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EAST AFRICA

When al-Qaida brought terror to East Africa

Twenty years ago, Arab jihadists attacked US embassies in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam. Since then, terrorism has been taking root in East Africa. But the perpetrators and their aims have changed.

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<https://www.dw.com/en/when-al-qaida-brought-terror-to-east-africa/a-44961662>

Kenya

How bomb blast awakened Kenya to global terror threat

The August 7 midmorning attack on US embassy in Kenya and Tanzania brought al Qaeda to the limelight. It shaped Kenya's war on terror and how Kenyans thought about their own security. The attack was masterminded by Fazul Mohamed, who was killed by Somalia forces in Somalia in 2011.

thestarkenya 06 Aug 2018

https://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2018/08/07/how-bomb-blast-awakened-kenya-to-global-terror-threat_c1798267

How jacket blunder led to the arrest of Al-Qaeda killers

The ringleader, Mohamed Fazul, had noticed that the jacket worn by the Afghanistan-trained suicide bomber Rashid Daoud Al-Owhali was concealing the pistol. As various Nairobi clinics attended to the victims, Al-Owhali walked — or was taken there — to seek first aid.

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<https://www.nation.co.ke/news/How-jacket-blunder-led-to-the-arrest-of-Al-Qaeda-killers-/1056-4702816-qh7qsuz/index.html>

Nairobi rend hommage aux victimes des attentats de 1998

Ce mardi a été commémorée la mémoire des victimes des attentats contre les ambassades américaines de Nairobi et Dar Es Salam, le 7 août 1998, c'était il y a 20 ans. La double-attaque perpétrée par al-Qaïda avait fait près de 230 morts et plus de 5 000 blessés.

rfi-fr 07 Aug 2018

<http://www.rfi.fr/afrique/20180807-reportage-nairobi-rend-hommage-victimes-attentats-1998>

Somalia

ISIS in Puntland releases new video declaring Caliphate in East Africa

A recent released video by ISIS group in Somalia shows Somali fighters calling other Somalis to join their group, Garowe Online reports. The video was released on social media on 17 September, shows approximately seventy masked men of Somali ethnicity and foreign fighters carrying weapons and performing Eid prayers under a tree.

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<https://menafn.com/1097262402/ISIS-in-Puntland-releases-new-video-declaring-Caliphate-in-East-Africa>

Sudan

Sudan, Libya, Chad and Niger border committee to meet in Khartoum

The 3rd ministerial meeting to strengthen the security of the joint border among Sudan, Libya, Chad and Niger would be held in Khartoum on Wednesday. The two-day meeting would be held with the participation of foreign, defence and interior ministries as well as intelligence services of the four countries.

sudantribune 07 Aug 2018

<http://www.sudantribune.com/spip.php?article66011>

WEST AFRICA

Niger

Lutte contre le terrorisme : le G5 Sahel réfléchit au renforcement de ses capacités

Un séminaire international au profit de la police technique et scientifique des pays membres du G5 Sahel, destiné à de renforcer leurs capacités dans la lutte contre le terrorisme et la criminalité organisée, se tient depuis mardi à Niamey. Organisé par la mission Eucap Sahel Niger, sous l'égide de....

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<http://news.aOuaga.com/h/118450.html>

Nigeria

Meet “Baba IDP”: the local hero making sure Boko Haram victims get healthcare

Local NGOs, with little capacity to administer treatment, visit the camp occasionally, but international NGOs are largely absent. Contacted by IRIN, Phillips Aruna, country director for Médecins Sans Frontières, said the medical charity was not aware of the needs of IDPs in Abuja, and promised to investigate.

irinnews 07 Aug 2018

<http://www.irinnews.org/2018/08/07/Nigeria-idp-boko-haram-healthcare-local>

Sept personnes assassinées par Boko Haram dans le nord-est

Les insurgés sont arrivés lundi soir vers 22h locales à bord de pick-ups et à motos dans le village de Munduri (Etat du Borno), où ils ont massacré sept civils qui tentaient de fuir. «Les assaillants ont attrapé sept personnes et les ont égorgées avant de mettre de le feu à tout le village», a....

lesoirdalgerie 12:30:00 PM CEST

<https://www.lesoirdalgerie.com/monde/sept-personnes-assassinees-par-boko-haram-dans-le-nord-est-9355>

SOUTHERN AFRICA

Mozambique

Vers le désarmement de la Renamo

Le gouvernement mozambicain et le parti d'opposition, la Renamo (Résistance nationale du Mozambique) ont signé un accord désarmement, de démobilisation et de réintégration des milices de la Renamo, a annoncé mardi le président Filipe Nyusi dans un discours à la nation.

journalducameroun 07 Aug 2018

<https://www.journalducameroun.com/mozambique-vers-le-desarmement-de-la-renamo/>

NORTH AFRICA

Algeria

Lutte implacable contre les dernières poches du terrorisme: L'armée multiplie les ratissages

Tizi Ouzou, Boumerdès, Bouira et Béjaïa sont les wilayas concernées par ces opérations de ratissage. Déterminée à en finir avec les dernières poches terroristes qui sévissent encore

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<https://www.algerie360.com/lutte-implacable-contre-les-dernieres-poches-du-terrorisme-larmee-multiplie-les-ratissages/>

Libya

Eye On Jihadis in Libya Weekly Update

IS affiliated social media accounts have released a list of over 200 hundred names of Misratan fighters from al-Bunyan al-Marsous (BAM) as targets for assassination. The week before the BAM spokesperson, Mohammed Al-Ghusri, stated in a TV interview that the recent spate of IS attacks were a result IS members escaping from Derna.

jihadology 07 Aug 2018

<https://jihadology.net/2018/08/07/eye-on-jihadis-in-libya-weekly-update-august-7/>

Asia

Afghanistan

Afghan forces target al Qaeda commanders in Helmand and Nangarhar

Afghan Special Forces said that its troops killed Abdul Rahim Al-Mesri and six fighters during a raid in Garmsir district in Helmand province on Aug. 7. Additionally, two fighters from from Pakistan were captured. Al-Mesri and his followers were running a bomb making factory in Garmsir when Afghan

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<https://www.longwarjournal.org/archives/2018/08/afghan-forces-target-al-qaeda-commanders-in-helmand-and-nangarhar.php>

India

India needs to check the use of cryptocurrencies in terror funding

Today, world order's hallmark is its general instability and unpredictability, which in the eyes of the political philosophers, is the essence of the post-modernism. This essence of uncertainty reflects itself in myriad ways and forms that include non-state actors and

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<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/defence/india-needs-to-check-the-use-of-cryptocurrencies-in-terror-funding/articleshow/65290424.cms>

Iraq

Daech renoue avec ses sinistres tactiques

Acculés en Syrie, les jihadistes du groupe jihadiste Etat islamique (EI), dit Daech, tentent un retour en force en renouant avec les tactiques macabres et spectaculaires qui ont fait leur sinistre renommée, notamment les enlèvements et exécutions ciblant les minorités, jugent des experts.

LaPresse 11:02:00 AM CEST

http://www.lapresse.tn/index.php?option=com_monde&task=article&id=151667

Philippines

Philippine gov't offers cash, livelihood to lure leftist rebels to reintegrate into society

The government of Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte is offering cash and livelihood to lure leftist rebels to abandon the armed struggle and start a new life, according government information posted online on Wednesday. The government has created a coordinating body,....

xinhuanet_en 9:51:00 AM CEST

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2018-08/08/c_137376203.htm

Philippine troops kill 2 suspected bomb couriers in south

The Philippine military says troops have killed two bomb couriers at an army checkpoint before the suspected Muslim militants could detonate the explosives in a crowded area in the restive south. Brig. Cirilito Sobejana says one of the two local militants opened fire at soldiers who flagged them....

ABCnews 12:05:00 PM CEST

<https://abcnews.go.com/International/wireStory/philippine-troops-kill-suspected-bomb-couriers-south-57103908>

Europe

France

Le surprenant parcours du terroriste présumé de Normandie

Est-il un innocent pris dans une tourmente géopolitique qui le dépasse ou un bourreau de Daech, expert en dissimulation ? Ahmed H., un Irakien de 32 ans, dort à la prison de Fleury-Mérogis (Essonne) depuis sa mise en examen il y a cinq mois pour « assassinats en relation avec une entreprise terroriste » et « crimes de guerre » notamment.

leparisien 07 Aug 2018

<http://www.leparisien.fr/faits-divers/le-surprenant-parcours-du-refugie-soupconne-d-etre-un-bourreau-de-daech-07-08-2018-7846296.php#xtor=RSS-1481423633>

Spain

Attentats en Catalogne : les photos glaçantes de la préparation des terroristes

Le 17 août 2017, une voiture fonce sur la foule sur la Rambla, l'avenue la plus touristique de Barcelone (Espagne), et tue 15 personnes. Le lendemain, c'est cette fois à Cambrils, toujours en Catalogne, que les terroristes frappent : ils parviennent à tuer une personne avant d'être abattus. a fait au total 16 victimes et 120 blessés.

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<https://www.sudouest.fr/2018/08/08/attentats-en-catalogne-les-photos-glacantes-de-la-preparation-des-terroristes-5294130-6109.php#xtor=RSS-10521769>

Un Marocain arrêté au nord de l'Espagne

Le ministère espagnol de l'Intérieur a annoncé mardi l'arrestation à Vitoria (Nord de l'Espagne), en collaboration avec les autorités marocaines, d'un membre présumé de l'Organisation terroriste Daech pour le compte de laquelle il exécutait des tâches d'endoctrinement et de

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<https://www.lesiteinfo.com/maroc/terrorisme-un-marocain-arrete-au-nord-de-lespagne/>

UK

UK Government to Grapple With Threat Posed by Female Suicide Bombers

A new military unit will be dispatched in the coming weeks to war-torn Somalia, where terrorist group Al-Shabaab has continued a campaign of suicide bombings against civilian and US-backed government targets, killing nine in a June attack.

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<https://sputniknews.com/analysis/201808071067021587-female-suicide-bombers-britain/>

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