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Middle East

[Iran may return to former nuclear policies if talks fail: FM](#)

Author/Source: Xinhuanet

“Iran may return to its nuclear policies before the interim deal last November if nuclear talks between Iran and the world powers fail to end in “proper results,” Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad-Javad Zarif said here on Sunday...”

[Ministry: Al-Qaeda kills Yemeni army officer](#)

Author/Source: Al Jazeera

“Suspected al-Qaeda fighters have killed a senior Yemen army officer in front of his home in Sanaa, the defence ministry said...”

[Netanyahu to U.S.: Avoid Working with Iran in Iraq](#)

Author/Source: Elisha Fieldstadt, NBC News

“Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu strongly discourages the U.S. from working with Iran to mitigate the spreading turmoil in Iraq.” “When your enemies are fighting one another, don't strengthen either one of them,” Netanyahu said Sunday on NBC's Meet the Press...”

[Assault on Anbar: Fourth Town in Iraqi Province Falls to ISIS Militants](#)

Author/Source: The Associated Press, NBC News

“Sunni militants have seized another town in Iraq's western Anbar province, the fourth to fall in two days, officials said Sunday, in what is shaping up to be a major offensive in one of Iraq's most restive regions...”

[NGO: Syria jihadists now using Humvees seized in Iraq](#)

Author/Source: Al Arabiya

“Jihadists fighting in Syria's war put to use for the first time on Sunday American-made Humvees that they seized during a lightning offensive in Iraq this month, a monitor said...”

[Israel Strikes Syria After Youth Is Killed](#)

Author/Source: Jodi Rudoren

“The Israeli military said Monday that it had struck Syrian Army targets in response to an attack in the Golan Heights the day before that killed an Arab-Israeli teenager and wounded two others...”

[Israel arrests ten more Palestinians in search for three teenagers](#)

Author/Source: Voice of Russia

“Israeli security forces have arrested 10 more Palestinians in the West Bank as they press their search for three teenagers believed to have been kidnapped, the army said on Saturday...”



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[ISIS Militants Seize Iraqi Border Crossings With Jordan and Syria](#)

Author/Source: Ghazi Balkiz, NBC News

“Iraqi military officials said Sunday that two border crossings — one with Syria and one with Jordan — had been seized by Sunni militants, in addition to the four nearby towns captured by insurgent forces since Friday...”

[Syrian jets bomb eastern rebel towns near Iraq, at least 16 dead](#)

Author/Source: Suleiman Al-Khalidi, Reuters

“Syrian jets bombed on Saturday rebel-held eastern areas close to the border with Iraq under the control of the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant, killing and injuring dozens in stepped up raids against the militant group since its Iraqi offshoot made stunning gains in northern Iraq...”

[Yemen seals truce with Shi'ite rebels after clashes in capital](#)

Author/Source: Noah Browning and Mohammed Ghobari, Reuters

“Yemen's defense ministry and Shi'ite rebels agreed a ceasefire on Sunday after clashes which have shaken the capital Sanaa and its outskirts, the country's official 26 September newspaper said...”

[Iran rejects U.S. action in Iraq, ISIL tightens Syria border grip](#)

Author/Source: Kamal Namaa

“Iran's supreme leader accused the United States on Sunday of trying to retake control of Iraq by exploiting sectarian rivalries, as Sunni insurgents drove towards Baghdad from new strongholds along the Syrian border...”

Central Asia

South Asia

[Three US troops killed in Afghanistan bomb blast](#)

Author/Source: The Guardian

“Three US troops and a working dog were killed by a bomb blast on Friday in southern Afghanistan, a US official said, speaking on condition of anonymity....”

[Militants attack airport in eastern Afghanistan](#)

Author/Source: Xinhuanet

“Casualties were feared Saturday night as militants attacked an airport in Jalalabad city, the provincial capital of eastern Afghan province of Nangarhar, sources said...”

[Prominent Pakistan cleric threatens to lead 'revolution'](#)

Author/Source: Maria Golovnina, Reuters

“A prominent Pakistani cleric, who is due to return to his homeland on Monday, has threatened to lead mass protests against the government as part of his plan to stage a peaceful "revolution" to oust Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif...”



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Sri Lankan president orders crackdown on extremists

Author/Source: Xinhuanet

“Sri Lankan President Mahinda Rajapaksa said on Saturday that he has instructed the police to take action against any individual or organization attempting to spread hatred among religions or races...”

East Asia

Political Upstarts Work to Propel Change in an Indonesia Tired of Corruption

Author/Source: Joe Cochrane, The New York Times

“Even as a young man, Bima Arya Sugiarto seemed a sure bet to gain membership into the exclusive club of Indonesia’s political elite...”

Philippine forces directed to neutralize Abu Sayyaf

Author/Source: Xinhuanet

“Philippine securities forces were ordered to neutralize the terrorist Abu Sayyaf members responsible for the death of seven soldiers, including a military officer, a senior government official said Sunday...”

Two people killed as gov’t troops, leftist rebels clash in S. Philippines

Author/Source: Xinhuanet

“Government troops clashed anew with leftist rebels in southern Philippines early on Sunday, leaving two people dead, police said...”

China arrests 380 suspects in first month of anti-terror crackdown

Author/Source: BBC News

“Demonstrators in Kosovo have clashed with police at a bridge between the local Albanian and Serb communities in the northern city of Mitrovica. Police used tear gas against hundreds of ethnic Albanian protesters, who threw rocks and set police cars alight. Some officers and civilians were hurt...”

South Korean military exchanges gunfire with soldier suspected of killing 5

Author/Source: K.J. Kwon, CNN

“The South Korean military exchanged gunfire with a soldier suspected of killing five of his comrades, a defense ministry official said Sunday...”

Africa

Suicide blast kills three in northeast Nigeria

Author/Source: Yahoo News

“A suicide bomber on Sunday rammed his car into a military checkpoint in northeast Nigeria’s Borno state near the border with Cameroon killing three soldiers in an attack blamed on Boko Haram Islamists, residents said...”

Sierra Leone defends its record on Ebola outbreak

Author/Source: Associated Press, Washington Post

“Sierra Leone on Saturday defended its response to the Ebola outbreak ravaging West Africa,



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saying it was dismayed by allegations that affected governments are not doing enough...”

Liberian legislators open graft probe into leader

Author/Source: Associated Press

“Liberia’s House of Representatives is investigating corruption allegations levelled against the president, her son and their allies by her former energy adviser...”

Mauritanian President Abdel Aziz easily re-elected in boycotted vote

Author/Source: Kissima Diagana, Reuters

“Mauritanian President Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz has won another five-year term with 82 percent of the vote, officials said on Sunday, after an election boycotted by most of the opposition...”

Boko Haram crisis: Dozens killed in villages near Chibok

Author/Source: BBC News

“Dozens of villagers are feared dead after attacks by suspected Boko Haram Islamist militants in Nigeria’s northeastern Borno state. The raids on Saturday morning were close to Chibok, from where more than 200 schoolgirls were abducted in April...”

Europe

Clashes in Kosovo’s Mitrovica over bridge blockade

Author/Source: BBC News

“Demonstrators in Kosovo have clashed with police at a bridge between the local Albanian and Serb communities in the northern city of Mitrovica. Police used tear gas against hundreds of ethnic Albanian protesters, who threw rocks and set police cars alight. Some officers and civilians were hurt...”

Pope Francis excommunicates Italian Mafia members

Author/Source: Danielle Haynes, UPI

“Pope Francis on Saturday excommunicated members of the Italian Mafia from the Catholic Church for their ‘evil ways.’ Speaking in Calabria, a region in southern Italy known to be a Mafia stronghold, Francis said organized crime group ‘Ndrangheta was an example of ‘the adoration of evil and contempt for the common good...’”

Ukraine’s president outlines peace plan as Vladimir Putin offers support

Author/Source: Roland Oliphant, The Telegraph

“Separatist rebels in eastern Ukraine could be granted safe passage to Russia under a peace plan outlined by the country’s president. In an address to the nation late on Saturday night, Petro Poroshenko outlined a 15-step peace plan aimed at bringing an end to more than two months of violence in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions...”

Iraq conflict taking major toll on Turkish exports

Author/Source: Today’s Zaman

“The recent turmoil in Iraq has dealt a major blow to Turkish food exporters with as many as 550 Turkish companies having ceased exporting to the country, Foreign Economic Relations Board (DEİK) Turkey-Iraq Council President Şerif Ercüment Aksoy said in a written



statement on Sunday...”

[Thousands of Portuguese protest against government's austerity measures](#)

Author/Source: Xinhuanet

“Thousands of Portuguese took to the streets in the national capital of Lisbon Saturday to protest against government's austerity measures while calling for the government to step down...”

US & Canada

[Escapees in Canadian helicopter jailbreak captured](#)

Author/Source: Michael Pearson, CNN

“Remember those three Canadian prisoners who flew to freedom a few weeks ago after a daring helicopter escape? Well, they apparently didn't fly far enough. Quebec police arrested the trio early Sunday, and they're right back where they started, at the Orsainville Detention Centre in Quebec City...”

[Nation State-Sponsored Attackers Hacked Two Airports, Report Says](#)

Author/Source: Nextgen

“A prolonged operation to spy on aviation systems at 75 U.S. airports was caught by the cooperation of the federal government, a state information-sharing organization and industry, but not before claiming at least two victims, according to a new report...”

South and Central America and the Caribbean

[Cartel leader's son arrested in western Mexico](#)

Author/Source: Fox News Latino

“One of the sons of Caballeros Templarios drug cartel boss Servando Gomez Martinez was arrested in the western Mexican state of Michoacan, officials said...”

[Brazil's Dilma Rousseff endorsed to run for re-election](#)

Author/Source: BBC News

“Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff has been officially endorsed by the governing Workers Party to run for re-election in October. Speaking to party delegates in Brasilia, Ms Rousseff promised to boost social policies that have lifted millions of people out of poverty...”

[Bomb suspected in blast in Colombian capital](#)

Author/Source: Fox News Latino

“At least two people were injured Friday when a powerful explosion rocked a police station in the Colombian capital. The blast, apparently caused by a bomb, occurred around 4:40 p.m. at the rear of the police post in Lourdes Park, located in Bogota's central Chapinero neighborhood...”

[Huge sinkhole near World Cup stadium](#)

Author/Source: BBC News

“Residents have been evacuated from a favela near one of Brazil's World Cup stadiums, after a huge sinkhole opened up.”



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Cuba rejects U.S. accusation over human trafficking

Author/Source: Lu Hui, Xinhuanet

“Cuba on Saturday dismissed a U.S. report which put the island nation on a black list of ‘human trafficking countries.’ ‘The Cuban government rejects categorically as unfounded this unilateral move offending our people,’ Josefina Vidal, director-general of the U.S. Department at the Cuban Foreign Ministry, said in a statement...”