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EAST AFRICA

Ethiopia

At least 20 Ethiopians killed in armed attack

An armed attack in Ethiopia's Benishangul-Gumuz regional state has killed at least 20 civilians, an Ethiopian official said on Friday. Demlew Bengez, Chief Administrator, Dengez locality in Benishangul-Gumuz regional state, said an armed attack by unidentified....

xinhuanet_en 25 Sep 2020

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-09/26/c_139397399.htm

Kenya

3 Young, Kenyan Men Cross Into Somalia 'to Join Al-Shabaab'

At least three youths from Mandera County have crossed into Somalia and joined Al-Shabaab, North Eastern Regional Commissioner Nick Ndalana has revealed during a

security meeting. "We are very much aware that three youths from Fino and Lafey areas have crossed into Somalia and joined Al-Shabaab but....

allafrica 25 Sep 2020

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202009220125.html>

KDF Soldier, Five Alshabaab Militants Killed in Mandera Ambush

Kenyan soldiers participate in a joint military exercise with US Marines (not in photo) 15 January 2004 at Manda Bay near the coastal town of Lamu. The exercises are aimed at improving the Kenyan force's "crisis response". Kenya Defence Forces troops on Monday....

allafrica 25 Sep 2020

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202009230281.html>

Somalia

Somalia Says Army Kills 12 Shabaab Militants

At least 12 Shabab militants were killed on Sunday in a military operation in the Lower Shabelle region in southern Somalia, a military official said on Monday. Several Shabab extremists were also injured in the operation in Barire town, said Ahmed Hassan Siyad, 143 Section Commander of the Somali National Army.

allafrica 25 Sep 2020

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202009220238.html>

Somali Military Liberate New Areas in Galgaduud Region

The Somali National Army (SNA) has on Monday took control of five villages in Galgaduud region of Galmudug state in which had been under the al-Shabab rule, military official said. Somalia military chief general Odawa Yusuf Rageh who spoke to the military radio said the forces killed 16 Alshabab....

allafrica 25 Sep 2020

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202009230194.html>

CENTRAL AFRICA

Chad

Chad says troops killed 20 Boko Haram fighters, freed hostages

Chadian soldiers patrol in the Nigerian border town of Gamboru on Feb. 4, 2015. Chadian soldiers killed 20 Boko Haram jihadists and freed 12 civilians, including nine children, kidnapped in the Lake Chad area where several countries' borders meet, the government said Friday.

onlinenigeria 6:56:00 AM CEST

<https://news2.onlinenigeria.com/news/general/852005-chad-says-troops-killed-20-boko-haram-fighters-freed-hostages.html>

Democratic Republic of Congo

5 morts lors d'une attaque des présumés ADF à Kiniambaore

Cinq personnes ont été tuées dans la nuit de mercredi à jeudi 24 septembre lors d'une nouvelle attaque attribuée aux rebelles ougandais des ADF à Kiniambaore, en secteur de Rwenzori (Nord-Kivu). Selon le président du noyau de la société civile du secteur de Ruwenzori, William Batholeni, ces....

radiookapi 24 Sep 2020

https://www.radiookapi.net/2020/09/24/actualite/securite/rdc-5-morts-lors-dune-attaque-des-presumes-adf-kiniambaore?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+radiookapi%2Factu+%28Radiookapi.net+-+Actualit%C3%A9%29

Nord-Kivu : la MONUSCO va se redéployer dans la zone de Mutwanga pour répondre aux souhaits de la...

La Mission de l'ONU en République Démocratique du Congo va redéployer ses forces dans la zone de Mutwanga, secteur de Ruwenzori, à une cinquantaine de km à l'Est de Beni, dans le Nord-Kivu. Le chef de bureau intérimaire de la MONUSCO pour le Petit-Nord, Essoh Essis, l'a indiqué lors d'une interview....

monuc-fr 24 Sep 2020

<https://monusc.unmissions.org/nord-kivu-la-monusco-va-se-red%C3%A9ployer-dans-la-zone-de-mutwanga-pour-r%C3%A9pondre-aux-souhaits-de-la>

WEST AFRICA

Burkina Faso

Deux militaires tués dans l'explosion de leur véhicule

Deux militaires burkinabè ont été tués ce jeudi dans l'explosion d'une bombe artisanale au passage de leur véhicule à Toéni dans la province du Sourou (nord-ouest), a-t-on indiqué de sources concordantes. “Le véhicule transportant une équipe de sécurisation de l'armée a sauté sur une mine dans la localité de Toéni.

liberte-algerie 11:48:00 AM CEST

<http://www.liberte-algerie.com/actualite/deux-militaires-tues-dans-lexplosion-de-leur-vehicule-346137>

Six Volontaires pour la défense de la patrie tués et une vingtaine de terroristes abattus dans l'Est du pays (Autre presse)

Six « Volontaires pour la défense de la patrie » (VDP, civils armés par le gouvernement du Burkina Faso pour épauler l'armée), ont été tués jeudi, dans une attaque perpétrée par des terroristes présumés, dans le village de Touldeni (est du Burkina Faso), a annoncé vendredi matin, le maire de la...

aouaga 10:09:00 AM CEST

<http://news.aOuaga.com/h/130838.html>

Ghana

Secessionists attack Aveyime, Mepe police stations, steal weapons

Some armed men believed to be members of the Western Togoland secession group have reportedly attacked the Aveyime and Mepe Police Stations in the North Tongu District of the Volta Region.

<https://www.myjoyonline.com/news/national/secessionists-attack-aveyime-mepe-police-stations-steal-weapons/>

Nigeria

Drug abuse aids boko haram, banditry, thuggery

The Kano state governor Abdullahi Ganduje has declared drug abuse as the major crime aiding Boko Haram, banditry, thuggery, and street fights in the country while he called for all hands to be put on deck to curb the menace.

vanguardngr 24 Sep 2020

<https://www.vanguardngr.com/2020/09/drug-abuse-aids-boko-haram-banditry-thuggery-%e2%80%95-ganduje/>

Boko Haram: Troops kill top terrorists' commanders, destroy hideout in Borno

The Defence Headquarters has said that troops of Army Super Camp Malamfatori at the Lake Chad Basin have eliminated over seven Boko Haram top commanders at Kukawa Local Government Area of Borno State. Major General John Enenche, the Coordinator, Defence Media Operations, stated this in a statement on Thursday.

dailypost 24 Sep 2020

<https://dailypost.ng/2020/09/24/boko-haram-troops-kill-top-terrorists-commanders-destroy-hideout-in-borno/>

Troops rescue 8 kidnapped victims in Katsina, kill terrorists in Borno

The Nigerian military on Thursday said troops fighting banditry in the North West on 17 September, responding to a distress call rescued eight kidnapped victims from suspected bandits at Fankama and Sabon Layi area of Faskari Local Government Area of Katsina State.

dailytrust 24 Sep 2020

<https://dailytrust.com/troops-rescue-8-kidnapped-victims-in-katsina-kill-terrorists-in-borno>

7 Boko Haram commanders eliminated in strike on 5 camps in Lake Chad

Troops of Operation Lafiya Dole have eliminated several top commanders and fighters of Boko Haram terrorists group in their various camps at the fringes of Lake Chad in Kukawa Local Government Area of Borno. The Coordinator, Defence Media Operations, Maj.-Gen. John Enenche, disclosed this in a statement on Thursday in Abuja.

dailytrust 24 Sep 2020

<https://dailytrust.com/7-boko-haram-commanders-eliminated-in-strike-on-5-camps-in-lake-chad>

Troops arrest 14 Sara Suka members in Jos

The Nigerian military said its troops of Operations Save Haven has arrested 14 Sara Suka members within Jos metropolis. Speaking yesterday in Abuja, while giving update on the military operations in the country, by Major General, John Enenche, Coordinator, Defence Media....

peoplesdaily-online 25 Sep 2020

<https://peoplesdailyng.com/troops-arrest-14-sara-suka-members-in-jos/>

At least 15 Nigerian security personnel killed in ambush by Boko Haram

At least 15 Nigerian security personnel were killed when Boko Haram group ambushed a convoy of vehicles in which government officials were driven in the northeastern state of Borno, local media reported on Saturday. The attack near Monguno town in the restive northern....

xinhuanet_en 12:15:00 PM CEST

http://www.xinhuanet.com/english/2020-09/26/c_139399059.htm

Troops rescue 12 hostages from Boko Haram in Lake Chad

Troops of Sector 2 in Chad and Multinational Joint Taskforce (MNJTF), have rescued 12 hostages from the Boko Haram terrorists enclave near Barkalam in Lake Chad. The Chief of Military Public Information, MNJTF, Col. Muhammad Dole, disclosed this in a statement on Saturday in Ndjamena.

dailytrust 12:11:00 PM CEST

<https://dailytrust.com/troops-rescue-12-hostages-from-boko-haram-in-lake-chad>

‘And they say Boko Haram has been technically defeated?’; Reactions as terrorists attack Zulum again

With all the final battle that Nigerian army were shouting three months and they were saying Boko Haram commander were begging to surrender. Who is deceiving who self? Or nah me no hear well?” @DavidObafemi7 “You can imagine ds madness.

vanguardngr 11:39:00 AM CEST

<https://www.vanguardngr.com/2020/09/and-they-say-boko-haram-has-been-technically-defeated-reactions-as-terrorists-attack-zulum-again/>

Une embuscade djihadiste mortelle au Nigeria

Des rebelles djihadistes liés au groupe État islamique dans le nord-est du Nigeria ont tué vendredi dans une embuscade 15 membres de l’escorte du gouverneur de l’État de Borno, qui est sain et sauf, ont indiqué des sources sécuritaires. Selon ces sources, huit policiers, trois soldats et quatre....

lessentiel-lu-fr 11:32:00 AM CEST

<http://www.lessentiel.lu/fr/news/monde/story/16286611>

ISWAP fighters ambush Borno gov's convoy, kill 15 security personnel

Governor Babagana Zulum of Borno State. Jihadist fighters linked to the Islamic State group on Friday killed 15 security personnel in an ambush on the convoy of the Borno State governor, Babagana Umara Zulum, three security said. Sources told AFP that eight policemen, three soldiers and four members....

vanguardngr 8:01:00 AM CEST

<https://www.vanguardngr.com/2020/09/iswap-fighters-ambush-borno-govs-convoy-kill-15-security-personnel/>

Boko Haram: Terrorists kill 12 policemen, 5 soldiers, others in ambush

Members of the Boko Haram terrorists' group on Friday attacked a convoy of the Borno state government officials along Monguno, Baga road, killing 12 police men, 13 civilians and 5 soldiers. The incident happened around 2pm while the convoy was heading to Baga town ahead of the government's plan....

dailypost 7:30:00 AM CEST

<https://dailypost.ng/2020/09/26/boko-haram-terrorists-kill-12-policemen-5-soldiers-others-in-ambush/>

Borno: NAF destroys terrorists' camps, kills dozens of insurgents

The Nigerian Air Task Force (ATF) codenamed Operation Hail Storm II has destroyed terrorists' camps, killing dozens of insurgents in Borno. The aerial bombardment of terrorist's hideout camps was conducted on September 23, 2020 on the shores of Lake Chad and Sambisa Forest.

nrguardiannews 5:48:00 AM CEST

<https://guardian.ng/news/borno-naf-destroys-terrorists-camps-kills-dozens-of-insurgents/>

Troops eliminate 4 bandits, rescue 3 kidnapped victims in Nasarawa, Taraba

The Defence Headquarters says the troops of Operation Whirl Stroke and 117 Guards Battalion have eliminated four armed bandits and kidnappers leading to the rescue of three victims in Nasarawa and Taraba States. The Coordinator, Defence Media Operations, Maj.-Gen. John Enenche, disclosed this in a statement on Saturday in Abuja.

nrguardiannews 12:55:00 PM CEST

<https://guardian.ng/news/troops-eliminate-4-bandits-rescue-3-kidnapped-victims-in-nasarawa-taraba/>

30 killed as ISWAP ambushes Borno officials News | 1h ago

Gunmen suspected to be a faction of the Islamic State in West Africa Province (ISWAP), on Friday, ambushed and killed about 30 people, including 17 security personnel on the convoy of the Borno State government officials along Monguno/Baga axis in Borno State, sources said.

dailytrust 9:03:00 AM CEST

https://dailytrust.com/_trashed-260

Shehu Sani reacts as Boko Haram attacks Borno Gov's convoy, kills policemen, soldiers

Former Kaduna lawmaker, Shehu Sani has condemned the attack on Governor of Borno State's convoy by Boko Haram. DAILY POST reported that the governor's convoy was ambushed shortly after leaving Monguno by suspected Boko Haram fighters at Kekano village.

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<https://dailypost.ng/2020/09/26/shehu-sani-reacts-as-boko-haram-attacks-borno-govs-convoy-kills-policemen-soldiers/>

ASIA

India

Al-Qaeda in Indian Subcontinent only capable of small-scale regional attacks

According to Christopher Miller Director, National Counterterrorism Center, since the Global War on Terror began nearly two decades ago, the US has significantly degraded terrorist adversaries and made the US a considerably harder target for them to reach. Reuters U.S.

economictimes 25 Sep 2020

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/defence/al-qaeda-in-indian-subcontinent-only-capable-of-small-scale-regional-attacks-us-official/articleshow/78313378.cms>

Syria

U.S. Commandos Use Secretive Missiles to Kill Qaeda Leaders in Syria

U.S. Special Operations forces, with no fanfare, killed a top Qaeda leader in northwest Syria in an unusual drone strike nearly two weeks ago. They used a secretive weapon

— a so-called Ninja Hellfire missile on which the explosive warhead is replaced by long blades to crush or slice....

nytimes 24 Sep 2020

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/09/24/us/politics/missiles-al-qaeda-syria.html>

Two QSD militants killed in an attack with explosive device south of Hasaka

Two militants of US- backed QSD militia were killed by a bomb explosion in a car that was passing through al-Shaddadi city in the southern countryside of Hasaka. Local sources told SANA that an explosive device that was planted by unknown persons exploded in a military vehicle that was....

Sana-en 11:49:00 AM CEST

<http://www.sana.sy/en/?p=204234>

Deux hommes armés de la milice ‘FDS’ ont été tués dans une attaque avec un engin explosif au sud de Hassaké

Deux hommes armés de la milice ‘FDS’, soutenue par les forces d’occupation américaine, ont été tués dans l’explosion d’un engin explosif qui était planté dans un véhicule qui les transportait, à proximité de la ville de Chaddadi au sud de Hassaké.

Sana-fr 11:32:00 AM CEST

<http://www.sana.sy/fr/?p=195302>

EUROPE

France

Quatre blessés à l'arme blanche à Paris près des anciens locaux de Charlie Hebdo

Quatre personnes ont été blessées à l'arme blanche à Paris vendredi dans des circonstances encore indéterminées près des anciens locaux du journal Charlie Hebdo, en plein procès des attentats meurtriers qui l'avaient notamment visé en janvier 2015, a-t-on appris de sources concordantes.

LePoint 25 Sep 2020

https://www.lepoint.fr/societe/quatre-blesses-a-l-arme-blanche-a-paris-pres-des-anciens-locaux-de-charlie-hebdo-25-09-2020-2393596_23.php

2 Stabbed in Paris Attack Termed Act of Islamist Terrorism

French authorities launched an anti-terrorism investigation Friday after an attacker stabbed two people in Paris near the former offices of the satirical magazine Charlie Hebdo. In an interview with France 2 television station, French Interior Minister Gerald Darmanin said the attack was "clearly an act of Islamist terrorism.

voanews 11:14:00 AM CEST

<https://www.voanews.com/europe/2-stabbed-paris-attack-termed-act-islamist-terrorism>

Paris knife attack injures at least 2, suspect arrested after brief manhunt

Police arrested one person in connection with a knife attack near the former offices of the satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo that left multiple people with life-threatening injuries. A Paris police official said authorities initially thought two suspects on the run after injuring at least four people.

foxnews 25 Sep 2020

<https://www.foxnews.com/world/paris-knife-attack-charlie-hebdo>

Comment on Four people injured in Paris knife attack outside former Charlie Hebdo office

Four people have been injured, two seriously, in a knife attack in Paris outside the former offices of French satirical magazine Charlie Hebdo, according to Prime Minister Jean Castex. Two of the victims were in a critical condition, the Paris police department said, adding two suspects were on the run.

thejournal 25 Sep 2020

<https://www.thejournal.ie/paris-knife-attack-charlie-hebdo-5214543-Sep2020/#comments>

French police hold ex-flatmate of Paris cleaver attack suspect

French police have detained a former flatmate of a man arrested over an attack with a meat cleaver that left two wounded outside the former offices of satirical weekly Charlie Hebdo, a judicial source said Saturday. Police also late Friday released another man who was close to the scene of the....

timesofmalta 11:50:00 AM CEST

<https://timesofmalta.com/articles/view/french-police-hold-ex-flatmate-of-paris-cleaver-attack-suspect.820420>

Attaque à l'arme blanche à Paris : Un nouveau suspect en garde à vue

Plusieurs personnes sont en garde à vue dans l'attaque qui a eu lieu devant les anciens locaux du journal « Charlie-Hebdo », cible d'un attentat meurtrier en 2015. Patrouilles de police à proximité des locaux de Charlie-Hebdo où a eu lieu vendredi 25 octobre une attaque à....

msn-fr 11:49:00 AM CEST

<https://www.msn.com/fr-fr/actualite/france/attaque-%c3%a0-larme-blanche-%c3%a0-paris-un-nouveau-suspect-en-garde-%c3%a0-vue/ar-BB19rrRU>

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