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EAST AFRICA

Somalia

Uganda's Sham Election, Another Waste of Time

Ugandans voted in a crucial election, but it was another waste of time and a missed opportunity to vote out a dictator and elect a new leadership that would serve their interests, writes DW's Isaac Mugabi. The battle lines had been clearly marked even before the polls opened that it would be a two-horse race - Yoweri Museveni versus Bobi Wine.

allafrica 5:27:00 AM CET

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202101150096.html>

Al-Shabaab suspects nabbed in army operation in Somalia

The Somali National Army (SNA) has launched an operation against Al-Shabaab in areas near Jamame district in the Lower Jubba region. The SNA operation was aimed at ensuring security. The commander of the army's 56th Brigade has said that members of Al-Shabaab had been captured alive, adding that the operation would continue.

shabelle 17 Jan 2021

<https://www.radioshabelle.com/al-shabaab-suspects-nabbed-in-army-operation-in-somalia/>

Suicide bomber kills six in Mogadishu ice-cream parlour

A suicide bomber blew himself up in an ice-cream parlour in the Somali capital Mogadishu on Friday, killing six people and wounding eight, an official said. It was not immediately clear who was responsible for the blast, but the Islamist insurgent group al Shabaab frequently carries out bombings in the capital and elsewhere.

ara-reuters 5:06:00 AM CET

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-somalia-security/suicide-bomber-kills-six-in-mogadishu-ice-cream-parlour-idUSKBN2872EP?il=0>

US in Somalia: 'We still need the Americans for security'

African Union troops provide vital security in Somalia. Tensions are rising sharply in Somalia, as the country's fragile political system wrestles with a bitterly contested election process, the withdrawal of some vital US military forces, and renewed concerns about an increasingly well-resourced militant Islamist insurgency.

news-yahoo 6:57:00 AM CET

<https://news.yahoo.com/us-somalia-still-americans-security-012230634.html>

Sudan

More than 80 people killed in militia attack on Sudan's West Darfur region

Violent clashes in Sudan's restive Darfur have left at least 83 people dead in the past 48 hours just weeks after a long-running peacekeeping mission ended operation. "The death toll from the bloody events that occurred in El Geneina, the capital of....

globalsecurity 8:31:00 AM CET

<https://www.globalsecurity.org/military/library/news/2021/01/mil-210117-presstv01.htm>

Plus de 80 morts dans des violences tribales au Darfour

Des affrontements entre tribus rivales au Darfour ont fait plus de 80 morts en moins de 48 heures selon un nouveau bilan dimanche, deux semaines après la fin d'une mission de paix dans cette région instable de l'ouest du Soudan. Ces violences sont les plus meurtrières depuis la fin le 31 décembre de....

rtl-BE 8:55:00 AM CET

<https://www rtl.be/info/monde/international/soudan-plus-de-80-mort...>

CENTRAL AFRICA

Central African Republic

UN troops recapture C. African city from rebels

UN peacekeeping troops said they have retaken control of a city in the Central African Republic captured two weeks ago by armed groups waging an offensive against the government of President Faustin Archange Touadera. Rebels abandoned their positions in Bangassou, 750 kilometers (470 miles) east of....

JakartaPost 7:42:00 AM CET

<https://www.thejakartapost.com/news/2021/01/18/un-troops-recapture-cafrican-city-from-rebels-.html>

UN Pakistani troops retake control of rebel-held Central...

Bangui. UN peacekeeping troops, including from Pakistan, say they have retaken control of a city in the Central African Republic (CAR) captured two weeks ago by armed groups waging an offensive against President Faustin Archange Touadera's regime. Rebels abandoned their positions in Bangassou, 750....

pakobserver 5:00:00 AM CET

<https://pakobserver.net/un-pakistani-troops-retake-control-of-rebel-held-central-african-republics-city/>

Les évêques condamnent les offensives rebelles

Les électeurs font la queue pour voter lors des élections présidentielles et législatives dans un bureau de vote à Petevo, 8e arrondissement de Bangui, en République centrafricaine, le 27 décembre 2020. (Photo d'illustration) En Centrafrique, alors que des opérations....

msn-fr 12:14:00 AM CET

<https://www.msn.com/fr-fr/actualite/afrique/centrafrique-les-%c3%a9v%c3%aaques-condamnent-les-offensives-rebelles/ar-BB1cPOJt>

WEST AFRICA

Burkina Faso

Yirgou : 2 ans après, «nous devons revoir notre manière de lutter contre le terrorisme» dixit Abdoulaye Hoéffi Dicko, le Président du MBDHP-Séno

Cela fait deux ans que les évènements malheureux de Yirgou ont frappé le Burkina Faso. Et deux ans après, où en est la justice ? Cette question, la section provinciale du Séno du MBDHP se l'est posée ce samedi 16 janvier 2021 dans la Salle des rencontres du Centre Multimédias de Dori.

aouaga 8:47:00 AM CET

<http://news.aOuaga.com/h/131978.html>

Mali

L'armée française a neutralisé une quinzaine de terroristes

L'état-major français a annoncé, le vendredi dernier, la neutralisation d'une quinzaine de terroristes le week-end dernier près de la frontière avec le Burkina Faso. Selon l'Etat-major français, l'armée française a tué une quinzaine de djihadistes le week-end dernier dans la région malienne de....

abamako 8:53:00 AM CET

<http://news.aBamako.com/h/246042.html>

Tessalit : Un casque bleu tué et un autre grièvement blessé dans une attaque

Le vendredi 15 janvier dernier, un camion-citerne de la MINUSMA, qui faisait partie d'un convoi logistique, a sauté sur une mine aux environs de Tessalit, dans la région de Kidal. « Suite à l'explosion, deux Casques bleus ont été grièvement blessés. L'un d'eux a malheureusement succombé à ses blessures durant son évacuation médicale.

maliweb 8:10:00 AM CET

https://www.maliweb.net/wp-content/cache/wp-rocket/www.maliweb.net/insecurite/tessalit-un-casque-bleu-tue-et-un-autre-grievement-blesse-dans-une-attaque-2912492.html/index.html_gzip

Les engins explosifs improvisés sont-ils «l'arme des lâches»?

Après la mort de 5 militaires français au Mali, la ministre des armées Florence Parly s'en est pris aux « terroristes » qui « utilisent l'arme des lâches », les engins explosifs improvisés. Florence Parly au Mali, le 27 novembre 2019.Florence Parly au Mali, le 27 novembre 2019.

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<http://news.aBamako.com/h/246018.html>

Niger

Catholic priest killed, 17 others kidnapped in Niger

The Catholic Priest of the Diocese of Minna, Rev.Father John Gbakaan Yaji, who was reportedly kidnapped has been killed by his abductors in Niger state. Daily Trust gathered that the incident happened on Friday night in Tufa village along Lambata-Lapai road of the state.

dailytrust 12:09:00 AM CET

<https://dailytrust.com/catholic-priest-killed-17-others-kidnapped-in-niger>

17 persons kidnapped in Niger

Seventeen people have been reportedly kidnapped by bandits in Niger state. They were kidnapped in three different communities including Bassa/Kukoki Ward both in Shiroro local government area of the state. Vanguard gathered that the people were kidnapped on Saturday night in Madagwa, Wongo and Marenje Communities.

vanguardngr 17 Jan 2021

<https://www.vanguardngr.com/2021/01/17-persons-kidnapped-in-niger/>

Nigeria

Boko Haram Blocks Lake Chad Trade Routes

The Boko Haram insurgency has had devastating consequences on Lake Chad boat transporters, a socio-economic group that has been the locomotive of local trade for decades. An effective crisis response must address the needs of this often overlooked group.

allafrica 5:27:00 AM CET

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202101120396.html>

Extremist Thrives On Poor Understanding Of Islam – Tambuwal

According to him, “we are all aware of what is happening in the North-West, North-East and North-Central where some of us have capitalized on poor understanding of the religion by the people to manipulate the general populace, particularly youths, to cause trouble” The governor noted, “No doubt,....

leadership 8:05:00 AM CET

<https://leadership.ng/extremist-thrives-on-poor-understanding-of-islam-tambuwal/>

NAF Destroys 6 More Terrorists Gun Trucks, Neutralise Scores In Borno

The Air Task Force of Operation LAFIYA DOLE has destroyed additional six gun trucks and eliminated scores of terrorists who attempted to reinforce in the failed Marte attack. The feat comes after successfully repelling a Boko Haram/ Islamic State of West Africa Province (ISWAP) terrorists’ attack....

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<https://leadership.ng/naf-destroys-6-more-terrorists-gun-trucks-neutralise-scores-in-borno/>

18 Kano Traders Kidnapped in Kogi Regain Freedom

The eighteen Kano traders from Kantn Kwari textile market abducted in Kogi on their way to Aba in Abia State have regained their freedom. President, Arewa Youth Traders Association of Nigeria, Alhaji Abubakar Babawo, confirmed the release of the businessmen to THISDAY in Kano on Sunday.

allafrica 5:27:00 AM CET

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202101180027.html>

NORTH AFRICA

Libya

Armed group deploys at Libya's NOC headquarters

An armed group attempted to storm Libya's National Oil Corp (NOC) headquarters in Tripoli but was stopped by guards, the company said on Monday, underscoring the security risks that the North African nation's energy industry continues to face.

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<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-libya-oil-noc/armed-group-deploys-at-libyas-noc-headquarters-idUSKBN2831PH?il=0>

International Organisations

UN

UN chief calls for protection of civilians as violence spikes in Sudan's West Darfur

According to media reports, at least 83 people, including women and children, have been killed and more than 160 wounded in inter-communal clashes this weekend. Several houses are also said to have been destroyed and about 50,000 people displaced. Secretary-General @antonio_guterres voices deep....

un-org 8:49:00 AM CET

<https://news.un.org/en/story/2021/01/1082352>

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