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Middle East

[Aircraft crashes at base in Afghanistan](#)

Author/ Source: Miami Herald

“The U.S.-led military coalition in Afghanistan says a civilian cargo aircraft has crashed at Bagram Air Field, north of Kabul. It is not immediately known if there were casualties. Capt. Luca Carniel, a spokesman for the coalition, told The Associated Press that the aircraft crashed from a low altitude...”

[Deadly bombings strike across Iraq](#)

Author/ Source: Al Jazeera

“Five car bombs have exploded in public areas in predominantly Shia cities and districts in central and southern Iraq, killing 25 civilians and wounding 97, officials said. Police said two bombs exploded in the town of Amara in Missan province, killing 15 people and wounding another 45. One of the bombs...”

[Family visits Indian spy in Pakistan prison](#)

Author/ Source: Al Jazeera

“Members of the family of an Indian citizen on death row in Pakistan have visited him in hospital after he was attacked in jail. Sarabjit Singh's wife, two daughters and sister visited him at Lahore's Jinnah hospital on Sunday, a Pakistani government statement and a senior doctor at the hospital said. "He...”

[Iraq revokes Licenses of Al Jazeera and 9 Other TV Channels](#)

Author/ Source: NY Times, By Time Arango

“Iraq’s government on Sunday revoked the operating licenses of Al Jazeera and nine other television channels, saying that they were inciting sectarian conflict. All but one of the channels are aligned with Sunni...”

[Israel air raids strike Gaza](#)

Author/ Source: Al Jazeera

“Israel's air force has carried out three strikes in the Gaza Strip, witnesses have said. Two airstrikes hit the southern town of Khan Yunis, early on Sunday. The third was near the southern town of Rafah, near the Egyptian border, Palestinian witnesses said. There were conflicting reports concerning...”

[Sara Akrami & Saeed Ghasseminejad: The Ayatollah’s billions](#)

Author/ Source: National Post

“Iran’s continuing progress toward a nuclear bomb should have made it clear to the West that the current sanctions regime simply isn’t going to cut it. When it comes to the nuclear program there are two important decision makers: the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and Ayatollah Ali Khamenei...”



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Suicide Bomber Kills 9 in Pakistan

Author/ Source: NY Times, By Ismail Khan and Declan Walsh

“A suicide bomber killed 9 people and wounded 29 on a busy road here early on Monday, officials said, in the latest episode of violence as Pakistan moves nervously toward elections scheduled for May 11. An...”

Syria says PM escapes car bomb attack

Author/ Source: Al Jazeera

“Syrian Prime Minister Wael al-Halqi has survived a bomb attack that targeted his convoy in central Damascus, Syrian state media report. “The terrorist explosion in al-Mazzeah was an attempt to target the convoy of the prime minister. Doctor Wael al-Halqi is well and not hurt at all,” state television said on...”

With Bags of Cash, C.I.A. Seeks Influence in Afghanistan

Author/ Source: NY Times, By Matthew Rosenberg

“For more than a decade, wads of American dollars packed into suitcases, backpacks and, on occasion, plastic shopping bags have been dropped off every month or so at the offices of Afghanistan’s president — courtesy of the Central Intelligence Agency. All told, tens of millions of dollars have flowed...”

Yemen military intelligence official assassinated

Author/ Source: Reuters

“Two suspected Islamist militants shot dead a provincial military intelligence chief in Yemen on Saturday, a security official said, the latest in a series of assassinations in the impoverished state's lawless south and east. The gunmen opened fire from a motorbike, killing Colonel Ahmed Abdulrazzaq, intelligence...”

South Asia

Australian Tourist Raped in Bali: Police

Author/ Source: Jakarta Globe

“An Australian tourist was raped on the Indonesian resort island of Bali by a thief who broke into her family’s rented villa, police said Monday. The man attacked the 28-year-old woman, from Perth in Western Australia, after entering the property in the popular tourist area of Kuta around 4:00 a.m. on Saturday. The assailant, believed to be Indonesian, threatened her with a knife and demanded she hand...”

East Asia

Russia and Japan to discuss disputed islands

Author/ Source: Al Jazeera

“Talks between Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and Russian President Vladimir Putin are under way in Moscow to find a solution to a territorial dispute between the two countries. Abe's trip, which began on Monday, is the first high level visit to Moscow by a Japanese official in a decade, and...”



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S Korean workers to leave joint factory zone

Author/ Source: Al Jazeera

“South Korea has begun to pull out its last remaining workers from a factory zone in North Korea, bringing cross-border cooperation to a complete halt. The withdrawal, planned to begin on Monday, raises the prospect of the permanent closure of the Kaesong complex, the last point of contact between the...”

Africa

Burundi reporter shot by police officer

Author/ Source: News 24

“A journalist in Burundi on Saturday sustained serious gunshot wounds after a police officer he saw extorting money from men carrying fruit to market opened fire on him, witnesses said. Patrick Niyonkuru, a reporter with independent radio station African Public Radio (RPA), surprised the police officer in the...”

CJ Mutunga denies bribery claims during Raila’s petition

Author/ Source: Daily Nation

“Chief Justice Willy Mutunga took to the social media on Monday morning to deny claims that he was bribed during Raila Odinga's presidential petition by against election of President Uhuru Kenyatta Dr Mutunga, in a statement, said he has never been bribed and urged Kenyans to show respect to...”

DRC Rebels Blame Government for Talks ‘Breakdown’

Author/ Source: Voice of America

“The leader of the rebel M23 group says the Democratic Republic of Congo’s (DRC) government is to blame for the breakdown of peace talks being held in neighboring Uganda. The talks followed an agreement by leaders in the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) to help...”

Ex-Madagascar leader to contest polls

Author/ Source: News 24

“Madagascar's former president Didier Ratsiraka will contest national elections in July in a bid to become the Indian Ocean island state's leader for the third time, his supporters said on Saturday. Madagascar has been in crisis since Andry Rajoelina, now president, led an uprising that ousted former...”

French Forces Leaving Malian Town of Timbuktu

Author/ Source: ABC News, By Baba Ahmed

“Dozens of French forces have left the northern Malian town of Timbuktu several months after their military operation largely ousted radical Islamic fighters from the area, a French military official said Sunday. The reallocation of about 100 French soldiers to the northeastern town of Gao will pose a critical test...”

Sudan state declared rebel ‘target’

Author/ Source: News 24

“A Sudanese rebel alliance on Monday declared North Kordofan state a target of its widening anti-government offensive, as parliament met to discuss the attacks. Except for occasional



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rebel forays over the border from the conflict-plagued Darfur region, North Kordofan had been largely free from...”

Europe

Czech building explosion hurts dozens

Author/ Source: Al Jazeera

“A powerful blast in the Czech capital, Prague, has injured dozens of people and possibly trapped many others inside a building damaged by the blast, emergency officials said. Monday's incident, which appeared to have been caused by a natural gas explosion, tore through a building near the...”

Spamhaus hacking suspect ‘had mobile attack van’

Author/ Source: BBC

“A Dutchman accused of mounting one of the biggest attacks on the internet used a "mobile computing office" in the back of a van. The 35-year-old, identified by police as "SK", was arrested last week. He has been blamed for being behind "unprecedentedly serious attacks" on non-profit anti-spam watchdog Spamhaus. Dutch, German, British and US police forces took part in the investigation...”

UK PM concerned over claims of torture in UAE

Author/ Source: Al Jazeera

“Prime Minister David Cameron is concerned about allegations that three Britons charged with drug offences in Dubai have been tortured, his office said, two days before the president of the United Arab Emirates visits Britain. Grant Cameron, Karl Williams and Suneet Jeerh have been held in the UAE since...”

US & Canada

From dorm to prison cell: Bombing suspect Dzhokhar Tsarnaev’s new digs

Author/ Source: CNN, By Julian Cummings, Susan Candiotti and Catherine E. Shoichet

“Less than two weeks after he partied with classmates in a college dorm, Dzhokhar Tsarnaev now lives in drastically different surroundings. The 19-year-old Boston Marathon bombing suspect is locked inside a 10-by-10-foot cell with a steel door, a slot for food and an observation window, a...”

Report: U.S. citizen faces trial in North Korea

Author/ Source: CNN

“North Korea plans to begin a trial against a U.S. citizen detained there last year, state media said Saturday, complicating tense relations between the two nations. Pae Jun Ho entered North Korea as a tourist on November 3, according to the Korean Central News Agency. After his detention, evidence...”

U.S. doubts on Syria lie in how sarin exposure occurred

Author/ Source: LA Times, By Paul Richter, Ken Dilanian and David S. Cloud

“U.S. intelligence agencies unanimously agree that Syrians have been exposed to deadly sarin gas in recent weeks, but they are divided over how certain they can be that the Syrian regime is to blame, U.S. and congressional officials said Friday. As the Obama administration weighs how to respond to the use...”



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South and Central America and the Caribbean

[Honduran police directors resign over force's slow purge](#)

Author/ Source: BBC

“Two Honduran police officials who were in charge of purging the force of corrupt officers have resigned from their posts. Eduardo Villanueva and Mario Chinchilla handed in their resignations after coming under heavy criticism in congress for their lack of progress. Mr Villanueva said there...”

[Ten Killed in Battles Between Armed Groups in Mexico-Reports](#)

Author/ Source: NY Times

“Ten people were reported killed in clashes on Sunday between armed groups in the western Mexican state of Michoacan, which is plagued by battles between rival drug gangs. Skirmishes broke out in two communities near the town of Apatzingan, a drug gang stronghold, according to local media. State officials could not be immediately reached by Reuters and a federal official...”

[2 dead, 11 wounded in alleged FARC attack](#)

Author/ Source: Colombia Reports, By Olle Ohlsen Pettersson

“An attack attributed to Colombia's largest rebel group FARC on Saturday left two civilians dead and some eleven people wounded in the northeastern Arauca department. According to the army, the FARC rebels...”