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Middle East

[US seeks to ease Israeli concerns over Iran contacts](#)

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Source: Reuters

“Even as it crafts a response to overtures from Iranian President Hassan Rouhani, the Obama administration is working to reassure Israeli officials there will be no easing of sanctions on Tehran unless it first takes tangible steps to limit its nuclear program, U.S. and diplomatic sources said...”

[Syria meets deadline for chemical weapons disclosure](#)

21 September 2013

Source: Reuters

“Syria has handed over information about its chemical arsenal to a U.N.-backed weapons watchdog, meeting the first deadline of an ambitious disarmament operation that averted the threat of Western air strikes...”

[EU tells Israel to explain seizure of Palestinian aid](#)

21 September 2013

Source: Reuters

“Senior European Union officials told Israel to explain why its soldiers seized a truckload of humanitarian aid intended for Palestinians, saying they deplored the confiscation...”

[Pakistan says senior Taliban member to be released](#)

21 September 2013

Source: UPI

“A man who helped found the Taliban and who has been jailed since his arrest in 2010 has been released, a Pakistani official said Saturday. Omar Hamid, a spokesman for the interior ministry, said Abdul Ghani Baradar had been freed, The News International reported...”



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[Three Rockets hit police buildings in Ankara, Turkey](#)

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Source: UPI

“No casualties were reported but two police buildings in Ankara, Turkey, were damaged in a rocket attack, authorities said. Three rockets were fired Friday night in Ankara's Dikmen neighborhood, the Anadolu Agency reported...”

[Funeral in Shiite neighborhood in Baghdad hit by bombs](#)

21 September 2013

Source: UPI

“Scores of people were killed Saturday in bombings in Baghdad, most of them in an attack on a funeral in the Shiite stronghold of Sadr City, officials said...”

[Taliban district commander killed in drone strike](#)

21 September 2013

Source: UPI

“An apparent nighttime U.S. drone attack killed a Taliban commander in Afghanistan's Kunar province, Afghan officials said Saturday...”

[Russia theoretically ready to change positions on Syria](#)

21 September 2013

Source: UPI

“Russian officials said Saturday they are prepared to change their stance on Syria if President Bashar Assad is found to be ‘cheating’ on chemical weapons. Russian Presidential Administration Chief of Staff Sergei Ivanov made the comments during a speech at the International Institute for Strategic Studies' Global Strategic Review conference in Stockholm, RIA Novosti reported...”



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Africa

[Islamists claim gun attack on Nairobi mall, at least 39 dead](#)

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Source: Reuters

“Gunmen stormed a shopping mall in the Kenyan capital Nairobi on Saturday, killing at least 39 people including close relatives of Kenya's president and children, in an attack claimed by the Somali Islamist group al Shabaab...”

[Canada says two citizens killed in Kenya attack, including diplomat](#)

21 September 2013

Sources: Reuters

“At least two Canadians, including a diplomat, were among those killed when gunmen stormed a shopping mall in the Kenyan capital, Nairobi, Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper said on Saturday...”