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## COUNTERING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (CTOC)

### CORRUPTION

#### **The Next Frontier in Latin America's Anti-Corruption Drive**

*Roberto Simon and Emilie Sweigart – Americas Quarterly: 22 July 2019*

Latin America has been rife with corruption for decades, but citizens have recently stepped up to do something about it – protesting, ousting corrupt leaders and demanding anti-corruption legislation and prosecutions. To support these investigations and judicial proceedings, law enforcement bodies are increasingly looking to build avenues of international cooperation.

<https://www.americasquarterly.org/content/new-trend-anti-corruption-cooperation>

#### **How global anti-corruption efforts are being corrupted**

*Robert Amsterdam – The Hill: 21 July 2019*

Anti-corruption efforts are a popular political tool as citizens embrace anti-graft campaigns. As such, politics often get in the way as politicians use the investigations to pursue their own agendas.

<https://thehill.com/opinion/criminal-justice/453547-how-global-anti-corruption-efforts-are-being-corrupted>

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#### **Inspiring Protests in Puerto Rico Show It's Still Possible to Hold Callous, Corrupt Leaders Accountable**

<https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2019/07/puerto-rico-protest-demonstration-governor-text-message-resign.html>

#### **Zimbabwe tourism minister detained by new anti-corruption agency**

<https://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFKCN1UK1C7-OZATP>

#### **For Argentina's Polarizing Anti-Corruption Chief, Reform Is "Life or Death"**

<https://www.americasquarterly.org/content/argentinas-polarizing-anti-corruption-chief-reform-life-or-death>

#### **Brazil: Crypto Exchanges Dragged Into Major Anti-Corruption Case**

<https://cointelegraph.com/news/brazil-crypto-exchanges-dragged-into-major-anti-corruption-case>

#### **Is bribery and corruption being overlooked by UK authorities?**

<https://economia.icaew.com/opinion/july-2019/is-bribery--and-corruption-being-overlooked-by-uk-authorities>

#### **Family Business: Corruption In The Maduro Regime**

<https://dialogo-americas.com/en/articles/family-business-corruption-maduro-regime>

#### **The new law against corruption in Costa Rica and its impact on private companies**

<https://www.bnamericas.com/en/opinion/the-new-law-against-corruption-in-costa-rica-and-its-impact-on-private-companies>

#### **'We are watching you': the 500-day protest against corruption in Romania**

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/jul/23/we-are-watching-you-protesters-corruption-romania-sibiu>

#### **Government dissolves Anti-Corruption Council**

<https://armenpress.am/eng/news/982812/>

## DRUG TRAFFICKING

### **Cartel kingpin El Chapo is jailed for life, but the US-Mexico drug trade is booming**

*Luis Gómez Romero – The Conversation: 18 July 2019*

Little has changed since the capture and conviction of Joaquín Guzmán Loera, known as El Chapo, the “biggest fish” in the drug-trafficking sea. The flow of illicit drugs has not been diminished, and the Sinaloa cartel remains a top trafficker. The new leader who took El Chapo’s place has made the organization even more difficult to dismantle by expanding its criminal activities and making the leadership structure more horizontal and less hierarchical.

<https://theconversation.com/cartel-kingpin-el-chapo-is-jailed-for-life-but-the-us-mexico-drug-trade-is-booming-120556>

### **Asia's meth trade is worth an estimated \$61B as region becomes 'playground' for drug gangs**

*Joshua Berlinger – CNN: 20 July 2019*

A report from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime underscored the massive problem the Indo-Pacific region has with methamphetamines. The illegal trade is perhaps four times greater than it was just a decade ago.

<https://www.cnnphilippines.com/world/2019/7/20/asia-drugs-methamphetamine.html>

Full report:

### **Transnational Organized Crime in Southeast Asia: Evolution, Growth and Impact**

[https://www.unodc.org/documents/southeastasiaandpacific/Publications/2019/SEA\\_TOCTA\\_2019\\_web.pdf](https://www.unodc.org/documents/southeastasiaandpacific/Publications/2019/SEA_TOCTA_2019_web.pdf)

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### **No Evidence Migrant Families Are Aiding Drug Smuggling**

<https://www.cato.org/blog/no-evidence-migrant-families-are-aiding-drug-smuggling>

### **Opioid makers say there's no proof they are responsible for the epidemic's harms**

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/opioid-makers-say-theres-no-proof-they-are-responsible-for-the-epidemics-harms/2019/07/24/f94e0a7c-ae24-11e9-a0c9-6d2d7818f3da\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/opioid-makers-say-theres-no-proof-they-are-responsible-for-the-epidemics-harms/2019/07/24/f94e0a7c-ae24-11e9-a0c9-6d2d7818f3da_story.html)

### **Senate bill would authorize use of drones to identify illicit drug smuggling**

<https://homelandprepnews.com/stories/34902-senate-bill-would-authorize-use-of-drones-to-identify-illicit-drug-smuggling/>

### **Cops warn parcel firms over drug smuggling**

<https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/1716835/cops-warn-parcel-firms-over-drug-smuggling>

### **'They thought they were buying heroin': How fentanyl invaded the U.S.**

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/how-fentanyl-us-crisis-trafficking-150226594.html>

### **Time to rethink Vietnam's drug policies**

<https://www.eastasiaforum.org/2019/07/26/time-to-rethink-vietnams-drug-policies/>

### **An Overview of Drug Trafficking in Pakistan**

<https://moderndiplomacy.eu/2019/07/24/an-overview-of-drug-trafficking-in-pakistan/>

## TRAFFICKING IN SCARCE OR PROTECTED RESOURCES

### **Is Tunisia turning a blind eye to illegal hunting?**

*Jihane Ben Yahia – Institute for Security Studies: 23 July 2019*

While hunting in Tunisia is strictly regulated to protect threatened species, it appears that large hunting parties are able to bypass these regulations. According to reports, the government may be sanctioning the illegal activity.

<https://issafrica.org/iss-today/is-tunisia-turning-a-blind-eye-to-illegal-hunting>

### **Tackling logging in Cambodia? There's an app for that**

*Hugh Biggar – Landscape News: 22 July 2019*

Cambodian deforestation is a massive problem. So, a Danish university partnered with Cambodia to develop a smartphone app that local motorbike patrols can use to track their findings and expose criminals.

<https://news.globallandscapesforum.org/37283/tackling-logging-in-cambodia-theres-an-app-for-that/>

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### **Op-Ed: How cracking down on organized crime could save a tiny porpoise from extinction**

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2019-07-19/vaquita-porpoise-mexico-documentary>

### **Pills, pangolins and purses**

<https://theaseanpost.com/article/pills-pangolins-and-purses>

### **Opinion: Calling all hackers — endangered wildlife needs you**

<https://ensia.com/voices/hackers-endangered-wildlife-online-trade/>

### **Armenia Introduces Tougher Penalties for Illegal Logging**

<https://massispost.com/2019/07/armenia-introduces-tougher-penalties-for-illegal-logging/>

### **#Mediterranean countries advance on fighting illegal fishing in world's most overfished sea**

<https://www.eureporter.co/frontpage/2019/07/24/mediterranean-countries-advance-on-fighting-illegal-fishing-in-worlds-most-overfished-sea/>

### **Songbirds are being snatched from Miami's forests**

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/2019/07/songbirds-are-being-snatched-from-miamis-forests/>

### **Illicit trade endangers the environment, the law and the SDGs. We need a global response**

<https://europeansting.com/2019/07/22/illicit-trade-endangers-the-environment-the-law-and-the-sdgs-we-need-a-global-response/>

## SMUGGLING AND COUNTERFEITING

### **African Country Turns to Blockchain to Stem Deadly Fake Drug Epidemic**

*Benjamin Vitáris – CCN: 25 July 2019*

The government of Uganda wants to use blockchain to curb the distribution and sale of counterfeit drugs in the country.

<https://www.ccn.com/news/blockchain-to-help-african-country-combat-deadly-fake-drug-epidemic/2019/07/25/>

### **Dubai to detect counterfeit goods using AI technology**

*Fareed Rahman – The National: 22 July 2019*

Dubai plans to employ a device that relies on artificial intelligence to identify counterfeit items. Developed by a U.S. company, the device will help detect fake luxury goods in shops across the country.

<https://www.thenational.ae/business/dubai-to-detect-counterfeit-goods-using-ai-technology-1.888883>

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### **Gold mining may be all that's keeping Venezuela in business. Organized crime runs it**

<https://www.miamiherald.com/news/nation-world/world/americas/venezuela/article232672327.html>

### **On Instagram, counterfeit cash is for sale — and a short search away**

<https://www.nbcnews.com/tech/tech-news/instagram-counterfeit-cash-sale-short-search-away-n1031821>

### **Counterfeit Alcohol May Be Responsible For 20 Deaths In Costa Rica**

<https://www.thefix.com/counterfeit-alcohol-deaths-costa-rica>

### **US e-commerce platforms struggle to rein in counterfeit products**

<https://www.supplychaindive.com/news/us-e-commerce-platforms-counterfeit-products/559316/>

### **Counterfeit Products: Is There Any Way To Hold Back The Flood?**

<https://www.ibtimes.com/counterfeit-products-there-any-way-hold-back-flood-2808684>

### **Mafia's alleged laundering of money in Ontario casinos was a surprising choice, experts say in wake of crime bust**

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-mafias-laundering-of-money-in-ontario-casinos-was-a-surprising-choice/>

### **Mexico-US to Launch Plan Against Arms Smuggling at Border**

<http://www.startribune.com/mexico-us-to-launch-plan-against-arms-smuggling-at-border/513040942/?refresh=true>

### **Mizoram is biggest hub of drugs, gold and arms smuggling in South Asia**

<https://nenow.in/north-east-news/mizoram-is-biggest-hub-of-drugs-gold-and-arms-smuggling-in-south-asia.html>

### **These idyllic Caribbean islands are trading illegal Venezuelan gold. Can it be stopped?**

<https://www.miamiherald.com/news/nation-world/world/americas/venezuela/article232461642.html>

## MONEY LAUNDERING

### **EU urges reforms against multi-billion-euro flow of dirty money**

*Francesco Guarascio – Reuters: 24 July 2019*

The European Union is calling for improvements to its money laundering regulations after identifying numerous failures across the bloc that led to scandals in the financial system.

<https://af.reuters.com/article/tanzaniaNews/idAFL8N24P33V>

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### **Cyber laundering: What are some key challenges in detection and regulation?**

<https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=98410b41-b400-4ab4-9575-29184ab74fe2>

### **Fiat Money Outpaces Bitcoin 800:1 for Money Laundering: Report**

<https://www.ccn.com/news/fiat-money-outpaces-bitcoin-by-8001-for-nefarious-activities-report/2019/07/21/>

### **Brazil's Supreme Court halts anti-money laundering investigations**

<https://voices.transparency.org/the-role-of-financial-intelligence-units-and-the-fight-against-corruption-in-brazil-e745f1c8e749>

### **Money Laundering Scandals Have Prompted The Nordic Region's Biggest Banks To Work Together**

<http://www.mondaq.com/uk/x/829994/White+Collar+Crime+Fraud/Money+Laundering+Scandals+Have+Prompted+The+Nordic+Regions+Biggest+Banks+To+Work+Together>

### **This Ohio man is accused of trying to launder \$19 million of bitcoin from the dark web**

<https://www.cnn.com/2019/07/23/man-accused-of-laundering-millions-in-bitcoin-from-silk-road.html>

### **How \$220 Billion Of Dirty Money Is Laundered Through Europe**

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/oliverwilliams1/2019/07/24/how-220-billion-of-dirty-money-is-laundered-through-europe/#40700bbe2561>

### **Follow the (Dirty) Money**

<https://knowledge.wharton.upenn.edu/article/kleptocracy-money-laundering-book/>

## PROGRAM ON CYBER SECURITY STUDIES (PCSS)

### INTERNET GOVERNANCE

#### **The internet is rotting – let's embrace it**

*Viktor Mayer-Schönberger – The Conversation: 25 July 2019*

The internet is making it too hard to forget things and move on. You have to actively seek to destroy information. The author argues that everyone should embrace the purging of rotting information.

<https://theconversation.com/the-internet-is-rotting-lets-embrace-it-116239>

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#### **(U.S., Global) False Assumptions Behind the Current Drive to Regulate Social Media**

<https://www.cato.org/blog/false-assumptions-behind-current-drive-regulate-social-media>

#### **(Global) A Mexican Standoff in Wonderland**

[http://www.circleid.com/posts/20190722\\_a\\_mexican\\_standoff\\_in\\_wonderland/](http://www.circleid.com/posts/20190722_a_mexican_standoff_in_wonderland/)

#### **(Global) Identity governance and administration in a digital world: #GovernanceForAll**

<https://www.itproportal.com/features/identity-governance-and-administration-in-a-digital-world-governanceforall/>

### INTERNET FREEDOM

#### **Kazakhstan's move to control internet prompts censorship, surveillance concerns**

*Madeline Earp – Committee to Protect Journalists: 25 July 2019*

Kazakhstan's new regulation requiring subscribers to have their internet traffic intercepted when using certain sites has critics worried that this is just another tool for censorship and surveillance. Especially concerning is that this arrangement breaks end-to-end encryption protocols.

<https://cpj.org/blog/2019/07/kazakhstans-move-to-control-internet-prompts-censo.php>

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#### **(Global) Digital authoritarianism and the threat to global democracy**

<https://thebulletin.org/2019/07/digital-authoritarianism-and-the-threat-to-global-democracy/>

#### **(South Korea) Internet Censorship is Part of South Korea's Democracy Package**

<https://international.thenewslens.com/article/122579>

#### **(Global) Control Freaks and Bond Villains**

<https://www.natlawreview.com/article/control-freaks-and-bond-villains>

## PRIVACY AND SECURITY

### **Roll Back Internet Data Collection. Start With Facebook.**

*Shira Ovide – Bloomberg: 24 July 2019*

The U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC) hit Facebook with a record \$5 billion fine for sharing the personal information of tens of millions of its users without their permission. The social media giant must also make structural changes to protect the privacy of its users. Yet, many critics think the FTC didn't go far enough.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/opinion/articles/2019-07-24/roll-back-internet-surveillance-start-with-facebook>

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### **(Australia) Experts demand increased transparency in metadata surveillance laws**

<https://www.afr.com/technology/web/security/experts-demand-increased-transparency-in-metadata-surveillance-laws-20190710-p525u6>

### **(U.S.) The challenge in securing critical information**

<https://www.fifthdomain.com/2019/07/24/the-challenge-in-securing-critical-information/>

### **(Global) The internet has become a dark place. I want the old one back**

<https://www.cnn.com/2019/07/19/perspectives/internet-privacy-hate-speech/index.html>

## CYBER STRATEGY AND POLICY

### **Agencies Need to Fully Establish Risk Management Programs and Address Challenges**

*United States Government Accountability Office (GAO): 25 July 2019*

The U.S. GAO investigated 23 federal agencies to determine how they protect against cyber threats. Not one of the agencies fully incorporated the government's recommended cyber security practices into their programs.

<https://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-19-384>

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### **(U.S.) NSA Launches Cybersecurity Arm To Defend The U.S. From Foreign Adversaries**

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/kateoflahertyuk/2019/07/24/nsa-launches-cybersecurity-arm-to-defend-the-u-s-from-foreign-adversaries/#4dbad91b55c4>

### **(U.S., Global) I helped write the rules for the internet in the 1990s: This is what we missed**

<https://thehill.com/opinion/technology/454497-i-helped-write-the-rules-for-the-internet-in-the-1990s-this-is-what-we>

### **(Australia) Ensuring the protection and integrity of Australians' data**

<https://www.cso.com.au/article/664387/ensuring-protection-integrity-australians-data/>

## MASS SURVEILLANCE AND INTELLIGENCE GATHERING

### **China's globally popular camera apps may open up user data to Beijing requests**

*Grace Shao – CNBC: 24 July 2019*

Cyber security experts are concerned about China's control over camera apps and the potential for mass surveillance. Many of the world's most popular photo and video apps come from China, and the companies are forced to turn over their data to the Chinese government if asked.

<https://www.cnn.com/2019/07/25/china-camera-apps-may-open-up-user-data-to-beijing-government-requests.html>

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### **(Russia) Old-age challenge: is FaceApp really a Russian spy in digital form?**

<https://www.timeslive.co.za/sunday-times/lifestyle/2019-07-23-old-age-challenge-is-faceapp-really-a-russian-spy-in-digital-form/>

### **(China, North Korea) Here's the clearest evidence yet of why Huawei can't be trusted, and it involves North Korea**

<https://news.yahoo.com/clearest-evidence-yet-why-huawei-210355904.html>

### **(China, Czech Republic) China's Huawei Faces New Allegations Over Cyber Security**

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/frantisekmarkovic/2019/07/24/chinas-huawei-faces-new-allegations-over-cyber-security/#719018c8631a>

## RISK MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION

### **Global collaboration needed to mitigate cyber threats**

*Jamie Brown – Government News: 22 July 2019*

Cyber attacks now rank just below extreme weather and natural disasters as a potential global risk. Prioritizing cyber threats and mitigating them warrants an international approach.

[https://www.governmentnews.com.au/type\\_contributors/global-collaboration-needed-to-mitigate-cyber-threats/](https://www.governmentnews.com.au/type_contributors/global-collaboration-needed-to-mitigate-cyber-threats/)

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### **(U.S.) What's keeping generals up at night? Cyber threats**

<https://taskandpurpose.com/cyber-threats-generals>

### **(Europe) EU completes first phase of 5G cybersecurity risk assessment**

<https://www.rcrwireless.com/20190722/policy/eu-5g-cybersecurity-risk-assessment>

## COMBATING TERRORISM AND CYBER CRIME

### **New Cyber Attack Trends Report Reveals That Digital Criminals Made Off With \$45 Billion in 2018**

*Scott Ikeda – CPO Magazine: 22 July 2019*

The Internet Society's Online Trust Alliance's report shows that cyber crime increased by tens of billions of dollars over 2017 to end at \$45 billion in 2018. The report notes that while cyber crime incidents are down overall, the financial impact has dramatically increased.

<https://www.cpomagazine.com/cyber-security/new-cyber-attack-trends-report-reveals-that-digital-criminals-made-off-with-45-billion-in-2018/>

Full report:

### **Cyber Incident & Breach Trends Report**

<https://www.internetsociety.org/resources/ota/2019/2018-cyber-incident-breach-trends-report/>

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### **(India) India fights Cyber Crime**

<https://www.newdelhitimes.com/india-fights-cyber-crime/>

### **(The Netherlands) Dutch police aim to divert youngsters from cybercrime**

<https://portswigger.net/daily-swig/dutch-police-aim-to-divert-youngsters-from-cybercrime>

### **(U.S.) The Way Forward: Working Together to Tackle Cybercrime**

<https://www.fbi.gov/news/speeches/the-way-forward-working-together-to-tackle-cybercrime>

## NOTEWORTHY PODCASTS

### **Darknet DDoSer Does Damage to Dread**

*Zane Pokorny – Recorded Future: 15 July 2019*

Daniel Byrnes, a senior threat intelligence analyst, discusses how criminal markets work on the darknet.

<https://www.recordedfuture.com/podcast-episode-116/>

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### **(Global) The CyberWire Daily Podcast: Episode 900**

<https://thecyberwire.com/podcasts/cw-podcasts-daily-2019-07-25.html>

### **(Global) The CyberWire Daily Podcast: Episode 897**

<https://thecyberwire.com/podcasts/cw-podcasts-daily-2019-07-22.html>

### **(Global) Intelligence for the OSINT Curious**

<https://www.recordedfuture.com/podcast-episode-115/>

## CYBER PROTECTION OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

### **Europe seeks to harmonise smart grid security requirements**

*SmartCitiesWorld: 23 July 2019*

To increase resilience across Europe, the European Network for Cyber Security and the European Distribution System Operators' Association introduced a set of baseline security requirements for smart meters and data concentrators.

<https://www.smartcitiesworld.net/news/news/europe-seeks-to-harmonise-smart-grid-security-requirements-4398>

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### **(Venezuela) Venezuelan government blames 'electromagnetic attack' for nationwide blackout**

<https://www.cnn.com/2019/07/23/americas/venezuela-blackout-intl-hnk/index.html>

### **(Global) Managing the cyber-nuclear nexus**

<https://www.europeanleadershipnetwork.org/policy-brief/managing-the-cyber-nuclear-nexus/>

## PROGRAM ON TERRORISM AND SECURITY STUDIES (PTSS)

### ISIS AND FOREIGN FIGHTERS

#### **IS Decentralizing Into ‘Provinces’ in Bid to Return**

*Rikar Hussein, Ezel Sahinkaya , Sirwan Kajjo and Nafisa Hoodbhoy – Voice of America: 21 July 2019*

ISIS has announced several new “provinces” over the past few months since losing its territory in Iraq and Syria. This increasingly decentralized ISIS could be more dangerous than the first iteration of the group.

<https://www.voanews.com/extremism-watch/decentralizing-provinces-bid-return>

#### **Hundreds of Islamic State militants are slipping back into Iraq. Their fight isn’t over.**

*Louisa Loveluck and Mustafa Salim – The Washington Post: 21 July 2019*

According to an Iraqi security analyst, ISIS militants have been sneaking back into Iraq and waging small-scale attacks across the central and northern parts of the country, specifically in rural areas where they can hide undetected. About 1,000 militants are estimated to have returned to Iraq.

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle\\_east/hundreds-of-islamic-state-militants-are-slipping-back-into-iraq-their-fight-isnt-over/2019/07/21/1f8e4262-a259-11e9-a767-d7ab84aef3e9\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle_east/hundreds-of-islamic-state-militants-are-slipping-back-into-iraq-their-fight-isnt-over/2019/07/21/1f8e4262-a259-11e9-a767-d7ab84aef3e9_story.html)

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#### **Egypt hands out 11 life sentences for joining Islamic State**

<https://apnews.com/66aeb992e104eeeb9a65da536baed1e>

#### **Abu Sayyaf Is Bringing More of ISIS’ Brutal Tactics to the Philippines**

<https://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/articles/28054/abu-sayyaf-is-bringing-more-of-isis-brutal-tactics-to-the-philippines>

#### **Syria: Dire Conditions for ISIS Suspects’ Families**

<https://www.hrw.org/news/2019/07/23/syria-dire-conditions-isis-suspects-families>

#### **Isis suspects in Syrian camp raise thousands through online crowdfunding campaign**

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/middle-east/isis-syria-camp-al-hol-paypal-telegram-online-crowdfunding-a9021006.html>

#### **Islamic State fighters heading home: Is Southeast Asia ready?**

<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/cnainsider/isis-fighters-heading-home-is-southeast-asia-ready-terror-threat-11750854>

#### **Families of ISIS adherents to sue Australia over repatriation**

<https://thedefensepost.com/2019/07/25/australia-isis-families-lawsuit/>

#### **Exclusive - Turkey, Qatar and the Return of ISIS to Libya**

<https://aawsat.com/english/home/article/1823876/exclusive-turkey-qatar-and-return-isis-libya>

#### **Foreign Militants Working With New Islamic State Leader In Philippines**

<https://www.eurasiareview.com/26072019-foreign-militants-working-with-new-islamic-state-leader-in-philippines/>

## TERRORISM AROUND THE WORLD

### **How viable is dialogue with al-Shabaab and Boko Haram?**

*Akinola Olojo – Institute for Security Studies: 24 July 2019*

The fights against al-Shabaab and Boko Haram have focused largely on military intervention as the key strategy, but the campaigns continue without significant results. Dialogue with these groups may be the key to ending their reigns of terror.

<https://issafrica.s3.amazonaws.com/site/uploads/policy-brief-130.pdf>

### **The UK Now Considers Far-Right Terror As Dangerous As Islamic Extremism**

*Tim Hume – VICE: 25 July 2019*

The United Kingdom has now placed right-wing terrorist groups on par with the threat levels from foreign and jihadist threats. “While the Islamist threat remains, we have recently seen an increase in terrorist activity motivated by the extreme right-wing,” Home Secretary Sajid Javid said. “Our approach to stopping terrorists is the same, regardless of the twisted ideology that motivates them.”

[https://www.vice.com/en\\_in/article/kzmmxa/the-uk-is-finally-taking-far-right-terrorism-seriously](https://www.vice.com/en_in/article/kzmmxa/the-uk-is-finally-taking-far-right-terrorism-seriously)

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*Loredana Pianta – Phys.org: 25 July 2019*

Researchers have developed a new tool to help measure the future economic and social effects of their policies. The idea is to eradicate and weaken Mafia and terrorist recruitment efforts. Computational and social sciences are being employed to build simulations to study how recruitment processes work.

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*Sara Manisera – The National: 25 July 2019*

Much of Europe has been reluctant to bring home the families of ISIS members, but not Kosovo. It has launched a rehabilitation program and brought home women and children from Syria to repatriate them into society.

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### **To Fight Terrorists, Follow the Money**

*Emanuele Ottolenghi – Foreign Policy: 19 July 2019*

By going after money launderers, governments can curtail terrorism and corruption. It's time to look beyond military actions and disrupting attacks and focus on prosecuting those who finance the group's activities.

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### **UN calls for stronger 'global response' to terrorism, organized crime**

*Agence France-Presse: 20 July 2019*

The United Nations Security Council is concerned with the “global response” to terrorism and organized crime and called for the international community to work together to identify and eliminate the threats.

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