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### **WEST AFRICA**

#### **Mali**

##### **Mali: la principale alliance jihadiste du Sahel revendique l'attaque de Tombouctou**

Nouakchott – Le Groupe de soutien à l'islam et aux musulmans, la principale alliance jihadiste du Sahel, liée à Al-Qaïda, a revendiqué vendredi l'attaque du 14 avril à Tombouctou (nord-ouest du Mali) contre le camp de la force française Barkhane et de la Mission de l'ONU (Minusma).

*maliweb 6:26:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.maliweb.net/la-situation-politique-et-securitaire-au-nord/mali-la-principale-alliance-jihadiste-du-sahel-revendique-lattaque-de-tombouctou-2752191.html>

##### **Iyad Ag Ghaly, l'ennemi aux deux visages**

« Pourquoi est-il devenu islamiste ? C'est la question à 1 milliard de dollars ! » Allongé sur un long coussin touareg posé à même le sol, cet ancien combattant du Front de libération de l'Aïr et de l'Azawad (FLAA) s'étrangle de rire en se souvenant d'« Iyad », un amateur de Berketu, la vodka....

*mali-web 6:07:00 AM CEST*

<http://mali-web.org/crise-malienne/iyad-ag-ghaly-lennemi-aux-deux-visages>

#### **Niger**

## **Le Niger demande le déblocage de fonds pour la force G5-Sahel**

La nouvelle force militaire antidjihadiste G5-Sahel a besoin des fonds promis pour commencer réellement ses opérations, a affirmé mercredi l'ambassadeur du Niger à l'ONU, Abdallah Wafy, dont le pays préside actuellement cette nouvelle unité composée de cinq pays.

*actuniger 10:24:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.actuniger.com/societe/14055-le-niger-demande-le-deblocage-de-fonds-pour-la-force-g5-sahel.html>

## **Nigeria**

### **Muslim group condemns killing of priests, others in Benue**

The Nashirullahi Fathi Society of Nigeria (NASFAT) has condemned the killings in Benue, Taraba and Nassarawa states. In a statement by the Publicity Secretary of the society, Alhaji Banji Busari, the President regretted that at a time when everyone had heaved a sigh of relief about the successes....

*dailypost 9:37:00 AM CEST*

<http://dailypost.ng/2018/04/26/muslim-group-condemns-killing-priests-others-benue/>

### **More attacks in Benue as Reps summon Buhari**

Niyi Odebode, Olusola Fabiyi, Kamarudeen Ogundele, Adelani Adepegba, Success Nwogu, Olaleye Aluko, Afeez Hanafi, Hindi Livinus and Godwin Isenyo. The House of Representatives on Wednesday invited President Muhammadu Buhari to appear before it to explain the actions he had taken to halt killings in the country.

*punchng 8:07:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.punchng.com/killings-reps-summon-buhari-nigerians-knock-president/>

### **Killings in Benue not religious -NASFAT**

The Nashirullahi Fathi Society of Nigeria (NASFAT) has condemned the killings in Benue, Taraba and Nassarawa states. The President of NASFAT, Engr. Kamil Bolarinwa, said in a statement signed by the Publicity Secretary of the society, Alhaji Banji Busari, that at a time when everyone had heaved a....

*dailytrust 6:40:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.dailytrust.com.ng/killings-in-benue-not-religious-nasfat.html>

### **Eighteen killed in Nigerian church by suspected herdsmen**

Makurdi (Nigeria) (AFP) - Two priests were among at least 18 people killed in a dawn attack on a church in central Nigeria, police said Tuesday, in violence condemned by President Muhammadu Buhari as "satanic". Around 30 suspected herdsmen attacked Mbalom community in the volatile region killing the....

*news-yahoo 12:04:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.yahoo.com/news/eighteen-killed-nigerian-church-suspected-herdsmen-183041526.html>

## **Sahel**

### **Getting serious in the Sahel**

Combating Islamic terrorism in the Sahel region has united Europe and the wider international community. Most attention has been focused on the G5 Sahel joint military operation which has been tasked with combating jihadist groups in the region. At a funding conference in Brussels in February,....

*euractiv-en 25 Apr 2018*

<https://www.euractiv.com/section/development-policy/news/getting-serious-in-the-sahel/>

## **SOUTHERN AFRICA**

### **Mozambique**

#### **Mozambique: nouvelles attaques meurtrières attribuées aux "islamistes"**

Trois nouvelles attaques attribuées à un groupe de jeunes musulmans radicaux récemment apparu dans le nord du Mozambique ont fait un mort et trois blessés ces derniers jours, a-t-on appris mercredi de sources concordantes. Ces coups de main ont visé samedi et dimanche derniers deux villages autour....

*slateafrique 12:41:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.slateafrique.com/847807/mozambique-nouvelles-attaques-meurtrieres-attribuees-aux-islamistes>

## **NORTH AFRICA**

### **Algeria**

#### **LUTTE CONTRE LE FINANCEMENT DU TERRORISME**

Abdelkader Messahel mettra en exergue les conclusions et les recommandations de la «Conférence internationale de Haut niveau sur la lutte contre le financement du terrorisme en Afrique», organisée conjointement par l'Algérie et l'Union africaine, les 9 et 10 avril dernier.

*lexpressiondz 1:48:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.lexpressiondz.com/actualite/291260-l-experience-algerienne-presentee-a-paris.html>

#### **Pour rénover le discours religieux : Libérer la fatwa des mains des pseudo-foukaha**

Les participants à la conférence internationale sur «L'enseignement de l'éducation islamique dans les établissements publics» ont invité à Alger les savants et les responsables des centres de recherche académiques à la rénovation du discours religieux.

*elmoudjahid 25 Apr 2018*

<http://www.elmoudjahid.com/fr/actualites/122875>

#### **Pour mieux sécuriser les zones frontalières : élaborer une approche pluridisciplinaire**

Les participants à la rencontre nationale ayant pour thème "les régions frontalières de l'Algérie : réalité et exigences de la sécurité nationale" ont insisté, hier à Constantine à

l'issue des travaux du séminaire de deux jours, sur “la nécessité d’élaborer une approche pluridisciplinaire pour mieux sécuriser les zones frontalières”.

*elmoudjahid 25 Apr 2018*

<http://www.elmoudjahid.com/fr/actualites/122877>

## **Un dignitaire algérien: les salafistes ont introduit la « corruption intellectuelle » dans le pays**

Rédaction du site. Le président du haut conseil islamique algérien, la plus haute instance religieuse en Algérie, Bouabdellah GhulamAllah, a accusé que le mouvement salafiste d’avoir infiltré la corruption intellectuelle au pays , sachant que ce pays a connu une longue coexistence entre les....

*almanar-fr 25 Apr 2018*

<http://french.almanar.com.lb/868892>

## **Egypt**

### **Egypt Army Says 3 Officers, 30 Militants Killed in Anti-Terrorism Operation**

CAIRO – The Egyptian army said on Wednesday at least three military personnel and 30 alleged militants had been killed in recent days during an ongoing anti-terrorism operation in the governorate of Sinai. Army spokesman Col. Tamer al-Refaei added in a statement posted on his official Facebook....

*laht 5:08:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.laht.com/article.asp?ArticleId=2455301&CategoryId=12395>

## **Libya**

### **East Libyan commander Haftar returning to Benghazi Thursday after Paris treatment**

BENGHAZI, Libya: Khalifa Haftar, the powerful military commander who is the dominant figure in eastern Libya, will return to Benghazi on Thursday, a spokesman for his forces said on Wednesday, after receiving medical treatment in Paris. Haftar had been in Paris on a foreign tour two weeks ago and....

*channelnewsasia 25 Apr 2018*

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/world/east-libyan-commander-haftar-returning-to-benghazi-thursday-after-paris-treatment-10176154>

### **Libération du procureur militaire de Tripoli kidnappé le 15 mars dernier**

Paris, France (PANA) - Alors qu'un jeune (15-29 ans) sur quatre dans le monde est touché par une forme de violence ou de conflit armé, les Nations unies ont lancé, mardi, un projet pour appuyer de nouvelles initiatives menées par des jeunes dans les domaines de l'éducation, la science, la culture et....

*panapress 25 Apr 2018*

<http://www.panapress.com/pna-2-lang1-SOC-index.html>

## **Tunisia**

### **Thomas Cook Declares Terror Slump Over as Tunisia Bookings Jump**

said a slump in Europeans traveling to sunspots hit by a spate of terrorist attacks is effectively over as tourists flock back to eastern Mediterranean and north African countries. The holiday giant's bookings in Turkey for the coming summer season are approaching previous levels and it's also....

*bloomberg 10:07:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-04-26/thomas-cook-declares-terror-slump-over-as-tunisia-bookings-jump>

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **America**

#### **How an ex-detainee still struggles with Guantanamo's torturous clutches The Washington Post 1 hour ago**

© Provided by WP Company LLC d/b/a The Washington Post SAFI, Morocco — His days in captivity inside the U.S. naval base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where he said he endured different forms of torture, are long over. If only the memories were, too. Three years after his release, Younous Chekkouri says....

*msn-uk 10:36:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.msn.com/en-gb/news/world/long-after-his-release-an-ex-detainee-struggles-with-guantanamo%e2%80%99s-torturous-clutches/ar-AAwmerN>

### **Border security**

Port scanners essential to crime fight Security scanner: Customs officers look on as mobile vehicle and cargo scanner is installed at the Port of Point Lisas on April 18 as part of security initiative between the US and TT. PHOTO BY LINCOLN HOLDER. Richardson Dhalai.

*newsday-tt 8:23:00 AM CEST*

<http://newsday.co.tt/2018/04/26/border-security/>

## **Asia**

### **Afghanistan**

### **Syria**

#### **Islamic State is trying to infiltrate a wave of African migration to Europe, says UN food official**

Islamic State commanders fleeing Syria are conspiring with extremist groups in Africa to foment and infiltrate a new migration wave destined for Europe, the head of the UN World Food Programme has said. David Beasley, a former Republican governor of South Carolina, said Europe needed to wake up to....

*scmp 9:11:00 AM CEST*

<http://www.scmp.com/news/world/africa/article/2143481/islamic-state-trying-infiltrate-wave-african-migration-europe-says>

## **ISIS midwife, forced to deliver babies, shares moments of tender and cruelty The Washington Post 1 hour ago**

© Provided by WP Company LLC d/b/a The Washington Post RAQQA, Syria — Samira al-Nasr has delivered thousands of babies over four decades as a midwife in the city of Raqqa, but she says nothing was like the childbirth she attended two years ago as the handpicked doula of the Islamic State.

*msn-uk 6:21:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.msn.com/en-gb/news/world/regrets-of-an-isis-midwife/ar-AAwICgF>

## **Turkey**

### **A Court in Turkey Has Convicted 13 Journalists on Terrorism Charges**

A Turkish court has sentenced 13 journalists to prison on terrorism charges, prompting international condemnation of the country's deteriorating press freedoms. The BBC reports that the journalists, who worked for an opposition newspaper called Cumhuriyet, were arrested during a crackdown that followed a failed coup attempt in 2016.

*time 10:24:00 AM CEST*

[http://time.com/5255353/turkey-cumhuriyet-journalists-sentenced-](http://time.com/5255353/turkey-cumhuriyet-journalists-sentenced-terrorism/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+time%2Ftopstories+%28TIME%3A+Top+Stories%29)

[terrorism/?utm\\_source=feedburner&utm\\_medium=feed&utm\\_campaign=Feed%3A+time%2Ftopstories+%28TIME%3A+Top+Stories%29](http://time.com/5255353/turkey-cumhuriyet-journalists-sentenced-terrorism/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+time%2Ftopstories+%28TIME%3A+Top+Stories%29)

## **United Arab Emirates**

### **UAE urges action against backers of terrorism**

New York: The UAE has urged United Nations' agencies and member states to take collective action to identify countries that support and finance terrorism and hold them accountable. This call was made at the UN High-Level Meeting on Peacebuilding and Sustainable Peace by Zaki Nussaibeh, Minister of...

*gulfnews 25 Apr 2018*

[https://gulfnews.com/news/gulf/saudi-arabia/uae-urges-action-against-backers-of-terrorism-1.2211951?%2Fuae-urges-action-against-backers-](https://gulfnews.com/news/gulf/saudi-arabia/uae-urges-action-against-backers-of-terrorism-1.2211951?%2Fuae-urges-action-against-backers-of-terrorism-1.2211951%3FlocalLinksEnabled=false&utm_source=Feeds&utm_source=Feeds&utm_medium=RSS&utm_medium=RSS&utm_term=News+RSS&utm_content=1.2211951&utm_campaign=UAE+urges+action+against+backers+of+terrorism&utm_campaign=UAE)

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## **Europe**

### **France**

#### **France : 300 imams d'Algérie et du Maroc attendus pour le ramadan**

Ici, Tareq Oubrou, imam de la mosquée de Bordeaux, le 27 décembre 2013 / Ph. Mehdi Fedouach (AFP) Environ 300 imams étrangers originaires d'Algérie et du Maroc sont attendus mi-mai en France, pour diriger les prières dans des mosquées durant le mois du ramadan, indique franceinfo .

*yabiladi 25 Apr 2018*

<https://www.yabiladi.com/articles/details/64255/france-imams-d-algerie-maroc-attendus.html>

# International Organisations

## UN

### **World: Briefing Security Council, Secretary-General Calls for ‘Quantum Leap’ in Funding Activities to Prevent Conflict, Address Root Causes**

Dan Neculăescu (Romania), Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, said the resolutions to be adopted by the Assembly, and subsequently by the Council, provided opportunities for Member States to demonstrate their commitment to the concepts of peacebuilding and sustaining peace.

*reliefWeb 2:24:00 AM CEST*

<https://reliefweb.int/report/world/briefing-security-council-secretary-general-calls-quantum-leap-funding-activities>

### **L’UNESCO renforce son dispositif de lutte contre le terrorisme**

Un projet sur la «Prévention de l'extrémisme violent par l'autonomisation des jeunes en Jordanie, en Libye, au Maroc et en Tunisie» a été lancé, mardi, au siège de l’UNESCO à Paris, lors d’une cérémonie marquée par un riche débat animé par de jeunes leaders issus de ces quatre pays sur les moyens à....

*libe 25 Apr 2018*

[https://www.libe.ma/L-UNESCO-renforce-son-dispositif-de-lutte-contre-le-terrorisme\\_a97358.html](https://www.libe.ma/L-UNESCO-renforce-son-dispositif-de-lutte-contre-le-terrorisme_a97358.html)

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