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Middle East

Palestinian Youth Shot to Death as West Bank Seethes

Authors/Source: Ali Sawafta, Allyn Fisher-Ilan/Reuters

“Israeli troops shot dead a Palestinian youth in the West Bank, a Palestinian medic said, as confrontations went into a third day after the death of a prisoner held by Israel provoked street clashes and rocket fire...”

Israeli ‘Escalation’ Endangers U.S. Peace Efforts: Abbas

Source: Agence France Presse

“The Israeli army’s killing of two Palestinian youths in West Bank clashes jeopardises US efforts to rekindle peace talks, Palestinian president Mahmud Abbas said Thursday...”

Reelected Hamas Chief Says Will Work for Unity

Source: The Daily Star

“The newly reelected chief of the Palestinian Islamist movement Hamas, Khaled Meshaal, pledged on Thursday to work to end a rift with his West Bank rival, Palestinian Authority president Mahmoud Abbas...”

Syrian Regime Troops Appeal for Immediate Aid in Al-Raqqqa

Source: Al Arabiya

“A medical regime battalion in Al-Raqqah, in Syria’s north, appealed for aid claiming 80 members of armored Division 17 had been killed and another 250 injured...”

Syrian Jets ‘Attack’ Lebanese Town

Source: Al Jazeera

“A Syrian helicopter has flown 20km into Lebanon and fired on an area on the outskirts of a Lebanese town, officials and residents say...”

Egypt Expects IMF Loan Agreement in Two Weeks

Source: Reuters

“Egypt’s planning minister said on Thursday the government expects to reach a final agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on a \$4.8 billion loan within two weeks, the state news agency MENA reported...”

Power Struggle Gripping Iran Ahead of June Election

Author/Source: Thomas Erdbrink/The New York Times

“President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is not going quietly. With only three months to go in his second and last presidential term, he has raised a series of controversies intended, experts say, to reshape his public image and secure the support of dissatisfied urban Iranians...”



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[No Agreement on Syria Access for U.N. Chemical Arms Inspectors](#)

Author/Source: Louis Charbonneau/Reuters

“The United Nations and Syria have not yet agreed on how much access a team of chemical weapons inspectors will have to investigate allegations that such arms were used recently in the Syrian conflict, according to a letter to Syria's U.N. envoy...”

[Lebanon's Salem Emerges as Likely New Premiers](#)

Author/Source: Dominic Evans/Reuters

“Lebanese politician Tammam Salam, a former minister from a prominent Sunni Muslim political dynasty, emerged as a potential new prime minister on Thursday when he was endorsed by the country's pro-Western March 14 coalition...”

[Syrian Govt Guerrilla Fighters being Sent to Iran for Training](#)

Source: The Daily Star

“The Syrian government is sending members of its irregular militias for guerrilla combat training at a secret base in Iran, in a move to bolster its armed forces drained by two years of fighting and defections, fighters and activists said...”

South Asia

[NATO Air Strike in Ghazni 'Kills Afghanistan Police'](#)

Source: BBC

“A Nato air strike in Afghanistan has killed four policemen and a civilian, officials say. The air strike took place in the eastern Ghazni province, where Nato planes had been called in for support...”

[53 Killed in Taliban Bid to Free Prisoners](#)

Source: The Hindu

“Suicide bombers, disguised as soldiers, attacked a government compound on Wednesday in a bid to free more than a dozen Taliban prisoners, being transferred to court proceedings in western Afghanistan, officials said...”

[SFI Leader Death: Strike in Kolkata](#)

Source: India Blooms

“The Left parties held demonstrations across West Bengal, including Kolkata, on Thursday to protest against 22-year-old Students' Federation of India (SFI) leader Sudipto Gupta's death. The SFI is the student wing of the state's opposition Communist Party of India-Marxist (CPI-M)...”

[Army Welcomes 'All Inclusive' Elections in Balochistan: Kayani](#)

Source: Dawn

“Army Chief Gen Ashfaq Pervez Kayani, during his visit to Quetta on Thursday, emphasised the need for participation of all political parties in the upcoming elections in a meeting held with the provincial leadership of Balochistan...”



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Pakistan Expels Frenchmen over Militant Links

Source: Agence France Presse

“Pakistan has deported three Frenchmen who have been held in secret since they entered the country illegally 10 months ago to fight Nato troops in neighbouring Afghanistan, officials said Thursday...”

Southeast Asia

Thailand Tops FBI Asian Terror Target List

Source: Bangkok Post

“Thailand's likelihood of being hit by a terrorist attack is first in Asia and fifth in the world, the US Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has warned...”

Indonesian Army Admits Kopassus Members Gunned down Sleman Jail Detainees

Source: Jakarta Post

“The Indonesian Army on Thursday confirmed the rumors that Army Special Forces (Kopassus) officers lead the killing of four detainees in a jail in Yogyakarta's Sleman district in March...”

Myanmar Communal Unrest Threatens Reforms

Source: ABC OTUS News

“Few imagined Myanmar would embrace democracy when the U.S. began its historic engagement with the military regime. The country's rapid changes were lauded by visiting Western leaders, and the nation's president was hailed as a hero...”

East Asia

North Korea Moves Missile to East as Nuclear Crisis Escalates

Authors/Source: Robert Windrem, Jim Miklaszewski, Courtney Kube/NBC

“North Korea is moving a medium-range missile to a site in the east of the country, a U.S. intelligence official said Thursday as tensions with the nuclear-armed state continued to escalate...”

U.S. Sends Warplanes to Philippine Military Drills

Author/Source: Manuel Mogato/Reuters

“Washington is this week deploying a dozen F/A-18 fighters to the Philippines, the first time it has sent so many of the aircraft there, to take part in annual military drills with a close security ally amid rising tension in the Asia-Pacific region...”

Africa

Ivory Coast Begins Exhuming Mass Graves

Source: Al Jazeera

“Ivorian authorities have begun exhuming dozens of mass graves dating back to the country's 2011 post-election violence...”



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[CAR Strongman ‘Accepts ECCAS Decisions’](#)

Source: News24

“The Central African Republic's rebel strongman Michel Djotodia has accepted the outcome of a regional summit on the country's crisis, which called for the election of a new interim president following last month's coup, the prime minister said on Thursday...”

[U.S. Offers \\$5 Million Reward for African War Crimes Suspects](#)

Source: Voice of America

“The United States is offering up to \$5 million for information leading to the arrest of Ugandan rebel leader Joseph Kony and three other African war crimes suspects...”

[Morsi Due in Khartoum for ‘Historic’ Visit](#)

Source: News24

“Egyptian President Mohammed Morsi arrives in neighbouring Sudan on Thursday for a visit which Khartoum termed historic but an analyst said should have come sooner...”

[Zimbabwe Poll Intimidation Growing](#)

Source: News24

“Elections in Zimbabwe are still months away, but already President Robert Mugabe's party is intimidating its opponents and threatening violence, human rights and pro-democracy groups say...”

[Gunmen Attack Tripoli Police Station, Release Detainees](#)

Source: Reuters

“Masked gunmen attacked a police station in the Libyan capital on Thursday, tying the hands of four officers on duty and releasing three detainees, security sources said...”

Europe

[Stop Extra Aid to Pakistan Unless Tax Reform: Britain](#)

Source: Dawn

“Britain should not increase aid to Pakistan unless Islamabad tries to make its wealthy elite pay more taxes, British lawmakers recommended Thursday...”

[N. Korea Actions Complicate Nuclear Talk Prospects – Russia](#)

Source: RIA Novosti

“North Korea’s recent decision to reinforce its current nuclear weapons capability complicates the prospects of six-party talks on nuclear settlement in the region, the Russian Foreign Ministry said Thursday...”

[Putin, Obama to Meet in June – Kremlin](#)

Source: RIA Novosti

“Russian President Vladimir Putin and his US counterpart Barack Obama will hold full-fledged talks on the sidelines of the G8 Summit in Northern Ireland in June, a Putin aide said on Thursday...”



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Öcalan Calls for 'Bloodless' Settlement in Birthday Message

Source: Today's Zaman

"The imprisoned leader of the terrorist Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK), Abdullah Öcalan, has issued a message for his 64th birthday in which he said the settlement of the Kurdish and terrorism problems should be "bloodless..."

Greek Anarchists Jailed over Bombing Campaign

Source: Reuters

"Three self-proclaimed Greek anarchists were sentenced to jail on Wednesday for involvement in a seven-year campaign of attacks and attempted murders, including a rocket propelled grenade assault on the U.S. embassy in Athens..."

Latin America and the Caribbean

Medellin's Security Intervention a Success: Santos

Author/Source: Benjy Hansen-Bundy/Colombia Reports

"Speaking in one of Medellin's most troubled barrios, Colombia's president on Tuesday commends the reduction of violent crime as a result of the police intervention in the city..."

Peña Nieto Reveals 2014 Security Budget

Author/Source: Claire O'Neill McCleskey/Insight Crime

"Peña Nieto's proposed \$4.4 billion security spending plan for 2014 allots over a third of its budget to crime prevention..."

US Official Warns Drug Traffickers Will Expand in Caribbean

Source: Washington Post

"A top U.S. State Department official says the Caribbean will likely see a surge in drug trafficking activity by 2015 as operations shift to the tropics due to a crackdown in much of Latin America..."

Venezuela Opposition Complains about Military

Source: The Washington Post

"Venezuela's presidential campaign on Wednesday veered between warnings of military meddling in the April 14 vote and opposition mirth at the acting president's suggestion that the spirit of Hugo Chavez visited him as "a little bird" while he prayed..."

FARC Rebels Have Surface-to-Air Missiles: US

Source: Colombia Reports

"The Southern Command of the United States' armed forces allegedly said Colombia's largest rebel group, FARC, has surface-to-air missiles with the capacity of downing military aircraft..."