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Middle East

[Attacks kill 12, wound 3 in attacks near Iraqi capital](#)

Author/Source: United Press International

“A dozen people were killed and three others were wounded in two attacks near Baghdad, Iraqi police said...”

[Jerusalem court hands jail terms to three Jewish minors over Arab lynchings](#)

Author/Source: Yair Ettinger, Haaretz

” The minors were given between one and eight months in prison for their roles in a series of attacks on Arabs in Jerusalem, including one that left an Arab teenager in critical condition...”

[Israel jails Arab citizen who briefly joined Syria's rebels](#)

Author/Source: Dan Williams, Reuters

“Israel sentenced an Arab citizen to 30 months' imprisonment on Monday for endangering national security by briefly joining Syrian rebels fighting to topple President Bashar al-Assad...”

[Hamas shaken and cautious after Egyptian upheaval](#)

Author/Source: Nidal al-Mughrabi

“Just a year ago, tens of thousands of Hamas supporters took to the streets of Gaza for a noisy celebration of the election of fellow Islamist Mohamed Mursi as Egypt's president...”

[Bomb kills officer in Bahrain neighborhood known for ethnic strife](#)

Author/Source: Ben Brumfield, CNN

“A bomb explosion killed a police officer in a Shiite neighborhood in Bahrain over the weekend, state news media reported Sunday...”

[Yemeni colonel shot dead in ambush near home: defense ministry](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“A Yemeni army commander was shot dead in eastern Yemen on Monday as he was leaving home for work, the Yemeni Defense Ministry website said on Monday...”

[Syrian rebels offer Assad Ramadan truce in Homs](#)

Author/Source: The Jerusalem Post

“The new president of the opposition Syrian National Coalition said on Sunday he expected advanced weapons supplied by Saudi Arabia to reach rebel fighters soon and change their military situation, which he described as weak...”



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2 car bombs go off in pro-government districts of Homs

Author/Source: Xinhua

“Two car bombs went off in two pro- government districts of Syria's central city of Homs, leaving an unknown number of casualties, the state media reported...”

Battles intensify in Syria's strategic city of Homs

Author/Source: Oliver Holmes, Reuters

“Syrian troops fought with rebels in Homs on Monday in a battle seen as crucial to the government's attempts to drive a wedge between opposition-held areas and establish links between the capital and President Bashar al-Assad's coastal strongholds...”

Syria invites U.N. chemical arms chief, but access is in doubt

Author/Source: Louis Charbonneau, Reuters

“The government of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad on Monday invited chief U.N. chemical weapons investigator Ake Sellstrom to Damascus to discuss allegations of banned arms use in Syria's civil war but suggested it would not compromise on access...”

Syria's ruling party in leadership shake up

Author/Source: Al Jazeera

“Syria's ruling Baath party, headed by the country's embattled President Bashar al-Assad, has announced that its top leadership would be replaced, including Vice President Farouk al-Sharaa...”

U.N. nuclear agency and Iran may meet in August: diplomats

Author/Source: Fredrik Dahl, Reuters

“The U.N. atomic agency and Iran may hold a new round of nuclear talks in August, diplomats said on Monday, in what would be their first meeting since last month's election of a relative moderate as the Islamic state's president...”

South Asia

Leaked report shows Bin Laden's 'hidden life'

Author/Source: Asad Hashim, Al Jazeera

“Former al-Qaeda chief Osama bin Laden was able to hide in Pakistan for nine years due to the ‘collective failure’ of state military and intelligence authorities, a leaked Pakistani government report has revealed...”

29 Taliban militants killed in Afghan raids: gov't

Author/Source: Xinhua

“Twenty-nine Taliban militants have been killed and 15 others wounded in one day operations across Afghanistan, said the country's Interior Ministry on Monday morning...”



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[Afghanistan holds translator tied to civilian torture allegations](#)

Author/Source: Hamid Shalizi, Reuters

“Afghan intelligence agents arrested on Monday a U.S. special forces interpreter accused of torturing and killing civilians - allegations that have worsened already strained relations between the government and NATO-led coalition forces...”

[6 killed, 10 injured in blast in NW Pakistan](#)

Author/Source: Xinhua

“At least six people were killed and 10 others injured in a bomb blast that hit Pakistan's northwestern district of Hangu on Monday afternoon, local media reported...”

[Indian security forces kill 6 women leftwing rebels](#)

Author/Source: Xinhua

“Indian security forces Sunday killed six women leftwing rebels in the western Indian state of Maharashtra, local media reported on Monday...”

[Bodh Gaya: Man detained for India Buddhist shrine blasts](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“Federal investigators in India have detained a man in connection with the series of blasts on Sunday at India's holiest Buddhist shrine...”

[Myanmar frees child soldiers from army](#)

Author/Source: Al Jazeera

“Myanmar has released 42 children and young people from its armed forces, encouraging increased efforts to reduce the use of child soldiers, the UN has said...”

[Verdict in Singapore: U.S. engineer Shane Todd killed himself](#)

Author/Source: Kevin Lim and John O'Callaghan, Reuters

“American engineer Shane Todd committed suicide in Singapore last year, a coroner's inquiry in the city-state concluded on Monday, a verdict at odds with his family's belief that he was murdered because of his work...”

[8 soldiers injured in southern Thailand bombing](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“Eight soldiers were wounded by a roadside bomb in Thailand's southern Pattani province on Monday, police said...”

[Volunteer killed in Pattani](#)

Author/Source: Bangkok Post

“A village defence volunteer was shot dead in an attack in a rubber plantation in Pattani's Khok Pho district on Sunday morning, police said...”



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East Asia

[McAfee: Malware hunts for South Korean military secrets](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“Hackers who wiped tens of thousands of PC hard drives in South Korea earlier this year also appear to be targeting the country's military secrets, according to a report...”

Africa

[Wanted Janjaweed leader wounded in attack, bodyguard killed](#)

Author/Source: United Press International

“A Sudanese militia leader wanted internationally for alleged war crimes was wounded and a bodyguard killed in an attack during the weekend, officials said...”

[Ban on cellphones contributed to deaths in attack on Nigerian school](#)

Author/Source: United Press International

“The military's ban on cellphones in northern Nigeria contributed to the high number of students killed in an attack on a school, a public affairs analyst says...”

[Egypt unrest: Interim leader Adly Mansour calls for calm](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“Egypt's interim leader has expressed sorrow over the deaths of at least 51 people near a barracks in Cairo, urging restraint amid ongoing unrest...”

[U.N. urged to consider drones, gunships for South Sudan mission](#)

Author/Source: Michelle Nichols, Reuters

“The United Nations should consider deploying surveillance drones and helicopter gunships in South Sudan because peacekeepers are struggling to protect civilians from violence and rights abuses, the U.N. special envoy to South Sudan said on Monday...”

Europe

[Two extremist groups may face ban in United Kingdom](#)

Author/Source: United Press International

“Membership in the militant Islamic groups Minbar Ansar Deen and Boko Haram may soon be banned in the United Kingdom, officials said. Home Secretary Theresa May requested that the two militant Islamic groups be banned under new anti-terrorism laws, the BBC reported...”

[Turkish police fired water cannon to prevent park protest](#)

Author/Source: Ece Toksabay and Daren Butler, Reuters

“Turkish police fired teargas and water cannon on Monday at protesters who tried to defy a closure order and enter an Istanbul park at the centre of protests against Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan's government...”



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[Security experts reveal cyber attack threat to Olympics](#)

Author/Source: James Vincent, The Independent

“Security experts have revealed that they received suggestions of a cyber attack targeted at the opening ceremony of last summer's Olympic Games...”

[Terror suspect benefits could be cut - Theresa May](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“Ministers are to look at curtailing benefits for those suspected of terror offences, the home secretary has said...”

US & Canada

[White House says will not immediately cut off aid to Egypt](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“The White House said on Monday it is not in the best interests of the United States to immediately change its aid program to Egypt, where President Mohamed Mursi was removed from office by the military last week...”

[U.S. tells Egyptian army to exercise 'maximum restraint'](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“The State Department on Monday called on the Egyptian army to exercise "maximum restraint" in dealing with protesters after at least 51 people were killed when the military opened fire on supporters of ousted President Mohamed Mursi...”

South and Central America and the Caribbean

[Edward Snowden: Bolivia summons envoys over jet](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“Bolivia has summoned the ambassadors of France, Spain, Portugal and Italy to explain why their countries blocked President Evo Morales' jet last week...”