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Middle East

[Suicide blast in central Baghdad kills at least nine: police](#)

Author/Source: Ahmed Rasheed, Reuters

“A suicide bomb blast in central Baghdad on Sunday killed at least nine people and injured 20, police and medical sources said...”

[Iraq reportedly blocks social media networks](#)

Author/Source: Madison Burke, *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*

“The Iraqi government has blocked social media sites out of fear the terrorist group the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, also known as ISIS or ISIL, was using the outlets to gather forces and plan another attack...”

[Massacre Claim Shakes Iraq](#)

Author/Source: Rod Nordland and Alissa J. Rubin, *New York Times*

“Wielding the threat of sectarian slaughter, Sunni Islamist militants claimed on Sunday that they had massacred hundreds of captive Shiite members of Iraq’s security forces, posting grisly pictures of a mass execution in Tikrit as evidence and warning of more killing to come...”

[As troops scour Hebron for abducted Israelis, Netanyahu blames Hamas](#)

Author/Source: Batsheva Sobelman, *Los Angeles Times*

“Israeli troops tightened their clampdown on the West Bank city of Hebron and its environs Sunday, hoping to find three Jewish teens missing and presumed abducted by Palestinian militants...”

[Syrian government retakes border town in Assad coastal heartland](#)

Author/Source: Alexander Dziadosz, *Reuters*

“Syrian government forces retook Kasab on Sunday, ousting rebels from the village on the Turkish border in the coastal heartland of President Bashar al-Assad's Alawite minority sect, activists and state media said...”

[Gunmen attack army bus in Yemen's Aden, 9 killed](#)

Author/Source: Xiang Bo, *Xinhuanet*

“A total of nine people were killed, and ten others were wounded when a group of unidentified gunmen fired at an army bus on Sunday in Yemen's southern port city of Aden, according to a government official...”

[US orders aircraft carrier to Gulf](#)

Author/Source: *Bangkok Post*

“Wielding The United States ordered an aircraft carrier into the Gulf Saturday over the Iraq crisis, where Sunni Arab jihadists have seized a swathe of the country, as Shiite Iran said it would consider helping foe Washington should it take action...”



South Asia

[Al-Qaida video urges Muslims in Kashmir to wage jihad on India](#)

Author/Source: Jason Burke, The Guardian

“Senior militants from al-Qaida's central command have released a video calling on Muslims in the disputed Himalayan region of Kashmir to follow the example of "brothers" in Syria and Iraq and wage a violent jihad against Indian authorities...”

[Afghan election workers among 11 killed by roadside bomb](#)

Author/Source: Bashir Ansari and Mirwais Harooni, Reuters

“Eleven people, including election workers, were killed in Afghanistan when a roadside bomb blew up their bus, the governor of the northern province of Samangan said on Sunday...”

[Sri Lankan minister briefly trapped by ethnic clashes](#)

Author/Source: Ranga Sirilal and Shihar Aneez, Reuters

“A Sri Lankan government minister had to be rescued by police on Sunday after being trapped by ethnic violence between Buddhists and Muslims, officials and residents said...”

[Pakistan: 37 Militants Killed in Offensive](#)

Author/Source: Ijaz Muhammed and Asif Shahzad, ABC News

“Pakistani jets pounded targets in the country's northwest on Monday as the military waged an offensive against militant safe havens that killed 37 fighters, while insurgents fought back with a roadside bomb that killed six soldiers, the first army casualties of the operation, the military said...”

East Asia

[Cambodians flee Thailand as junta targets illegal labor](#)

Author/Source: Amy Sawitta Lefevre, Reuters

“Squatting on the ground with their hands on each others' shoulders in 15 neat rows, hundreds of illegal Cambodian workers, including women and children, await deportation at an army base near the Thai-Cambodia border...”

[Thai junta lifts curfew throughout country](#)

Author/Source: Korea Herald

“Thailand's military government announced that it has fully lifted a nationwide curfew it imposed after seizing power last month, saying there is no threat of violence and that tourism needs to be revived...”

[Four hurt in knife attack in restive western China](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“Knife-wielding attackers in western China injured four people in a crowded chess hall, state television reported on Monday, as the country grapples with a wave of unrest in the region. The attack is the latest in a string of incidents in restive Xinjiang, the traditional home of ethnic Uighurs...”



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Africa

[Egyptian security forces seize Brotherhood leaders' assets](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“Egyptian security forces have seized supermarket chains owned by two leading figures of the Muslim Brotherhood as part of the government's crackdown against the banned organization, judicial and security sources told Reuters on Sunday...”

[Sudan frees jailed opposition leader Al-Mahdi](#)

Author/Source: Khaled Abdel Aziz, Reuters

“Sudanese authorities released opposition leader Sadiq al-Mahdi on Sunday, in a signal of the government's intent to ease political tensions ahead of elections next year...”

[Thousands join opposition protest in Niger capital](#)

Author/Source: Abdoulaye Massalaki, Reuters

“Thousands of opposition supporters took to the streets on Sunday in Niger's capital Niamey to demand that authorities respect civil liberties, following the arrest of several of their number last month...”

[Nigerian police hunt for Briton believed to have been abducted](#)

Author/Source: Shuabu Mohammed and Isaac Abrak, Reuters

“Nigerian security forces said on Sunday they were searching for a British construction worker they believe was kidnapped in the central Plateau state...”

[Deadly bombing hits Zanzibar](#)

Author/Source: Al Jazeera

“One person has been killed and several others injured in a bombing on Tanzania's Indian Ocean island of Zanzibar, police has said. Police said the bomb went off in the Daranjani business district of Stone Town, the UNESCO-listed historical centre of the capital of the semi-autonomous Tanzanian archipelago, on Friday...”

[Libya crisis: More deadly clashes in Benghazi](#)

Author/Source: BBC News

“Fresh clashes broke out in Benghazi on Sunday after a rogue general launched a fresh assault on Islamist militants. Tanks were seen on the streets and explosions could be heard throughout the day in Libya's second-biggest city...”

[Unidentified gunmen hit hotels, petrol, police station at Kenya's coast: police](#)

Author/Source: Joseph Akwiri, Reuters

“Unidentified gunmen attacked a coastal town in Kenya's Lamu county and set fire to at least three hotels and a petrol station on Sunday evening, police and the Kenya Red Cross said. Police said the attackers arrived at Mpeketoni on mainland Lamu in a van and then also attacked a police station...”

Europe

[NATO says not to blame for planes vanishing from radar](#)



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Author/Source: Adrian Croft, Reuters

“NATO said on Sunday it was not to blame for recent incidents in which dozens of aircraft briefly vanished from air traffic control radar screens in Austria, Germany, the Czech Republic and Slovakia...”

[Ukraine crisis: 49 killed as army plane shot down amid new Russia row](#)

Author/Source: The Telegraph

“Ukraine on Sunday mourned 49 killed when pro-Kremlin rebels shot down their army plane, as Kiev prepared to host last-gasp talks with Moscow to avert a Russian gas cut that would also hit Europe...”

[Kosovo Parliamentary Candidate Elvis Pista Shot Dead](#)

Author/Source: Wall Street Journal

“Kosovan police said a parliamentary candidate from Prime Minister Hashim Thaci's ruling party was shot dead in an apparent assassination as he walked out of a restaurant...”

[Ukraine, Russia hold last-ditch gas talks before deadline](#)

Author/Source: Natalia Zinets, Reuters

“Ukraine and Russia made a last-ditch attempt to reach a deal in a gas pricing dispute on Sunday, hours before a deadline for Kiev to pay a \$1.95 billion debt or have its gas supplies cut off...”

US & Canada

[U.S. preparing for dialogue with Iran on Iraq security -official](#)

Author/Source: Lesley Wroughton, Reuters

“The Obama administration is mulling possible discussions with Iran over the mounting security crisis in Iraq, a senior official said on Sunday, in what would mark a major step in U.S. engagement with its longtime adversary...”

[U.S. starts removing embassy staff from Baghdad as ISIS grabs Iraqi town of Tal Afar](#)

Author/Source: Washington Post

“Al-Qaeda renegades captured another major town in northern Iraq on Sunday, forcing hundreds of families to flee into the surrounding desert as their country descended into a new round of bloodletting...”

South and Central America and the Caribbean

[Rio police stop protesters from reaching World Cup arena](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“Police blocked a small group of anti-World Cup protesters who were trying to reach the Maracana stadium in Rio de Janeiro on Sunday, before Argentina played Bosnia in the city's first game of the tournament...”

[Colombia's Santos wins re-election, to continue peace talks](#)

Author/Source: Peter Murphy and Helen Murphy, Reuters

“Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos won a second term on Sunday with an election



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victory that allows him to continue peace talks with Marxist guerrillas to end a half-century war...”

Rio Officer Shoots Live Round During Cup Protest

Author/Source: The Associated Press, New York Times

“A police officer sitting on a motorcycle can be seen on an Associated Press video firing what appeared to be a live pistol round at anti-World Cup protesters Sunday near Rio de Janeiro's Maracana soccer stadium...”

Mexican Rights Body Investigating Attacks on Reporters During March

Author/Source: Latin American Herald Tribune

“The attacks on five journalists by unidentified individuals during a march marking a massacre anniversary in Mexico City are under investigation, the National Human Rights Commission (CNDH) said...”

FARC Guerrilla Commander Dies in Fighting in Colombia

Author/Source: Latin American Herald Tribune

“The commander of the 18th Front and the Northwestern Bloc of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) was killed in fighting in a rural area outside Ituango, a city in the northwestern region of Antioquia, the army said...”