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#### **EAST AFRICA**

##### **Somalia**

##### **L'histoire pas si récente des drones armés dans les conflits**

Dans l'Antiquité, l'usage d'armes de jet était mal vu. On considéra en 1139 que les arcs et arbalètes trop meurtriers étaient incompatibles avec l'éthique du guerrier. En 1899, une déclaration demandait, mais depuis, beaucoup de choses ont changé. L'usage de drones militaires marque une nouvelle....

*rfi-fr 9:26:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.rfi.fr/fr/afrique/20201011-usage-drones-armes-aviation-defense-guerre-sahel-reaper>

##### **5 militants killed in joint operation in southern Somalia**

Somali National Army (SNA) backed by South Western State forces killed five al-Shabab militants on Saturday in a joint operation in Dinsor, a town in the southern region of Bay, an official said. The forces launched an attack on bases run by the militants in the town....

*xinhuanet\_en 10 Oct 2020*

[http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-10/10/c\\_139430962.htm](http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-10/10/c_139430962.htm)

#### **CENTRAL AFRICA**

## **Burundi, DRC move to neutralise insurgents**

When the DR Congo in mid-September postponed the Great Lakes Region Heads of State mini-summit scheduled for September 17 in Goma, it said it was due to Covid-19 constraints. It said the meeting would be held virtually at a later date, October 7.

*thestarkenya 4:24:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.the-star.co.ke/opinion/columnists/2020-10-11-burundi-drc-move-to-neutralise-insurgents/>

## **Democratic Republic of Congo**

### **12 otages libérés par des miliciens à Kabambare**

Douze personnes ont été mercredi enlevés par des Mai-Mai présumés Hapa na pale puis libérées entre les villages de Mutupeke et Mutuka dans le secteur sud-est du territoire de Kabambare en province du Maniema, frontalière du Tanganyika. L'incident provoque un grand émoi dans la zone.

*radiookapi 10 Oct 2020*

[https://www.radiookapi.net/2020/10/10/actualite/securite/rdc-12-otages-liberes-par-des-miliciens-kabambare?utm\\_source=feedburner&utm\\_medium=feed&utm\\_campaign=Feed%3A+radiookapi%2Factu+%28Radiookapi.net+-+Actualit%C3%A9%29](https://www.radiookapi.net/2020/10/10/actualite/securite/rdc-12-otages-liberes-par-des-miliciens-kabambare?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+radiookapi%2Factu+%28Radiookapi.net+-+Actualit%C3%A9%29)

## **WEST AFRICA**

### **Mali**

#### **Inculpé de complicité d'actes de terrorisme par aide, assistance en intégrant la formation terroriste et association de malfaiteurs : Lamine Konaté acquitté pour défaut de preuve**

A l'audience de la Cour d'assises du lundi 5 octobre 2020, l'affaire ministère public contre Lamine Konaté (inculpé de complicité d'actes de terrorisme par aide, assistance en intégrant la formation terroriste et association de malfaiteurs, a été tranchée. Et l'accusé a été acquitté pour manque de preuve.

*maliactu 10:36:00 AM CEST*

<https://maliactu.net/mali-inculpe-de-complicite-dactes-de-terrorisme-par-aide-assistance-en-integrant-la-formation-terroriste-et-association-de-malfaiteurs-lamine-konate-acquitte-pour-defaut-de-preuve/>

#### **200 djihadistes relâchés au Mali : quels risques ? (Autre presse)**

Sophie Pétronin, l'humanitaire de 75 ans a, semble-t-il, profité d'une négociation plus large, menée par les Maliens pour libérer une figure de l'opposition. En contrepartie,

Bamako a relâché près de 200 djihadistes. Ce qui pose beaucoup de questions en pleine opération Barkhane.

*abamako 1:18:00 AM CEST*

<http://news.abamako.com/h/241775.html>

## **Les centaines de Djihadistes libérés pour délivrer Sophie Pétronin « vont reprendre les armes immédiatement »**

La France aurait-elle participé à la déstabilisation de la région en faisant libérer Sophie Pétronin ? Possible, d'après Peer de Jong, spécialiste de la sécurité au Sahel. A Franceinfo, l'ancien aide de camp des présidents François Mitterrand et Jacques Chirac rappelle que « les négociations ce sont toujours un prix ».

*mali-web 8:36:00 AM CEST*

<http://mali-web.org/societe/les-centaines-de-djihadistes-liberes-pour-delivrer-sophie-petronin-vont-reprendre-les-armes-immEDIATEMENT>

## **Le ministre saoudien chargé des affaires africaines, Ahmed Abdoul Aziz Qattan lors de son séjour à Bamako : “La position du Royaume et du Mali est conforme dans tous les domaines notamment dans la lutte contre le terrorisme”**

“Plusieurs Accords de coopération et des projets de développement seront bientôt signés avec le Mali” Le ministre saoudien chargé des Affaires africaines, Ahmed Abdoul Aziz Qattan, accompagné de ses proches collaborateurs, a effectué, le lundi 5 octobre, une visite de quelques heures à Bamako.

*maliactu 10:05:00 AM CEST*

<https://maliactu.net/mali-le-ministre-saoudien-charge-des-affaires-africaines-ahmed-abdoul-aziz-qattan-lors-de-son-sejour-a-bamako-la-position-du-royaume-et-du-mali-est-conforme-dans-tous-les-domaines-notamm/>

## **Nigeria**

### **Army to launch Operation Fireball against Boko Haram 1 hour ago Nigeria**

The Chief of Army Staff, Lt. Gen. Tukur Buratai, has said the launching of “Operation Fireball,” is the final onslaught against Boko Haram insurgency. The over a decade long insurgency has claimed 32,000 lives with property worth about N3.42 trillion in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe states.

*nrguardiannews 7:28:00 AM CEST*

<https://guardian.ng/news/army-to-launch-operation-fireball-against-boko-haram/>

### **Ammunition From US, Israel, Iran Used In Farmer-Herder Crisis In Nigeria – Report**

A jarring intelligence report has found that ammunition from at least 21 different nations, including the United States and Israel are used in the farmer-herder crisis in Nigeria. The report published by SB Morgan (SBM) Intelligence is entitled, ‘Report on small arms, mass atrocities and migration....

*onlinenigeria 12:43:00 AM CEST*

<https://news2.onlinenigeria.com/news/general/853489-exposed-ammunition-from-us%2C-israel%2C-iran-used-in-farmer-herder-crisis-in-nigeria-%E2%80%93-report.html>

## **Banditry Offensive: Military Air Strikes destroy bandits camp, kill many bandits in Katsina**

Several armed bandits have been neutralized in airstrikes executed by the Air Component of Operation Hadarin Daji at a location West of Wagini in Katsina State. The air interdiction mission was conducted on 8 October 2020 employing a force package of Nigerian Air Force (NAF)....

*onlinenigeria 6:55:00 AM CEST*

<https://news2.onlinenigeria.com/news/general/853496-banditry-offensive-military-air-strikes-destroy-bandits-camp-kill-many-bandits-in-katsina.html>

## **Gunmen Attack Abuja Community, Kidnap 15 People**

No fewer than 15 people were on Saturday kidnapped by some gunmen in Kuje Area Council of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, while coming from Kabi Mangoro community in the area council. SaharaReporters gathered that the incident happened at 6:00pm while people were returning home after going to....

*saharareporters 5:38:00 AM CEST*

<http://saharareporters.com/2020/10/10/breaking-gunmen-attack-abuja-community-kidnap-15-people>

## **Gunmen kill 7-year-old, 5 others in Kaduna community**

Suspected gunmen have killed a seven-year-old boy and five other persons at Kidandan village in Giwa Local Government Area of Kaduna State. Daily Trust on Sunday gathered that 20 other residents of the village sustained gunshot injuries during the attack on Friday, about 11am, and Saturday.

*dailytrust 4:08:00 AM CEST*

<https://dailytrust.com/gunmen-kill-7-year-old-5-others-in-kaduna-community>

# **NORTH AFRICA**

## **Libya**

## **Aid group says Libyan militia is holding hostage 60 migrants**

A Libyan armed group is holding hostage at least 60 migrants, including two dozen children, in “appalling” conditions after abducting them almost two weeks ago, an aid group said on Saturday. Masked militiamen abducted the migrants on Sept.

*egyptindependent 11:24:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.egyptindependent.com/aid-group-says-libyan-militia-is-holding-hostage-60-migrants/>

## **UNSMIL statement on the resumption of Intra-Libyan political and military talks**

Acting Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Support Mission in Libya Stephanie Williams is pleased to announce the resumption of inclusive intra-Libyan talks, based on Security Council resolution 2510 (2020), which endorsed the....

*reliefweb 12:01:00 AM CEST*

<https://reliefweb.int/report/libya/unsmil-statement-resumption-intra-libyan-political-and-military-talks>

## **ASIA**

### **Azerbaijan**

#### **Turkey-aided Azerbaijan breaks out another war in Nagorno-Karabakh**

Now, the conflict stops being just a territorial dispute. Armenians are once again standing on the edge of ethnic cleansing and standing up to an international aggressor. Turkey, who still denies the fact that the Armenian Genocide, committed by the Ottoman Empire, ever took place, efforts to finish what their ancestors started.

*ekurd 10:23:00 AM CEST*

<https://ekurd.net/turkey-aided-azerbaijan-war-2020-10-11>

#### **Seven killed, 33 wounded in missile attack on Ganja - Azerbaijani president's aide**

At least seven people were killed and 33 others were wounded in the missile attack in Ganja, western Azerbaijan, the Azerbaijani president's aide Hikmet Gadzhiyev said on Sunday. "As of now, more than seven civilians were killed and 33 were wounded, including children.

*itartass\_en 9:23:00 AM CEST*

<https://tass.com/world/1210929>

## **India**

### **Man killed in midnight shooting on city outskirts**

A 33-year-old man, G. Mahesh, was shot dead by unidentified persons near a bar located on the outskirts of the city under Nunna police station limits around last midnight. Commissioner of Police B. Srinivasulu inspected the spot during the early hours on Sunday.

*thehindu 10:52:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Vijayawada/man-killed-in-midnight-shooting-on-outskirts-of-city/article32826244.ece>

## **Syria**

### **YPG/PKK terrorists continue to kidnap girls in Syria**

YPG/PKK terrorists kidnapped a 16-year-old girl in northeastern Syria to forcibly recruit her, according to local sources on Sunday. Terrorists continue to kidnap children by separating them from their families in areas under the terror group's occupation.

*aa-en 10:36:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.aa.com.tr/en/middle-east/ypg-pkk-terrorists-continue-to-kidnap-girls-in-syria/2002569>

## **Thailand**

### **17 dead in Thailand bus-train collision**

At least 17 passengers were killed and more than dozen injured on Sunday when a bus collided with a train in Thailand, officials said. The collision happened around 50 kilometres (31 miles) east of the capital Bangkok as the bus passengers were on their way to a temple in....

*capitalfm 10:45:00 AM CEST*

<https://www.capitalfm.co.ke/news/2020/10/17-dead-in-thailand-bus-train-collision/>

## **Turkey**

### **Soldier martyred in clash with terrorists**

A Turkish soldier has been martyred in a clash between security forces and terrorists in Turkey's eastern Agri province, according to security sources. The clash on Saturday in the rural area in Dogubeyazit district injured another soldier, the sources said on condition of anonymity due to restrictions on talking to the media.

aa-en 9:03:00 AM CEST

<https://www.aa.com.tr/en/turkey/turkey-soldier-martyred-in-clash-with-terrorists/2002476>

## **Yemen**

### **Explosives-laden drone launched by Houthis intercepted in Saudi city of Najran**

Houthi "terrorists" in Yemen launched a bomb-laden drone early Sunday toward the southern Saudi city of Najran, but it was shot down, the Arab coalition command said. Colonel Turki Al-Maliki, spokesman of the coalition, said the drone was aimed at civilian targets in the city.

arabnews 5:10:00 AM CEST

<https://www.arabnews.com/node/1747151/saudi-arabia>

## **EUROPE**

### **France**

#### **France charges jihadist with alleged Islamic State murders in Iraq, Syria**

A prison camp for jihadists in north-eastern Syria. According to researchers, there are more French jihadists in French prisons today than in Syria and Iraq. RFI/Thibault Lefébure. The judicial authorities in France have charged a man with murder days after his expulsion from Turkey, holding him....

rfi-en 10:27:00 AM CEST

<https://www.rfi.fr/en/middle-east/20201011-france-charges-jihadist-with-alleged-islamic-state-murders-in-iraq-syria>

#### **Attaque aux mortiers d'artifice du commissariat de Champigny-sur-Marne, pas de blessés**

Une quarantaine de personnes se sont attaquées samedi soir au commissariat de Champigny-sur-Marne (Val-de-Marne) avec des tirs de mortiers d'artifice, sans faire de blessés, a-t-on appris dimanche auprès de la préfecture de police de Paris. Plusieurs véhicules de police ont été dégradés....

lexpress 11:02:00 AM CEST

[https://www.lexpress.fr/actualites/1/societe/attaque-aux-mortiers-d-artifice-du-commissariat-de-champigny-sur-marne-pas-de-blesses\\_2136170.html](https://www.lexpress.fr/actualites/1/societe/attaque-aux-mortiers-d-artifice-du-commissariat-de-champigny-sur-marne-pas-de-blesses_2136170.html)

#### **Dozens attack police station in Paris suburb**

Area where attack took place had been tense according to the local mayor (stock image) About 40 people armed with metal bars and using fireworks as mortars tried to storm a French police station in the Paris suburbs last night, officials said. "Violent attack last night on the police station of Champigny with mortar shots and various projectiles.

RTE Radio 11:01:00 AM CEST

<https://www.rte.ie/news/world/2020/1011/1170785-paris-police/>

## **As terrorism trial unfolds in Paris, France confronts its problem with Islamist extremism**

His speech took place during the first major terrorism trial in Paris after the attacks against the satirical magazine Charlie Hebdo and a Jewish grocery store in January 2015, the co-ordinated killings in cafés and the Bataclan theatre in November 2015, and finally the truck assault in Nice on Bastille Day

CBC 10:15:00 AM CEST

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/world/islamist-extremism-france-terrorism-trial-don-murray-1.5757771?cmp=rss>

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