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Middle East

Thousands of Israelis Rally for Abducted Youths

Author/Source: Oded Balilty/ Chron

“Tens of thousands of Israelis gathered in a central Tel Aviv square on Sunday night to draw attention to the plight of three Israeli teenagers who were abducted in the West Bank earlier this month...”

6 Slain in Al-Qaeda Attack on Yemen Army

Author/Source: Arab News

“Al-Qaeda gunmen opened fire on an army position in Yemen’s southeast Saturday, sparking a clash that killed two soldiers and four attackers, a military official told AFP...”

Petrol Crisis Bites in Iraq’s Kurdish Region

Author/Source: Sarah Hussein/Business Recorder

“The shutdown of Iraq's biggest refinery, roads blocked by fighting, and skyrocketing demand have created the worst oil crisis in years in the country's autonomous Kurdish region...”

Once a Militant Stronghold in Iraq, Now a Battleground Again

Author/Source: CJ Chivers/ NY Times

“At one house, Iraq’s national flag fluttered atop a building that Iraqi soldiers had captured from militants two days before...”

Strife in Iraq, Nigeria and Ukraine Drives Venezuela Oil Prices Higher

Author/Source: Latin American Herald Tribune

“Venezuela's weekly oil basket rose this week, driven by higher oil prices worldwide as strife in Iraq, Nigeria and the Ukraine continued to cause fear on world oil markets...”

Heavy Fighting Reported as Iraq Army Pushes Back Against Insurgents

Author/Source: Chicago Tribune

“Iraqi troops and Shiite Muslim militias, backed by army attack helicopters, mounted a major push Saturday to retake the strategic city of Tikrit in a sign that the beleaguered army was fighting back after ceding much of the country to Sunni Muslim militants...”

Iraq Army ‘Routs ISIS Rebels’ in Offensive on Tikrit

Author/Source: BBC News

“Iraq's army has routed Sunni militants in a major offensive on the northern city of Tikrit, state media say...”

Gaza Rocket Ignites Sderot Plastics Factory

Author/Source: Ben Hartman & Yaakov Lappin/ The Jerusalem Post



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plastics factory to catch fire...”

[Lieberman: Israel Should Consider Reoccupying Gaza in Response to Rocket Fire](#)

Author/Source: Herb Keiron/ The Jerusalem Post

“Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said Sunday Israel was “prepared to expand” the IDF’s operations in Gaza if need be, even as Foreign Minister Avigdor Liberman said only a fullscale reoccupation of the region would end the rocket fire...”

[Dozens of Casualties in Syria Car Bombing—Activists](#)

Author/Source: Zawya

“Dozens of people were wounded when a car bomb exploded in the Syrian town of Douma, northeast of the capital Damascus, on Saturday, local activists and a monitoring group said...”

[Syria Fighters Hail Declaration of Islamic ‘Caliphate’](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“Militant Islamist fighters held a parade in Syria's northern Raqqa province to celebrate their declaration of an Islamic "caliphate" after the group-captured territory in neighboring Iraq, a monitoring service said...”

[Explosion at Small Cairo Telephone Exchange Kills Two](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“Two bombs exploded at a small telephone exchange on Cairo's outskirts on Saturday, killing an 18-year-old woman and her mother, security sources said, days after a string of small bomb explosions hit the Egyptian capital's metro network...”

Central Asia

[Vietnam Calls for Uzbekistani Support for East Sea Issue](#)

Author/Source: Vietnam Net Bridge

“Vietnam calls for Uzbekistani support for the East Sea issue and thanks the country for its support and assistance given to the Vietnamese people during the past struggle for national liberation and unification...”

South Asia

[Taliban Mount Major Assault in Afghanistan](#)

Author/Source: Azam Ahmed & Taimoor Shah/ Times of India

“In one of the most significant coordinated assaults on the government in years, the Taliban have attacked police outposts and government facilities across several districts in northern Helmand Province, sending police and military officials scrambling to shore up defenses and heralding a troubling new chapter as coalition forces prepare to depart...”

[Taliban Violence in Afghanistan US Troops Deployed](#)

Author/Source: Angelina Bouc/ Viral Global News

“In a move expected to receive backlash, the Obama administration issued a deployment command of more than 100 Maryland-based troops to head into Afghanistan for one year...”

East Asia



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Author/Source: Luke Hunt/ The Diplomat

“It passed with barely a word. A two-day meet in Bali this week was supposed to improve relations between China and the 10 members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)...”

China Denies Softening Japan Policies

Author/Source: Bai Yang/CCTV News

“China on Friday denied softening its stance on Japan despite receiving visits from several Japanese groups...”

Japan Protests to North Korea Over Missile Launch

Author/Source: Takashi Nakamich/ The Wall Street Journal

“Japan has protested to North Korea about the launch of short-range missiles into the Sea of Japan early Sunday, Pyongyang's second firing of projectiles in a matter of days...”

Official: North Korea Launches 2 Projectiles Into Sea

Author/Source: KJ Kwon/ CNN

“North Korea fired two projectiles Sunday that "appear to be short-range missiles" into the sea off the eastern coast of the Korean Peninsula, a South Korean Defense Ministry official told CNN...”

Africa

Nigeria: Bombing in Northeastern Nigeria Leaves 10 Dead

Author/Source: All Africa

“Police in the northern Nigerian city of Bauchi say they are searching for the reason for a deadly blast overnight...”

Kenya: UN Boss Pledges to Support Kenya in Terror War

Author/Source: Joseph Muraya/ All Africa

“UN Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon on Saturday pledged support to the Kenyan government in the fight against terrorism following increased threats posed by Al Shabaab...”

Ebola Outbreak Now Most Deadly Ever in West Africa

Author/Source: Jennifer Lazuta/ USA Today

“West Africa's first-ever Ebola outbreak in humans is now the most deadly and geographically widespread outbreak on record and is threatening to spread, health officials say...”

Europe

European Commission Steps in to Help Bulgarian Banks

Author/Source: BBC

“The European Commission has approved a request from Bulgaria to provide funding for some of the country's biggest banks...”

Ukraine Crisis: New Clashes Test Ceasefire in East

Author/Source: BBC News

“A ceasefire in eastern Ukraine is coming under increasing strain amid fresh clashes between



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[UK Urged to Tell All on US Rendition Flights](#)

Author/Source: Jamie Doward/ The Guardian

“Human rights groups seeking to confirm the use of a British overseas territory as a US secret prison have uncovered evidence previously undisclosed to the government confirming that more planes were involved in the extraordinary rendition of terrorist suspects around the world than had been admitted...”

US & Canada

[US Scientists Unable to Replicate Radiation Leak at New Mexico Nuclear Waste Facility](#)

Author/Source: Laura Zuckerman/ Reuters

“Government scientists have not been able to replicate a chemical reaction suspected of causing a radiation leak at a U.S. nuclear waste dump in New Mexico, complicating efforts to understand what went wrong, a U.S. Energy Department official said Friday...”

[Benghazi Killings Suspect That Was Aboard Mayport’s USS New York is Now in the US](#)

Author/Source: The Florida Times Union

“Ahmed Abu Khatallah, accused by the U.S. as being the ringleader in the attack on the American mission in Benghazi, Libya, in 2012, has been brought to federal court in Washington, D.C., the U.S. attorney's office said Saturday...”

[Benghazi Suspect Arrives in DC Court](#)

Author/Source: Sam Frizell/ TIME

“The man accused of leading an attack on an American mission in Benghazi, Libya in 2012 arrived at a federal court in Washington D.C Saturday...”

[US NSA Continues Telephone Metadata Spying](#)

Author/Source: Latin American Herald Tribune

“The Department of Justice and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) released the following statement Friday: “On March 28, 2014, the Director of National Intelligence declassified and disclosed publically that the U.S. government had filed an application with the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC) seeking renewal of the authority to collect telephony metadata in bulk, and that, on March 28, 2014, the FISC renewed that authority...”

[Oklahoma Has 12th US Bank Failure of 2014](#)

Author/Source: Latin American Herald Tribune

“The Freedom State Bank, Freedom, Oklahoma, was closed Friday by the Oklahoma State Banking Department, which appointed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as receiver...”

[US to Ask China to Restart Cyber Working Group](#)

Author/Source: Matthew Pennington/ The Modesto Bee

“The United States wants to restart a cybersecurity working group that China shut down after the U.S. indicted five Chinese military officers on charges of hacking into American companies’ computers to steal trade secrets..”



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South and Central America and the Caribbean

[500,000 People Affected by Lack of Water in Brazilian City of Manaus](#)

Author/Source: Latin American Herald Tribune

“Some 500,000 people suffered from a lack of water in the Brazilian city of Manaus, Amazonas state, following the break of a water main, for which the local city hall decreed a state of emergency, officials said...”

[Caribbean Drug Flow Increases Concern US](#)

Author/Source: Jacqueline Charles/ Miami Herald

“For years, Caribbean governments have voiced concerns that U. S. counter-narcotics efforts in Mexico and Central America would force drug traffickers back into their region to push their products on go-fast boats and cargo ships...”