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### **Daily Terrorism Weather Online**

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#### **Middle East**

##### **Bombings and shootings across Iraq kill at least 36 people: police**

*Author/Source: Suadad al-Salhy, Reuters*

“A wave of car bombs and shootings across Iraq killed at least 36 people on Sunday, police sources said...”

##### **Assad government hails ‘victory’ in arms deal, troops attack**

*Author/Source: Oliver Holmes, Reuters*

“Syria's government hailed as a "victory" a Russian-brokered deal that has averted U.S. strikes, while President Barack Obama defended a chemical weapons pact that the rebels fear has bolstered their enemy in the civil war...”

##### **During talks on Syria’s chemical weapons, fighting on the ground escalated**

*Author/Source: Liz Sly, Washington Post*

“As negotiations to avert a U.S. strike against Syria ramped up last week, so, too, did the action on the ground...”

##### **7 Passengers killed in roadside bombing**

*Author/Source: Ramin, Pajhwok Afghan News*

“Seven passengers were killed and 15 others injured as the bus they were travelling in struck a roadside bomb in the Dilaram district of western Nimroz province on Sunday, officials said...”

##### **Syria: nearly half rebel fighters are jihadists or hardline Islamists, says IHS Jane's report**

*Author/Source: Ben Farmer, The Telegraph*

“Opposition forces battling Bashar al-Assad's regime in Syria now number around 100,000 fighters, but after more than two years of fighting they are fragmented into as many as 1,000 bands...”

#### **South Asia**

##### **Roadside bomb kills senior Pakistani general, two others**

*Author/Source: UPI*

“A top Pakistani army general and two other military men died in a roadside bomb explosion in the violence-hit Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, the military said...”

##### **India tests long-range ballistic missile**

*Author/Source: UPI*

“India successfully tested its new nuclear-capable ballistic missile over the Indian Ocean Sunday, defense sources told Press Trust of India...”



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### **Militants torch at least a dozen NATO oil tankers in Hub**

*Author/Source: Dawn.com*

“Arif Ali, a police official told Dawn.com via telephone that around 10 to 15 armed militants fired rockets and hurled hand-held bombs at the Nato tankers, parked outside a roadside hotel near Hub town in Lasbela district...”

### **Southeast Asia**

#### **Nearly 100 Philippine rebels killed or captured**

*Author/Source: Al Jazeera America*

“Nearly 100 guerrillas who’ve held scores of people hostage for a week in a southern Philippine city have been killed or captured in an offensive to retake rebel-held coastal communities, officials said Sunday...”

#### **Protester Killed as Cambodian Political Crisis Escalates**

*Author/Source: VOA News*

“Violence erupted in the Cambodian capital, Phnom Penh, on Sunday, as thousands of opposition activists protested the government's victory in a disputed election...”

### **Africa**

#### **Archbishop Ignatius Kattey freed by Nigerian kidnappers**

*Author/Source: BBC*

“Archbishop Ignatius Kattey was released without a ransom on Saturday evening near the southern city of Port Harcourt, police said. He was in a stable condition...”

### **Europe**

#### **Hundreds of Fleeing Syrian Refugees Reach Italian Coast**

*Author/Source: VOA News*

“Hundreds of Syrian refugees have been rescued in rough seas and brought to Italy's southern coast in the last 24 hours, the Italian coastguard said on Saturday...”

### **US & Canada**

#### **Kerry tells Israel that Syria accord is no prelude to Iran deal**

*Author/Source: Anne Gearan and William Booth, Washington Post*

“The U.S. government sought to reassure Israel on Sunday that the U.S.-Russia deal to secure Syria’s chemical weapons does not diminish American resolve to prevent Iran from gaining a nuclear weapon...”

### **South and Central America and the Caribbean**

#### **Suspects in Mexico City Mass Kidnapping Case Held in Preventive Arrest**

“The three suspects arrested last week in connection with the mass kidnapping in May at a Mexico City bar will be held in preventive arrest following a ruling by a judge, officials said...”