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Middle East

[UN gets new info on alleged chemical weapons use in Syria](#)

Author/Source: Fox News

“Britain said Thursday it has sent a letter to Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon with new information on three further incidents of alleged chemical weapons use by the Syrian government...”

[Iran's presidential candidates clash over nuclear approach](#)

Author/Source: Haaretz

“Western powers are watching the June 14 election to see whether President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's successor will set a new tone in nuclear talks, though it is ultimately decided by Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei...”

[Pakistanis have sent a message to Washington: the drones must stop](#)

Author/Source: Saddam Ashraf, The Guardian

“Questioning the wisdom and morality of continued drone strikes, in an address at the National Defense University on 23 May President Barack Obama announced...”

[Afghan officials say 1 police officer killed in attack by 7 insurgents in eastern province](#)

Author/Source: Fox News

“KABUL, Afghanistan – Afghan officials say one police officer was killed and another was wounded when seven insurgents wearing bomb-laden vests attacked a government compound in eastern Panjshir province...”

[UK 'ready to hand over Afghan detainees'](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“Up to 90 Afghans held at Camp Bastion are set to be returned to the Afghan authorities, the Ministry of Defence has said, after their lawyers argued that their detention could be unlawful...”

[Afghan insurgents attack International Red Cross in Jalalabad](#)

Author/Source: Reuters

“A suicide bomber blew himself up at the gate of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) office in the Afghan city of Jalalabad on Wednesday and two more insurgents entered the building, local officials said...”

[Afghan forces rescue Red Cross workers after insurgent attack](#)

Author/Source: Fox News

“A senior Afghan official says security forces have rescued seven foreigners working for the



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International Red Cross after an hour-long gun battle with insurgents at a guest house in the eastern city of Jalalabad...”

[US drone strike kills TTP number two Waliur Rehman, six others](#)

Author/Source: Zahir Shah Sherazi, Dawn

“Tehrik-i-Taliban Pakistan’s deputy chief and commander of the Mehsud area, Waliur Rehman Mehsud, was killed in US drone strike on a compound in the Chashma area of Miramshah in the North Waziristan tribal region along with close aide Fahkr-i-Alam and five others, including Uzbek militants, official and intelligence sources told Dawn.com...”

[Sunni activist slain as violence rocks northern Iraq's Mosul](#)

Author/Source: CNN

“A Sunni activist known to demonstrate against Iraq's Shiite-led government was assassinated by gunmen in Mosul, one of 10 people killed or found dead from acts of violence Wednesday in the northern Iraqi city, Mosul police officials said...”

[Israel says will act to prevent S-300 missile systems from becoming operational](#)

Author/Source: Haaretz

“Israel's National Security Adviser Yaakov Amidror sketched out what Jerusalem's "red line" is vis-à-vis the S-300 missile systems Russia intends to send to Syria before the 27 European Union ambassadors in Israel...”

[Turkistan Islamic Party touts suicide bombings in Afghanistan](#)

Author/Source: Bill Roggio, Long War Journal

“The Turkistan Islamic Party, an al Qaeda-affiliated terror group, has released two videos over the past several months that glorify suicide attacks in Afghanistan...”

[PA negotiator: Kerry's chances slim to revive peace process](#)

Author/Source: Khaled Abu Toameth, JPost

“Palestinian negotiator and member of Fatah Central Committee Nabil Sha'ath, says US Secretary of State has not been able to pressure Israel to meet its obligations...”

[Syrian minister vows Assad staying until elections in 2014 - live updates](#)

Author/Sources: Paul Owen, The Guardian

“The Syrian National Coalition of opposition groups has released a statement on the anticipated "Geneva II" peace talks next month. The statement says the "head of the regime" must be "excluded from the political process”...”

[Australian sentenced to 4 1/2 years in Saudi prison](#)

Author/Source: UPI

“Saudi Arabia, May 29 (UPI) -- A 25-year-old Australian man was sentenced Wednesday to 4 1/2 years in prison in Saudi Arabia for terrorism-related offenses, his lawyer said...”

[Syria crisis: Rebels condemn opposition coalition](#)

Author/Source: BBC

“Rebels on the ground in Syria have launched a blistering attack on the Syrian opposition coalition outside the country...”



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Three Lebanese soldiers killed near Syria border

Author/Source: Lailam Bassem, Reuters

“Gunmen killed three Lebanese soldiers at an army checkpoint in the eastern Bekaa Valley on Tuesday before fleeing towards the Syrian border, Lebanese officials said...”

Hezbollah sends more fighters to Syria after rebels issue ultimatum

Author/Source: Al Arabiya

“Lebanese Shiite group Hezbollah appears to be shrugging off a 24-hour ultimatum set on Tuesday by a Free Syrian Army (FSA) official to end the group’s involvement in the Syrian conflict...”

Defense official says U.S. has authority to target terrorists anywhere

Author/Source: Ken Delanian, LA Times

“A senior Pentagon official told a Senate committee Thursday that the U.S. would be at war with Al Qaeda for 15 to 20 more years and said the military could target terrorists anywhere under a law passed after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks...”

Africa

AP Exclusive: Al-Qaida rips into prima donna terrorist for failing to deliver big operations

Author/Source: Washingtonpost

“DAKAR, Senegal — After years of trying to discipline him, the leaders of al-Qaida’s North African branch sent one final letter to their most difficult employee...”

Egyptian jihadists call for attacks in Shiite countries

Author/Sources: Thomas Joscelyn, Long War Journal

“Twenty Egyptian jihadists have issued a statement calling upon Sunnis to launch attacks in Shiite-led countries in response to the Assad regime’s offensive in Qusayr, a city in western Syria near Homs...”

France calls for action against Islamists in southern Libya

Author/Sources: Abdoulaye Massalatchi, Reuters

“France urged African nations on Tuesday to make a concerted effort to tackle a growing Islamist threat in the deserts of southern Libya...”

Libyan soldier dies, three wounded in Benghazi attack

Author/Source: France 24

“A Libyan soldier was shot dead and three others badly wounded when gunmen attacked an army patrol in the eastern city of Benghazi late Tuesday, a security official said...”

Boko Haram rebels say Nigerian military offensive is failing

Author/Source: Dawn

“The leader of Boko Haram Islamist rebels said on Wednesday that the Nigerian military offensive is failing in its goal of crushing the four-year-old insurgency...”



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Europe

[French police arrest suspect in soldier's stabbing](#)

Author/Source: Laura Smith-Spark, CNN

“French police arrested a man Wednesday in connection with the weekend stabbing of a soldier in a business district of Paris, according to the Ministry of Interior...”

US & Canada

[House skirmish over defense spending begins](#)

Author/Source: Walter Pincus, Washington Post

“The roller-coaster ride is about to begin for defense spending, and it promises to be long and bumpy...”

[Clinton Aides Are Focus of Subpoena for Benghazi Talking Points](#)

Author/Source: Jeremy W. Peters, Washington Post

“The United Nations Human Rights Council went into an emergency session on Syria on Wednesday to debate a draft resolution that called for an immediate end to fighting around the strategic town of Qusayr and that condemned intervention by foreign fighters supporting President Bashar al-Assad...”

[Congressmen in Russia to investigate Boston attack](#)

Author/Source: Max Seddon, Miami Herald

“A U.S. congressional delegation is spending a week in Russia meeting with high-level government and security officials to investigate whether more could have been done to prevent the Boston Marathon bombings...”