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## **EAST AFRICA**

### **Kenya**

#### **Mandera women asked to join fight against extremism**

NCIC Vice-Chairperson Irene Njeri Wanyoike at a past function. She has urged women in Mandera County to join in the fight against extremism. Ms Wanyoike added that women needed to teach their children importance of protecting their county and country rather than joining Jihadists.

*nation-ke 07 Mar 2017*

<http://www.nation.co.ke/counties/mandera/Mandera-women-join-fight-against-extremism/1183298-3840770-11wacn5/index.html>

#### **Al-Shabaab recruits return to Lamu after quitting group**

Mr Kanyiri however revealed that others had already been killed in the neighbouring country and that his office is keeping a close eye on those secretly returning to the county and hiding among family members. “Many youth here in Lamu have crossed over to Somalia and joined Al-Shabaab.

*nation-ke 07 Mar 2017*

<http://www.nation.co.ke/counties/lamu/Al-Shabaab-recruits-return/3444912-3840306-969vqh/index.html>

#### **KDF soldier killed, five injured in al Shabaab attack near Kenya-Somali border**

A KDF soldier has died and five others injured after two IEDs exploded in different locations in Lamu near the Somali border. The explosions also destroyed armoured vehicles that the soldiers were using for patrols near Sirira and Ishakan on Tuesday afternoon. KDF said the explosive devices have been planted on the roads by the Al Shabaab.

*thestarkenya 7:02:00 AM CET*

[http://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/03/08/kdf-soldier-killed-five-injured-in-al-shabaab-attack-near-kenya-somali\\_c1520559](http://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/03/08/kdf-soldier-killed-five-injured-in-al-shabaab-attack-near-kenya-somali_c1520559)

#### **Trump discusses Kenya-US economic ties, overcoming terrorism with Uhuru**

U.S. President Donald Trump has spoken with President Uhuru Kenyatta about trade ties and stability in Africa. White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer said the two

leaders on Tuesday discussed economic partnership and mutual dedication to overcoming terrorism and other regional security challenges through close cooperation.

*thestarkenya 07 Mar 2017*

[http://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/03/07/trump-discusses-kenya-us-economic-ties-overcoming-terrorism-with-uhuru\\_c1520440](http://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/03/07/trump-discusses-kenya-us-economic-ties-overcoming-terrorism-with-uhuru_c1520440)

## **Somalia**

### **Al-Shabaab claims responsibility for killing three AMISOM soldiers in Somalia's Bay**

In a statement released on 4 March, Harakat al-Shabaab al-Mujahideen claimed responsibility for having killed at least three AMISOM soldiers in a remote-controlled improvised explosive device (RCIED) attack targeting a military convoy in Buurhakaba and Baidoa towns in Somalia's Bay region on an earlier unspecified date, Garowe Online reported.

*janes 3:33:00 AM CET*

[http://www.janes.com/article/68543/al-shabaab-claims-responsibility-for-killing-three-amisom-soldiers-in-somalia-s-bay?from\\_rss=1](http://www.janes.com/article/68543/al-shabaab-claims-responsibility-for-killing-three-amisom-soldiers-in-somalia-s-bay?from_rss=1)

## **Sudan**

### **Sudan Says Terrorism Not Linked to Islam after Renewal of US Travel Ban**

The Sudanese government regretted on Tuesday the new executive order by the United States president banning migrants from six mainly-Muslim countries from coming to the United States and said that terrorism is not linked to a certain religion or ethnicity.

*laht 5:53:00 AM CET*

<http://www.laht.com/article.asp?ArticleId=2432474&CategoryId=12395>

## **South Sudan**

### **South Sudan Renegade General Calls for Overthrow of Kiir**

A renegade South Sudanese general says President Salva Kiir is destroying the East African nation and must be overthrown. General Thomas Cirillo Swaka spoke to VOA's South Sudan in Focus from an undisclosed location Monday, soon after announcing the launch of a new rebel group, the National Salvation Front.

*voanews 07 Mar 2017*

<http://www.voanews.com/a/south-sudan-renegade-general-calls-for-overthrow-of-kiir/3752856.html>

## **Uganda**

### **First Kill Your Family - Story of The LRA's Child Soldiers**

First Kill Your Family: Child Soldiers of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army is yet another publication about the northern Uganda insurgency. The book by renowned American journalist and author Peter Eichstaedt centres majorly on children who became fighters against their will.

*allafrica 06 Mar 2017*

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201703060011.html>

## **CENTRAL AFRICA**

### **Cameroon**

#### **LUTTE CONTRE BOKO HARAM : L'Onu fait son mea culpa à Yaoundé**

Cette erreur qui est aussi une injustice est réparée. Nous mesurons mieux encore qu'avant avec le cœur, mais pas simplement avec l'esprit combien il était injuste, combien c'était une erreur que la région du Lac Tchad ne soit pas vraiment sur l'écran radar de la communauté internationale, ce qui....

*camer 07 Mar 2017*

<http://www.camer.be/58587/1:6/cameroun-lutte-contre-boko-haram-lonu-fait-son-mea-culpa-a-yaounde-cameroon.html>

## **Democratic Republic of Congo**

### **Reprise d'activités scolaires à Banda après la psychose sur la présence de la LRA**

Après une semaine d'interruption des cours suite à l'insécurité, les élèves des onze écoles implantées dans la localité de Banda dans le territoire d'Ango (Bas-Uélé) pourraient reprendre le chemin de l'école lundi 6 mars. Le compromis trouvé à cet effet samedi dernier à Banda par les chefs....

*allafrica-fr 07 Mar 2017*

<http://fr.allafrica.com/stories/201703060191.html>

## **WEST AFRICA**

### **Burkina Faso**

#### **Qui est Ibrahim Malam Dicko, chef d'Ansarul Islam ?**

C'est en décembre 2016 qu'apparaît le groupe Ansarul Islam, lorsque son chef, l'imam Ibrahim Malam Dicko, revendique l'attaque de Nassoumbou. Ses fidèles se déplacent régulièrement de part et d'autre de la frontière entre le Burkina et le Mali ; localités maliennes de Douna et Selba sont leurs bases....

*abamako 07 Mar 2017*

<http://news.aBamako.com/h/154703.html>

#### **Plusieurs écoles fermées à cause des menaces terroristes**

Plusieurs écoles situées dans la partie Nord du Burkina Faso ont fermé leurs portes, après que les enseignants apeurés par les menaces des terroristes ont préféré rester chez eux, a-t-on appris de source médiatique. «Beaucoup (d'enseignants) ont même fait leurs valises», renseigne le média en ligne Lefaso.

*aoouaga 07 Mar 2017*

<http://news.aOuaga.com/h/106819.html>

### **Mali**

#### **Terrorisme au Sahel : à quoi servent les forces étrangères ?**

La recrudescence ces derniers jours des attaques terroristes dans la zone transfrontalière entre le Mali, le Niger et le Burkina, fait de nouveau amplifier la polémique sur la présence des bases militaires occidentales au Sahel. Alors que les groupes terroristes semblent avoir repris du poil de la....

*abamako 07 Mar 2017*

<http://news.aBamako.com/h/154724.html>

#### **Protection des Droits de l'Homme en matière de lutte contre le terrorisme : Un devoir qui s'impose**

Le secrétaire général du ministère de la justice et des gardes sceaux, Mr Moumouni Guindo a présidé lundi dernier à l'hôtel Onomo la réunion de haut niveau sur les enjeux de la conformité des efforts des autorités maliennes dans la lutte contre le terrorisme avec les lois et principes des Droits l'Homme.

*abamako 07 Mar 2017*

<http://news.aBamako.com/h/154681.html>

#### **Force conjointe du G5 Sahel : Les experts internationaux finalisent le concept stratégique**

Hier à l'hôtel Salam, s'est ouverte la « réunion élargie des experts des pays membres du G5 Sahel (format défense) ». Ces experts internationaux, durant deux jours, vont

examiner et améliorer la qualité du travail initial abattu par les experts du G5 Sahel pour la mise en place de la force conjointe.

abamako 07 Mar 2017

<http://news.abamako.com/h/154691.html>

### **Frontières Mali-Niger-Burkina : recrudescence d'attaques**

Une recrudescence d'attaques terroristes sévit aux frontières Mali-Niger-Burkina. Cinq gendarmes nigériens ont été tués tôt lundi et un autre grièvement blessé, au cours d'une attaque "d'éléments terroristes" dans la région de Tillabéri dans l'ouest nigérien proche du Mali et du Burkina.

abamako 07 Mar 2017

<http://news.abamako.com/h/154713.html>

### **Nigeria**

#### **Boko Haram caused \$9b damage in Northeast, UN Says**

In this photo taken on September 15, 2016 women and children queue to enter one of the Unicef nutrition clinics at the Muna makeshift camp which houses more than 16,000 IDPs (internally displaced people) on the outskirts of Maiduguri, Borno State, northeastern Nigeria.

nrguardiannews 07 Mar 2017

<https://guardian.ng/news/boko-haram-caused-9b-damage-in-northeast-un-says/>

#### **Army on red alert as Boko-Haram plans fresh attack on Abuja**

The Chief Of Army Staff (COAS), Lt. Gen. Tukur Buratai, who made this known when he received the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Transcorp Hotel, Valentine Ozigbo, in his office, said the new security arrangement came about given the high profile visitor like foreign heads of....

sunnewsonline 07 Mar 2017

<http://sunnewsonline.com/army-on-red-alert-as-boko-haram-plans-fresh-attack-on-abuja/>

#### **Remembering Abducted 219 Chibok Schoolgirls, 2 Years After Abduction**

On the night of April 14, 2014, members of the Boko Haram sect attacked the Government Secondary School, Chibok in Borno State and abducted 276 female students of the school. Fifty seven of the abducted girls managed to escape but 219 girls are still in the hands of their captors.

leadership 2:35:00 AM CET

<http://leadership.ng/blogposts/576121/remembering-abducted-219-chibok-schoolgirls-2-years-after-abduction-3>

#### **Boko Haram hire teenage girl for suicide mission for 40p**

The crisis has become increasingly widespread, spilling over into neighbouring Chad, Niger and Cameroon. The organisation has spread fear across northeast Nigeria, with many Nigerians forced to flee their homes to camps. Among them are the so-called 'Boko Haram Brides', who had been captured and forced into marriages with fighters.

dailymail 07 Mar 2017

[http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4291336/Boko-Haram-hire-teenage-girl-suicide-mission-40p.html?ITO=1490&ns\\_mchannel=rss&ns\\_campaign=1490](http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4291336/Boko-Haram-hire-teenage-girl-suicide-mission-40p.html?ITO=1490&ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490)

## **NORTH AFRICA**

### **Tunisia**

#### **Tunisia PM hails 'turning point' of Ben Guerdane battle**

The battle against jihadists in Ben Guerdane a year ago was a "turning point" for Tunisia, Prime Minister Youssef Chahed said on Tuesday during a visit to

commemorate the anniversary. Jihadist groups mounted a coordinated assault on security installations in the town on the border....

*middle-east-online\_en 07 Mar 2017*

<http://www.middle-east-online.com/english/?id=81913>

### **Ben Guerdane recalls historic ISIS resistance**

Exactly one year ago the residents of Ben Guerdane, the last Tunisian city before the Libyan border, were woken up to the sound of machine-gun fire and explosions from heavy weapons. A group of ISIS militants from Libya, with the aid of local organisers, was attempting....

*ansamed 07 Mar 2017*

[http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/sections/generalnews/2017/03/07/ben-guerdane-recalls-historic-isis-resistance\\_829cd085-5941-41a2-b328-a9a9e501c33f.html](http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/sections/generalnews/2017/03/07/ben-guerdane-recalls-historic-isis-resistance_829cd085-5941-41a2-b328-a9a9e501c33f.html)

### **La Tunisie commémore à Ben Guerdane un "tournant" contre le "terrorisme"**

La riposte aux attaques jihadistes de Ben Guerdane (sud-est) il y a un an a constitué un "tournant" dans la lutte antiterroriste en Tunisie, a clamé mardi le Premier ministre Youssef Chahed, lors d'une cérémonie officielle. Le 7 mars 2016, des groupes jihadistes avaient....

*romandie 07 Mar 2017*

<http://www.romandie.com/news/La-Tunisie-commemore-a-Ben-Guerdane-un-tournant-contre-le-terrorisme/778464.rom>

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **Asia**

#### **Afghanistan**

### **Insurgents Attack Military Hospital in Afghan Capital**

Witnesses in the Afghan capital, Kabul, say several suicide bombers disguised as doctors and staff have stormed Afghanistan's largest military hospital in the city. Witnesses told reporters a suicide bomber blew himself up at the main gate of the 400-bed Sardar Daud Khan hospital in a central part....

*voanews 8:22:00 AM CET*

<http://www.voanews.com/a/military-hospital-attack-afghanistan/3754899.html>

### **Le principal hôpital militaire attaqué à Kaboul**

Le principal hôpital militaire d'Afghanistan était mercredi matin sous le feu d'un commando armé, dont plusieurs assaillants habillés en médecins se trouvaient toujours à l'intérieur de l'établissement de 400 lits au coeur de Kaboul. Selon un premier bilan provisoire livré par le ministère de la....

*ladepeche 8:28:00 AM CET*

<http://www.ladepeche.fr/article/2017/03/08/2531601-afghanistan-attaque-en-cours-contre-l-hopital-militaire-de-kaboul.html>

### **Malaysia**

### **Islamic State attack on Saudi royals foiled, Malaysian police say**

The suspects were involved in producing false documents and distributing drugs. They were planning to attack Arab royalty when they visited Kuala Lumpur. Thank God we got them in the nick of time," Bakar said. Kuala Lumpur was the first stop on the royal visit. The king moved to Indonesia and will later go to China and Japan.

*upi 07 Mar 2017*

[http://www.upi.com/Top\\_News/World-News/2017/03/07/Islamic-State-attack-on-Saudi-royals-foiled-Malaysian-police-say/6501488892098/](http://www.upi.com/Top_News/World-News/2017/03/07/Islamic-State-attack-on-Saudi-royals-foiled-Malaysian-police-say/6501488892098/)

## **India**

### **Suspected Isis Khorasan terrorist shot dead following train blast that injured 10**

A suspected member of the Islamic State's Khorasan branch (active in Pakistan and Afghanistan) was killed in a stand-off with Indian security forces on 8 March. In an operation that lasted over 10 hours, security personnel cornered the terrorist in a house in Thakurganj area of Lucknow in the....

*ibtimes-uk 7:57:00 AM CET*

<http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/india-suspected-isis-khorasan-terrorist-gunned-down-following-train-blast-that-injured-10-1610323>

## **Iraq**

### **Iraqi forces retake government HQ, museum in Mosul**

Iraqi forces said Tuesday they had seized the main government offices in Mosul and its famed museum as they made steady progress in their battle to retake the city's west from jihadists. News of the advances came on the third day of a renewed offensive against the Islamic State....

*news-yahoo 07 Mar 2017*

<https://www.yahoo.com/news/iraq-says-forces-retake-government-hq-bridgehead-mosul-070731475.html>

### **‘S is for sniper’: ISIS textbooks for kids an intro to terrorism**

The textbooks are titled “English for the Islamic State.” Iraqi troops found them at an orphanage when they liberated eastern Mosul in February. They are unlike other textbooks most people grew up with. The courses in reading, writing and arithmetic are also an introduction to war, jihadism and terrorism.

*nypost 7:58:00 AM CET*

<http://nypost.com/2017/03/08/s-is-for-sniper-isis-textbooks-for-kids-an-intro-to-terrorism/>

### **Iraqi forces liberate Turkish consulate from IS in Mosul**

The Iraqi security forces gained control of the Turkish consulate located in the western part of Iraq’s Mosul, Turkish media outlets reported. It was earlier reported that the Iraqi forces liberated the Mosul Government Complex. Iraqi military continue their offensive in western Mosul.

*trendnews-az 07 Mar 2017*

<http://en.trend.az/world/2729074.html>

## **Syria**

### **Iran-backed militias’ death toll in Syria soars**

The number of fatalities among the Iranian-backed forces in Syria has reached 2,100, a senior official says. Seyed Mohammad Ali Shahidi, the head of Iranian foundation of martyrs and veterans affairs, has said that 2,100 “shrine-defenders” have been killed in Syria, Mehr news agency reported.

*trendnews-az 07 Mar 2017*

<http://en.trend.az/iran/politics/2729270.html>

### **Fight IS, start 'revolution': Why foreigners join Syria Kurds**

The group is the key component of the US-backed Syrian Democratic Forces alliance, now advancing on the Islamic State group's stronghold of Raqa. Hundreds of foreign

fighters have fought alongside the YPG in Syria, of whom at least 25 have been killed, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights monitor says.

*digitaljournal 8:15:00 AM CET*

<http://www.digitaljournal.com/news/world/fight-is-start-revolution-why-foreigners-join-syria-kurds/article/487405>

### **The army restores control over Jazal oil field in Homs**

The Army and Armed Forces units continued on Tuesday their intensive operations against terrorist organizations, restoring control over new areas and killing a number of terrorists. Homs. Army units restored control over Jazal oil field in the eastern countryside of Homs central province.

*Sana-en 07 Mar 2017*

<http://sana.sy/en/?p=101535>

### **Daesh bombings kill over dozen in Aleppo**

More than a dozen people have been killed and several others injured after members of the Daesh Takfiri terrorist group carried out two separate bomb attacks in Syria's northern province of Aleppo. A Daesh assailant detonated an explosive-laden car near the town of Dayr Hafir, located about....

*pakobserver 07 Mar 2017*

<http://pakobserver.net/daesh-bombings-kill-over-dozen-in-aleppo/>

## **Europe**

### **France**

### **Etat d'urgence: les Sages face aux assignations à résidence de longue durée**

Sofiyane Ifren, condamné en 2014 pour sa participation à une filière jihadiste et assigné à résidence depuis novembre 2015, à Paris le 7 mars 2017. Peut-on prolonger indéfiniment une assignation à résidence sans violer les droits fondamentaux? C'est ce débat qui s'est tenu mardi....

*msn-fr 07 Mar 2017*

<http://www.msn.com/fr-fr/actualite/france/etat-durgence-les-sages-face-aux-assignations-%c3%a0-r-%c3%a9sidence-de-longue-dur-%c3%a9e/ar-AAAnXQHc>

## **International Organisations**

### **UN Slams Threats By Militia Against Civilians, Peacekeepers**

The United Nations peacekeeping mission in the Central African Republic (CAR) is warning a rebel movement against impeding humanitarian access, saying any threats to peacekeepers, aid workers or civilians are "unacceptable" and could be tried as war crimes.

*allafrica 3:10:00 AM CET*

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201703060046.html>

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