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## COUNTERING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (CTOC)

### CORRUPTION

#### **Mexico Must Solve Corruption Before it Can Attack Violence**

*Hector Dominguez Ruvalcaba – The Globe Post: 16 May 2019*

Though he campaigned on an anti-corruption and counterviolence platform, Mexico's new president is struggling to curtail violence in the country. His anti-graft efforts must come first if he expects to end violence in Mexico.

<https://theglobepost.com/2019/05/16/mexico-violence-corruption/>

#### **Deadly anti-corruption protests restart in Iraq's Najaf**

*Sangar Ali – Kurdistan 16 :24 May 2019*

Four people were killed and 17 injured in violent protests in the Iraqi city of Najaf. Originally planned as sit-ins, the protests were sparked by a call from influential cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, who asked protesters to surround "corrupt" businesses and "disrupt their affairs" for three days.

<https://www.kurdistan24.net/en/news/03f7c3b4-6f0c-4a38-95da-fd583285fe3f>

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#### **What Will Happen When a Corruption Probe Starts in Venezuela?**

<https://www.americasquarterly.org/content/what-will-happen-when-corruption-probe-starts-venezuela>

#### **US Corruption List Omits Key Central American Officials**

<https://www.insightcrime.org/news/analysis/us-corruption-list-omits-key-central-american-officials/>

#### **Corruption rife throughout our civil service**

<https://mg.co.za/article/2019-04-18-00-corruption-rife-throughout-our-civil-service>

#### **Fight Corruption to Reclaim Europe's Soul**

<https://www.project-syndicate.org/commentary/europe-romania-anti-corruption-kovesi-by-guy-verhofstadt-2019-05>

#### **Leveraging Reform: Fighting Corruption in Post-Election DR Congo**

<https://enoughproject.org/policy-briefs/leveraging-reform-dr-congo>

#### **Mahathir's Super Plan – Corruption in Malaysia**

<https://intpolicydigest.org/2019/05/02/mahathir-s-super-plan-corruption-in-malaysia/>

#### **Special unit of foreigners probing corruption cases**

<https://www.guardian.co.tt/news/special-unit-of-foreigners-probing-corruption-cases-6.2.836464.8ea0d-475cf>

#### **Are Zambia and Africa by extension, losing the fight against corruption?**

<https://www.themastonline.com/2019/04/29/are-zambia-and-africa-by-extension-losing-the-fight-against-corruption/>

#### **The problem with corruption**

<https://thearabweekly.com/problem-corruption>

## DRUG TRAFFICKING

### **Mexico Wants to Decriminalize All Drugs and Negotiate With the U.S. to Do the Same**

*Jason Lemon – Newsweek: 9 May 2019*

Mexico's president is proposing major drug reform. He wants to decriminalize illegal drugs and transfer resources from fighting trafficking to reducing addiction. He is inviting the United States to pursue the same course.

<https://www.newsweek.com/mexico-decriminalize-drugs-negotiate-us-1421395>

### **Latin America's Cannabis Belt Is Going Legit**

*Wesley Tomaselli – OZY: 10 May 2019*

With the global medical marijuana market expected to reach \$146 billion by 2025, Latin American startups are challenging Canada and the United Kingdom's current dominance of pot production, OZY reports. Low overhead and 12 hours of daily sunlight year-round are major advantages.

<https://www.ozy.com/fast-forward/potpreneurs-plant-seeds-for-rejuvenating-latin-americas-image/93747>

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### **India's Northeast Emerges as a Drug-Trafficking Corridor Between Myanmar and Bangladesh**

<https://thediplomat.com/2019/05/indias-northeast-emerges-as-a-drug-trafficking-corridor-between-myanmar-and-bangladesh/>

### **When will Australia accept it has a drug problem?**

<https://asiancorrespondent.com/2019/05/when-will-australia-accept-it-has-a-drug-problem/>

### **A Brief History Of The War On Drugs**

<https://www.npr.org/2019/04/26/717389563/a-brief-history-of-the-war-on-drugs>

### **Ex-drug policy adviser: Marijuana legalization push is 'about a small number of people who want to get rich'**

<https://thehill.com/hilltv/rising/440828-ex-drug-policy-advisor-marijuana-legalization-push-is-about-a-small-number-of>

### **A fundamental contradiction in EU drug policy**

<https://euobserver.com/opinion/144753>

### **The 10th Asian Informal Drug Policy Dialogue**

<https://www.tni.org/en/publication/the-10th-asian-informal-drug-policy-dialogue>

### **US fentanyl crisis could end opium era in Mexico: 'the only crop that paid'**

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/may/02/fentanyl-use-could-end-the-opium-era-in-mexico-the-only-crop-that-paid>

### **Mexico Cartel Presence in Colombia May Have Been Exaggerated**

<https://www.insightcrime.org/news/brief/mexico-cartel-presence-colombia-exaggerated/>

### **Extensive trafficking routes, customs loopholes make Vietnam a drug transit hub**

<https://e.vnexpress.net/news/news/extensive-trafficking-routes-customs-loopholes-make-vietnam-a-drug-transit-hub-3921280.html>

## TRAFFICKING IN SCARCE OR PROTECTED RESOURCES

### **Stopping Wildlife Trafficking Needs More Teeth – OpEd**

*Michael A. Bengwayan – Eurasia Review: 10 May 2019*

Current international laws and agreements are not sufficient to protect against the illegal trade of international wildlife. In theory, countries would have their own laws to supplement these international treaties. But in practice, that is rarely the case.

<https://www.eurasiareview.com/10052019-stopping-wildlife-trafficking-needs-more-teeth-oped/>

### **The brutal ‘industrial enterprise’ of black-market tiger trafficking**

*PBS News Hour: 10 May 2019*

Tigers are enduring a horrible existence in “tiger farms” where they are bred, raised and then killed for their body parts. Tigers are being poached to extinction in the wild, and these farms are meant to fulfill the demand for tiger parts.

<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/the-brutal-industrial-enterprise-of-black-market-tiger-trafficking>

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### **Rainforest Connection Taps High-Tech To Thwart Illegal Logging**

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/sap/2019/05/01/rainforest-connection-taps-high-tech-devices-to-help-thwart-illegal-logging/#4f934c34645d>

### **Report: China Ranks Worst on Global Illegal Fishing Index**

<https://www.maritime-executive.com/editorials/report-china-ranks-worst-on-global-illegal-fishing-index>

### **The Old Challenge in the New Indonesia-Vietnam South China Sea Clash**

<https://thediplomat.com/2019/05/the-old-challenge-in-the-new-indonesia-vietnam-south-china-sea-clash/>

### **Logistics companies commit to refusing transportation of illegal wildlife products**

<https://www.traffic.org/news/logistics-companies-commit-to-refusing-transportation-of-illegal-wildlife-products/>

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<http://theowp.org/how-anti-poaching-technology-is-saving-wildlife/>

### **Cambodia’s sanctuaries under threat**

<https://theaseanpost.com/article/cambodias-sanctuaries-under-threat>

### **‘I’m helping cause extinctions’: Inside Indonesia’s illegal wildlife trade**

<https://www.sbs.com.au/news/dateline/i-m-helping-cause-extinctions-inside-indonesia-s-illegal-wildlife-trade>

### **Social media enables the illegal wildlife pet trade in Malaysia**

<https://news.mongabay.com/2019/05/social-media-enables-the-wildlife-pet-trade-in-malaysia/>

### **Duke of Cambridge calls for ‘evil’ wildlife traffickers to be jailed**

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/duke-of-cambridge-calls-for-evil-wildlife-traffickers-to-be-jailed-a4142206.html>

### **China, Vietnam to strengthen cooperation against wildlife smuggling**

<http://www.ecns.cn/news/2019-05-13/detail-ifzicwaz7651196.shtml>

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND IRREGULAR MIGRATION

### **Report: Human traffickers in Africa shifting business models**

*Elias Meseret – The Associated Press: 10 May 2019*

Countermigration efforts are changing the way human traffickers do business, according to a report by the Research and Evidence Facility. People smugglers in East Africa and North Africa have shifted to new routes to avoid detection.

<https://apnews.com/700dd32ab00b4f5b8f611907f14f1554>

### **North Korea women in China trapped in sex trade**

*Elizabeth Shim – UPI: 16 May 2019*

Human traffickers have increasingly forced North Korean women into the Chinese sex trade. Previously, the women were often forced into marriages to counteract the overwhelming ratio of males to females in China. But the traffickers have switched tactics and are forcing the women into sexual slavery.

[https://www.upi.com/Top\\_News/World-News/2019/05/16/North-Korea-women-in-China-trapped-in-sex-trade/7621557980738/](https://www.upi.com/Top_News/World-News/2019/05/16/North-Korea-women-in-China-trapped-in-sex-trade/7621557980738/)

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### **How to combat human trafficking with data science**

<https://thenextweb.com/tnw2019/2019/05/10/how-to-combat-human-trafficking-with-data-science/>

### **Organised crime groups driving human trafficking and modern slavery in the UK**

<https://www.thenational.ae/world/europe/organised-crime-groups-driving-human-trafficking-and-modern-slavery-in-the-uk-1.861287>

### **'Prostitution is seen as a leisure activity here': tackling Spain's sex traffickers**

<https://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2019/may/11/prostitution-tackling-spain-sex-traffickers>

### **The Billion-Dollar Business of Human and Drug Smuggling**

[https://www.theepochtimes.com/the-billion-dollar-business-of-human-and-drug-smuggling\\_2926486.html](https://www.theepochtimes.com/the-billion-dollar-business-of-human-and-drug-smuggling_2926486.html)

### **Escape from Rukban: Syria's deadly, men-only desert smuggling route**

<https://www.thenational.ae/world/escape-from-rukban-syria-s-deadly-men-only-desert-smuggling-route-1.861937>

### **Migrant-Boat Capsize in the Mediterranean: Can we stop such tragedies from recurring?**

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/perspective/news/migrant-boat-capsize-the-mediterranean-can-we-stop-such-tragedies-recurring-1744525>

### **10,000 Ghanaian Youth Learn about Pitfalls of Irregular Migration**

<https://www.africanews.com/2019/05/14/10000-ghanaian-youth-learn-about-pitfalls-of-irregular-migration/>

### **How Europe Can Win on Migration**

<https://www.bloomberg.com/opinion/articles/2019-05-16/eu-migrant-crisis-is-over-but-europe-must-still-fix-system>

## PROGRAM ON CYBER SECURITY STUDIES (PCSS)

### INTERNET GOVERNANCE

#### **The global internet is disintegrating. What comes next?**

Sally Adee – BBC: 15 May 2019

Just a decade ago, the United Nations affirmed that creating boundaries to the internet would allow too much control to individual nations. Now, those concerns have been overcome by events as Russia and others create “sovereign internets” in their countries.

<http://www.bbc.com/future/story/20190514-the-global-internet-is-disintegrating-what-comes-next>

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<https://www.caribbeannewsnow.com/2019/05/13/caribbean-telecommunications-experts-participation-in-global-internet-governance/>

#### **(Russia) Why Russia Wants to Break the Internet**

<https://www.themoscowtimes.com/2019/05/14/why-russia-wants-to-break-the-internet-a65570>

#### **(Global) The Blockchain Paradox**

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/blockchain-paradox-090055013.html>

### INTERNET FREEDOM

#### **Wikipedia Is Now Banned in China in All Languages**

Hillary Leung – Time: 15 May 2019

An internet censorship initiative called the Open Observatory of Network Interference reported that China had extended its ban of the free online encyclopedia to include all available languages, not just the Chinese version.

<http://time.com/5589439/china-wikipedia-online-censorship/>

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#### **(India) Any regulation of online speech in India must safeguard the rights to free speech and privacy**

<https://scroll.in/article/921709/any-regulation-of-online-speech-in-india-must-safeguard-the-rights-to-free-speech-and-privacy>

#### **(Global) ‘Fake News’ Is a Really Dangerous Excuse for Censorship**

<https://reason.com/2019/05/13/fake-news-is-a-really-dangerous-excuse-for-censorship/>

#### **(U.S., China) Waging ‘The Good Fight’ Against Censorship**

<https://www.npr.org/2019/05/11/722389741/waging-the-good-fight-against-censorship>

## PRIVACY AND SECURITY

### **What's been done for data privacy since GDPR?**

*Ken Mortensen – TechRadar: 15 May 2019*

To increase respect for personal privacy and data governance in the year since the General Data Protection Regulation was passed, businesses have developed new roles dedicated to protecting privacy.

<https://www.techradar.com/news/whats-been-done-for-data-privacy-since-gdpr>

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### **(Global) Bad Actors Want To Target the Internet's Infrastructure. If That Happens, We're in Trouble.**

<https://www.brinknews.com/bad-actors-want-to-target-the-internets-infrastructure-if-that-happens-were-in-trouble/>

### **(U.S.) Many Executives Lack Confidence in Healthcare IoT Security, Privacy**

<https://hitinfrastructure.com/news/many-executives-lack-confidence-in-healthcare-iot-security-privacy>

### **(U.S.) California's new data privacy law could change the internet in the US**

<https://www.cnbc.com/2019/05/14/california-consumer-privacy-act-could-change-the-internet-in-the-us.html>

## CYBER STATECRAFT DEVELOPMENT

### **Signaling, Victory, and Strategy in France's Military Cyber Doctrine**

*Stéphane Taillat – War on the Rocks: 8 May 2019*

France has unveiled a new cyber security strategy for its military that addresses defensive and offensive actions. The strategy sets the stage for military cyber operations.

<https://warontherocks.com/2019/05/signaling-victory-and-strategy-in-frances-military-cyber-doctrine/>

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### **(Estonia) Cyberwar: lessons from the Estonian experience.**

<https://thecyberwire.com/events/global-cyber-innovation-summit/cyberwar-lessons-from-the-estonian-experience.html>

### **(Israel) The State of Cyber and Israel's place at its heart**

<https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=5ffeec93-6b4c-40fd-80ae-75f5a947f0b0>

## PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP

### **Rhode Island launches cyber crime hotline**

*Susan Miller – GCN: 13 May 2019*

Thanks to a public/private partnership, Rhode Island unveiled a first-of-its-kind resource to report cyber crimes. 211 is the first statewide hotline in the country for reporting cyber crimes, including cyber stalking, identity theft, financial fraud, cyber bullying and more.

<https://gcn.com/articles/2019/05/13/rhode-island-cyber-crime-211.aspx>

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<http://www.ekathimerini.com/240577/article/ekathimerini/business/ppp-tender-for-ultrafast-broadband>

### **(U.S.) AT&T: Mike Zeto highlights features of new public-private partnership with the city of San Jose**

<https://urgentcomm.com/2019/05/16/att-mike-zeto-highlights-features-of-new-public-private-partnership-with-the-city-of-san-jose/>

### **(Norway) Norwegian industry and state must combine to counter cyber threats**

<https://www.computerweekly.com/news/252463376/Norwegian-industry-and-state-must-combine-to-counter-cyber-threats>

## PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

### **Israel's Iron Dome Headache (As In China Might Have Stolen the Specs On It)**

*Michael Peck – The National Interest: 5 May 2019*

Israel has a robust cyber security industry and world-class white-hat hackers, but China reportedly was able to break into Israeli computers and steal the specs to the nation's Iron Dome defense project. If the Chinese can beat Israel, they can beat anyone.

<https://nationalinterest.org/blog/buzz/israels-iron-dome-headache-china-might-have-stolen-specs-it-56067>

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<https://www.cnbc.com/2019/05/10/youtube-faces-existential-threat-from-the-eus-new-copyright-directive.html>

### **(India) 69% Indian firms face serious cyber attack risk: Study**

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/tech/internet/69-indian-firms-face-serious-cyber-attack-risk-study/articleshow/69305216.cms>

### **(North Korea) North Korean Hackers Deploy New Cyber Espionage Tools**

<https://www.opslens.com/2019/05/north-korean-hackers-deploy-new-cyber-espionage-tools/>

## CYBER CAPACITY BUILDING

### **The Age of the Internet Calls for Younger Leaders**

*Selorm Branttie – Inter Press Service: 10 May 2019*

Recent actions by the older generation of African leaders indicate they have little understanding of, and tolerance for, social media and the internet, especially in times of crisis within their countries. With only 5% of Africans over the age of 65 and 70% under the age of 35, why are a majority of Africa's leaders and political influencers over 65?

<http://www.ipsnews.net/2019/05/age-internet-calls-younger-leaders/>

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### **(U.S.) Cyber threats are a collective danger: States and industry must respond collectively**

<https://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/technology/443697-cyber-threats-are-a-collective-danger-states-and-industry-must>

### **(U.S.) How To Wage Global Cyber War: Nakasone, Norton, & Deasy**

<https://breakingdefense.com/2019/05/how-to-wage-global-cyber-war-nakasone-norton-deasy/>

### **(Global) The Race for Global Internet Access Is Not a Zero-Sum Game**

<https://www.thenation.com/article/payal-arora-next-billion-users-book-review/>

## COMBATING TERRORISM AND CYBER CRIME

### **Macron, Ardern lead call to eliminate online terrorist content**

*Mark Scott, Rym Momtaz and Laura Kayali – Politico: 16 May 2019*

French President Emmanuel Macron and New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern have joined forces to fight online extremism, launching the “Christchurch Call,” an inter-governmental appeal to put an end to terrorist acts stemming from online radicalization.

<https://www.politico.eu/article/christchurch-call-emmanuel-macron-jacinda-arden-facebook-google-twitter-extreme-harmful-content/>

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<https://www.npr.org/2019/05/16/723983442/authorities-dismantle-transnational-cybercrime-group>

### **(Global) How Can Companies And Individuals Protect Themselves From Cyber-Crime?**

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/quora/2019/05/15/how-can-companies-and-individuals-protect-themselves-from-cyber-crime/#194bb7126479>

### **(Global) Cyber law and governance in the cyber crime age**

<https://www.itweb.co.za/content/dgp45vaGw1WMX9I8>

## INFORMATION SHARING

### **National Security Podcast: Tech, law, and when cyber turned kinetic**

*Angie Raymond, Abbey Stemler, Scott Schakelford and Katherine Mansted – Asia & The Pacific Policy Society: 16 May 2019*

On this episode of *National Security Podcast*, Katherine Mansted speaks to Scott Schakelford, Angie Raymond and Abbey Stemler on social media's influence on democracies and what international law says about data sharing.

<https://www.policyforum.net/national-security-podcast-tech-law-and-when-cyber-turned-kinetic/>

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<https://www.fifthdomain.com/dod/cybercom/2019/05/10/how-military-leaders-got-a-clearer-view-of-the-cyber-environment/>

### **(Global) How We Collectively Can Improve Cyber Resilience**

<https://www.darkreading.com/risk/how-we-collectively-can-improve-cyber-resilience/a/d-id/1334606>

### **(Australia) Information sharing and privacy in a cyber security context**

<https://www.australiandefence.com.au/news/information-sharing-and-privacy-in-a-cyber-security-context>

## CYBER PROTECTION OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

### **Active Cyber Defense Strategy Could Use Private Sector Bounty Hunters to Protect Critical Infrastructure**

*Nicole Lindsey – CPO Magazine: 15 May 2019*

Thinking out of the box about the potential threats posed to critical infrastructure, top U.S. defense strategists are proposing an active cyber defense strategy. This would include the employment of bounty hunters and private-sector hackers to track down and dismantle threats.

<https://www.cpomagazine.com/cyber-security/active-cyber-defense-strategy-could-use-private-sector-bounty-hunters-to-protect-critical-infrastructure/>

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### **(Singapore) Singapore's Port Authority Opens New Cybersecurity Center**

<https://www.maritime-executive.com/article/singapore-s-port-authority-opens-new-cybersecurity-center>

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[https://www.vice.com/en\\_us/article/yw3z7/no-need-to-panic-about-cyber-911](https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/yw3z7/no-need-to-panic-about-cyber-911)

## PROGRAM ON TERRORISM AND SECURITY STUDIES (PTSS)

ISIS

### **ISIS announces new India and Pakistan provinces, casually breaking up Khorasan**

*Robert Postings – The Defense Post: 15 May 2019*

On May 10, ISIS announced it had established its first “province” in India. Just five days later, on the heels of an ISIS-claimed attack, the group touted its new branch in Pakistan.

<https://thedefensepost.com/2019/05/15/islamic-state-pakistan-province-al-hind/>

### **Daesh in the Congo: red herring or Central African Wilayat?**

*Greg Hackleton – Foreign Brief: 5 May 2019*

ISIS recently claimed a violent attack on a Congolese town. The Democratic Republic of the Congo’s officials claim it was the Allied Democratic Forces (ADF), a group known to have ISIS ties. How much cooperation occurred between the two groups is debatable, but there is a greater potential for further attacks because the government lacks control in the areas where the ADF operates.

<https://foreignbrief.com/africa/daesh-in-the-congo-red-herring-or-central-african-wilayat/>

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### **Destroyed on the battlefield, ISIS begins new chapter of terror**

<https://www.cnn.com/2019/04/28/world/isis-sri-lanka-international-threat-intl/index.html>

### **ISIS’s New Target: South Asia**

<https://foreignpolicy.com/2019/05/02/isis-new-target-south-asia/>

### **Why Baghdadi Risked a Video Appearance**

<https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2019/05/baghdadi-video-announces-rebirth-isis/588421/>

### **Infographic: So-called Islamic State still a threat in many countries**

<https://www.dhakatribune.com/world/europe/2019/04/29/infographic-so-called-islamic-state-still-a-threat-in-many-countries>

### **Before the Sri Lanka attacks, much of South Asia seemed resistant to ISIS. Now it’s reassessing the risks.**

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/asia\\_pacific/before-the-sri-lanka-attacks-much-of-south-asia-seemed-resistant-to-isis-now-its-reassessing-the-risks/2019/05/03/734a22ca-6ab4-11e9-bbe7-1c798fb80536\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/asia_pacific/before-the-sri-lanka-attacks-much-of-south-asia-seemed-resistant-to-isis-now-its-reassessing-the-risks/2019/05/03/734a22ca-6ab4-11e9-bbe7-1c798fb80536_story.html)

### **ISIS Lost the War. Now It’s Dangerous.**

<https://www.bloomberg.com/opinion/articles/2019-05-05/isis-lost-the-war-and-now-it-s-dangerous>

### **From the ashes of ISIS**

<https://ashesofisis.thenational.ae/>

### **ISIS cannot be allowed to regroup in Libya**

<https://www.thenational.ae/opinion/editorial/isis-cannot-be-allowed-to-regroup-in-libya-1.857629>

## TERRORISM AROUND THE WORLD

### **Shabaab official justifies attacks on civilians while preaching the sanctity of Muslim blood**

*Thomas Joscelyn – Long War Journal: 13 May 2019*

A senior al-Shabaab leader cautioned his militants to avoid shedding Muslim blood. The speech contradicts the group's usual tactics of targeting civilian areas in Mogadishu, including hotels and restaurants.

<https://www.longwarjournal.org/archives/2019/05/shabaab-official-justifies-attacks-on-civilians-while-preaching-the-sanctity-of-muslim-blood.php>

### **Al Qaeda video emphasizes unity with Taliban's Islamic emirate**

*Thomas Joscelyn – Long War Journal: 11 May 2019*

Though the group previously kept its presence in Afghanistan as quiet as possible, a new video suggests that al-Qaida is working closely with the Taliban in some areas. In addition to showing footage of an attack on the Afghan Army, the video specifically affirmed al-Qaida's alliance with the Taliban.

<https://www.longwarjournal.org/archives/2019/05/al-qaeda-video-emphasizes-unity-with-talibans-islamic-emirate.php>

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### **When terror runs in the family**

<https://www.aei.org/publication/when-terror-runs-in-the-family/>

### **Al-Qaeda: Still Deadly Threat in Yemen**

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<https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2019/may/15/how-citizen-journalists-take-to-the-front-lines-in/>

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### **Hunting Ayman Al Zawahiri: Where has the Al Qaeda leader been hiding for 18 years?**

<https://www.foxnews.com/world/hunting-ayman-al-zawahiri-where-has-the-al-qaeda-leader-been-hiding-for-eighteen-years>

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## RADICALIZATION AND MESSAGING

### **New study analyzes tweets to reveal how ISIS still inspires low-level attacks**

*SAGE Publications – Phys.org: 16 May 2019*

By calling for “lone jihad,” ISIS is still able to inspire small-scale attacks despite losing its territory, according to a new study published by SAGE. An analysis of 26.2 million tweets indicates that ISIS still has global reach and remains a global threat, thanks to the myriad followers it is able to inspire to conduct terror attacks.

<https://phys.org/news/2019-05-tweets-reveal-isis-low-level.html>

### **Kicked Off Facebook And Twitter, ISIS Turns To INSTAGRAM**

*Emily Zanotti – The Daily Wire: 13 May 2019*

After recent crackdowns by Facebook and Twitter on ISIS and terrorism groups in general, they have been forced to look elsewhere to influence followers. ISIS in particular has focused recent efforts on Instagram, the photo-driven Facebook subsidiary.

<https://www.dailywire.com/news/47140/kicked-facebook-and-twitter-isis-turns-instagram-emily-zanotti>

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#### **Revisiting religious narratives to combat violent extremism**

<https://aliran.com/web-specials/revisiting-religious-narratives-to-combat-violent-extremism/>

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<https://www.socialmediatoday.com/news/tech-giants-sign-up-for-christchurch-call-to-address-the-spread-of-extrem/554873/>

#### **Homegrown Extremists Recruited Online May Mobilize Quickly**

<https://efficientgov.com/blog/2019/05/16/homegrown-extremists-recruited-online-may-mobilize-quickly/>

#### **Ottawa is right to tackle online radicalization**

<https://www.thestar.com/opinion/contributors/2019/05/16/ottawa-is-right-to-tackle-online-radicalization.html>

#### **Trudeau’s Digital Charter plan can help fight extremism online**

<https://www.thespec.com/opinion-story/9359879-trudeau-s-digital-charter-plan-can-help-fight-extremism-online/>

## FOREIGN FIGHTERS

### **Road warriors: Foreign fighters in the armies of jihad**

*Brookings: 10 May 2019*

On May 10, Brookings hosted a book launch for *Road Warriors* by Daniel Byman that featured a discussion with the author. Afterward, Byman answered questions from the audience.

<https://www.brookings.edu/events/road-warriors-foreign-fighters-in-the-armies-of-jihad/>

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### **Kazakhstan repatriates 156 children of ISIS fighters from Syria**

<https://thedefensepost.com/2019/05/10/kazakhstan-repatriates-156-isis-children/>

### **France Taken to EU Court for Denying Entry to Children of ISIS Jihadists**

<https://legalinsurrection.com/2019/05/france-taken-to-eu-court-for-denying-entry-to-children-of-isis-jihadists/>

### **No nationality heeded the call to come fight for ISIS like Tunisians did. Now they're stuck.**

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/no-nationality-heeded-the-call-to-come-fight-for-isis-like-tunisians-did-now-theyre-stuck/2019/05/10/839a942e-5d4a-11e9-98d4-844088d135f2\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/no-nationality-heeded-the-call-to-come-fight-for-isis-like-tunisians-did-now-theyre-stuck/2019/05/10/839a942e-5d4a-11e9-98d4-844088d135f2_story.html)

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<https://www.cnn.com/videos/us/2019/05/14/champions-for-change-jim-sciutto-former-foreign-fighter-vpx.cnn>

## COUNTERTERRORISM STRATEGIES

### **A Military Exercise in the Philippines That Contends With Both ISIS and China**

*Thomas Gibbons-Neff – The New York Times: 10 May 2019*

This is what happened during a recent military exercise in which American soldiers trained Philippine troops to fight both a major foreign power and a band of insurgents.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/05/10/magazine/military-philippines-china-isis.html>

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### **UN launches innovative programme to detect and disrupt terrorist travel**

<https://news.un.org/en/story/2019/05/1038061>

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<http://www.rudaw.net/english/world/17052019>

### **You Can't Defeat Tomorrow's Terrorists by Fighting Yesterday's Enemy**

<https://foreignpolicy.com/2019/05/16/you-cant-defeat-tomorrows-terrorists-by-fighting-yesterdays-enemy-sri-lanka-easter-israel-norway-yigal-amir-anders-breivik/>