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EAST AFRICA

Kenya

Terror attacks delay Sh10 billion Garsen- Witu - Mokowe road project

Transport and Infrastructure Principal Secretary John Mosonik is accompanied by Kenya Rural Roads Authority officials and the contractor when he inspected ongoing works on the Merikenuni Marafa Sosoni road project in Kilifi county over the weekend. The 36kilometer road will be built at a cost of 1.

thestarkenya 08 Oct 2017

https://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/10/08/terror-attacks-delay-sh10-billion-garsen-witu-mokowe-road-project_c1648759

Somalia

Militants attack checkpoint in Somalia's Puntland, seven dead

Islamist al Shabaab militants attacked a checkpoint in Somalia's semi-autonomous Puntland region, killing at least seven people in the early hours of Monday, police said. The fighters then ambushed officers rushing in to help colleagues on the outskirts of the city of Bosaso, an officer at the scene told Reuters.

thestar-my 9:10:00 AM CEST

<http://www.thestar.com.my/news/world/2017/10/09/militants-attack-checkpoint-in-somalias-puntland-five-dead--police/>

Preventing and countering violent extremism boosted with Somalia security agreement

Somali federal and state authorities, together with the international community, agreed on a support and coordination mechanism to put in operation the national strategy to prevent and counter violent extremism. The strategy – also referred to as ‘Strand 4’ – is part of....

reliefWeb 08 Oct 2017

<https://reliefweb.int/report/somalia/preventing-and-countering-violent-extremism-boosted-somalia-security-agreement>

Somalia launches strategy to curb violent extremism

Somalia on Sunday launched a strategy to help prevent and counter violent extremism which is a serious threat to stability in the Horn of Africa nation. A joint statement issued after a meeting that brought together Somali federal and state authorities together with the....

xinhuanet_en 08 Oct 2017

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-10/08/c_136665262.htm

Sudan

Swiss humanitarian aid worker abducted in Darfur

A Swiss humanitarian aid worker has been abducted in Darfur, officials said on Sunday, just weeks after the United Nations began downsizing its peacekeeping force in Sudan's war-torn region. The kidnapping, the first such reported incident since the UN began to reduce its troop numbers in Darfur,

thelocal-ch 9:01:00 AM CEST

<https://www.thelocal.ch/20171009/swiss-humanitarian-aid-worker-abducted-in-darfur>

Une humanitaire suisse enlevée au Darfour

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msn-fr 9:01:00 AM CEST

<https://www.msn.com/fr-fr/actualite/monde/soudan-une-humanitaire-suisse-enlev%C3%A9e-au-darfour/ar-AA8FiV>

CENTRAL AFRICA

Democratic Republic of Congo

Congo militants ambush and kill travellers in northeast - lawmakers

Militants ambushed a group of about 30 civilians in northeastern Congo and killed many of them before fighting a fierce battle with the army, politicians said on Sunday. The attack took place near the city of Beni and, if the deaths are confirmed, would be the first mass-killing this year in that area.

thestar-my 08 Oct 2017

<http://www.thestar.com.my/news/world/2017/10/08/congo-militants-ambush-and-kill-travellers-in-northeast--lawmakers/>

Une trentaine de civils massacrés dans une embuscade

Une trentaine de civils ont été massacrés par des hommes armés qui leur ont tendu une embuscade dans le nord-est de la République démocratique du Congo, près de la ville de Beni. | Capture d'écran Google Maps Une trentaine de civils ont été massacrés par des hommes armés qui leur ont tendu une....

OuestFrance 08 Oct 2017

<https://www.ouest-france.fr/monde/republique-democratique-du-congo/rdc-une-trentaine-de-civils-massacres-dans-une-embuscade-5300067>

Ugandan Rebel Group Massacres 22 in Congo

Rebels from an Islamist militant group killed 22 people in an ambush in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo on Saturday night, the authorities said. The killings, which came amid fighting that began on Friday night, were carried out by members of the Allied Democratic Forces, a....

nytimes 1:22:00 AM CEST

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/10/08/world/africa/congo-militia-beheadings.html?partner=rss&emc=rss>

Combats intenses entre l'armée et des rebelles ADF dans le Nord-Kivu après la disparition d'une vingtaine de civils

Des combats opposaient ce dimanche 8 octobre les Forces armées de la République démocratique du Congo (FARDC) à l'une des milices les plus actives dans l'est du pays, les Forces démocratiques alliés (Allied Democratic Forces, ADF), accusée par les autorités d'être à l'origine de la disparition la veille d'une vingtaine de civils.

jeuneafrique 9:02:00 AM CEST

<http://www.jeuneafrique.com/481279/politique/rdc-combats-intenses-entre-larmee-et-des-rebelles-adf-dans-le-nord-kivu-apres-la-disparition-dune-vingtaine-de-civils/>

WEST AFRICA

Nigeria

Le Nigeria annonce sa réussite militaire dans la lutte contre Boko Haram

L'armée nigériane a annoncé avoir enregistré d'importants succès dans la lutte contre Boko Haram depuis 2015. S'exprimant lors d'un forum dans la ville riche en pétrole de Port Harcourt, le maréchal de l'air Sadique Abubakar, chef de l'armée de l'air du Nigeria, a déclaré vendredi que les militaires s'étaient stabilisés avec succès, pour stabiliser le nord-est du

08 Oct 2017

http://french.xinhuanet.com/2017-10/08/c_136663919.htm

Des milliers de membres présumés de Boko Haram jugés au Nigeria

A partir de ce lundi 9 octobre, plus de 2 300 personnes accusées d'appartenir à Boko Haram comparaîtront dans une série de procès inédits à huis clos au Nigeria. C'est une première depuis le début de l'insurrection en 2009.

rfi-fr 5:00:00 AM CEST

<http://www.rfi.fr/afrique/20171008-nigeria-milliers-membres-presumes-boko-haram-juges>

Boko Haram: Troops Kill 2 terrorists crossing into Sambisa

The Nigerian Army Mobile Strike Teams (MSTs) of Operation LAFIYA DOLE on Sunday ambushed Boko Haram terrorists, who were attempting to cross into Sambisa forest from Mayanti village, in Bama Local Government Area of Borno State. In a statement by Lieutenant Colonel Kingsley Samuel, Deputy Director....

dailypost 08 Oct 2017

<http://dailypost.ng/2017/10/08/boko-haram-troops-kill-2-terrorists-crossing-sambisa/>

Boko Haram: Troops killed 4 terrorists, one soldier injured in Borno

In furtherance of clearance operations, troops of the 8 Division Mobile Strike Team deployed at Forward Operations Base Mairari, on Sunday ambushed a Boko Haram terrorists' cattle rustling syndicate. DAILY POST learnt that the suspects were trying to cross into Maiduguri to sell the rustled cattle, at Lingir village.

dailypost 9:04:00 AM CEST

<http://dailypost.ng/2017/10/09/boko-haram-troops-killed-4-terrorists-one-soldier-injured-borno/>

'Boko Haram smuggling food into Sambisa Forest'

Olaleye Aluko, Abuja. The Nigerian Army on Sunday said some Boko Haram terrorists were ambushed while smuggling food into the Sambisa Forest area, during which two of them were shot dead. The Deputy Director, Army Public Relations and 7 Division Spokesman, Lt. Col.

punchng 8:57:00 AM CEST

<http://punchng.com/bharam-smuggling-food-into-sambisa-forest/>

Army Transfers 760 Boko Haram Suspects to Borno Govt

The Nigerian Army Yesterday released 760 arrested Boko Haram suspects to the Borno State government for rehabilitation and reintegration. The suspects who were arrested during the on-going crackdown in the North East by troops of Operation Lafiya Dole were cleared....

allafrica 08 Oct 2017

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201710070068.html>

NORTH AFRICA

Egypt

Egypt court says death penalty for 13 members of disbanded militant group

Thirteen members of disbanded militant group Ajnad Misr were sentenced to death on Sunday by a Cairo criminal court after being convicted of launching attacks on security forces, judicial sources said. Ajnad Misr, or Soldiers of Egypt, were a group that emerged in January 2014 and targeted security forces in and around the Egyptian capital.

jpost 08 Oct 2017

<http://www.jpost.com/Breaking-News/Egypt-court-says-death-penalty-for-13-members-of-disbanded-militant-group-506951>

Treize terroristes condamnés à mort en Égypte

Treize terroristes du groupe Afnah Misr ont été condamnés à la peine capitale en Égypte. Le Grand mufti décidera de leur sort début décembre.

08 Oct 2017

<https://fr.sputniknews.com/international/201710081033373837-egypte-terroristes-peine-capitale-condamnes/>

Libya

Gunmen kill two Libyan soldiers

Two military personnel of the Libyan government were killed by unknown gunmen on Saturday at a checkpoint southwest of the Libyan capital. "Gunmen attacked a military checkpoint of Battalion 301 in the town of Aziziyah in the southwestern outskirts of Tripoli, killing two....

xinhuanet_en 08 Oct 2017

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2017-10/08/c_136664455.htm

INTERNATIONAL

America

Canada

How did an Islamic State flag end up in Edmonton? Flag sellers offer theories

A fighter of Christian Syrian militia that battles the Islamic State group under the banner of the U.S.-backed Syrian Democratic Forces, burns an IS flag on the front line on the western side of Raqqa, northeast Syria, on July 17, 2017. Edmonton police have said an Islamic State flag was found last....

timescolonist 08 Oct 2017

<http://www.timescolonist.com/how-did-an-islamic-state-flag-end-up-in-edmonton-flag-sellers-offer-theories-1.23059035>

Asia

Afghanistan

Taliban parades forces openly in Nimroz

In a new video released by the Taliban, the group assembled a large number of fighters and vehicles in Nimroz province in southwestern Afghanistan and paraded them in broad daylight.

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<https://www.longwarjournal.org/archives/2017/10/taliban-parades-forces-openly-in-nimroz.php>

Pakistan

Gunmen kill 5 in attack on Shiites in southwestern Pakistan

Pakistani police say gunmen have ambushed a car carrying minority Shiite Muslims in the southwestern city of Quetta, killing four of them and a passer-by. Local police chief Hidayat Ullah says two other passers-by were also wounded in Monday's attack in Quetta, the capital of Baluchistan province.

680news 9:17:00 AM CEST

<http://www.680news.com/2017/10/09/gunmen-kill-5-in-attack-on-shiites-in-southwestern-pakistan/>

Analysis: Ayman al Zawahiri argues jihadists can't deceive America

Al Qaeda released yet another message from Ayman al Zawahiri yesterday. Since mid-2015, Zawahiri has released a steady stream of statements concerning events around the world.

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<https://www.longwarjournal.org/archives/2017/10/analysis-ayman-al-zawahiri-argues-jihadists-cant-deceive-america.php>

Syria

Russia strikes kill 120 Daesh fighters in Syria 60

Some 120 Daesh fighters and 60 foreign mercenaries were killed in a series of Russian air strikes in Syria over the past 24 hours, the defense ministry in Moscow said on Saturday. "A command post of the terrorists and up to 80 (IS) fighters including nine natives....

pakobserver 08 Oct 2017

<http://pakobserver.net/russia-strikes-kill-120-daesh-fighters-syria-60/>

La Russie affirme y avoir tué 180 terroristes et mercenaires

Quelque 120 membres du groupe terroriste autoproclamé État islamique, et 60 mercenaires ont été tués dans une série de frappes aériennes russes en Syrie ces dernières 24 heures, a affirmé, samedi, le ministère de la Défense à Moscou. De manière surprenante, le ministère a également rapporté la mort....

liberte-algerie 08 Oct 2017

<http://www.liberte-algerie.com/international/la-russie-affirme-y-avoir-tue-180-terroristes-et-mercenaires-278770>

At least 11 dead in Syria market air strike: monitor

At least 11 civilians including two children were killed on Sunday in air strikes on a market in northwestern Syria, a monitor said. The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said the strikes on the market in Idlib province's Maaret al-Numan were probably carried out by regime forces.

thepeninsulaqatar 08 Oct 2017

<http://www.thepeninsulaqatar.com/article/08/10/2017/At-least-11-dead-in-Syria-market-air-strike-monitor>

Turkish Army enters Syria to fight former Jihadist allies

Recep Tayyip Erdogan announced a Turkish offensive against jihadists in the Syrian Ibid territory on Sunday. That is the only region of Syria still under the control of rebel forces. The offensive aims to purge the territory from Turkey's former allies, the Nusra Front, the German public broadcaster DW reports.

neurope 9:39:00 AM CEST

<https://www.neweurope.eu/article/turkish-army-enters-syria-fight-former-jihadist-allies/>

Yemen

Suspected US drone strike kills 5 al-Qaida fighters in Yemen

Yemeni tribal leaders say a suspected U.S. drone strike has killed five alleged al-Qaida fighters in the country's central Marib province. They say the men were traveling Sunday in the Saud area of Rawan district when a missile hit their car, engulfing it in flames. They spoke on condition of anonymity for fear of reprisals.

siouxcityjournal 08 Oct 2017

http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/world/suspected-us-drone-strike-kills-al-qaida-fighters-in-yemen/article_d3ae82f4-0166-5912-aff5-f8ec79153285.html

Cinq membres présumés d'el-Qaëda tués par un drone

Cinq membres d'el-Qaëda ont été tués dimanche dans une attaque de drone dans la province yéménite de Marib, à l'est de la capitale Sanaa, ont indiqué des responsables des services de sécurité yéménites. L'attaque, menée "probablement par un drone américain", selon l'un de ces responsables, a visé....

lorientlejour 08 Oct 2017

<https://www.lorientlejour.com/article/1076981/yemen-cinq-membres-presumes-del-qaeda-tues-par-un-drone.html>

Europe

France

Attaque à Marseille : un frère du tueur a été arrêté en Italie

Accusé de complicité et de participation à une association terroriste, un frère de l'assaillant de Marseille a été arrêté en Italie. Un frère d'Ahmed Hanachi, le ressortissant tunisien qui a tué deux jeunes femmes à Marseille (sud de la France) il y a une semaine, a été arrêté en Italie, a indiqué....

parismatch 9:03:00 AM CEST

<http://www.parismatch.com/Actu/International/Italie-un-frere-du-tueur-de-Marseille-a-ete-arrete-1366331>

Brother of Marseille attacker arrested in Italy, police say

Italian police said on Sunday they had arrested the brother of Anis Hannachi, the Tunisian man who killed two young women with a knife outside the Marseille train station a week ago in a suspected terrorist act. An Italian antiterrorism squad arrested 25-year-old Ahmed Hannachi in Ferrara, Italy, on....

scmp 9:00:00 AM CEST

<http://www.scmp.com/news/world/europe/article/2114514/brother-marseille-attacker-arrested-italy-police-say>

UK

Islamic State fanatic who tried to make a bomb out of fairy lights facing jail

An Islamic State fanatic convicted of trying to make an improvised bomb using fairy lights will be sentenced today.

Zahid Hussain, 29, considered targeting railway lines after he was radicalised in his bedroom by viewing hundreds of IS images of the war in Syria.

msn-uk 9:16:00 AM CEST

<https://www.msn.com/en-gb/news/newsbirmingham/islamic-state-fanatic-who-tried-to-make-a-bomb-out-of-fairy-lights-facing-jail/ar-AAI8RVb>

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