many others who have tried to hold the kingdom responsible for the attacks.

*baltimore-cbslocal 21 Mar 2017*

<http://baltimore.cbslocal.com/2017/03/21/sept-11-families-sue-saudi-arabia-over-911-attacks/>

### **U.S. temporarily bans most electronics on Middle Eastern airlines**

The U.S. just made traveling to certain parts of the world considerably more complicated, at least if you're a technology fan. Middle Eastern and African airlines (including Royal Jordanian and Saudia) say the U.S. has asked them to institute a 96-hour ban on carrying most electronics on flights to or from the U.

*panarmenian-en 21 Mar 2017*

<http://www.panarmenian.net/eng/news/235495/>

### **Crainte d'attentats à l'explosif dans les avions : Washington interdit les ordinateurs et les tablettes en cabine au départ du Moyen-Orient**

Washington craint des attentats à bord des avions en direction des Etats-Unis. La menace est telle selon l'administration Trump qu'elle justifie de nouvelles restrictions pour les passagers. 10 aéroports au Moyen-Orient. A partir de ce vendredi, les voyageurs au départ de 10 aéroports au....

*latribune 21 Mar 2017*

<http://www.latribune.fr/entreprises-finance/services/transport-logistique/crainte-d-attentats-a-l-explosif-dans-les-avions-washington-interdit-les-ordinateurs-et-les-tablettes-en-cabine-au-depart-du-moyen-orient-667795.html>

## **Boris Johnson in Washington for talks to tackle threat of Isil**

Mr Johnson was not intending to use his US trip to revisit transatlantic tensions over accusations that British intelligence was asked by the Obama administration to monitor Donald Trump when he was running for president, sources suggested.

*telegraph 4:33:00 AM CET*

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/03/22/boris-johnson-washington-talks-tackle-threat-isil/>

## **La coalition anti-EI se réunit à Washington**

Les 68 pays qui se battent en Irak et en Syrie contre le groupe Etat islamique (EI) se réunissent mercredi à Washington, Donald Trump ayant promis de "démolir" les jihadistes malgré une coalition affaiblie par des désaccords stratégiques. Il s'agira d'un baptême du feu pour le très discret....

*LePoint 8:42:00 AM CET*

[http://www.lepoint.fr/monde/irak-syrie-la-coalition-anti-ei-se-reunit-a-washington-22-03-2017-2113754\\_24.php#xtor=RSS-221](http://www.lepoint.fr/monde/irak-syrie-la-coalition-anti-ei-se-reunit-a-washington-22-03-2017-2113754_24.php#xtor=RSS-221)

## **Asia**

### **Afghanistan**

## **US drone kills militant blamed for attack on Sri Lanka cricket team in Pakistan**

A US drone airstrike in Afghanistan has killed a Pakistani militant accused of involvement in a deadly attack on a bus carrying Sri Lanka's cricket team in 2009, Pakistani security sources and Islamist militants said. Islamist militants are increasingly basing themselves in....

*gulfnnews 21 Mar 2017*

[http://gulfnnews.com/news/asia/pakistan/us-drone-kills-militant-blamed-for-attack-on-sri-lanka-cricket-team-in-pakistan-1.1997872?localLinksEnabled=false&utm\\_source=Feeds&utm\\_medium=RSS&utm\\_term=News+RSS+feed&utm\\_content=1.1997872&utm\\_campaign=US+drone+kills+militant+blamed+for+attack+on+Sri+Lanka+cricket+team+in+Pakistan](http://gulfnnews.com/news/asia/pakistan/us-drone-kills-militant-blamed-for-attack-on-sri-lanka-cricket-team-in-pakistan-1.1997872?localLinksEnabled=false&utm_source=Feeds&utm_medium=RSS&utm_term=News+RSS+feed&utm_content=1.1997872&utm_campaign=US+drone+kills+militant+blamed+for+attack+on+Sri+Lanka+cricket+team+in+Pakistan)

## **Pakistan**

## **Army chief vows to eliminate terrorism in patriotic Pakistan Day**

Chief of Army Staff General Qamar Javed Bajwa urges Pakistanis to promise to cleanse the country of 'fasaadis'. Army chief General Qamar Jawed Bajwa vowed to eliminate terrorism from the country in a patriotic video released ahead of Pakistan Day.

*tribune 8:48:00 AM CET*

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/1362346/army-chief-vows-eliminate-terrorism-patriotic-pakistan-day-video/>

## **Syria**

## **Daesh, Nusra front clashing near Syria's Damascus**

Violent clashes between the banned in many countries Daesh and ex-Nusra Front terrorist groups erupted south of Damascus in Syria, Sputnik reported. No further details were provided of the fighting near the Yarmouk camp for Palestinian refugees on the southern outskirts of Damascus by the General Organization of Radio and TV.

*trendnews-az 21 Mar 2017*

<http://en.trend.az/world/arab/2734122.html>

## **New Tool to Stop ISIS From Trafficking Artifacts: A Liquid Tracking Device**

A team of Syrian archaeologists in Turkey received a box in January that could have been meant for a detective agency: It contained small bottles, brushes, a sprayer and an

ultraviolet light. Inside the bottles was a traceable liquid that the team hopes will deter looters from targeting Syrian....

*news-yahoo 7:52:00 AM CET*

<https://uk.news.yahoo.com/tool-stop-isis-trafficking-artifacts-193259653.html>

## **Turkey**

### **27 PKK terrorists killed in SE Turkey since March 5**

A total of 27 PKK terrorists were killed and one other terrorist captured during an operation against the terrorist group in Turkey's southeastern Diyarbakir province since March 5, according to the local governor's office.

*aa-en 21 Mar 2017*

<http://aa.com.tr/en/turkey/27-pkk-terrorists-killed-in-se-turkey-since-march-5/776467>

## **Europe**

### **Belgium**

#### **Belgium falls silent one year after Brussels attacks**

As hundreds of people including victims' family members and rescue workers looked on, an airport official read out all of the names of all of the victims. "March 22 2016, will forever be in our hearts...we stand here united," the official said. The royals will lead a second moment of silence at 9:11....

*afp-english 8:45:00 AM CET*

<https://www.afp.com/en/news/205/belgium-falls-silent-one-year-after-brussels-attacks>

#### **Attentats de Bruxelles : un an après, la Belgique se souvient**

Il y a un an, deux attentats faisaient 32 morts et plus de 320 blessés à l'aéroport et dans le métro de Bruxelles. Du roi des Belges aux enfants des écoles de Molenbeek, la Belgique officielle et citoyenne marque mercredi le premier anniversaire de ces attentats, les pires de son histoire.

*LePoint 8:42:00 AM CET*

[http://www.lepoint.fr/europe/attentats-de-bruxelles-un-an-apres-la-belgique-se-souvient-22-03-2017-2113745\\_2626.php#xtor=RSS-221](http://www.lepoint.fr/europe/attentats-de-bruxelles-un-an-apres-la-belgique-se-souvient-22-03-2017-2113745_2626.php#xtor=RSS-221)

## **France**

#### **2 detained for possible weapon link in Paris airport attack**

Two people have been detained on suspicion of involvement in providing a weapon to a Frenchman who was shot to death after attacking soldiers guarding Paris' Orly airport. The Paris prosecutor's office says the two suspects remained in custody Tuesday after being detained Monday, and....

*nzherald 21 Mar 2017*

[http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c\\_id=2&objectid=11822816&ref=rss](http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c_id=2&objectid=11822816&ref=rss)

#### **Jihad: deux convertis condamnés à 4 et 6 ans en appel**

Deux amis d'enfance orléanais, convertis à l'islam, ont été condamnés mardi en appel à quatre et six ans de prison, accusés d'avoir projeté de partir combattre en Syrie. En première instance, le tribunal correctionnel de Paris avait condamné les deux jeunes hommes d'une vingtaine d'années à....

*lexpress 21 Mar 2017*

[http://www.lexpress.fr/actualites/1/societe/jihad-deux-convertis-condamnes-a-4-et-6-ans-en-appel\\_1891384.html](http://www.lexpress.fr/actualites/1/societe/jihad-deux-convertis-condamnes-a-4-et-6-ans-en-appel_1891384.html)

#### **Appareils électroniques en avion: analyse en cours en France**

Les autorités françaises étudient le risque éventuel occasionné par certains appareils électroniques dans les cabines d'avions, mais n'ont pas encore pris de décision, a indiqué mardi un porte-parole de la Direction générale de l'aviation civile (DGAC).

*romandie 21 Mar 2017*

<http://www.romandie.com/news/Appareils-electroniques-en-avion-analyse-en-cours-en-France/782038.rom>

## Germany

### **3 teenagers convicted in bomb attack on Sikh temple**

A German court has convicted three 17-year-olds of participating in a bomb attack last year on a Sikh temple that was motivated by hatred of other religions. The Essen state court, which tried the boys as juveniles in a closed-doors trial, convicted two of them Tuesday of attempted....

*nzherald 21 Mar 2017*

[http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c\\_id=2&objectid=11822814&ref=rss](http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c_id=2&objectid=11822814&ref=rss)

### **Des adolescents condamnés pour un attentat islamiste**

«Le mobile de (leur) acte était la haine d'autres religions», a estimé la chambre des mineurs du tribunal d'Essen dans sa décision consultée par l'AFP, précisant que les accusés «s'étaient radicalisés depuis longtemps» au contact «de salafistes». Les magistrats ont en revanche estimé «qu'aucun....

*lapresse-CA 21 Mar 2017*

<http://www.lapresse.ca/international/europe/201703/21/01-5080717-allemande-des-adolescents-condamnes-pour-un-attentat-islamiste.php>

## UK

### **Britain poised to ban electronic devices on Middle Eastern flights amid terror threat**

Security sources told The Telegraph that UK security services have seen the same intelligence as their US counterparts and are expected to follow with a similar ban, possibly as soon as today. Discussions have been taking place in Whitehall over the past few weeks over how the ban will work and among Cabinet ministers.

*telegraph 21 Mar 2017*

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/03/21/exclusive-britain-poised-follow-us-ban-laptops-ipads-flights/>

### **Laptop ban: Fresh fight for security as experts warn terrorists can smuggle BOMBS on jets**

Since the plane had not reached a high altitude, the pilot was able to return the plane to Mogadishu and save the remaining passengers. But the incident was enough to raise concerns in the intelligence community, with sources close to the investigation claiming the device used was "sophisticated".

*express 21 Mar 2017*

[http://www.express.co.uk/news/world/782096/Laptop-Ban-why-intelligence-security-explosives-airports-safe-travel-flying-bomb?utm\\_source=feedburner&utm\\_medium=feed&utm\\_campaign=Feed%3A+daily-express-news-showbiz+%28Express+%3A%3A+News+%2F+Showbiz+Feed%29](http://www.express.co.uk/news/world/782096/Laptop-Ban-why-intelligence-security-explosives-airports-safe-travel-flying-bomb?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+daily-express-news-showbiz+%28Express+%3A%3A+News+%2F+Showbiz+Feed%29)

### **Londres interdit les ordinateurs sur les vols venant de six pays**

Londres a suivi Washington en interdisant les ordinateurs portables et tablettes en cabine, sur les vols en provenance de cinq pays arabes et de Turquie, a annoncé mardi un porte-parole du gouvernement britannique. Washington avait annoncé dans la journée ces nouvelles interdictions en invoquant un....

rtl-BE 21 Mar 2017

[http://www.rtl.be/info/monde/international/londres-interdit-les-ordinateurs-sur-les-vols-venant-de-six-pays--901550.aspx?utm\\_source=feedburner&utm\\_medium=feed&utm\\_campaign=Feed%3A+RTLInternational+%28RTL+info+%3E++Monde%29](http://www.rtl.be/info/monde/international/londres-interdit-les-ordinateurs-sur-les-vols-venant-de-six-pays--901550.aspx?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+RTLInternational+%28RTL+info+%3E++Monde%29)

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