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COUNTERING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (CTOC)

CORRUPTION

Fighting Corruption In The Former Soviet Republics Is Critical To Western Security

Dan Goure – The National Interest: 6 October 2019

Corruption has been a problem in the former Soviet republics since their independence. Such corruption undermines their stability and security and the trust of citizens in the government.

<https://nationalinterest.org/blog/buzz/fighting-corruption-former-soviet-republics-critical-western-security-85846>

Laura Kövesi: Corruption can be defeated

Chatham House: October 2019

Laura Kövesi was the first woman to serve as Romania's prosecutor general and rose to lead the country's Anticorruption Directorate. Here, she is interviewed about her candidacy to be the chief European prosecutor in Brussels.

<https://www.chathamhouse.org/publications/twt/laura-kovesi-corruption-can-be-defeated>

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The Hague's administration collapses amid corruption probe

<https://www.dutchnews.nl/news/2019/10/the-hagues-administration-collapses-amid-corruption-probe/>

Doha's empty seats tell tale of corruption, warped priorities and vested interests

<https://www.theguardian.com/sport/blog/2019/sep/30/doha-empty-seats-iaaf-sellout-world-athletics-championships>

US sanctions Guptas for South African 'corruption'

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Telecoms corruption more than just a glitch in the system

<https://www.thelondoneconomic.com/tech-auto/technology/telecoms-corruption-more-than-just-a-glitch-in-the-system/10/10/>

China's corrupt meritocracy

<https://www.afr.com/world/asia/china-s-corrupt-meritocracy-20191010-p52zco>

UK Attorney General Accused of Blocking Corruption Probe

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Doing anti-corruption work more effectively: How learning and adaptation matter

<https://voices.transparency.org/doing-anti-corruption-work-more-effectively-how-learning-and-adaptation-matter-ef604fe777b0>

South Africa: Forensic Technology A Critical Tool To Rooting Out Corruption In Africa

<http://www.mondaq.com/southafrica/x/851518/White+Collar+Crime+Fraud/The+content+of+this+article+is+intended+to+provide+a+general+guide+to+the+subject+matter+Specialist+advice+should+be+sought+about+your+specific+circumstances>

DRUG TRAFFICKING

Drug trade damaging Central America's forests, researchers say

Anastasia Moloney – Reuters: 8 October 2019

Texas State University determined that drug trafficking contributes to deforestation in some of Central America's most environmentally sensitive tropical rainforests.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-central-america-forests-drugs/drug-trade-damaging-central-america-forests-researchers-say-idUSKBN1W0051>

Deep in Guatemala's jungle, drugs and murder are new neighbors to palm oil

Sofia Menchu – Reuters: 9 October 2019

After three Guatemalan naval officers were killed in an eastern coastal region dominated by organized crime, Guatemala's government enforced martial law, drawing attention to the fact that the country is becoming a cocaine producer.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-guatemala-security/deep-in-guatemalas-jungle-drugs-and-murder-are-new-neighbors-to-palm-oil-idUSKBN1W000W>

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ONDCP Awards Nearly \$13 Million to Boost Overdose Response Strategy, Fund New High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas

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How Elites and Narcos Do Business, Politics in Honduras

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Untangling Webs of Corruption: Trafficking and Terrorism in Central Asia

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Fighting for Compassion in the Philippines' Brutal Drug War

<https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/frontline/article/fighting-for-compassion-in-the-philippines-brutal-drug-war/>

The State of Mexico's Drug Wars With Scott Stewart and Fred Burton

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Health Officials Urge Caution in Reducing Opioids for Pain Patients

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/10/health/opioids-pain-patients-guide.html>

TRAFFICKING IN SCARCE OR PROTECTED RESOURCES

Fighting illegal logging with an app in Ivory Coast

Sasha Gankin – *Deutsche Welle*: 5 October 2019

To help farmers grow crops without cutting down trees, a new app called GeoPoppy helps to identify good agricultural land.

<https://www.dw.com/en/fighting-illegal-logging-with-an-app-in-ivory-coast/av-50702517>

Central Africa's Rangers Are as Threatened as the Animals They Guard

Jack Losh – *Foreign Policy*: 6 October 2019

In Bamingui-Bangoran National Park in the Central African Republic, poachers and militias make life hard not just for the animals, but for the park rangers as well.

<https://foreignpolicy.com/2019/10/06/central-africas-rangers-are-as-endangered-as-the-animals-they-guard/>

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Gabon juggles competing demands in fight to protect nature

<https://phys.org/news/2019-10-gabon-demands-nature.html>

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Nigeria loses \$2.7bn annually to illegal fishing, piracy

<https://punchng.com/nigeria-loses-2-7bn-annually-to-illegal-fishing-piracy/>

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How the Battle to Save Rhinos Became a Full-Scale War

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Cameroon can't afford to continue ignoring crime in fisheries sector

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HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND IRREGULAR MIGRATION

New anti-trafficking chief slams ‘abysmal’ global conviction levels

Christine Murray – Reuters: 10 October 2019

According to a senior European security official, governments need to devote more resources to police human trafficking.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-global-trafficking-crime-interview/new-anti-trafficking-chief-slams-abysmal-global-conviction-levels-idUSKBN1WP22V>

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Getting to Europe illegally gets tougher, deadlier

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More efforts urged against human trafficking in Saudi Arabia

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Africa: Baby Factories Are a New Avenue for Illegal Adoption and Human Trafficking

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Human trafficking ‘industry’ worth over US\$150 billion

<https://newsday.co.tt/2019/10/07/human-trafficking-industry-worth-over-us150-billion/>

SMUGGLING, PIRACY AND COUNTERFEITING

Have Your Cake and Trade It: Is it Possible to Promote Legitimate Commerce While Reducing Illicit Trade?

Anton Moiseienko, Alexandria Reid and Isabella Chase – Royal United Services Institute (RUSI): 1 October 2019

RUSI researchers look at efforts to counteract illicit trade and trade-based money laundering.

<https://rusi.org/commentary/have-your-cake-and-trade-it-it-possible-promote-legitimate-commerce-while-reducing>

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Ukraine under EU pressure to criminalise tobacco smuggling

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MONEY LAUNDERING

Cayman Islands joins global money-laundering crackdown

Reuters: 9 October 2019

Stashing money in the Cayman Islands may get more difficult. The government has pledged to publicize information that could reveal who really owns shell companies laundering money there.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-cayman-regulations-shellcompanies/cayman-islands-joins-global-money-laundering-crackdown-idUSKBN1W01SX>

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European Union anti-money laundering laws to include cryptocurrencies

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INTERNET GOVERNANCE

Internet 3.0: Decentralizing Everything

Allen Taylor – Blockchain Times: 9 October 2019

Internet 3.0 is an attempt to decentralize the web with a peer-to-peer system that could deprive big players such as Google and Amazon of revenue that some people argue rightly belongs to the computing public.

<https://blockchaintimes.news/2019/10/09/internet-3-0-decentralizing-everything/>

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INTERNET FREEDOM

Turkey’s New Internet Regulations Spark Fears of New Wave of Censorship

Dorian Jones – Voice of America: 8 October 2019

The Turkish government is trying to silence the country’s last platform for independent journalism by extending the powers of the state television and radio watchdog to cover internet broadcasting.

<https://www.voanews.com/middle-east/turkeys-new-internet-regulations-spark-fears-new-wave-censorship>

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(Africa) Forum on Internet Freedom in Africa: Global Voices represents at Addis Ababa digital rights conference

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(Global) These 6 tech companies have made the controversial decision to try to operate in China, where the government can demand social media posts be removed or search results be censored

<https://www.businessinsider.com/tech-companies-censoring-content-for-china-apple-microsoft-2019-10>

PRIVACY AND SECURITY

A Controversial Plan to Encrypt More of the Internet

Lily Hay Newman – Wired: 9 October 2019

Plans by large internet browsers such as Chrome and Firefox to encrypt user data is drawing resistance from critics who think the moves are counterproductive.

<https://www.wired.com/story/dns-over-https-encrypted-web/>

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CYBER PROTECTION OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Report finds cyberattacks on critical utility operating systems are increasing

Maggie Miller – The Hill: 4 October 2019

A new survey shows that risk to infrastructure is worsening, with potential for severe financial, environmental and infrastructure damage. Industrywide, readiness is uneven and has common blind spots.

<https://thehill.com/policy/cybersecurity/464373-report-finds-cyberattacks-on-critical-utility-operating-systems-are>

Full report:

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Report: Cyber Criminals Target More Firms in Search of Bigger Paydays

Jack Corrigan – Nextgov: 1 October 2019

Data from the firm CrowdStrike suggest criminals ramped up financially motivated attacks during the first half of 2019.

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(Australia) Australia's lack of cyber security engagement remains a perplexing issue

<https://www.cio.com.au/article/667335/australia-lack-cyber-security-engagement-remains-perplexing-issue/>

INFORMATION SHARING

U.S. to Expand Information Sharing With U.K., Latin America on Terrorism Threats

Samuel Rubinfeld – Kharon.com: 7 October 2019

The U.S. has encouraged its allies to sign agreements that will increase information sharing about criminal and terrorist threats. An agreement with the United Kingdom would allow electronic data sharing without legal barriers.

<https://brief.kharon.com/updates/us-to-expand-information-sharing-with-uk-latin-america-on-terrorism-threats/>

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The future of cybersecurity training: Subscription-based learning — Cyber Work Podcast

Hunter Reed – Security Boulevard: 30 September 2019

Jason Dion, a cyber security training leader, and Cyber Work host Chris Sienko discuss subscription-based cyber security training, study strategies and the skills gap.

<https://securityboulevard.com/2019/09/the-future-of-cybersecurity-training-subscription-based-learning-cyber-work-podcast/>

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MASS SURVEILLANCE AND INTELLIGENCE GATHERING

Getting a new mobile number in China will involve a facial-recognition test

Jane Li – Quartz: 3 October 2019

Chinese citizens applying for a new mobile and data service plan will need to have their faces scanned by their telecommunications provider. Effective December 1, this new verification requirement is the latest regulation by the Xi administration to control internet access.

<https://qz.com/1720832/china-introduces-facial-recognition-step-to-get-new-mobile-number/>

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TRAINING AND EXERCISES

Cyber Quest

Maj. Christian Abney – Defense Visual Information Distribution Service: 9 October 2019

The U.S. Army Cyber Center of Excellence is using an event called Cyber Quest to partner with talented organizations to solve challenges facing the military.

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ISIS AND FOREIGN FIGHTERS

ISIS in Afghanistan is still able to field thousands of fighters despite hellacious fight to destroy it

Shawn Snow – *Military Times*: 5 October 2019

Despite heroic efforts by the U.S. and its allies to root out ISIS fighters in Afghanistan, they maintain a robust presence – between 2,000 and 4,000 fighters, depending on the source.

<https://www.militarytimes.com/flashpoints/2019/10/04/isis-in-afghanistan-is-still-able-to-field-thousands-of-fighters-despite-hellacious-fight-to-destroy-it/>

Syria: Uzbekistan's Approach to IS Detainees

Nodirbek Soliev – *S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies*: 9 October 2019

Uzbekistan is a global leader in repatriating the families – mostly women and children – of ISIS foreign fighters.

<https://www.rsis.edu.sg/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/CO19199.pdf>

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Violence escalating in al-Hawl camp as Islamic State women open fire on guards, bodies found

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France working to bring home children of Isis terrorists, claims foreign minister

<https://www.express.co.uk/news/world/1175913/Isis-children-welcome-France-Emmanuel-Macron-terror-jihadi-legal-court>

Isis jihadist brides aren't 'naïve' victims and knew what they were doing, say experts

<https://news.yahoo.com/isis-brides-not-naive-syria-experts-111957277.html>

Abdullah Qardash: IS Successor to Al-Baghdadi?

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Trump Says France, Germany Must Take Back Islamic State Prisoners

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In Iraq and Syria, a new phase of the war against Islamic State begins

<https://www.latimes.com/world-nation/story/2019-10-07/in-iraq-and-syria-a-new-phase-of-the-war-against-islamic-state-begins>

TERRORISM AROUND THE WORLD

The Taliban still hasn't broken with al-Qaeda

Javid Ahmad and Husain Haqqani – The Washington Post: 7 October 2019

Despite promises to the contrary, the Taliban appears to be maintaining its close ties to al-Qaeda in Afghanistan.

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Predicting terror activity before it happens

Northwestern University: 7 October 2019

Researchers have developed a model they say can successfully predict how lethal a terrorist organization will become based on its first 10 attacks.

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Beyond Counterterrorism: Defeating the Salafi-Jihadi Movement

<https://www.criticalthreats.org/analysis/beyond-counterterrorism-defeating-the-salafi-jihadi-movement>

Ally of Al Qaeda Killed in Afghanistan Raid, Officials Say, but Taliban Deny It

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/08/world/asia/al-qaeda-taliban-afghanistan-raid.html>

Attack on U.S. Base and EU Trainers in Somalia Underlines al-Shabaab's Resilience

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Thousands of Nigerian hunters prepare to chase Boko Haram

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Is lone wolf terrorism on the rise in Israel?

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Global Terrorism Decreases in 2018; U.S. Attacks Increase

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WHITE NATIONALIST TERRORISM

How the Synagogue Shooting in Germany Fits Into a Global Pattern of Far-Right Terrorism

Rajan Basra, Blyth Crawford and Florence Keen – Time: 10 October 2019

The synagogue shooter in Germany appeared to draw inspiration from other attacks by far-right extremists around the world.

<https://time.com/5697553/halle-germany-synagogue-christchurch-terrorism/>

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Threat of right-wing terrorism ‘very high’ in Germany: minister

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RADICALIZATION AND MESSAGING

Lessons Learned from P/CVE Youth Mentorship

Tina Wilchen Christensen – Royal United Services Institute (RUSI): 10 October 2019

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Africa faces multiple challenges in understanding the connections between gender and terrorism.

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Fighting Terrorism Online: EU Internet Forum committed to an EU-wide Crisis Protocol

European Commission: 7 October 2019

The fifth annual meeting of the European Union Internet Forum has produced a terrorism Crisis Protocol to address the spread of viral terrorist content online.

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Strategies for combating international terrorism in Central Asia

Shuaib Bahman – Modern Diplomacy: 10 October 2019

Given the increased risk of terrorist groups infiltrating Central Asia, this study suggests that an integrated long-term strategy is most effective.

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U.S. Official Says Kazakhstan Could Be A Model For Rescuing Citizens From War Zones

<https://caspiannews.com/news-detail/us-official-says-kazakhstan-could-be-a-model-for-rescuing-citizens-from-war-zones-2019-10-10-34/>

IRREGULAR WARFARE

USE OF SOFT POWER

Chinese Airport Project in Angola Hit by Delays, Corruption

Frank Fang – Epoch Times: 11 September 2019

Though China uses infrastructure building to expand its influence in certain African nations, the projects are often fraught with corruption. An airport project in Luanda, Angola, is a recent example.

https://www.theepochtimes.com/chinese-project-to-build-new-angola-airport-ridden-with-corruption_3078120.html

China Is Waging a Silent Media War for Global Influence

Daniel Wagner – The National Interest: 19 September 2019

Beijing is looking to expand its influence and sway public opinion about China by manipulating Western news outlets.

<https://nationalinterest.org/feature/china-waging-silent-media-war-global-influence-81906>

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