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#### **EAST AFRICA**

##### **Somalia**

##### **Life after al-Shabab: Driving a school bus instead of an armed pickup truck**

The Somali militant group al-Shabab recruits thousands of foot soldiers, but also needs people to provide public services in the area it controls. Any caught trying to leave are put to death. At the same time, the government tries to encourage defectors, and runs rehab centres to help them re-enter society.

*bbc 2:11:00 AM CET*

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/stories-55016792>

#### **CENTRAL AFRICA**

##### **Cameroon**

##### **Cameroon Begins Election Campaign amid Separatist Violence**

Cameroon has begun the campaign season for its December 6 regional council elections amid threats and attacks from separatists fighting to create an English-speaking state in the French-majority country. The separatists, who have vowed to disrupt the polls, attacked several military convoys dispatched to protect voters.

<https://www.voanews.com/africa/cameroon-begins-election-campaign-amid-separatist-violence>

## **WEST AFRICA**

### **Benin**

#### **Jihadist threat keeps 300,000 voters from Burkina polling stations**

Hundreds of thousands of voters in Burkina Faso were unable to cast ballots in Sunday's general election because of security threats by jihadist insurgents, according to officials. An undisclosed number of troops were deployed to ensure the security of the presidential and parliamentary polls, which are widely expected to see re-elected.

*rfi-en 11:07:00 AM CET*

<https://www.rfi.fr/en/africa/20201123-jihadist-threat-keeps-300-000-voters-from-burkina-polling-stations>

#### **Des “bureaux de vote” fermés à cause de “menaces”**

Un “certain nombre de bureaux de vote” de l'élection présidentielle ont dû être fermés hier, à cause de “menaces” au Burkina Faso, pays en proie aux attaques terroristes incessantes, a déclaré le président de la Commission électorale, Newton Ahmed Barry.

*liberte-algerie 10:47:00 AM CET*

<http://www.liberte-algerie.com/international/des-bureaux-de-vote-fermes-a-cause-de-menaces-349468>

#### **Burkina Faso holds election under looming threat of violence**

Polls closed in Burkina Faso on Sunday after a presidential and parliamentary election dominated by the threat of Islamist violence that prevented voting in hundreds of villages. Polling stations were closed across swathes of the north and east where groups linked to al Qaeda and Islamic State operate.

*ara-reuters 10:39:00 AM CET*

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-burkina-election/burkina-faso-holds-election-under-looming-threat-of-violence-idUSKBN282014>

### **Mali**

#### **ATTAQUE DE DEUX COMPAGNIES DE TRANSPORT SUR LA ROUTE DE SIKASSO : BILAN: UN (01) MORT ET NEUF (09) BLESSES**

Dans la nuit du jeudi 19 au vendredi 20 novembre 2020, des hommes armés non identifiés ont attaqué trois (03) cars de transport entre Nièna et Sikasso. Selon les informations, l'attaque s'est produite aux environs de 1h30 du matin à 10 km de Nièna soit à 59 km de Sikasso.

*maliactu 11:18:00 AM CET*

<https://maliactu.net/mali-attaque-de-deux-compagnies-de-transport-sur-la-route-de-sikasso-bilan-un-01-mort-et-neuf-09-blesses/>

## **Nigeria**

### **Gunmen kidnap Reverend father in Abuja suburb Crime | 1h ago**

Gunmen suspected to be kidnappers have abducted a Reverend father, Matthew Dajo, of the St Anthony Catholic Church, in Yangoji village, Kwali Area Council in Abuja suburb. A resident of the area, who simply identified himself as Saleh said the incident happened on Sunday around 9:47:pm when the....

*dailytrust 3:23:00 PM CET*

<https://dailytrust.com/gunmen-kidnap-reverend-father-in-abuja-suburb>

## **SOUTHERN AFRICA**

### **Mozambique**

#### **516 suspected terrorists detained in Tanzania to be repatriated to Mozambique**

A total of 516 individuals allegedly involved in terrorist activities in Mozambique's northern province of Cabo Delgado detained in Tanzania will be extradited to Mozambique for trial, Mozambique's daily newspaper Noticias reported on Monday.

*xinhuanet\_en 10:56:00 AM CET*

[http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-11/23/c\\_139537499.htm](http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-11/23/c_139537499.htm)

#### **Spirit Medium aid killed with machetes**

A Rushinga spirit medium aid Kingston Kazasi 81 was allegedly murdered by two unknown Mozambicans in Rushinga last week. The two suspects claimed to have come from Zenga village in Mozambique. Mashonaland Central province acting police spokesperson Assistant Inspector Fedelis Dhewu confirmed the case.

*bulawayo24 9:26:00 AM CET*

<https://bulawayo24.com/news/national/195127>

## Zimbabwe

### **Terrorism Fears Grip Zimbabweans On The Eastern Border After Mnangagwa Declared War Interest Against Islamist Militants In Mozambique**

A POLITICAL science student from the University of Zimbabwe, Jethro Ngara, sees doom and gloom as his country dares to wade into Mozambique's war on terror. Ngara, 25, said he is too young to die and fears particularly for his parents who are domiciled along the eastern border town of Mutare which....

*zimeye 22 Nov 2020*

<https://www.zimeye.net/2020/11/22/terrorism-fears-grip-zimbabweans-on-the-eastern-border-after-mnangagwa-declared-war-interest-against-islamist-militants-in-mozambique/>

## NORTH AFRICA

### Libya

#### **Armed group deploys at Libya's NOC headquarters Armed group deploys at Libya's NOC headquarters Reuters**

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.

*msn-uk 3:09:00 PM CET*

<https://www.msn.com/en-gb/news/world/armed-group-deploys-at-libyas-noc-headquarters/ar-BB1bhnW4>

#### **Armed Group Unsuccessfully Tried to Enter HQ of Libya's National Oil Corporation**

An unidentified armed group has deployed forces outside the main office of Libya's National Oil Corporation (NOC) in Tripoli and tried to enter the building, according to several local news outlets, including al-Wasat and Libya 24. The group has blocked the road leading to the NOC's headquarters....

*rian-en 2:49:00 PM CET*

<https://sputniknews.com/africa/202011231081250269-armed-group-reportedly-enters-hq-of-libyas-national-oil-corporation-/>

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