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Middle East

Reports of Internet slowdowns as anti-Israel hackers prepare Sept. 11 attacks

Author/Source: Gili Cohen and Orr Hischaug, Haaretz

“Hundreds of Israelis who have recently reported slowdowns in their Internet access appear to have been the victims of cyberattacks, Haaretz has learned...”

Syrian Electronic Army Hacks Large Number of FOX Twitter Accounts via HootSuite

Author/Source: Eduard Kovacs, Softpedia

“According to Matthew Keys, the Syrian hackers have hijacked the accounts of FX Australia and FOX TV United Kingdom...”

Two roadside bomb attacks ‘kill 11 Afghan civilians’

Author/Source: BBC

“Seven people died, including three children, after an improvised explosive device (IED) hit a bus passing through the southern province of Ghazni...”

In Shift, Syrian Official Admits Government Has Chemical Arms

Author/Source: Anne Barnard, New York Times

“Nearly buried in the diplomatic din over Syria, the country’s foreign minister acknowledged for the first time on Tuesday that the Syrian government possessed chemical arms, something it had never admitted before, and declared that the country aimed to become a signatory to the international convention banning the weapons...”

Bombings at Shi’ite mosque in Baghdad kill at least 33

Author/Source: Reuters

“A co-ordinated car and suicide bomb attack on a Shi’ite mosque in the Iraqi capital killed at least 33 people on Wednesday evening, police and medical sources said...”

U.S. sees ‘troubling’ Iran nuclear moves, seeks steps by Tehran

Author/Source: Fredrik Dahl, Reuters

“The United States said on Wednesday it saw "troubling developments" in Iran's nuclear program and called on the country's new president to take concrete steps soon to ease concerns about Tehran's aims...”

Syrian rebels, Assad forces continue battle for Maaloula

Author/Source: UPI

“The fight between government forces and Syrian rebels to control an ancient Christian town went on while many villagers fled, the BBC reported...”



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South Asia

[Death toll rises after riots in India's Muzaffarnagar](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“At least 38 people have been killed in clashes which erupted between Hindus and Muslims in the northern Indian state of Uttar Pradesh, police say...”

[Pakistan says it seeks peace talks with Taliban](#)

Author/Source: UPI

“A conference of Pakistan's political parties announced it supports government negotiations with the country's Taliban in an attempt to stop terrorist violence...”

East Asia

[Japan on high alert year after senkaku nationalization](#)

Author/Source: Japan Times

“The Japan Coast Guard was on high alert Wednesday, a year to the day after the government nationalized the Senkaku Islands, placing the uninhabited East China Sea islets at the center of a bitter dispute with China...”

Southeast Asia

[Spears, machetes used in attack on tourists in PNG](#)

Author/Source: Channel News Asia

“A group of Australian and New Zealand trekkers have been savagely attacked and injured by bandits in Papua New Guinea (PNG) with two of their guides hacked to death, officials said on Wednesday...”

[Five police officers slain by gunmen in Pattani](#)

Author/Source: Bangkok Post

“The attack came a day after two soldiers were killed, and two others and a student wounded, by a bomb explosion in the grounds of Kanarasdorn Bumroong 2 School in Yala's Muang district...”

[Thousands flee on 3rd day of Philippine Rebel siege](#)

Author/Source: Channel News Asia

“Thousands of residents fled as fresh fighting broke out on Wednesday between Philippine security forces and Muslim rebels, on the third day of a deadly siege in a key southern city, officials said...”

Africa

[Bomb explodes near foreign ministry in Benghazi](#)

Author/Source: Al Jazeera America

“A powerful blast has caused severe damage to a foreign ministry building in the eastern Libyan city of Benghazi, witnesses said...”

[Deadly suicide blast kills three at army site in Egypt](#)

Author/Source: Al Jazeera America

“At least four soldiers have been killed and 15 others injured in car bomb explosions at an intelligence facility in Rafah in Egypt's Sinai, witnesses told Al Jazeera...”



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[Hamis seeks to lower tension with Egypt](#)

Author/Source: Nidal al-Mughrabi, Reuters

“The Hamas Islamist group ruling Gaza sought to ease tensions with Cairo on Wednesday by ordering Muslim preachers to mute their criticism of the Egyptian government over what some of the clerics have called its war on Islam...”

[Terrorist who was allegedly killed resurfaces in online video](#)

Author/Source: UPI

“Algerian terrorist Moktar Belmoktar is featured in a recently released video, disproving claims that he was killed by African forces in Mali earlier this year...”

Europe

[France: Four Charged With Ties to Syrian Jihadists](#)

Author/Source: Maia de la Baume, The New York Times

“French judges opened a formal investigation on Monday into four men suspected of links to jihadist activities in Syria, the office of the Paris prosecutor announced Tuesday...”

US & Canada

[Obama asks Congress to delay vote on use of force in Syria](#)

Author/Source: Al Jazeera America

“President Barack Obama told Americans Tuesday night that he has asked lawmakers to delay a vote on military strikes against Syria, which Obama has advocated to punish the government of President Bashar al-Assad for its alleged use of chemical weapons...”

South and Central America and the Caribbean

[3 pipeline workers kidnapped on Colombia Venezuela border](#)

Author/Source: Daniel Freeman, Colombia Reports

“Three pipeline workers were kidnapped in Colombia’s eastern department Arauca, which borders Venezuela, local media reported Tuesday...”

[Clashes in Chile on anniversary of 1973 military coup](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“Police said they had arrested dozens of people for erecting barricades and throwing stones and petrol bombs...”