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EAST AFRICA

Kenya

5 Security Officers Killed, 3 Hurt in Al-Shabab Attack in Kenya

Five police officers have been killed and three others reportedly injured after suspected al-Shabab militants attacked two security camps in Kenya's northeastern Mandera county, that shares a border with Somalia. The attack comes barely a month after suspected al-Shabab militants killed....

voanews 02 Mar 2018

<https://www.voanews.com/a/security-officers-killed-al-shabab-attack-kenya/4277773.html>

Cinq policiers tués dans le nord-est par des islamistes présumés

Quatre policiers et un réserviste kényans ont été tués dans la nuit de jeudi à vendredi dans le nord-est du Kenya à la frontière avec la Somalie, par des membres présumés du groupe islamiste armé somalien shebab, a-t-on appris de source policière. Selon Mohamud Saleh, le plus haut responsable....

slateafrique 02 Mar 2018

<http://www.slateafrique.com/829246/kenya-cinq-policiers-tues-dans-le-nord-est-par-des-islamistes-presumes>

Kenyan police launch manhunt for Al-Shabaab leader after camp attack

The Kenyan police said on Friday that they have launched a major manhunt for Al-Shabaab group leader that attacked two police camps in Mandera county in northeast region. Police spokesman Charles Owino said Jamaa Nuh Abdille, who fled to Somalia with others after the....

xinhuanet_en 02 Mar 2018

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-03/03/c_137012079.htm

Somalia

Three Burundian peacekeepers killed in Al-Shabaab ambush in Somalia

At least three Burundian soldiers of the African Union Mission to Somalia (AMISOM) were killed in an Al-Shabaab attack near Jowhar, the Burundian army spokesman Floribert Biyereke said Friday evening. The insurgent ambush on a Burundian convoy happened around 10:30 a.m.

xinhuanet_en 03 Mar 2018

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-03/03/c_137013624.htm

Al-Shabaab kills 11 in separate attacks in Somalia

At least 11 people were killed in separate al-Shabaab attacks in Somalia on Friday, officials said, as President Mohamed Abdullahi Farmajo was in Uganda trying to ramp up African Union support for the unstable country's security efforts. Al-Shabaab militants attacked an army post in....

iol 02 Mar 2018

<https://www.iol.co.za/news/africa/al-shabaab-kills-11-in-separate-attacks-in-somalia-13566026>

Suicide car bomb detonates in Mogadishu, causing casualties - police

Somalia's Islamist group al Shabaab set off a suicide car bomb at a security checkpoint about 15 km (nine miles) outside the capital Mogadishu on Thursday, the group's spokesman and a police official told Reuters. The blast has caused casualties, police officer Major Abdullahi Nur said without elaborating on their severity.

reuters-in 01 Mar 2018

https://in.reuters.com/article/somalia-security/suicide-car-bomb-detonates-in-mogadishu-causing-casualties-police-idINKCNI4GN?feedType=RSS&feedName=worldNews&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+reuters%2FINworldNews+%28News+%2F+IN+%2F+World+News%29

L'AMISOM et le gouvernement somalien déterminés à éliminer le groupe terroriste Al-Shabaab

La Mission de l'Union africaine en Somalie (AMISOM) et le gouvernement somalien se sont engagés à se compléter mutuellement dans la lutte contre le groupe terroriste Al-Shabaab. Cet engagement a été pris par le Représentant spécial....

infosplusgabon 28 Feb 2018

<http://www.infosplusgabon.com/index.php/actualites/submenu-1/11359-lamisom-et-le-gouvernement-somalien-determines-a-eliminer-le-groupe-terroriste-al-shabaab>

Escape from al-Shabab: 'I was turned into a sex slave'

Like Radhia, many who join the militia group find that the promises on recruitment don't measure up to reality. Some recruits are just looking for work and the pay is often far beyond what they could earn at home. Getting information from Radhia takes time. She is still very mistrustful.

deutschewelle-en 03 Mar 2018

<http://www.dw.com/en/escape-from-al-shabab-i-was-turned-into-a-sex-slave/a-42762342>

Somalia's Al-Shabab Militants Shoot Donkeys as Part of Economic War

Al-Shabab militants in Somalia have shot and killed nine donkeys they said were transporting goods to a government-controlled area in the Bakool region. A security source told VOA Somali the militants seized the donkey carts early Wednesday near the village of Elboon, 15 kilometers west of Wajid.

voanews 01 Mar 2018

<https://www.voanews.com/a/somalia-al-shabab-donkeys-killed/4275777.html>

WEST AFRICA

Burkina Faso

Extremists stage deadly attacks in Burkina Faso's capital

At least seven soldiers were killed when Islamic extremists opened fire on the French embassy and army headquarters in separate attacks in Burkina Faso's capital, a government official said. Eight of the extremists also died and more than 90 people were wounded in the violence in the former French....

wandsworthguardian 02 Mar 2018

http://www.wandsworthguardian.co.uk/uk_national_news/16062353.Extremists_stage_deadly_attacks_in_Burkina_Faso_s_capital/?ref=rss

Gunmen attack army headquarters, French embassy in Burkina Faso

Five assailants reportedly got out of a pick-up truck in the center of the capital Ouagadougou and opened fire on passersby before heading towards the French embassy on Friday morning. They then set fire to the car. Meanwhile, a blast took place near the headquarters of the Burkinabe armed forces....

iran-daily 02 Mar 2018

<http://www.iran-daily.com/News/210935.html>

Eight dead, 12 seriously wounded in Burkina attack

Eight attackers were also killed in Friday's bloody assault. A previous toll from French security sources had reported at least 28 deaths. The Burkinabe government said the attack on the military was a suicide car bombing and that a planned meeting of the G5 Sahel regional anti-terrorism force may have been the target.

rfi-en 03 Mar 2018

<http://en.rfi.fr/africa/20180303-dozens-dead-attacks-burkina-faso-military-hq-french-embassy>

Attaque terroriste à Ouagadougou - 8 morts, plus de 80 blessés

Le ministre de la Sécurité, Pegwendé Clément Sawadogo, a animé une conférence de presse, le 2 mars 2018, à Ouagadougou, dans la soirée, pour faire le point de l'attaque qu'a connue la capitale burkinabè dans la journée. Le bilan humain provisoire de l'attaque du 2 mars 2018 à Ouagadougou est officiel.

allafrica-fr 03 Mar 2018

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201803030223.html>

Burkina Prime Minister visits twin attacks scene

Authorities in Burkina Faso are hunting for clues about the masterminds behind the Mar. 02 deadly twin attacks on the French embassy and the country's military HQ.

msn-uk 03 Mar 2018

<https://www.msn.com/en-gb/news/other/burkina-prime-minister-visits-twin-attacks-scene/vi-BBJPaS4>

Attaques au Burkina: le Premier ministre décrit des "scènes apocalyptiques"

Le Premier ministre burkinabè, Paul Kaba Thiéba a décrit samedi des "scènes apocalyptiques", au lendemain de la double attaque menée contre l'état-major des forces armées du Burkina Faso et l'ambassade de France à Ouagadougou qui ont fait 8 morts parmi les militaires. "Ce que j'ai vu ici, c'était vraiment des scènes apocalyptiques", a déclaré M.

rtl-BE 03 Mar 2018

https://www.rtl.be/info/monde/international/attaques-au-burkina-le-premier-ministre-decrit-des-scenes-apocalyptiques--1000957.aspx?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+Rilinfos-ALaUne+%28RTL.be+-+La+une+de+1%27actualite%3%A9%29

Ouagadougou sous haute sécurité après l'attaque

Au lendemain de l'attaque, la capitale du Burkina Faso a retrouvé son calme ce samedi 3 mars. Une tranquillité vécue comme précaire alors que le pays a déjà essuyé quatre attaques jihadistes en deux ans. Hier, la panique a saisi Ouagadougou. La ville a subi plusieurs attaques simultanées.

francetvinfo 03 Mar 2018

https://www.francetvinfo.fr/monde/afrique/burkina-faso/burkina-faso-ouagadougou-sous-haute-securite-apres-l-attaque_2638654.html#xtor=RSS-3-%5bmonde%5d

Burkina president urges collaboration with security forces after deadly attacks

Burkina Faso President Roch Kabore called on the public on Saturday to collaborate more closely with the armed forces, the day after attacks at army headquarters and the French embassy left 16 people dead, including eight gunmen, and wounded 80.

reuters-in 03 Mar 2018

https://in.reuters.com/article/burkina-security/burkina-president-urges-collaboration-with-security-forces-after-deadly-attacks-idINKCN1GF0I2?feedType=RSS&feedName=worldNews&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+reuters%2FINworldNews+%28News+%2F+IN+%2F+World+News%29

Pourquoi le Burkina Faso est-il le théâtre d'actions terroristes?

Le Burkina Faso, qui a subi vendredi 2 mars une double attaque terroriste d'envergure dans sa capitale, est une nouvelle fois victime de son engagement dans la lutte contre le terrorisme et de sa proximité avec la zone de conflit.

rfi-fr 03 Mar 2018

<http://www.rfi.fr/afrique/20180303-pourquoi-burkina-faso-theatre-actions-terroristes>

Attaques à Ouagadougou: Le G5 Sahel, cette force à peine installée désignée comme l'ennemi à abattre des jihadistes

Les fusillades perpétrées vendredi 2 mars à Ougadoudgou sont-elles la conséquence du soutien français au G5 Sahel? Après les attaques qui ont ciblé plusieurs institutions dont l'ambassade de France au Burkina Faso, le ministre burkinabé de la sécurité a indiqué que l'attentat visait "peut-être" une réunion du G5 Sahel.

huffingtonpost-fr-fr 03 Mar 2018

https://www.huffingtonpost.fr/2018/03/03/attaques-a-ouagadougou-le-g5-sahel-cette-force-a-peine-installee-designee-comme-lennemi-a-abattre-des-jihadistes_a_23375912/

al Qaeda affiliate claims responsibility for Burkina Faso attacks

Security forces in the Burkina Faso capital early August 14 concluded an operation against gunmen who launched a deadly attack on a restaurant. A Mali-based affiliate of al Qaeda has claimed responsibility for attacks in neighbouring Burkina Faso's capital...

tribune 8:15:00 AM CET

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/1650791/3-al-qaeda-affiliate-claims-responsibility-burkina-faso-attacks/>

Nusrat al-Islam wal-Muslimin revendique l'attaque de Ouagadougou

Nusrat al-Islam wal-Muslimin, la coalition djihadiste active dans le nord du Mali , a revendiqué les attaques qui ont secoué vendredi la capitale burkinabé, Ouagadougou Dans un message envoyé à Alakhbar , la coalition djihadiste a affirmé avoir agi en réponse à la mort de plusieurs de ses....

cridem 03 Mar 2018

http://www.cridem.org/C_Info.php?article=708568

Mali

Mali Islamists release video of French hostage

Petronin ran a charity for malnourished and orphan children and had lived in the city of Gao, in Mali's volatile northeast, for 15 years when she was snatched and driven away in a pickup truck. The propaganda video was released late on Thursday by Jama'a Nusrat ul-Islam wa al-Muslimin (JNIM), which....

reuters 02 Mar 2018

https://www.reuters.com/article/us-mali-france-hostage/mali-islamists-release-video-of-french-hostage-idUSKCNIGE1VO?feedType=RSS&feedName=topNews&utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+reuters%2F+TopNews+%28News+%2F+US+%2F+Top+News%29

Un groupe jihadiste diffuse une vidéo de l'otage française Sophie Pétronin

L'otage française Sophie Pétronin enlevée au Mali fin 2016 est apparue dans une courte vidéo diffusée par le "Groupe de soutien à l'islam et aux musulmans", a annoncé SITE, un centre américain spécialisé dans la surveillance en ligne de la mouvance jihadiste.

cridem 02 Mar 2018

http://www.cridem.org/C_Info.php?article=708538

Des preuves de vie de l'otage Sophie Pétronin

« SOS ». Tel est l'intitulé d'une courte vidéo donnant une preuve de vie de l'otage française Sophie Pétronin détenue depuis plus d'un an au Mali et suggérant que son état de santé est précaire. C'est le centre américain spécialisé dans la surveillance des mouvements djihadistes Site intelligence....

la-croix 02 Mar 2018

<https://www.la-croix.com/Monde/Afrique/preuves-vie-lotage-Sophie-Petronin-2018-03-02-1200917774>

Au centre du Mali, jihad local, désordre global

Jusque-là épargnée par le conflit qui embrase le nord du Mali, la région centre a sombré peu à peu dans la violence. Plusieurs centaines d'écoles sont fermées, des agents de l'Etat sont menacés, tués ou kidnappés. L'Etat a perdu le contrôle d'une bonne partie de ce territoire. Prêcheurs radicaux,

01 Mar 2018

http://www.rfi.fr/emission/20180228-mali-djihad-local-desordre-global-terrorisme-kouakourou-armee-attaques-populations?ref=fb_i

Nigeria

Suspected Boko Haram militants kill 11 including 3 aid workers in Nigeria

Suspected Boko Haram militants killed at least 11 people including three aid workers in an attack on a military barracks in Nigeria's northeastern Borno state late on Thursday, according to two security reports seen by Reuters. The raid in the town of Rann marks the latest high-profile....

channelnewsasia 02 Mar 2018

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/world/suspected-boko-haram-militants-kill-11-including-3-aid-workers-in-nigeria-10008880>

Trois humanitaires nigériens de l'ONU tués par Boko Haram dans le nord-est du Nigeria

Au moins trois travailleurs humanitaires nigériens employés par l'ONU ont été tués et trois autres blessés dans une nouvelle attaque du groupe islamiste armé Boko Haram dans le nord-est du Nigeria, ont déclaré vendredi les Nations unies. Une porte-parole de l'ONU basée à Abuja et deux sources....

slateafrique 02 Mar 2018

<http://www.slateafrique.com/829330/trois-humanitaires-nigeriens-de-lonu-tues-par-boko-haram-dans-le-nord-est-du-nigeria>

95 ex-Boko Haram fighters graduate from rehab camp

About 95 former Boko Haram fighters have been discharged, having completed their de-radicalisation and rehabilitation programme under the Operation Safe Corridor, in Gombe State. The former terrorists constitute the Batch 1 and 2 of the over 750 repentant Boko Haram group undergoing de-radicalisation and rehabilitation.

sunnewsonline 01 Mar 2018

<http://sunnewsonline.com/95-ex-boko-haram-fighters-graduate-from-rehab-camp/>

Boko Haram confirms custody of Nigeria's 110 missing school girls

A faction of Nigeria's terror group Boko Haram has confirmed that the 110 missing school girls in the country's northeastern town of Dapchi are in its custody, a negotiator of the group said on Friday.

xinhuanet_en 02 Mar 2018

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-03/02/c_137011887.htm

SOUTHERN AFRICA

South Africa

Islamic State-linked pair in dock for kidnapping of missing UK couple

Sayefudeen Del Vecchio is led into the Verulam Magistrate's Court. Before appearing, he changed his top and entered the courtroom with a cloth bag slung over his shoulder, which appeared to contain a copy of the Quran. Durban – Standing almost a head taller than her, Sayefudeen Del....

iol 01 Mar 2018

<https://www.iol.co.za/news/south-africa/kwazulu-natal/islamic-state-linked-pair-in-dock-for-kidnapping-of-missing-uk-couple-13544510>

Un couple écroué pour l'enlèvement de Britanniques

La justice sud-africaine a placé aujourd'hui en détention provisoire un homme et une femme soupçonnés d'avoir enlevé un couple de botanistes britanniques, toujours portés disparus, et d'avoir des liens avec le groupe djihadiste Etat islamique (EI). Arrêtés la semaine dernière, Fatima Patel, 27 ans,....

lefigaro 01 Mar 2018

<http://www.lefigaro.fr/flash-actu/2018/03/01/97001-20180301FILWWW00199-afrique-du-sud-un-couple-ecroue-pour-l-enlevement-de-britanniques.php>

NORTH AFRICA

Egypt

Egypt says 3 troops killed fighting militants in Sinai

Three Egyptian soldiers, including an officer, were killed Tuesday while fighting militants in the northern Sinai Peninsula as part of a countrywide military offensive announced earlier this month, the army said. Col. Tamer al-Rifai, a military spokesman, said three other officers and four conscripts were wounded in the fighting.

therepublic 01 Mar 2018

<http://www.therepublic.com/2018/03/01/ml-egypt-sinai-5/>

Libya

Le spectre d'un retour de Daech plane sur la Libye

Des experts sécuritaires et des rapports des services de renseignements de plusieurs pays ont déjà averti sur la réinstallation en Libye des terroristes revenus de Syrie et d'Irak. Le Secrétaire général de l'Organisation des Nations unies, Antonio Guterres, a affirmé hier que le groupe terroriste....

liberte-algerie 01 Mar 2018

<https://www.liberte-algerie.com/international/le-spectre-dun-retour-de-daech-plane-sur-la-libye-288094>

Mauritania

Turkey announces \$5m for Sahel anti-terrorist force

Turkey will donate \$5 million (4.1 million euros) to a fledgling force of five nations battling terrorism and trafficking in the Sahel, President Recep Tayyip Erdogan announced during a visit to Mauritania. The G5 force, gathering Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania and....

gulfnews 01 Mar 2018

http://gulfnews.com/news/mena/turkey/turkey-announces-5m-for-sahel-anti-terrorist-force-1.2181246?utm_source=Feeds&utm_medium=RSS&utm_campaign=Turkey

INTERNATIONAL

America

US

American arrested on charges of trying to join Islamic State

An American citizen from California who was radicalized by online propaganda traveled overseas to try to join a branch of the Islamic State group in Libya, U.S. prosecutors said Tuesday. A few days before he left in 2016, Bernard Augustine texted an unidentified relative, “If I ever get....

therepublic 01 Mar 2018

<http://www.therepublic.com/2018/02/28/us-islamic-state-american-arrested/>

US pushes prosecution of ISIS fighters amid warning of ISIS 'fanning' across globe

As the fight against ISIS evolves into the next phase, the Trump administration is turning to law enforcement across the world to combat the terror group, but its efforts to prosecute terrorists in court are facing pushback from allies, disagreement within the administration, and the prospect of....

ABCnews 01 Mar 2018

<http://abcnews.go.com/International/us-pushes-prosecution-isis-fighters-allies-reservations-internal/story?id=53426400>

House Homeland Security chief issues warning about global ISIS threat

The Islamic State is still mounting deadly attacks that offer “a stark reminder of its reach” despite recent defeats in Iraq and Syria, the head of the House Homeland Security Committee warned Wednesday. “Even after the collapse of the so-called caliphate, ISIS remains a dynamic and credible threat....

washtimes 28 Feb 2018

https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2018/feb/28/mccauley-warns-global-isis-threat/?utm_source=RSS_Feed&utm_medium=RSS

Asia

Afghanistan

Un Allemand de Francfort arrêté chez les talibans

Un mystérieux ressortissant allemand originaire de Francfort, vêtu comme un taliban avec turban noir et longue barbe, a été arrêté en compagnie des insurgés dans le sud de l'Afghanistan et est accusé d'avoir combattu à leurs côtés. L'homme, connu ici sous son seul nom d'emprunt, Abdul Wadood, a été....

rtl-BE 01 Mar 2018

https://www.rtl.be/info/monde/international/afghanistan-un-allemand-de-francfort-arrete-chez-les-talibans-1000230.aspx?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+Rtlinfos-ALaUne+%28RTL.be+-+La+une+de+l%27actualit%C3%A9%29

Europe

UK

IS follower tried to create jihadist child army in east London The Guardian

An artist sketch of Umar Haque, 25, in court as video evidence is shown during his trial at the Old Bailey in London. A dangerous extremist who attempted to build an army of child jihadists by radicalising pupils has been convicted of a range of terrorist offences.

msn-uk 02 Mar 2018

<https://www.msn.com/en-gb/news/uknews/isis-follower-tried-to-create-jihadist-child-army-in-east-london/ar-BBJNjGe>

International Organisations

ISIL conducted over 4600 attacks worldwide in 2017, despite major territorial loses: NATO

The Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) conducted more than 4,600 attacks worldwide in 2017, even though the group has experienced serious territorial loses, according to an analysis made by the NATO's intelligence unit.

hurriyetaidailynews 02 Mar 2018

<http://www.hurriyetaidailynews.com/isil-conducted-over-4600-attacks-worldwide-in-2017-despite-major-territorial-loses-nato-128112>

UN probe blames ADF rebels in Congo for peacekeeper attacks

U.N. investigators are blaming the Allied Democratic Forces rebel group for carrying out the deadliest single assault on the U.N. peacekeeping mission in Congo in almost 25 years as well as two other attacks. The main focus of their investigation was the Dec.

WashingtonPost 02 Mar 2018

https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/un-probe-blames-adf-rebels-in-congo-for-peacekeeper-attacks/2018/03/02/00911c64-1e4a-11e8-98f5-ceecfa8741b6_story.html

Internet : tout "contenu terroriste" signalé doit être supprimé dans l'heure

Tout "contenu terroriste" sur Internet doit être supprimé dans l'heure suivant son signalement par les autorités, a demandé jeudi la Commission européenne dans le cadre de recommandations aux acteurs du secteur pour lutter contre les contenus illicites en ligne.

Europe1 01 Mar 2018

<http://www.europe1.fr/societe/internet-tout-contenu-terroriste-signale-doit-etre-supprime-dans-lheure-3588050>

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