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#### **EAST AFRICA**

##### **Kenya**

##### **Roadside blast injures 5 Kenyan police officers in border region**

Five Kenyan police officers were seriously injured on Sunday in a roadside blast in Mandera county along the Kenya-Somali border. Rono Bunei, northeastern regional commander who confirmed the attack said the victims were escorting commuter buses that operate between Mandera and Nairobi.

*kenyastar 29 Nov 2020*

<https://www.kenyastar.com/news/267119332/roadside-blast-injures-5-kenyan-police-officers-in-border-region>

##### **Somalia**

##### **South West Faces 'First' Shabaab Threat**

The President of South West State of Somalia Abdi Aziz Hassan Mohamed (Laftagreen) said that his administration has faced the first challenge from Al-Shabaab. He said many areas and districts in the South West have been besieged by al-Shabaab, and some districts are impassable.

*allafrica 1:14:00 AM CET*

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202011270791.html>

## **Acting US military chief visits Somalia as Trump mulls troop pullout**

Acting US Defense Secretary Christopher Miller has made a rare visit to Somalia amid wide anticipation that the outgoing President Donald Trump intends to order the pullout of most or all of the 700 American troops in the restive North African nation before his term ends on January 20.

*globalsecurity 6:44:00 AM CET*

<https://www.globalsecurity.org/military/library/news/2020/11/mil-201129-presstv09.htm>

## **Al- Shabaab Militants Kill Seven Family Members in Night Raid**

Al-Shabaab militants stormed the house where a Somali government official was staying last and killed seven people, including a mother, father and their child. The child killed was a year and a half old. The dead included the father of the family, a government army officer who eventually died after being gunshot wounds.

*allafrica 1:14:00 AM CET*

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202011270192.html>

## **President Guelleh Warns of Shabaab Threat Ahead of Somalia Elections**

Djiboutian President Ismail Omar Guelleh has raised concerns that al-Shabaab will have members in the new parliament, giving it full power to govern the country independently. In an interview with The Africa Report, Djibouti's President Ismail Omar Guelleh said he was deeply concerned about the....

*allafrica 1:14:00 AM CET*

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202011270275.html>

## **7 Killed Inside Ice Cream Parlour in Mogadishu**

At least seven people have died and more than ten others wounded after a suicide bomber blew himself up inside a restaurant called gelato Devino on Friday night. The attack happened at Gelato Divino about in KM4 roundabout at a popular ice cream parlour.

*allafrica 1:14:00 AM CET*

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202011280149.html>

# **WEST AFRICA**

## **Mali**

**Kidal inaccessible malgré l'entrée des ex-rebelles au gouvernement**

Pour une première fois, les groupes armés du nord font leur entrée officielle dans le gouvernement de transition. Pour plusieurs Maliens, cette présence devrait ouvrir les portes pour un retour de l'administration à Kidal, région sous contrôle des groupes séparatistes depuis 2014.

*mali-web 11:46:00 AM CET*

<http://mali-web.org/nord-mali/transition-au-mali-kidal-inaccessible-malgre-lentree-des-ex-rebelles-au-gouvernement>

## **Explosions in 3 Malian cities amid jihadist attacks**

The cities of Kidal, Gao and Menaka in northern Mali were hit by simultaneous attacks on Monday against military camps housing international forces, according to residents and a United Nations official. Kidal resident Souleymane Ag Mohamed Ali said he heard more than 10 explosions coming from the direction of the camp for U.

*TorontoStar 10:55:00 AM CET*

<https://www.thestar.com/news/world/africa/2020/11/30/explosions-in-3-malian-cities-amid-jihadist-attacks.html>

## **Nigeria**

### **Unknown Gunmen Slaughter Varsity Lecturer In Benue**

Benue State Police Command has confirmed the murder of a lecturer in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the Federal University of Agriculture Makurdi (FUAM) by yet to be identified gunmen in Makurdi, the state capital. Our correspondent gathered that Engr.

*leadership 11:52:00 AM CET*

<https://leadership.ng/unknown-gunmen-slaughter-varsity-lecturer-in-benue/>

### **Nigeria: ce que l'on sait de l'attentat qui a fait 110 morts Franceinfo**

L'attaque perpétrée samedi contre des civils est la plus meurtrière de l'année, selon le coordinateur humanitaire de l'ONU. © Fournis par Franceinfo. Le bilan du massacre survenu samedi 28 novembre dans le nord-est du Nigeria continue de s'alourdir. Selon un bilan des Nations unies, au moins 110....

*msn-fr 11:46:00 AM CET*

<https://www.msn.com/fr-fr/actualite/monde/nigeria-ce-que-lon-sait-de-lattaque-jihadiste-qui-a-fait-au-moins-110-morts/ar-BB1bu8YO>

### **Nigerian military blames civilians for Northeast insecurity, attacks on troops**

The Nigerian military has accused civilians of failing to provide information about terrorists and their activities. Major General John Enenche, Coordinator of Defence

Media Operations, on Channels Television's Sunrise Daily, dismissed the allegations of sabotage made against the military.

*dailypost 11:43:00 AM CET*

<https://dailypost.ng/2020/11/30/nigerian-military-blames-civilians-for-northeast-insecurity-attacks-on-troops/>

## **Nigeria: Deaths from Terrorism Reach Five-Year Low, But New Risks Emerge**

The 2020 Global Terrorism Index (GTI) has found that deaths from terrorism fell for the fifth consecutive year since peaking in 2014. The number of deaths has now decreased by 59 per cent since 2014 to 13,826. Conflict remains the primary driver of terrorism, with over 96 per cent of deaths from....

*allafrica 1:14:00 AM CET*

<https://allafrica.com/stories/202011270610.html>

## **110 civilians killed in 'Boko Haram attack' in northeast Nigeria: UN**

The United Nations (UN) says at least 110 people have been killed in a weekend attack in northeast Nigeria by the Boko Haram Takfiri terrorist group. Initial tolls indicated that at least 43 people were killed in Saturday's attack which took place as....

*globalsecurity 6:44:00 AM CET*

<https://www.globalsecurity.org/military/library/news/2020/11/mil-201129-presstv02.htm>

## **Massacre in jihadist-ravaged northeast Nigeria kills at least 110**

People attend a funeral for those killed by suspected Boko Haram militants in Zaabarmar, Nigeria, Sunday, Nov. 29, 2020. [AP] At least 110 people were killed in a weekend attack on farm workers in northeast Nigeria blamed on jihadists, the UN humanitarian coordinator in the country said on Sunday,....

*standardmedia 6:29:00 AM CET*

<https://www.standardmedia.co.ke/world/article/2001395704/massacre-in-jihadist-ravaged-northeast-nigeria-kills-at-least-110>

# **SOUTHERN AFRICA**

## **Mozambique**

**Mirko Manzoni (ONU): «La catastrophe humanitaire au Mozambique est amplifiée par le terrorisme»**

Le Secrétaire général de l'ONU a annoncé le 8 juillet 2019 la nomination de M. Mirko Manzoni, de la Suisse, comme son Envoyé personnel pour le Mozambique. M. Manzoni est chargé d'offrir ses bons offices pour faciliter le dialogue entre le Gouvernement du Mozambique et la Résistance nationale....

*rfi-fr 7:10:00 AM CET*

<https://www.rfi.fr/fr/podcasts/invit%C3%A9-afrique/20201130-mirko-manzoni-onu-la-catastrophe-humanitaire-au-mozambique-est-amplifi%C3%A9-par-le-terrorisme>

## **SADC SUMMIT: Regional governments still don't have a plan to fight Mozambican Islamic insurgency**

Mozambique's Mozambican President Filipe Nyusi didn't even bother to attend a regional summit in Gaborone on Friday to discuss the insurgency. (Photo: EPA-EFE/ANTONIO SILVA) Mozambique presented a 'shopping list', not a plan, to an SADC summit on Friday.

*dailymaverick 12:44:00 AM CET*

<https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2020-11-29-regional-governments-still-dont-have-a-plan-to-fight-mozambican-islamic-insurgency/>

## **NORTH AFRICA**

### **Algeria**

#### **11:52 In Guezzam : Un terroriste armé se rend aux autorités militaires à Tin Zaouatine**

Un terroriste s'est rendu, dimanche 29 novembre 2020, aux autorités militaires à Tin Zaouatine en 6e Région Militaire. Il s'agit du dénommé «Ben Khia Aïssa» qui avait rallié les groupes terroristes en 2018 au niveau des frontières maliennes. Ledit criminel avait en sa possession un lance-roquettes....

*lesoirdalgerie 12:18:00 PM CET*

<https://www.lesoirdalgerie.com/flash/un-terroriste-arme-se-rend-aux-autorites-militaires-a-tin-zaouatine-3049>

### **Libya**

#### **Des forces armées affiliées à Haftar annoncent l'arrestation de sept membres d'AQMI à Oubari dans le Sud libyen**

Sept "terroristes" affiliés à Al-Qaïda au Maghreb islamique (AQMI) à Oubari, dans le Sud-ouest de la Libye, ont été arrêtés samedi, a annoncé une source des forces de l'armée relevant de Haftar.

*infosplusgabon 29 Nov 2020*

<https://www.infosplusgabon.com/component/content/article/30109-2020-11-29-17-19-25>

## **Morocco**

### **Terrorism, Morocco among safest countries for global index**

Morocco this year is 102nd in an annual ranking of countries at risk of terrorism drafted by the Institute of Economics and Peace, IEP. In the eighth edition of the Global Terrorism Index, the list of the main trends of terrorism across the world, Rabat was among countries with a "very weak impact".

*ansamed 12:34:00 PM CET*

[http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/sections/generalnews/2020/11/30/terrorism-morocco-among-safest-countries-for-global-index\\_d6bb53ad-9844-4555-8bd2-08a374eede0d.html](http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/sections/generalnews/2020/11/30/terrorism-morocco-among-safest-countries-for-global-index_d6bb53ad-9844-4555-8bd2-08a374eede0d.html)

## **Tunisia**

### **Tunisian political parties condemn terrorist attack against Iranian scientist**

Mohsen Fakhrizadeh, the head of Research and Innovation Organization of Iran Ministry of Defense, was assassinated in a terrorist attack near Tehran on Friday afternoon. Tunisian People's Assembly Party issuing an statement on Monday signed by Mohammad Zahir Hamdi, described the assassination as a heinous crime by the Israeli state terrorism.

*irna 12:17:00 PM CET*

<https://en.irna.ir/news/84129702/Tunisian-political-parties-condemn-terrorist-attack-against-Iranian>

## **AMERICA**

### **US**

### **Terrorism, climate change top list of challenges facing US military**

The US Defense Department Inspector General's annual list of challenges for the military in the next year has highlighted the troop withdrawal from Afghanistan, terrorism as well as the long-term threat to military installations and operations due to climate change.

*globalsecurity 6:44:00 AM CET*

<https://www.globalsecurity.org/military/library/news/2020/11/mil-201129-presstv10.htm>

## **ASIA**

## **Afghanistan**

### **At Least 30 Killed, 24 Injured in Afghanistan Truck Bombing**

At least 30 people were killed and 24 injured on Sunday when a suicide bomber detonated an explosive-laden Humvee close to a police base in Afghanistan's southern Ghazni province, officials sources told EFE. "We have so far received 24 injured persons and 30 death bodies," said the....

*laht 29 Nov 2020*

<http://www.laht.com/article.asp?ArticleId=2497245&CategoryId=12395>

## **India**

### **Most important challenge facing region is terrorism: India at SCO**

India on Monday said the most important challenge facing the region is terrorism and that elimination of this threat will help it realise its true potential including in the economic sphere. In an address at the virtual meet of the council of heads of government of the Shanghai....

*timesofindia 12:17:00 PM CET*

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/most-important-challenge-facing-region-is-terrorism-india-at-sco/articleshow/79490782.cms>

## **Iraq**

### **Daesh Claims Responsibility For Iraq Oil Refinery Rocket Attack**

The Siniya refinery was reopened in 2017 after damages caused by Daesh\* terrorists had been repaired. It has a capacity of 20,000 barrels per day. Daesh\* has claimed responsibility for the attack on an oil refinery in Iraq, a statement released by the group says.

*globalsecurity 6:44:00 AM CET*

<https://www.globalsecurity.org/wmd/library/news/iraq/2020/iraq-201129-sputnik01.htm>

## **EUROPE**

### **Russia**

#### **Putin stresses need to harmonize post-Soviet security bloc's anti-terror laws**

Strengthening security in the CSTO space and developing the collective defense potential in close coordination with partners are key priorities for Russia's CSTO

presidency this year, the Russian leader said. MOSCOW, November 30. /TASS/. Russia considers it important for member states of the....

*itartass\_en 11:56:00 AM CET*

<https://tass.com/defense/1229345>

## International Organisations

### UN

#### **Le Chef De L'onu Condamne L'attaque Contre Des Agriculteurs Au Nigeria (Xinhua News Agency)**

En 2018, StarTimes, l'opérateur le plus dynamique de la télévision numérique en Afrique, lançait son application StarTimes ON, très rapidement devenue le service de streaming le plus populaire du continent avec 20 millions de 5 days ago; AllAfrica.com.

*cameroon-one 10:39:00 AM CET*

<http://www.cameroon-one.com/site/news/index.php?op=view&id=179629>

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