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Middle East

Hamis decries Trump's terror allegation

Source: Al Jazeera

“Hamis Movement has rejected US President Donald Trump's comments linking it to ‘terrorism’ in his speech in Saudi Arabia, saying it shows his ‘complete bias’ towards Israel...”

Trump warns of Iranian nuclear threat on visit to Israel

Source: BBC

“US President Donald Trump has begun a visit to Israel by warning of the threat posed by Iran if it acquires nuclear weapons.”

Yemen protesters call for southern secession

Author/Source: Victoria Gatenby, Al Jazeera

“Thousands of Yemenis, who support the secession of the country's south from the north, have been rallying in Aden...”

Israel unveils new rocket system for special forces

Author/Source: Richard Tomkins, United Press International

“Israel Military Industries has unveiled a new precision rocket system for special forces' use in urban environments and distances as much as 27 miles...”

Palestinians on strike in solidarity with prisoners

Source: Al Jazeera

“Israeli forces have shot and injured at least 11 Palestinian protesters who staged a general strike in the occupied West Bank, East Jerusalem, and the besieged Gaza Strip in support of hunger-striking Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails...”

Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria, Iraq

Source: Department of Defense

“U.S. and coalition military forces continued to attack the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria yesterday, conducting 22 strikes consisting of 72 engagements, Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve officials reported today...”

Palestinian basic rights 'not on the agenda' for Trump

Author/Source: Farah Najjar, Al Jazeera

“US President Donald Trump has arrived in Israel as part of his first foreign trip since taking office in January, but critics have already dismissed as lip service his vows to broker an Israeli-Palestinian peace deal...”



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[Trial begins for nine Jordanians over Karak castle attack](#)

Author/Source: Imtiaz Tyab, Al Jazeera

“Nine Jordanians have gone on trial in connection with last year's attack on one of the oldest castles in the Middle East...”

Central Asia

[Religious congress secretariat sets date for 2018 congress, discusses Kazakh UNSC priorities](#)

Author/Source: Kamila Zhumabayeva, The Astana Times

“The 16th Session of the Secretariat of the Congress of the Leaders of World and Traditional Religions held May 18 set Oct. 10-11, 2018 as the date of the 6th Congress of Leaders World and Traditional Religions and discussed Kazakhstan’s UN Security Council priorities...”

South Asia

[Roadside bomb kills 5 in northwestern Pakistan](#)

Source: Associated Press

“A roadside bomb killed at least five people and wounded several on Monday in a northwestern Pakistani tribal region close to the Afghan border, a government official said...”

Southeast Asia

[Bangkok hospital bomb wounds 24, junta blames its opponents](#)

Author/Source: Aukkarapon Niyomyat and Panarat Thepgumpanat, Reuters

“A bomb at a hospital in the Thai capital wounded 24 people on Monday, the third anniversary of a 2014 military coup, the government said, with the army chief blaming groups opposed to the junta...”

[Vietnamese, Indonesian patrol boats square off in Natuna waters](#)

Source: The Jakarta Post

“Indonesian authorities released five Vietnamese vessels after a patrol boat belonging to the neighboring country intercepted in the arrest of the vessels for fishing illegally in Natuna waters in Riau Islands on Sunday, an official has confirmed...”

[Four troopers injured by Yala bomb explosion](#)

Author/ Source: Muhammad Ayub Pathan, The Bangkok Post

“Four soldiers on patrol duty were wounded when a roadside bomb went off on Monday morning in Yala's Muang district, police said...”

East Asia

[North Korea says missile meets all specifications, ready for mass-production](#)

Author/Source: Ju-min Park and Jack Kim, Reuters

“North Korea said on Monday it had successfully tested an intermediate-range ballistic missile which met all technical requirements and could now be mass-produced, indicating advances in its ambitions to be able to hit the United States...”



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Africa

[Tunisian forces clash with protesters at oil fields](#)

Source: Al Jazeera

“Tunisian security forces fired tear gas on Monday to disperse hundreds of protesters demanding jobs and a share in revenue from gas and oil companies, as weeks of unrest over jobs and funding in the country's southern provinces escalated into violence...”

Europe

[Turkey crowd taunts coup suspects at mass trial near Ankara](#)

Source: BBC

“Turkey has marched dozens of coup suspects past a hostile crowd at the start of their trial near Ankara...”

[Portugal back to fiscal health, says EU](#)

Source: BBC

“Portugal has become the latest bailed-out eurozone country to receive a clean bill of health from the European Commission after its budget deficit fell to 2% of GDP last year...”

[Turkey publicly chastises U.S. ambassador for violent D.C. protests](#)

Author/Source: Carlos Muñoz, The Washington Times

“Ankara publicly scolded the Trump White House on Monday, haranguing America’s top diplomat in Turkey over violent protests that took place in Washington during Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan’s visit last week...”

[Security incident at Sweden's Landvetter Airport](#)

Author/Source: Sarah Chiplin, CNN

“Swedish police are working to determine if there are explosives in a bag found at Landvetter Airport in Gothenburg, Sweden, authorities said Monday evening...”

[Manchester Arena explosion: 22 dead in suicide attack at Ariana Grande concert, police say](#)

Author/Source: Rahul Kalvapallé and Jesse Ferreras, Global News

“Twenty-two people are dead — including children — and 59 were wounded after a reported explosion at the Manchester Arena in northern England, where American pop star Ariana Grande was performing Monday, according to a statement from Greater Manchester Police...”

US & Canada

[Ex-national security adviser 'to defy Senate Russia inquiry'](#)

Source: BBC

“The fired US national security adviser will refuse to hand over documents to a Senate panel investigating alleged Russian meddling in the US election.”



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Oshkosh secures Marine Corps P-19R contract

Author/Source: Stephen Carlson, United Press International

“Oshkosh Defense announced a \$33 million contract with the U.S. Marine Corps for the delivery of 54 P-19R Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting vehicles...”

Staggering number of visa overstays now biggest problem in illegal immigration

Author/Source: Stephen Dinan, The Washington Times

“A staggering 739,450 people overstayed their visas to become illegal immigrants in 2016, according to a new report released Monday by Homeland Security that suggests the immigration problem has shifted away from people sneaking in, and toward people who came legally but refused to leave when they were supposed to...”

Democrats launch preemptive strike on Trump budget

Author/Source: S.A. Miller, The Washington Times

“Democrats got an early start Monday slamming President Trump’s upcoming budget for expected cuts to social welfare programs, saying it breaks his campaign promises to help working-class Americans...”

South and Central America and the Caribbean

Maduro: US Wants to Take Political Control of Venezuela

Source: Latin American Herald Tribune

“Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro said on Sunday that his US counterpart, Donald Trump, is deeply involved in ‘terrorist’ activities and the violence that is unfolding in the South American nation with an eye toward ‘taking political control’ there...”

Venezuela protests: Man set alight as death toll rises

Source: BBC

“Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro has accused opposition protesters of setting alight a government supporter in Caracas on the 50th day of protests...”