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# AFRICA

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## **ALGERIA**

- **2 Bombs Discovered Near A Mosque In Bejaia**

<https://www.dzbreaking.com/2017/05/20/counterterrorism-photo-2-hand-held-bombs-discovered-near-mosque-bejaia-video/>

5/20/2017, in Bejaia, Two hand-held bombs have been discovered near a mosque in the municipality of Rémila, province of Béjaia.

## **BURUNDI**

- **3 Killed In Grenade Attack In The Capital**

[http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c\\_id=2&objectid=11858980](http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c_id=2&objectid=11858980)

5/17/2017, in Bujumbura, Three members of the ruling party's youth league have been killed in an attack outside a bar in the capital of Bujumbura.

- **Grenade attack kills three CNDD-FDD members in Burundi's Bujumbura**

5/17/2017, in Musaga, THREE members of the youth wing of the ruling Conseil National Pour la Défense de la Démocratie–Forces pour la Défense de la Démocratie (CNDD-FDD) party were killed and three others were wounded during a grenade attack by unidentified attackers in the Musaga neighbourhood in Burundi's capital Bujumbura. There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack.

- **Grenade attack wounds eight people in Burundi's Bujumbura**

5/21/2017, in Kamenge, Bujumbura city, an unidentified person threw a grenade in the ruling Conseil National Pour la Défense de la Démocratie–Forces pour la Défense de la Démocratie (CNDD-FDD) territory and wounded eight people.

- **Grenade attack targets French school and government building in Burundi's Bujumbura**

5/26/2017, in Rohero neighbourhood, Bujumbura, grenade attack targeted a French School and the offices of the Presidency; one person was wounded.

## ***CAMEROON***

- **Suicide attack kills a vigilante in Cameroon's Extreme Nord**

5/12/2017, in Limani district, two suicide bombers detonated their explosives, killing a vigilante and wounding four other people.

- **3 Killed In Double Suicide Bombings In Cameroons Far North**

<http://journalducameroun.com/en/three-killed-double-suicide-bombings-cameroons-far-north/>

5/19/2017, in Mora, two suicide bombers have set off their explosives in Cameroon's Far North region, blowing up themselves and one other civilian.

- **3 Suicide Bombers Killed In Northern Cameroon**

<http://aa.com.tr/en/africa/three-suicide-bombers-killed-in-northern-cameroon/824339>

5/23/2017, in Far North Region, suicide bombers including one man and two women who wanted to enter Double (small town in Cameroon's Far North Region) were stopped by Multi-National Joint Task Force and members of a vigilance committee. He also indicated that the attacks did not cause any casualties; only the three suicide bombers were killed.

- **Suicide attack wounds people in Cameroon's Extreme Nord**

5/26/2017, in Kolofata town, a suicide bomber detonated an IED device killing himself and wounding several people.

## ***CONGO***

- **Ninjas Nsiloulous militants attack area of the Republic of Congo's Brazzaville**

5/16/2017, in Ngampoko, Brazzaville, Ninjas Nsiloulous militants reportedly attacked the area and explosions and small arms fire were heard. Lootings were conducted in Ngampoko and locals fled to Mayanga and other areas. Reports did not contain details of casualties.

## ***EGYPT***

- **Egypt Army Discovers Terrorist Hideout In Central Sinai**

[http://www.china.org.cn/world/2017-05/13/content\\_40808097.htm](http://www.china.org.cn/world/2017-05/13/content_40808097.htm)

5/13/2017, in Sinai, the Egyptian armed forces discovered a terrorist hideout containing large amounts of weapons and explosive devices in central Sinai.

- **Egyptian Colonel Killed In Bomb Attack On Armoured Vehicle**

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-egypt-security-idUSKCN18A0JD>

5/14/2017, in Sinai, a colonel in the Egyptian military was killed and three recruits injured on Sunday when their armored vehicle was hit by an explosion in the Sinai peninsula.

- **IED attack kills three soldiers in Egypt's North Sinai**

5/25/2017, in Rafah, three soldiers were killed when an IED planted by Islamist radical militants detonated and hit an armoured vehicle they were traveling in during patrol operation in the town of Rafah in Egypt's North Sinai governorate. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Vehicle Loaded With Explosives Seized In Ahmed Hamdy Tunnel**

<http://www.egyptindependent.com/vehicle-explosives-tunnel/>

5/31/2017, in Ahmed Hamdi, the Armed Forces seized on Wednesday a vehicle loaded with explosives in Martyr Ahmed Hamdy tunnel. Two people in the vehicle were arrested; these explosive materials are used in manufacturing IEDs.

- **3 Officers - 1 Soldier Dead In Western Desert**

[https://www.nytimes.com/aponline/2017/05/31/world/middleeast/ap-mi-egypt.html?\\_r=0](https://www.nytimes.com/aponline/2017/05/31/world/middleeast/ap-mi-egypt.html?_r=0)

5/31/2017, in Bahariya, three officers and one soldier were killed when a suicide belt went off as forces were sweeping a militant hub in the Bahariya Oasis in Egypt's western desert.

## ***ETHIOPIA***

- **Grenade attack kills two people in Ethiopia's Amhara**

5/1/2017, in Bahir Dar, two people were killed and several wounded, in a grenade explosion near the entrance to a concert hall; the concert was under boycotting campaign against the beer brewery which is alleged to be owned by Amhara National Democratic Movement; no party had yet claimed the attack.

## ***GAMBIA***

- **Landmine Explosion Hits Kanilai And Its Surrounding Areas**

<http://www.freedomnewspaper.com/gambia-breaking-news-another-landmine-explosion-hits-kanilai-and-its-surrounding-areas/>



5/17/2017, in Kanilai, a landmine explosion occurred behind Kanilai, the home village of the exiled Gambian dictator Yahya Jammeh. No casualties were recorded in the latest landmine explosion.

## **KENYA**

- **Security forces defuse IED in a church in Kenya's Kiambu**

5/5/2017, in Makongeni, Thika, an IED was discovered within the compound of the Christian International Church; the device was defused.

- **Landmine Blast Injures 7 In Kenya**

<https://en.haberler.com/landmine-blast-injures-7-in-kenya-1056878/>

5/8/2017, in Garissa, a landmine explosion which hit a vehicle in the Kenyan town of Garissa on Monday late afternoon injured seven people, six critically.

- **4 Killed In IED Explosion In Garissa**

<https://www.standardmedia.co.ke/article/2001239978/four-killed-in-ied-explosion-in-garissa>

5/16/2017, in Garissa, four people were killed after a vehicle they were traveling in ran over an Improvised Explosive Device in Liboi area, Garissa County.

- **Roadside Blast Kills Kenyan Official In Border Region**

<https://english.sina.cn/news/2017-05-17/detail-ifyfkmc9524048.d.html?HTTPS=1>

5/17/2017, in Elwak, a Kenyan official was killed on Wednesday after a vehicle he was traveling in ran over an IED in Elwak area near Kenya-Somalia border. The driver survived with serious injuries.

- **8 Policemen Killed In 2 Separate Bomb Blasts**

[http://tucson.com/news/world/police-officers-killed-injured-by-bomb-blast-in-kenya/article\\_783273a8-85f0-5a25-9031-269f2d100174.html](http://tucson.com/news/world/police-officers-killed-injured-by-bomb-blast-in-kenya/article_783273a8-85f0-5a25-9031-269f2d100174.html)

5/24/2017, in Liboi, eight Kenyan police officers were killed when their vehicles ran over improvised bombs in two separate incidents near the border with Somalia.

- **Landmine attack kills five security officers in Kenya's Mandera**

5/24/2017, in Mandera, five security officers were killed in a landmine attack targeting the convoy of the governor of Mandera County in Kenya in the area. Harakat al-Shabaab al-Mujahideen militants claimed responsibility for the attack. The governor was unharmed in the attack.

- **IED attack kills three police officers in Kenya's Garissa**

5/24/2017, in Liboi, three police officers were killed and eight others were wounded in an IED attack targeting their vehicle in Liboi in Kenya's Garissa County, Reuters reported. Harakat al-Shabaab al-Mujahideen claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Kills 5 Kenyan Police In Third Bombing**

<https://www.independent.co.ug/al-shabaab-strikes-kills-5-kenyan-police-third-bombing/>

5/25/2017, in Garissa, five police officers were killed Thursday when their vehicle hit a roadside bomb in Kenya in an attack claimed by Shabaab Islamists a day after eight police died in similar blasts.

- **Al Shabaab Militants Blow Up Safaricom Mast In Garissa**

[http://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/06/01/al-shabaab-militants-blow-up-safaricom-mast-in-garissa\\_c1572052](http://www.the-star.co.ke/news/2017/06/01/al-shabaab-militants-blow-up-safaricom-mast-in-garissa_c1572052)

5/31/2017, in Garissa, Al Shabaab militants destroyed a Safaricom mast at Fafi center, Garissa county, at about 10pm on Wednesday night. They were using alternative routes for fear of IEDs that have been used to kill several police officers in the last few days.

- **Roadside Bomb Targeting Police Kills Eight On Kenyas North Coast**

<http://af.reuters.com/article/worldNews/idAFKBN18R1Z3>

5/31/2017, in Lamu, seven police officers and a civilian were killed when their truck hit a landmine on a road along Kenya's northern coast.

## ***LIBYA***

- **IED detonation kills four soldiers in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/3/2017, in Benghazi, four soldiers were killed while deactivating an IED placed by unidentified militants in Benghazi in Libya's Cyrenaica region.

- **Landmine attack kills two LNA soldiers in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/3/2017, in Benghazi, a landmine killed two Libyan National Army (LNA) soldiers.

- **IED attack targets Janzour Knights checkpoint in Libya's Tripolitania**

5/4/2017, along the Tripoli-Zawiya coastal road, an IED detonated at a checkpoint manned by the Janzour Knights, causing material damage.

- **Landmine attack wounds civilian in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/5/2017, in western Benghazi, a landmine exploded, wounding one civilian.

- **LNA defuse landmine in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/5/2017, in Benghazi's Sabri district, LNA bomb specialists defused a landmine placed by militants near the Oraiby mill.

- **Armed clashes kill at least 12 LNA forces personnel in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/8/2017, in Benghazi, at least 12 Libyan National Army (LNA) soldiers were killed and 20 others were wounded in armed clashes and landmine attacks as LNA forces were advancing against Islamist radical militants in the districts of Sabri and Souq al-Hout in Benghazi in Libya's Cyrenaica region.

- **Landmine attack kills nine soldiers in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/8/2017, in Benghazi's Sabri district, a single landmine explosion killed nine members of the LNA Special Forces Volcano Battalion.

- **LNA destroy VBIED in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/9/2017, in Benghazi's Sabri district, LNA forces found and destroyed a VBIED placed by militants behind the Gulf Building on Sharif Street.

- **Security forces defuse VBIED in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/11/2017, in Benghazi, security forces defused a VBIED placed near a desalination plant to sabotage a gas pipeline feeding into North Benghazi Power Station.

- **Landmine attack kills three LNA soldiers in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/12/2017, in Derna's Dahr al-Hamar region, a landmine attack killed three Libyan National Army (LNA) soldiers and wounded another three more.

- **LNA forces defuse IEDs in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/15/2017, in downtown Benghazi, Libyan National Army (LNA) ordnance specialists defused a large number of improvised explosive devices (IEDs) and landmines placed by militants in six different buildings.

- **LNA forces defuse IED in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/16/2017, in Derna region, Libyan National Army (LNA) defused an IED connected to artillery projectiles placed by militants.

- **Tribal Elder - 5 Others Killed By Car Bomb South Of Benghazi**

<http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFKCN18F1IL-OZATP>

5/19/2017, in Benghazi, a car bomb killed a prominent tribal elder allied to eastern security forces and five other people outside a mosque in a town south of Benghazi as they were leaving afternoon prayers on Friday.

- **LNA forces defuse IEDs in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/20/2017, in Benghazi's Sabri district, Libyan National Army (LNA) ordnance specialists defused over 30 improvised explosive devices (IEDs) placed by militants in Suq al-Arab area.

- **Landmine kills LNA soldier in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/21/2017, in Benghazi's Suq al-Arab compound, a landmine explosion killed the head of the Libyan National Army (LNA) Special Forces' investigations unit, Maj. Fadel al-Hasi.

- **Landmine attack kills local LNA commander in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/23/2017, in Benghazi's Suq al-Hut district, a landmine explosion in a building killed the Libyan National Army (LNA) commander for the sector.

- **Landmine attack kills LNA officer in Libya's Cyrenaica**

5/24/2017, in Benghazi's recently seized Passports Authority building, a landmine explosion killed a Libyan National Army (LNA) Marines officer and wounded three Passport officials.

## ***MALI***

- **Suspected Islamist radical militants kill nine soldiers in ambush in Mali's Segou**

5/2/2017, in Nampala, at least nine soldiers were killed during an ambush by suspected Islamist radical militants targeting a convoy near the town of Nampala in Mali's Segou province. The militants opened fire on the vehicle after it struck a mine placed by the attackers. There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack.

- **Rocket Attack On UN Camp In Mali Kills 1 Wounds 9**

<http://www.voanews.com/a/rocket-attack-united-nations-camp-mali/3836730.html>

5/3/2017, in Timbuktu, one person was killed and nine were wounded Wednesday when suspected Islamic extremists fired rockets into a U.N peacekeeping camp in Mali.

- **Mine attack targets military convoy in Mali**

5/5/2017, between Boni and Beri, on Mondoro road, a mine exploded when passing an army patrol without causing casualties or material damage.

- **Jamaat Nusrat al-Islam wal-Mulimin militants kill seven soldiers in Mali's Gao**

5/7/2017, in Almoustarat, Gao, Islamist radical militants attacked an army position using a SVBIED and rockets before assaulting, breaching the bases's perimeter and killing seven soldiers and wounding 17 others.

## ***NIGERIA***

- **Suspected Explosive Blows Off Mans Fingers In Osogbo**

<https://www.naij.com/1102398-suspected-explosive-blows-mans-fingers-osogbo.html>

5/2/2017, in Osogbo, one person got four fingers on his right arm chopped-off while dismantling a damaged car stereo in front of his house.

- **Army Foils Suicide Bomb Attack In Borno**

<http://dailypost.ng/2017/05/04/army-foils-suicide-bomb-attack-borno/>

5/3/2017, in Borno, three female teenage suicide bombers attempted to attack military outpost, popularly known as "Gontanamo" along Muna in Borno State. They were, however, gunned down before they could gain access to the premises.

- **7 Killed In Another Suicide Bomb Attack In Borno**

<http://www.vanguardngr.com/2017/05/breaking-7-killed-another-suicide-bomb-attack-borno/>

5/5/2017, in Borno, the Borno Police Command confirmed the killing of seven persons after two suspected female suicide bombers attacked Mandarari ward in Konduga Local Government Area of Borno.

- **4 Die In Suicide Bomb Attack In University Of Maiduguri**

<http://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/01/suicide-attack-hits-nigeria-university-maiduguri-170116112753904.html>

5/13/2017, in Maiduguri, at least four people were killed and 15 others injured in a suicide bomb attack on a university campus in northeast Nigeria. The blast happened at a mosque in the staff quarters area of the University of Maiduguri, and is thought to have been carried out by a teenage girl.

- **Suicide attack kills security guard in Nigeria's Borno**

5/13/2017, in Maiduguri, one university security personnel was killed and another was wounded when three suicide bombers detonated their explosives at the Work Department of the University of Maiduguri in Maiduguri city in Nigeria's Borno state. While no immediate claim of responsibility was made, Wilayat Gharb Afriqiyya has conducted similar attacks in the area and was assessed to most likely be responsible.

- **Suicide attack kills two people in Nigeria's Borno**

5/15/2017, in Konduga Local Government Area, two people were killed and six others were wounded when three female suicide bombers detonated their explosives in the village of Mandari Ward in Konduga Local Government Area of Nigeria's Borno state.

- **3 Female Suicide Bombers Kill Two In Northeast Nigerias Borno State**

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-nigeria-security-idUSKCN18C1V3>

5/16/2017, in Borno, three female suicide bombers killed two people and injured six others in an attack on a village in northeast Nigeria's Borno state.

- **5 Killed In Another Suicide Bomb Attack In Borno**

<http://www.vanguardngr.com/2017/05/5-killed-another-suicide-bomb-attack-borno/>

5/16/2017, in Borno, the Police Command in Borno confirmed the killing of five persons in a suicide bomb attack in Konduga Local Government Area of the state. Three Female suicide bombers detonated explosives strapped on their bodies at Shuwa settlement of Mandarari Ward Konduga, killing themselves and two others. While six persons sustained injuries.

- **2 Soldiers Injured In Suicide Bomb Attack**

<http://aa.com.tr/en/africa/nigeria-2-soldiers-injured-in-suicide-bomb-attack/821190>

5/18/2017, in Konduga, two female suicide bombers detonated IEDs strapped to their bodies at Mashimari by the military checkpoint behind an IDP camp at Konduga, killing themselves only. Two soldiers were injured as a result of the explosion.

- **Twin Bomb Blasts Rock University Of Maiduguri In Nigeria**

<http://www.news24.com/Africa/News/twin-bomb-blasts-rock-university-of-maiduguri-in-nigeria-1-dead-20170519>

5/18/2017, in Maiduguri, at least one person was reported dead following two bomb blasts at the University of Maiduguri in northern Nigeria. The first explosion went off at about 22:50 around the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine. The second one went off at mid night at a women's hostel, killing a campus security guard.

- **Suicide attack wounds four security personnel in Nigeria's Borno**

5/18/2017, at the University of Maiduguri in Borno State, two female suicide bombers detonated their explosives, wounding four security workers but no deaths were reported. Wilayat Gharb Afriqiyya were assessed to have been behind the attack.

- **Suicide attack kills two vigilantes in Nigeria's Borno**

5/20/2017, in Konduga, Borno State, two female suicide bombers detonated their explosives near a group of vigilante, killing at least two of them, after they were stopped for interrogation.

- **Security forces kill three female suicide bombers in Nigeria's Borno**

5/24/2017, in Borno, three female would-be suicide bombers were killed when they detonated their explosive when they were intercepted by security officers in the village of Mamanti in Molai area in Nigeria's Borno state. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, but Wilayat Gharb Afriqiyya were suspected of involvement.

- **Army forces kill suicide bomber in Nigeria's Borno**

5/30/2017, in Maiduguri, a suspected Wilayat Gharb Afriqiyya – formerly known as Boko Haram – suicide bomber was shot dead by army forces as he attempted to enter a military barracks in the city of Maiduguri in Nigeria's Borno state.

## ***SOMALIA***

- **Al-Shabaab Militants Attack AU Troops In Somalia**

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201705010667.html>

5/1/2017, in Burhakabo, Al shabaab fighters ambushed a convoy of Ethiopian troops serving the UN-mandated African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) in Lower Shabelle region. The attack began with IED blast, and followed by heavy exchange of gunfire between the militants and the AMISOM soldiers. There no immediate confirmation of the casualties.

- **Loud Car Bomb Explosion Heard In Mogadishu**

<http://baydhabo.com/2017/05/05/loud-car-bomb-explosion-heard-in-mogadishu/>

5/5/2017, in Mogadishu, a University Lecturer in Mogadishu is in critical condition after a bomb attached to his car went off in Somali capital. Two other nearby civilians were also injured in the blast.

- **Somali Forces Seize IEDs In Mogadishu Sweep**

<http://baydhabo.com/2017/05/08/somali-forces-seize-ieds-in-mogadishu-sweep>

5/7/2017, in Mogadishu, the joint forces searched several houses in Mogadishu's Bondheere district, and seized large cache of weapons, including explosive materials believed to be belonging to Al Shabaab fighters.

- **NISA Officer Hurt In Car Bomb Explosion**

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201705080418.html>

5/7/2017, in Mogadishu, an Intelligence officer has been wounded after a bomb planted in his car exploded on Maka Al-Mukarama road in Somali capital Mogadishu.

- **Somali Car Bomb Kills At Least 8 In Mogadishu Strike**

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/world/africa/somali-car-bomb-kills-at-least-eight-in-mogadishu-strike-1.3075824>

5/8/2017, in Mogadishu, at least eight people – including at least two senior security officials – were killed and at least 24 others were wounded in a SVBIED attack near an Italian coffee cafeteria and a passport office in Somalia's capital Mogadishu

- **Landmine Blast At Security Checkpoint Kills 3 Soldiers**

<http://baydhabo.com/2017/05/08/landmine-blast-at-security-checkpoint-kills-3-soldiers/>

5/8/2017, in Janaale, at least three Somali soldiers were reported to have been killed, and five others wounded in a landmine explosion at an army checkpoint in Lower Shabelle region.

- **At Least 6 Somali Soldiers Killed In Landmine Blast**

[https://www.hiiraan.com/news4/2017/May/142058/at\\_least\\_6\\_somali\\_soldiers\\_killed\\_in\\_landmine\\_blast.aspx](https://www.hiiraan.com/news4/2017/May/142058/at_least_6_somali_soldiers_killed_in_landmine_blast.aspx)

5/9/2017, in Bay, at least six Somali soldiers were killed and several others injured in a landmine blast in Bay region of southwest Somalia.

- **Security Forces Foil Car Bomb Attack In Mogadishu**

<http://www.garoweonline.com/en/news/somalia/somalia-security-forces-foil-car-bomb-attack-in-mogadishu>

5/15/2017, in Mogadishu, security forces foiled a suicide car bomb attack in the Somali capital of Mogadishu.



- **IED attack wounds seven in Somalia's Bay**

5/16/2017, in Bay, seven people – including two local government officials – were wounded in an IED attack targeting a restaurant in the town of Qansahdere in Somalia's Bay region. No immediate claim of responsibility was made.

- **3 Somali Soldiers Die Trying To Defuse Car Bomb**

<http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFKCN18D0UT-OZATP>

5/17/2017, in Mogadishu, three soldiers died when a car bomb exploded while they were trying to defuse it on Wednesday in the Somali capital Mogadishu.

- **IED attack kills one in Somalia**

5/17/2017, in Kombo area, near el-Wak on the Kenya-Somalia border, a construction worker was killed and a driver wounded when their vehicle struck a suspected Harakat al-Shabaab al-Mujahideen IED while travelling from Wajir to Mandera.

- **VBIED kills three security forces personnel in Somalia's Mogadishu**

5/18/2017, in Mogadishu, three security forces personnel were killed when the VBIED they were attempting to dismantle detonated in Wadahir district in Somalia's capital. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack but Harakat al-Shabaab al-Mujahideen had conducted previous similar attacks.

- **RCIED Blast Kills 5 Somali Soldiers**

<http://www.newindianexpress.com/world/2017/may/23/roadside-blast-kills-5-somali-soldiers-1608042.html>

5/22/2017, in Mogadishu, five Somali soldiers were killed in a remote control roadside bomb attack that also injured another soldier between Berdaale and Awdinle locations.

- **IED hits AMISOM convoy in Somalia's Shabeellaha Dhexe**

5/22/2017, in Shabeellaha Dhexe, an AMISOM convoy was hit when an IED planted on a roadside detonated in the village of Burane in Somalia's Shabeellaha Dhexe. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack but Harakat al-Shabaab al-Mujahideen militants have been known to conduct similar attacks in the area.

- **Suicide Bomber Kills 1 - Injures 2 At Security Checkpoint In Bosaso**

<http://www.garoweonline.com/en/news/puntland/somalia-suicide-bombing-hits-military-checkpoint-in-bosaso-city>

5/23/2017, in Bosaso, a suicide explosion was reported has hit Bosaso city, the commercial city of Puntland region, killing one person and wounding others. A suspected militant blew himself up at a military checkpoint near the popular Juba Hotel today's evening.

- **IED attack kills four soldiers in Somalia's Bay**

5/23/2017, in Bay, four soldiers, traveling in a vehicle ferrying the narcotic plant Khat, were killed when their vehicle was hit by an IED planted on a roadside on the road between Bardale district and Awdinle village in Somalia's Bay region. No immediate claim of responsibility was made.

- **Suicide bomber kills five people in Somalia's Puntland**

5/23/2017, in Puntland, five people, including one police officer, were killed and 12 others were wounded when a suicide bomber detonated his explosives as police officers ordered him to stop at a checkpoint in Somalia's semi-autonomous Puntland region. The DAESH claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Al Shabaab Bombing In Somali Capital Kills 5 - Injures Six**

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-somalia-blast-idUSKBN18K2AJ>

5/24/2017, in Mogadishu, a bombing killed five civilians and injured six more in the Somali capital. Bombings are a near-daily occurrence in Mogadishu. Most are claimed by the al Qaeda-linked al Shabaab militia.

- **2 Dead In A Deadly Blast In Southern Somalia**

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201705290157.html>

5/27/2017, in Middle Shabelle, at least two people were reported to have been killed, and five others wounded in a deadly explosion in Mahaday district in Somalia's southern Middle Shabelle region.

- **IED attack targets security checkpoint in Somalia's Shabeellaha Dhexe**

5/27/2017, in Jowhar, Shabeellaha Dhexe region, an IED exploded at a security checkpoint, causing unknown casualties and damage.

- **IED attack kills two people in Somalia's Shabeellaha Dhexe**

5/27/2017, in Mahaday district, Shabeellaha Dhexe region, two people were killed and five wounded by an IED explosion in a tea-shop.

- **AMISOM Convoy Targeted In IED Blast Near Marka City**

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201705290878.html>

5/29/2017, in Marka, an armored convoy carrying African Union forces (AMISOM) was reported to have been targeted in a roadside bomb outside the southern coastal city of Marka.

- **Police Seize Explosives - Military Equipment In Bosasso**

<http://hornobserver.com/articles/331/Somalia-Police-Seize-Explosives-Military-Equipment-in-Bosasso>

5/31/2017, in Bosasso, police in Somalia's semi-autonomous state of Puntland arrested two young men with a lorry transporting explosives-making material, military fatigue and communication devices.

- **VBIED detonates in Somalia's Mogadishu**

5/31/2017, in Mogadishu, a VBIED placed by suspected Harakat al-Shabaab al-Mujahideen militants, detonated in Banadir junction in Somalia's capital Mogadishu. Reports did not contain details of casualties.

## ***SOUTH AFRICA***

- **Bomb At Luxury Durban Home Injures At Least 5 People**

<http://www.heraldlive.co.za/news/top-news/2017/05/19/bomb-luxury-durban-home-injures-least-5-people/>

5/19/2017, in Durban, five people, including two delivery men, were injured when a bomb exploded in the early hours of Friday afternoon. The bomb was in a bunch of flowers or a package that had just been delivered to the home on Steven Dlamini (formerly Essenwood) Road in Durban's Musgrave suburb.

- **Explosives Found Inside Vehicle Of 4 Suspects Killed In Benoni**

<http://ewn.co.za/2017/05/26/explosives-found-inside-vehicle-of-four-suspects-killed-in-benoni>

5/26/2017, in Benoni, police have confirmed the discovery of explosives in the car used by four suspected criminals who were shot dead on Friday morning in Benoni.

## ***TUNISIA***

- **Landmine attack wounds a soldier in Tunisia's Kasserine**

5/3/2017, in Kasserine, on Mt. Sammema, Kasserine, a landmine attack wounded an army officer.

## ***UGANDA***

- **4 Children Injured In Mubende Bomb Blast**

<http://www.ntv.co.ug/news/local/29/may/2017/four-children-injured-mubende-bomb-blast-17514#sthash.iUaz4cRs.dpbs>

5/29/2017, in Mubende, four children are injured after a device exploded outside an army barracks at Kikoona-Kyabataagi Village in Mubende district. The abandoned explosive could have been exposed by human activity.

# NORTH AMERICA

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## **CANADA**

- **Saskatoon Police Say Possible Bomb In SUV May Be A Drug Fuelled False Alarm**

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatoon/saskatoon-police-possible-bomb-1.4117206>

5/16/2017, in Saskatoon, a bomb scare may have originated when a man on drugs panicked after he lifted the hood on his SUV and saw the complex network of wires and cables.

- **Explosive Device Found At International Bridge**

<https://www.sootoday.com/local-news/international-bridge-closed-to-traffic-after-potentially-explosive-device-found-627225>

5/28/2017, in Sault Ste. Marie, Marie Police Service have completed their assessment of the potentially IED located during the secondary search of a vehicle at the Canadian Border Services Agency at 125 Huron Street in Sault Ste. Marie. Officers have determined that the item is an inert replica grenade.

## **UNITED STATES**

- **Arrest Made After Bomb Threat On Plane At Nashville International Airport**

<http://www.newschannel5.com/news/local-news/arrest-made-after-bomb-threat-on-plane-at-nashville-international-airport>

5/3/2017, in Nashville, a passenger allegedly admitted he had a bomb inside his carry-on bag while he was on a Southwest flight set for takeoff. The incident that happened forced a delay of the flight. Security checked the bag and did not find an explosive.

- **Bomb Unit Removes Explosive Chemicals From NW Houston Home After Fire**

<http://cw39.com/2017/05/06/hcso-bomb-unit-removes-explosive-chemicals-from-nw-houston-home-after-fire/>

5/6/2017, in Harris County, HCFMO found chemicals inside the 8200 block of Pine Falls Drive in the Copperfield subdivision. The amount of explosive chemicals was dangerous enough for the HCSO Bomb Unit to be called to remove them from the home.

- **Man Injured In Explosion At Mission Viejo Home Officials Investigating**

<http://www.ocregister.com/2017/05/08/man-injured-in-possible-explosion-at-mission-viejo-home/>

5/8/2017, in Mission Viejo, a 54-year-old man was injured in an explosion from a possible illegal drug operation inside a garage at a Mission Viejo home.

- **Explosive Device Detonates In Vehicle On Eau Claire's East Side**

<http://www.weau.com/content/news/Explosive-device-detonates-in-vehicle-on-Eau-Claire's-east-side-422041673.html>

5/11/2017, in Eau Claire, police were investigating what appeared to be criminal damage to a vehicle as the windows had been smashed. Further investigation found a device inside the vehicle which appeared to have detonated, causing the explosion inside.

- **Suspected Bomb Found Under Bus In Atlanta**

<http://rollingout.com/2017/05/11/bomb-in-atlanta/>

5/11/2017, in Atlanta, Suspected bomb has been reported underneath a Greyhound bus in West Midtown of Atlanta.

- **Greenfield Officials Investigating Report Of Possible Explosive Materials At Recycli**

[http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2017/05/greenfield\\_officials\\_investiga.html](http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2017/05/greenfield_officials_investiga.html)

5/17/2017, in Greenfield, town emergency services and the state police are looking to determine if some materials dropped off at the WTE Recycling Center on Southern Avenue are active explosives. Greenfield police say it has not been confirmed if the materials are military-type explosive.

- **Man Reports Finding Possible Pipe Bomb**

5/17/2017, in Menahga, an individual walked into Menahga City Hall found a possible pipe bomb on his property in Blueberry Township.

- **School Evacuated After Nitroglycerin Labeled Bottle Found**

<http://www.nbcbayarea.com/news/local/Search-at-San-Jose-School-Prompts-Evacuation-423179654.html>

5/19/2017, in San Jose, Bridges Academy in San Jose was evacuated Friday after a backpack was found to contain a 750-milliliter bottle of liquid labeled "Nitroglycerin."

- **Hand Grenades Found In Recreational Vehicle Near Oklahoma City Park**

<https://www.usnews.com/news/best-states/oklahoma/articles/2017-05-26/man-arrested-after-hand-grenades-found-in-vehicle>

5/26/2017, in Oklahoma, police arrested 41-year-old man near an RV park early Friday after officers found five homemade grenades in his vehicle.

- **Pressure Cooker Causes Bomb Scare At Newark Airport**

<http://nypost.com/2017/05/27/pressure-cooker-causes-bomb-scare-at-newark-airport/>

5/27/2017, in Newark Liberty, authorities evacuated part of Newark Airport on Saturday after cops found an unattended pressure cooker in a brown bag. The cooker was discovered near a trash can in Terminal A at around 4:45 p.m.

- **Explosives Found In Anderson Mailboxes**

<http://fox59.com/2017/05/29/bombs-found-in-multiple-mailboxes-in-anderson-subdivisions/>

5/29/2017, in Anderson, authorities in Madison County are investigating after explosive devices damaged four mailboxes.

# SOUTH AMERICA

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## CHILE

- **Bomb Rips Through Legal Aid Office In Chile**

<http://santiagotimes.cl/2017/05/16/bomb-rips-through-legal-aid-office-in-chile/>

5/15/2017, in Melipilla, a bomb exploded early Monday outside the Legal Assistance Corporation (CAJ) offices in Melipilla, a city located 70 kilometers (43 miles) southwest of Santiago, but no one was injured.

## COLOMBIA

- **ELN militants kill a soldier in Colombia's Norte de Santander**

5/2/2017, in the Vetás path, in Tibú, Ejército de Liberación Nacional (ELN) militants attacked with explosives and gunshots a military patrol, resulting in the death of one soldier and three others wounded.

- **IED attack wounds two police officers in Colombia's Antioquia**

5/4/2017, in Robledo, Medellín, two police officers were wounded after an IED detonated inside the vehicle they were traveling in.

- **Destroyed Eln explosives hidden in a cove in Cumaribo, Vichada**

<http://hsbnoticias.com/noticias/judicial/destruidos-explosivos-del-eln-ocultos-en-una-caleta-en-cumar-303657>

5/11/2017, in Cumaribo, as a result of the military operations carried out by troops of the Twenty-eighth Jungle Brigade of the Eighth Division, in the department of Vichada, in the last hours reports of an illegal deposit with numerous explosive material, in the inspection of Guerima sector Known as Campo Alegre of the Municipality of Cumaribo.

- **IED attack targets navy vehicle in Colombia's Guaviare**

5/14/2017, in San José del Guaviare, alleged dissidents from the 7th front of Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia (FARC) detonated a roadside IED at a navy vehicle, causing damages but no casualties.



- **IED attack damages army base in Colombia's Arauca**

5/14/2017, in Arauca, suspected Ejército de Liberación Nacional (ELN) militants detonated a IED at an army base, causing property damage.

- **IED attack wounds three civilians and an army officer in Colombia's Antioquia**

5/15/2017, in Puerto Berrio, two unidentified men riding a motorcycle threw an IED at a police station, wounding an army non commissioned officer and three civilians. Authorities did not specify which illegal armed group they belonged to.

- **IED attack damages Cafesalud in Colombia's Risaralda**

5/15/2017, in Pereira, Risaralda, the Cafesalud unit was damaged in a IED attack. No further details were provided.

- **Grenade attack wounds two in Colombia's Antioquia**

5/29/2017, in Zaragoza, Antioquia, unidentified militants launched a grenade against the local police station and wounded a 17 year old and a police officer.

# ASIA

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## AFGHANISTAN

- **Parwan Raid - 1000 Kg Explosive Recovered**

<http://www.dir.pajhwok.com/en/2017/04/30/parwan-raid-1000-kg-explosive-recovered>

5/1/2017, in Parwan, as many as 1,000 kilograms of explosives have been recovered during intelligence based operation of General Command of Police Special Unit in the Bagram district of central Parwan province.

- **US Forces Come Under Car Bomb Attack In Batikot**

[http://www.elrrctions.pajhwok.com/en/subscription-required?redirect\\_from=482989](http://www.elrrctions.pajhwok.com/en/subscription-required?redirect_from=482989)

5/1/2017, in Batikot, a car suicide bomber targeted American forces in the Bati Kot district of eastern Nangarhar province on Monday, but caused no casualties.

- **Suicide Bomber Killed As Blast Hits Foreign Forces Convoy In Afghan Province**

[https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/03/world/asia/kabul-attack-suicide-bomber-afghanistan.html?\\_r=0](https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/03/world/asia/kabul-attack-suicide-bomber-afghanistan.html?_r=0)

5/1/2017, in Rodat, at least eight Afghan civilians were killed and three American soldiers wounded on Wednesday when a suicide bomber attacked an American military convoy during the morning rush hour in Kabul.

- **Suicide Bomber Killed In Nangarhar**

<http://www.khaama.com/suicide-bomber-killed-in-nangarhar-car-bombing-02698>

5/2/2017, in Bati kot, a suicide bomber was killed after attacking a convoy of the foreign forces in eastern Nangarhar province of Afghanistan.

- **Blast Prohibited In Kabul**

<http://www.bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/28435-blast-prohibited-in-kabul.html>

5/2/2017, in Kabul, terrorists planted a mine in a crowded area of 7th zone of Kabul city, fortunately the mine was discovered by police forces and prevented from a bloody event.

- **Security forces kill would-be suicide bomber in Afghanistan's Nangarhar**

5/2/2017, in Bati Kot, Nangarhar, a suicide bomber was killed in an attack at a convoy of foreign forces; no casualties were reported for security forces.

- **2 Suicide Bombers And A Child Killed In Kandahar Clash**

<http://www.khaama.com/2-suicide-bombers-and-a-child-killed-in-kandahar-clash-02713>

5/3/2017, in Kandahar, two suicide bombers and a child were killed during a brief clash between the assailants and the security forces in southern Kandahar province. The suicide bombers started fire on a check post that lasted for several minutes before they were shot dead.

- **Taliban Militant Killed While Planting Roadside Bomb In Balkh**

<http://www.khaama.com/taliban-militant-killed-while-planting-roadside-bomb-in-balkh-02711>

5/3/2017, in Balkh, a militant was busy planting the IED on a roadside when it went off prematurely, leaving the insurgent dead.

- **VBIED Kills 8 Near US Embassy In Kabul**

<http://edition.cnn.com/2017/05/03/asia/suicide-attack-near-us-embassy-in-kabul/>

5/3/2017, in Kabul, a VBIED targeting a convoy of foreign troops exploded near the US Embassy in Kabul on Wednesday, killing eight people and wounding 25 others.

- **Armed clashes kill two militants and a civilian in Afghanistan's Kandahar**

5/3/2017, in Kandahar, one civilian was killed and another was wounded in armed clashes between two militants and security forces after the militants took position and opened fire near the 4th police district in the city of Kandahar in Afghanistan's Kandahar province. The two militants – reported to be suicide bombers dressed in burqas – were also killed in the clashes.

- **Premature IED detonation kills a Taliban militant in Afghanistan's Balkh**

5/3/2017, in Chimtal, Balkh, a Taliban militant was killed in a premature IED detonation.

- **Afghan Forces Foiled 3 Explosions In Less Than A Week In Kabul**

<http://www.khaama.com/afghan-forces-foiled-3-explosions-in-less-than-a-week-in-kabul-02715>

5/4/2017, in Kabul, the Afghan security forces managed to thwart three separate explosion plots by the anti-government armed militant groups in capital Kabul.

- **Car Bomb Kills Several Taliban In Ghazni**

<http://www.pajhwok.com/en/2017/05/04/car-bomb-kills-several-taliban-ghazni-police>

5/4/2017, in Doab, sixteen militants were killed and eighteen others were wounded when their bomb-rigged vehicle exploded in the Doab district of southern Ghazni province.

- **Police forces defuse three IEDs in Afghanistan's Kabul**

5/4/2017, in Kabul, police defused three improvised explosive devices (IEDs) in a week planted in different parts of the city including a local hospital.

- **150 Kg Explosive Materials Discovered In Kunar**

<http://www.bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/28473-150-kg-explosive-materials-discovered-in-kunar-nds.html>

5/5/2017, in Kunar, National Directorate Security (NDS) personnel succeeded to detain a person along with 150 kg explosive materials in eastern Kunar province.

- **Plot Of Taliban For Organizing Series Of Blasts Failed**

<http://bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/28484-plot-of-taliban-for-organizing-series-of-blasts-failed.html>

5/6/2017, in Kandahar, a series of blasts were prevented in Kandahar province yesterday. The security forces discovered and neutralized 9 rounds of mines which were planted in crowded areas of Zheri and Panjwai district of Kandahar province.

- **2 DAESH Suicide Bombers Killed In Premature Blast**

<http://www.khaama.com/2-isis-suicide-bombers-killed-in-premature-blast-before-targeting-afghan-forces-02730>

5/6/2017, in Achin, two suicide bombers of the DAESH of Iraq and Syria terrorist group were blown up by their suicide bombing vests before they manage to target the Afghan security forces.

- **Mine Blast Wounds 4 Civilians In Khost**

<http://www.bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/28509-mine-blast-wounds-4-civilians-in-khost.html>

5/8/2017, in Khost, a civilian was martyred and at least three others were injured in a mine blast in Khost province late last night. The incident occurred in suburb of Khost city while a vehicle of civilians struck a mine planted by Taliban.

- **Explosion Kills Senior Religious Official In Afghan Province**

5/9/2017, in Parwan, chief of Provincial Ulema Council Abdul Rahim Shah Hanafi was killed following an Improvised Explosive Device attack inside a local Madrasa or seminary school. The blast came when Hanafi was holding a class in the Madrasa in provincial capital Charikar city and the injured were local teenage students.

- **Bomb Attack In Afghanistan Kills 2 - Including Tribal Leader**

[http://www.dailyprogress.com/bomb-attack-in-afghanistan-kills-including-tribal-leader/article\\_9d9dee15-1023-55d7-948a-706fa55671e7.html](http://www.dailyprogress.com/bomb-attack-in-afghanistan-kills-including-tribal-leader/article_9d9dee15-1023-55d7-948a-706fa55671e7.html)

5/9/2017, in Arghandab, a bomb planted on a car killed a tribal leader and another civilian in the southern Kandahar province.

- **IED attack kills at least 11 suspected Taliban militants in Afghanistan's Kandahar**

5/9/2017, in Kandahar, at least 11 suspected Taliban militants were killed when their vehicle struck into a IED planted on a roadside in Khak-e-Chopan area of Maiwan district in Afghanistan's Kandahar province late on 9 May, Khaama News reported.

- **IED attack kills eight people in Afghanistan's Parwan**

5/9/2017, in Charikar, the provincial Ulema Council head and seven students were killed when improvised explosive devices (IEDs), emplaced by unidentified militants, detonated inside a madrasa in Charikar city in Afghanistan's Parwan province on 9 May, Khaama Press reported. No immediate claim of responsibility was made.

- **7 Civilians Killed In Roadside Bomb Blast In Afghanistan**

<http://www.tribuneindia.com/news/world/7-civilians-killed-in-afghanistan-bomb-blast/404958.html>

5/10/2017, in Adraskan, at least seven civilians, including two women and three children, were killed in a roadside bomb blast in Afghanistan's western Herat province. The blast occurred in Adraskan district on Tuesday when a vehicle running along a main road touched off an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and the explosion killed all the people aboard the vehicle

- **Landmine attack kills one civilian in Afghanistan's Helmand**

5/10/2017, in Helmand, ONE civilian was killed and four others were wounded when their vehicle hit a landmine, emplaced by unidentified militants, in Chahar Gul Pamp area on Kandahar-Helmand highway in Afghanistan's Helmand province. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Suicide Bomber Bearing Pakistani Passport Arrested In Kabul**

<http://www.khaama.com/suicide-bomber-bearing-pakistani-passport-arrested-in-kabul-02736>

5/11/2017, in Kabul, a would-be suicide bomber has been arrested by the security forces before he manage to carry out an attack in Kabul city. The officials further added that the suicide bomber was also bearing three hand grenades, a pistol, and a suicide bombing vest.

- **2 Female Government Staff Killed In Kabul Bomb Attack**

<http://aa.com.tr/en/asia-pacific/2-female-government-staff-killed-in-kabul-bomb-attack/817632>

5/13/2017, Kabul, two female government employees were killed and two other civilians were injured when a bomb targeted a minibus carrying them in the capital Kabul. The improvised explosives device had been planted on the minibus carrying staff of the Water Supply Department that was later detonated remotely in the city's Macroryan neighborhood.

- **Bloodiest Incidents Prevented With Discovering Mines**

<http://www.bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/28550-bloodiest-incidents-prevented-with-discovering-mines.html>

5/13/2017, in Roudat, Afghan National Army troops succeeded to discover and defuse 6 rounds of mines from relevant areas of eastern Nangarhar province.

- **VBIED attack kills two in Afghanistan's Kabul**

5/13/2017, in Kabul, a VBIED planted in the vehicle of water supply directorate exploded, killed two female employees.

- **IED attack kills two government workers in Afghanistan's Kabul**

5/13/2017, in Kabul, two workers of the gubernatorial Water Supply Department were killed and two others were wounded when an IED – described in reports as a “magnetic mine” – was detonated inside their government vehicle near the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs in Afghanistan's capital Kabul. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Home Made Bomb Claims Lives Of 10 Taliban Militants In Southern Afghanistan**

<https://sputniknews.com/asia/201705141053606037-afghanistan-taliban-victims-explosion/>

5/14/2017, in Kandahar, a total of 10 militants of the Taliban terrorist group, outlawed in many countries, including Russia, were killed and seven more were injured in an explosion of a home-made bomb in the southern part of Afghanistan.

- **Roadside bomb kills 4 in eastern Afghanistan**

<http://www.arabnews.com/node/1100141/world>

5/14/2017, in Paktia, at least four people were killed when a police vehicle hit a roadside bomb in eastern Paktia province. Two border police officers and two civilians were killed in the attack, which took place in Zazi Aryub district. He said the explosion also wounded two other policemen.

- **Premature landmine detonation kills four Taliban militants in Afghanistan's Logar**

5/14/2017, Muhammad Agha, four Taliban militants, including a suspected local commander – identified as Qari Samiollah (alias Yasir) – were killed when a landmine emplaced by the militants detonated prematurely in Golabo village in Mohammad Agha district in Afghanistan's Logar province.

- **Suicide Attack On Nangarhar Police Commandment Foiled By Afghan Forces**

<http://www.khaama.com/suicide-attack-on-nangarhar-police-commandment-foiled-by-afghan-forces-02757>

5/15/2017, in Nangarhar, a PBIED who was willing to carry out an attack on police commandment was arrested by the security forces from Jandarma Bridge located close to the police commandment compound. The team managed to defuse the suicide bombing vest of the suicide bomber.

- **Mine Blast Took The Lives Of 2 Policemen In Ghor**

<http://www.bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/28570-mine-blast-took-the-lives-of-2-policemen-in-ghor.html>

5/15/2017, in Ghor, two policemen were martyred due to a mine blast planted by armed insurgents in Shahjou village, Doulena district, Ghor province.

- **Police forces arrest a suspected would-be suicide attacker in Afghanistan's Nangarhar**

5/15/2017, in Nangarhar, police arrested a suspected suicide attacker planning an attack on police commandment.

- **2 Children Killed In Kapisa Roadside Mine Blast**

<http://www.tolonews.com/afghanistan/two-children-killed-kapisa-roadside-mine-blast>

5/16/2017, in Nijrab, at least two children were killed in a roadside mine explosion in north-eastern Kapisa province. In addition, two other children were wounded.

- **Twin Explosions Rock Kandahar City In South Of Afghanistan**

<http://www.khaama.com/twin-explosions-rock-kandahar-city-in-south-of-afghanistan-02772>

5/16/2017, in Kandahar, at least one civilian was killed in the explosions and at least ten others including civilians and security personnel were wounded in the blasts.

- **Militants Killed By Their Own Mine Blast**

<http://www.bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/28595-four-militants-killed-by-their-own-mine-blast.html>

5/16/2017, in Logar, the insurgents wanted to plant a round of mine in Gulabo village, Mohammad Agha district of the province that prematurely the mine exploded, as a result four armed oppositions including Qari Samiullah a senior commander of Taliban group were killed.

- **Unidentified militants detonate two IEDs in Afghanistan's Kandahar**

5/16/2017, in Kandahar, two improvised explosive devices (IEDs) were detonated by unidentified militants in Madak Chawk area in Kandahar city in Afghanistan's Kandahar province. No further details were reported.

- **IED attack kills two children in Afghanistan's Kapisa**

5/16/2017, in Nijrab, two children were killed and two others were wounded when an IED, planted on a roadside by unidentified militants, detonated in the Dar-e-Tapa village in Nijrab district in Afghanistan's Kapisa province. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attacks.

- **Double IED kills one civilian in Afghanistan's Kandahar**

5/16/2017, in Kandahar, one civilian was killed and 10 people, including three police officers, were wounded in a double IED attack in the city of Kandahar in Afghanistan's Kandahar province. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attacks.

- **2 Would-Be Bombers Held - 1 Killed In Kabul Raid**

<http://www.pajhwok.com/en/2017/05/17/2-would-be-bombers-held-1-killed-kabul-raid-nds>

5/17/2017, in Kabul, two alleged would-be suicide bombers were detained and a third killed by intelligence forces during a raid south of Kabul.

- **Bomb Attacks Kill 2 In Afghanistan**

<http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-4963355,00.html>

5/17/2017, in Nijrab, two civilians were killed and two others wounded in a bomb blast in the Nijrab district.

- **Bomb Attacks Kill 1 In Afghanistan**

<http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-4963355,00.html>

5/17/2017, in Kandahar, one civilian was killed and 10 people were wounded, including three policemen, in a double bombing in the provincial capital.



- **Wilayat Khorasan attack kills six people in Afghanistan's Nangarhar**

5/17/2017, in Jalalabad, at least four civilians working for Radio Television Afghanistan (RTA) and two police officers were killed and 13 others were wounded when four militants, including at least two suicide bombers, launched an attack on building in the city of Jalalabad in Afghanistan's Nangarhar province.

- **Unidentified assailants throw grenades at police checkpoint in Afghanistan's Kabul**

5/17/2017, in Kabul, unidentified assailants threw two grenades at a police checkpoint in the Kota Sangi Chawk area in Afghanistan's capital Kabul. There were no reports of casualties. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack

- **2 Children Killed In Zabul Blast**

<http://www.pajhwok.com/en/2017/05/18/2-children-killed-zabul-blast>

5/18/2017, in Zabul, two children have been killed in a blast in southern Zabul province. The mine was planted on a subway by the Taliban and the target was security forces.

- **IED attack kills two border police officers in Afghanistan's Herat**

5/18/2017, in Herat, two border police officers were killed and two other were wounded in an IED attack targeting a border police vehicle in the Qalat Nazar area of Shinand district in Afghanistan's Herat province. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Roadside bomb kills 11 family members in Afghanistan**

<http://www.presstv.ir/Detail/2017/05/19/522501/Roadside-bomb-kills-11-attacks-kill-10-Afghan-policeman>

5/19/2017, in Logar, a suspected roadside bomb explosion in Afghanistan has killed as many as 11 family members headed to a wedding.

- **Road Side Mine Blast Leaves Civilians Dead In Ghor**

<http://www.bakhtarnews.com.af/eng/security/item/28659-road-side-mine-blast-leaves-civilians-dead-in-ghor.html>

5/20/2017, in Shahjoy, at least two civilians have died due to roadside mine blast in Ghor province. The incident took place in relevant areas of Shahjoy village, Dolina district.

- **Suicide attack kills at least two civilians in Afghanistan's Paktia**

5/20/2017, in Gardez, at least two civilians were killed and 30 others were wounded when an unidentified militant detonated his explosives vest while other militants targeted the New Kabul

Bank in Gardez city in Afghanistan's Paktia province. Reports added that security forces killed the three assailants. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Primary School For Girls Blown Up In Ghazni Capital**

<http://finanace.pajhwok.com/en/2017/05/22/primary-school-girls-blown-ghazni-capital>

5/22/2017, in Ghazni, a girls' school was blown up by unidentified people in the capital of southern Ghazni province.

- **6000kg Of Ammonium Nitrate Seized In Nangarhar**

[http://www.pajhwok.com/en/subscription-required?redirect\\_from=484933](http://www.pajhwok.com/en/subscription-required?redirect_from=484933)

5/22/2017, in Nangarhar, police seized more than 6,000 kilograms of ammonium nitrate from a truck in eastern Nangarhar province.

- **3 Civilians Killed In Roadside Bomb Blast In Kandahar**

<http://english.sina.com/news/2017-05-23/detail-ifyfkme0200889.shtml>

5/23/2017, in Kandahar, at least three civilians were killed and four others wounded when a tractor ran over a roadside bomb in Afghanistan's southern province of Kandahar.

- **Explosion Foiled Near A Hospital In Kabul City**

<http://www.khaama.com/explosion-foiled-near-a-hospital-in-kabul-city-02815>

5/24/2017, in Kabul, the Afghan security forces have foiled a plot by the anti-government armed militant groups in capital Kabul. The officials further added that the explosives were placed inside a tea flask and was placed near Al-Falah hospital laboratory. The militants were looking to detonate the IED with the help of a remote control but the Afghan security forces managed to discover and defuse it before the militants manage to detonate it.

- **Blast Close To NDS Office In Helmand Leaves 6 Dead**

<http://www.tolonews.com/afghanistan/blast-close-nds-office-helmand-leaves-six-dead>

5/25/2017, in Washir, at least six people were killed and two others were wounded in a suicide attack close to an office of the National Directorate of Security (NDS) in Washir district in the southern Helmand province.

- **SVBIED attack kills three intelligence officials in Afghanistan's Helmand**

5/25/2017, in Helmand, three intelligence officials were killed and four were wounded in a SVBIED attack targeting a security post in Afghanistan's Helmand province. Taliban militants claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **10 Civilians Killed In Roadside Blast In Herat**

<http://www.tolonews.com/afghanistan/10-civilians-killed-roadside-blast-herat>

5/26/2017, in Adraksan, the incident occurred in Sherzad area of Adraksan district of Herat province when the vehicle the victims were driving in hit the roadside mine. The blast killed 10 people and wounded another six.

- **Suicide Car Bomb Kills 18 In Afghanistan On First Day Of Ramadan**

<http://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/05/deadly-car-bomb-attack-rocks-afghanistan-khost-170527063612503.html>

5/27/2017, in Khost, a suicide car bomber has attacked Afghan police providing security to US forces in eastern Afghanistan, killing at least 18 people.

- **Afghan Forces Foil Deadly Explosion Plot In Herat Province**

<http://www.khaama.com/afghan-forces-foil-deadly-explosion-plot-in-heart-province-02811>

5/28/2017, in Obe, Afghan security forces discovered and defused three Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) planted on a roadside in Obe district.

- **Huge Car Bomb Explodes Near Embassies In Kabul**

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2017/may/31/huge-explosion-kabul-presidential-palace-afghanistan>

5/31/2017, in Kabul, a massive explosion in a highly secure diplomatic area of Kabul has killed at least 90 people and wounded more than 461. The huge blast of a bomb hidden in a sewage tanker occurred close to the German embassy in the Wazir Akbar Khan area of the capital.

## **BANGLADESH**

- **Gazipur Bomb Blast Hurts 4 Teens**

<http://en.prothom-alo.com/bangladesh/news/147029/Gazipur-bomb-blast-hurts-4-teens>

5/2/2017, in Gazipur, four teenagers, including two twin siblings, were injured as a bomb exploded at Meghlal in Gazipur city. The boys found a polythene bag lying by the rail tracks around 7:00pm. The bomb wrapped in the bag went off with a bang when one of them pulled it, leaving all of them injured.

- **2 Militants Blow Themselves Up In Bangladesh**

<http://greenwatchbd.com/2-militants-blow-themselves-up-in-jhenidah-on-sw-bangladesh/>

5/7/2017, in Jhenaidah, two alleged militants blew themselves up as members of the Counter Terrorism and Transnational Crimes (CTTC) unit were carrying out a drive at a suspected 'militant den' at Bojrapur village under Maheshkhali upazila of Jhenaidah.

- **4 Militants - 1 Firefighter Killed In Suicide Explosions In Western Bangladesh**

<http://english.sina.com/news/2017-05-11/detail-ifyfekhi7260012.shtml>

5/11/2017, in Raishahi, four militants and one fireman were killed in a suicide explosion during a police raid on an alleged safe haven of terrorists in the country's Rajshahi district, some 256 km west of Dhaka.

- **RAB Recovers Bombs - Suicidal Vests In Jhenidah Anti-Militant Raid**

<http://en.prothom-alo.com/bangladesh/news/148257/RAB-recovers-bombs-suicidal-vests-in-Jhenidah>

5/16/2017, in Jhenidah, four bombs and two suicidal vests were recovered from one of the two suspected militant hideouts at Chuadanga village in Sadar upazila of Jhenaidah.

## **INDIA**

- **Explosives Seized From Lorry**

<http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/tamil-nadu/explosives-seized-from-lorry/article18348926.ece>

5/1/2017, in Tiruvarur, a country bomb along with explosive substances and a sickle were seized from a lorry stationed at a Tasmac godown at Vilamal in Tiruvarur district.

- **6 Maoist Sympathisers Held In Telangana - Explosives Seized**

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/six-maoist-sympathisers-held-in-telangana-explosives-seized/articleshow/58465711.cms>

5/1/2017, in Yadadri, six Maoist sympathisers were arrested by Siddipet police on the basis of a specific input. Police recovered one revolver, three pistols, 49 live rounds, two magazines and 20 electronic detonators from them.

- **Landmine attack wounds at least nine security forces personnel in India's Maharashtra**

5/3/2017, in Bhamragarh, Maharashtra, at least nine security force personnel were wounded when Communist Party of India – Maoist (CPI-M) militants exploded a landmine targeting a paramilitary vehicle.

- **Maoists Attack Security Forces Protected Vehicle In Maharashtra - 15 Jawans Injured**

<http://www.hindustantimes.com/india-news/maoists-attack-security-forces-armoured-vehicle-in-maharashtra-several-injured/story-cKGvz0mX3XetdSaPofgLDP.html>

5/3/2017, in Gadchiroli, around 15 cops were injured when a mine protected vehicle of C-60 commandos, the Anti-Maoist squad, came under a landmine attack near Bhamragarh in Gadchiroli.

- **Grenade Found In Red Fort Well**

<http://indiatoday.intoday.in/story/delhi-red-fort-grenade-bomb-disposal/1/946162.html>

5/4/2017, in Red Fort, a defused grenade was found in the premises of the Red Fort in the national capital on Thursday evening, triggering an alert.

- **Blast In Tinsukia District - 2 Injured**

<https://www.northeasttoday.in/blast-in-assams-tinsukia-district-two-injured/>

5/4/2017, in Tinsukia, a minor girl and her father were injured when suspected militants, who came riding a motorcycle, lobbed a bomb targeting the victims' residence in eastern Assam's Tinsukia district.

- **NC Sarpanchs Nephew Injured In Lolab Blast**

<http://www.kashmirmonitor.in/Details/123222/nc-sarpanchs-nephew-injured-in-lolab-blast>

5/5/2017, in Kupwara, a family member of a National Conference Sarpanch was injured in a blast near his home in Lolab area of frontier Kupwara district. The injuries were due to grenade hurled by unknown persons.

- **Home Guard Killed In AP Landmine Blast**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/home-guard-killed-in-landmine-blast-in-andhra-pradesh-odisha-border-maoists-role-suspected-4643576/>

5/5/2017, in Visakhapatnam, a home guard was killed in a landmine blast, suspected to have been triggered by Maoists, in Andhra Odisha Border (AOB) area close to Ramaraopalem in Visakhapatnam agency. The incident took place around 9.20 am when the 48-year-old home guard was driving a civil transport vehicle.

- **Security Forces Seize Huge Quantity Of Explosives In Jharkhand**

<http://www.financialexpress.com/india-news/security-forces-seize-huge-quantity-of-explosives-in-jharkhand/657175/>

5/6/2017, in Lohardaga, the security forces seized huge quantity of explosives in Khunti and Lohardaga district. The seized explosives include IEB (can bomb) 53 pieces, one number container bomb of 10 kg, explosive powder 50 kg, 15 kg explosives in liquid form.

- **Explosives Recovered From Husru Forest**

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ranchi/explosives-recovered-from-husru-forest/articleshow/58554462.cms>

5/6/2017, in Ranchi, Lohardaga police recovered a large cache of explosives from Husru forest, including 53 can bombs, one container bomb weighing 10 kg and 15 litres of fuel.

- **SSB Soldier Injured In IED Blast By Suspected Maoists**

<http://www.hindustantimes.com/india-news/chhattisgarh-ssb-soldier-injured-in-ied-blast-by-suspected-maoists/story-2GR4jJkhxElQj84yzO4FYK.html>

5/8/2017, in Kanker, a Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) jawan was injured on Monday in a IED blast triggered by Maoists in Chhattisgarh's Kanker district.

- **IED attack kills soldier in India's Manipur**

5/8/2017, along the Highway 102 in Moreh, Manipur, a soldier was killed and three others were wounded in an IED attack near the international border.

- **1 Soldier Killed - 3 Injured In Suspected IED Blast**

<http://www.catchnews.com/national-news/manipur-one-soldier-killed-three-injured-in-suspected-ied-blast-60343.html>

5/8/2017, in Tengnoupal, at least one soldier was killed and three others were injured when a suspected IED exploded in Lokchao area of Tengnoupal district here.

- **Security forces recover IED in India's Chhattisgarh**

5/9/2017, in Kanker, Chhattisgarh, security forces recovered a powerful 10-kg IED allegedly planted by Communist Party of India - Maoist (CPI-M) militants.

- **Police Recovered 10 Live Bombs In Birbhum**

<http://news.webindia123.com/news/Articles/India/20170511/3106187.html>

5/11/2017, in Birbhum, police recovered 10 live bombs from an abandoned hut at Duggopur under Kukuddi block in Birbhum district where sand mafia have been involved in violent clashes for past months to lord over the illegal sand mining from a river bed.

- **Man Killed In Bomb Blast - Maoists Involvement Suspected**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/bihar-man-killed-in-bomb-blast-maoists-involvement-suspected-4652777/>

5/12/2017, in Aurangabad, a 70-year-old man was killed and another injured when a bomb planted by suspected Maoists exploded at Madanpur in Bihar's Aurangabad district. The bomb exploded in Chalitra Singh Bhokta's hands while he was trying to figure it out without realizing that it was an explosive.

- **Maoists Held With Explosives**

<http://echoofindia.com/jamui-maoists-held-explosives-127655>

5/14/2017, in Jamui, two Maoists were arrested with explosives from a village in Charkapatthar in Bihar's Jamui district. Two bombs weighing 2.5 kg each were seized from the duo.

- **CRPF Jharkhand Police Seize Huge Naxal Ammunition Cache In Lohardagga**

<http://www.firstpost.com/india/crpf-jharkhand-police-seize-huge-naxal-ammunition-cache-in-lohardagga-district-3444320.html>

5/14/2017, in Lohardaga, security forces have seized over 1,000 bullets, 5,000 detonators and 200 kg of explosives from an ammunition dump of Naxalites in Jharkhand.

- **Bombs Thrown At Polling Booths**

<http://www.ndtv.com/india-news/west-bengal-civic-polls-masked-men-throw-bombs-at-polling-booth-in-pujali-1693303>

5/14/2017, in Pujali, a motorcycle-borne gang of 30-40 masked men threw bombs at a polling booth in South 24 Parganas' Pujali and damaged EVMs at several other booths even as voting for civic polls in civic bodies in West Bengal, including four in Darjeeling.

- **About 70 Live Bombs Found In Birbhum**

<http://indiatoday.intoday.in/story/live-bombs-recovered-west-bengal-birbhum-asansol/1/954768.html>

5/15/2017, in Birbhum, as many as 70 live bombs have been recovered from a drum and a bag in Nanoor's Chandipur village area by Nanoor police in West Bengal's Birbhum district. The drum was found in a bamboo garden in the village, and the bag was found in field on its outskirts.

- **Blast In Car Parked At Kishtwar Bus Stand - 1 Injured**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/j-k-one-injured-in-car-blast-at-kishtwars-mini-bus-stand-4657782/>

5/16/2017, in Kishtwar, a blast took place in a car at Kishtwar town of Jammu region, leaving one person injured. According to the victim, he had noticed a wire attached to the door but did not think much of it.

- **Unidentified militants detonate an IED in India's Manipur**

5/17/2017, in Moreh, Manipur, a IED was detonated by unidentified militants, no casualties were reported.

- **Unidentified assailants throw grenade at residence in India's Manipur**

5/18/2017, in Imphal West, unidentified assailants threw a hand grenade at a residential gate of a man, identified as 56-year-old Wahengbam Gopal, in Imphal West district in India's Manipur state. Reports did not include casualty details.

- **Grenade attack wounds four people in India's Jammu and Kashmir**

5/18/2017, in Safa Kadal, three police officers and a civilian were wounded when an unidentified militant threw a grenade targeting a police station in Safa Kadal in Srinagar in India's Jammu and Kashmir state. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **IED attack wounds four police officers in India's Manipur**

5/19/2017, in Kwatha, along the Kwatha Road in Moreh, four police commandos were wounded when unidentified militants detonated a IED.

- **Security Personnel Seize Explosives In Lohardaga District**

<http://www.dnaindia.com/india/report-security-personnel-seize-explosives-in-lohardaga-district-2444750>

5/19/2017, in Lohardaga, the security personnel launched a massive joint search operation against the Maoists in the jungles of Pesrar, Kerar. They seized a 51 mm mortar, 18 pieces of high explosives bombs, six mobile phones, seven sim cards, among others.

- **18 Injured In Grenade Attacks**

<http://www.hindustantimes.com/india-news/kashmir-18-injured-in-grenade-attack-student-agitation-as-violence-rages-on/story-2jUYwH0V73aQBdWqyju5NI.html>

5/19/2017, in Srinagar, as many as 18 people were injured in two separate incidents of violence in Kashmir.

- **2 CRPF Jawans Injured In IED Blast In Sukma**

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/two-crpf-jawans-injured-in-ied-blast-in-sukma/articleshow/58753394.cms>



5/19/2017, in Sukma, two CPRF personnel were injured in an IED explosion triggered by Maoists in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district.

- **IED detonates in India's Manipur**

5/20/2017, in Gamnom, unidentified militants detonated an IED. No casualties were reported.

- **Bomb Blasts Rock Border Town In Manipur**

<http://twocircles.net/2016aug08/1470672330.html>

5/20/2017, in Moreh, two powerful bomb blasts rocked the border town of Moreh. The first blast was reported at 7 p.m. and the second at 7.25 p.m. Both the blasts took place at deserted lanes at Moreh. No one has so far claimed responsibility.

- **IED attack targets police station in India's Manipur**

5/20/2017, in Moreh, Manipur, unidentified militants detonated an IED near a police station. No casualties were reported.

- **Explosives Seized In Palghar District Of Maharashtra**

<http://indiatoday.intoday.in/story/explosives-seized-in-palghar-district-of-maharashtra/1/958983.html>

5/20/2017, in Palghar, a patrolling team of police seized seven boxes of gelatin sticks, 1,200 detonators and 150 kg of ammonium nitrate from a Tavera car.

- **Double-IED attack wounds boy in India's Jharkhand**

5/21/2017, in Hazaribagh, Jharkhand, two explosive devices detonated wounding a boy.

- **Country Made Bombs Goes Off Near BJP Meeting Venue**

<http://indiatoday.intoday.in/story/country-made-bombs-goes-off-near-bjp-meeting-venue-none/1/959586.html>

5/21/2017, in Kerala, a country-made bomb went off in a ground near the venue of a BJP meeting at Cheriya Kaiveli in the district tonight, but no one were injured.

- **Police Seizes Explosives In Bihars Rohtas District**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/police-seizes-explosives-and-liquor-in-bihars-rohtas-district-4666729/>

5/21/2017, in Rohtas, police seized a consignment of explosives and liquor from a pick-up van from Mufassil police station area in Bihar's Rohtas district. Altogether 18,000 detonators and 1950

kg ammonium nitrate, kept in 38 sacks and 300 pouches of country-made alcohol, kept in two sacks were seized.

- **Security Forces Unearthed IED Planted By Naxals**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/ied-planted-by-naxals-unearthed-in-chhattisgarh-4668072/>

5/22/2017, in Kanker, a powerful IED weighing five kilograms, allegedly planted by naxals, was recovered from Chhattisgarh's Kanker district. The explosive was planted to harm security personnel who frequently take the same route while patrolling in the region.

- **IED detonates in India's Chhattisgarh**

5/24/2017, in Bijapur, Chhattisgarh, Communist Party of India - Maoist (CPI-M) militants triggered an IED explosion. No casualties were reported but police arrested one militant.

- **Bombs Recovered From Birbhum Factory**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/over-700-bombs-recovered-in-birbhum-police-4673991/>

5/24/2017, in Birbhum, police have recovered more than 700 bombs over the last week as part of an operation to locate and shut bomb-making units.

- **Grenade attack wounds five people in India's Jammu and Kashmir**

5/24/2017, in Imam Sahib, Shopian, five civilians were wounded when unidentified militants threw a grenade at the Special Operations Group (SoG) camp which fell on the road.

- **Blast Kills 1 Ahead Of Prime Minister Narendra Modis Visit To Assam**

<http://www.ndtv.com/india-news/blast-kills-one-ahead-of-prime-minister-narendra-modis-visit-to-assam-1704037>

5/25/2017, in Dibrugarh, one person was killed in an explosion in the tea and oil rich Dibrugarh district of Assam on Thursday ahead of a visit by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to inaugurate a 9.15 kilometre-long bridge over the Brahmaputra River.

- **Suspected ULFAI Militants Trigger Blast At Gas Pipeline**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/assam-suspected-ulfai-militants-trigger-blast-at-gas-pipeline-4677640/>

5/28/2017, in Charaideo, suspected anti-peace talk ULFA(I) militants triggered an explosion at a gas pipeline in Charaideo district. The explosion was triggered by the suspected militants at the pipeline of Assam Gas Company Ltd at Teokghat.

- **Naxal Plot To Hit Security Personnel With IED Blast Foiled In Madhya Pradesh Jungles**

<http://campusreporter.co.in/naxal-plot-to-hit-security-personnel-with-ied-blast-foiled-in-madhya-pradesh-jungles/>

5/29/2017, in Balaghat, police personnel foiled a bid by naxal extremists to target security personnel with an IED in the jungles of naxal-affected Balaghat district near the Madhya Pradesh-Chhattisgarh border.

- **5 Injured In Dimapur Blast**

<http://morungexpress.com/5-injured-dimapur-blast/>

5/29/2017, in Dimapur, five people were injured when an IED exploded on Monday night at a Pharmacy called 'Ideal Chemist,' located in Nyamo Lotha Road, Dimapur.

- **Naxals Blast Railway Track In India's Jharkhand**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/jharkhand-railway-blast-maoists-blow-up-howrah-new-delhi-grand-chord-section-4679073/>

5/29/2017, in Jharkhand, maoists blowing up a railway track in Dhanbad. The Howrah-New Delhi Grand Chord section, which lies between Chichaki and Karmabaaand railway stations, was damaged at 12.40 am, disrupting movement of several trains including the Rajdhani Express.

- **CPI-M militants damage railway tracks in India's Jharkhand**

5/29/2017, near Chichaki and Karmabad in Jharkhand, Communist Party of India – Maoist (CPI-M) militants detonated a railway track and burnt down several vehicles engaged in road construction. A day-long shutdown was also imposed in protest against amendments to decade-old tribal land laws.

- **4 Cops Injured In Sopore Grenade Attack**

<http://www.deccanherald.com/content/614644/militants-hurl-grenade-police-party.html>

5/31/2017, in Sopore, four policemen were injured as militants hurled a grenade towards them in Sopore town of north Kashmir's Baramulla district.

## **INDONESIA**

- **3 Dead In Suspected Suicide Bombing In Jakarta**

<http://edition.cnn.com/2017/05/24/asia/jakarta-indonesia-explosion/>

5/24/2017, in Jakarta, a pair of suicide bombers struck a bus station Wednesday in the Indonesian capital of Jakarta. At least three officers were killed and six other officers and five civilians were wounded.

## **IRAQ**

- **Daesh Suicide Attack Kills 2 Policemen In Northern Iraq**

<http://aa.com.tr/en/middle-east/daesh-suicide-attack-kills-2-policemen-in-northern-iraq/809697>

5/2/2017, in Samarra, two Daesh suicide bombers had targeted a checkpoint set up near the entrance of Saladin's southern city of Samarra, killing two policemen and injuring three Hashd al-Shaabi militiamen.

- **1 Killed in Blast in Abu Ghraib**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/one-killed-two-injured-two-ied-blasts-baghdad/>

5/3/2017, in Abu Gharib, a teacher was killed as a bomb placed under a vehicle exploded, adding that the blast occurred while the vehicle was passing at al-Zidan region in Abu Ghraib.

- **2 Wounded in Blast in Nahrawan**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/one-killed-two-injured-two-ied-blasts-baghdad/>

5/3/2017, in Nahrawan, a bomb was planted near a workshop that sells aluminium in Nahrawan. The blast left two civilians wounded.

- **IED attack kills an an Electricity Department employee in Iraq's Anbar**

5/3/2017, in As Saqlawiyah, Anbar province, an Electricity Department employee was killed and a second was wounded by an IED near a pylon.

- **IED attack kills five DAESH militants in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/3/2017, In Tal Afar, Ninawa province, five DAESH militants were killed by an IED.

- **IED attack wounds one person in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/3/2017, in Jisr Diyala, Baghdad, one person was wounded by an IED near a games arcade.

- **Pro-government militiamen defuse three IEDs in Iraq's Diyala**

5/3/2017, in Naft Khana, Diyala province, the 110th Brigade al-Hashd al-Shaabi dismantled three DAESH improvised explosive devices (IEDs).

- **IED attack wounds five people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/4/2017, in Rashdiya, Baghdad, five civilians were wounded in an IED attack near a commercial area.

- **DAESH Booby-Trapping Expert - 3 Aides - Killed In Western Mosul**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/islamic-state-booby-trapping-expert-three-aides-killed-western-mosul/>

5/4/2017, in Tal Afar, an expert of vehicles booby-trapping in Tal Afar, was killed along with three of his aides due to an explosion of a car while booby-trapping it inside a workshop.

- **Security forces defuse IEDs in Iraq's Babil**

5/4/2017, in Babil, Security Forces made-safe improvised explosive devices (IEDs) planted around electricity pylons.

- **3 Policemen Wounded In Southern Baghdad Blast**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/three-policemen-wounded-southern-baghdad-blast/>

5/5/2017, in Arab Jabbour, three Iraqi policemen were wounded Friday when a bomb blast targeted their patrol in southern Baghdad. The patrol was passing through Arab Jabbour, a district south of the capital, when the explosive device went off.

- **IED attack kills Peshmerga fighter in Iraq's Kirkuk**

5/5/2017, in Tuz Khurmatu, a DAESH planted roadside IED killed one Peshmerga and wounded another.

- **IED attack kills Peshmerga in Iraq's Salah ad Din**

5/5/2017, in Zerga, Salah ad Din province, one Peshmerga was killed and that three others were wounded in an IED attack by unidentified militants.

- **IED attack wounds three police officers in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/5/2017, in Arab Jabour, Baghdad province, three Iraqi police officers were wounded in an IED attack by unidentified militants.

- **Roadside Bomb Kills 1 Peshmerga - Injures 2 South Of Kirkuk**

<http://www.nrttv.com/EN/Details.aspx?Jimare=14289>

5/5/2017, in Zarga, an IED exploded at dawn beside a vehicle of Peshmerga forces in the village of Zarga in Tuz Khurmatu district, martyring a Peshmerga commander. Another three Peshmerga were wounded and transferred to a Kirkuk hospital.

- **VBIED attack kills five people in Iraq's Anabr**

5/5/2017, on al-Atbaa Street, Haditha, five people were killed and that six others were wounded by a VBIED.

- **Destroy 5 Vehicle Bombs - Driven By Suicide Bombers West Of Mosul**

<http://www.iraqnewsgazette.com/intl-coalition-destroy-5-vehicle-bombs-driven-by-suicide-bombers-west-of-mosul/>

5/6/2017, in Mosul, the aircraft of the International Coalition were able to destroy (five) car bombs, led by suicide bombers before targeting Iraqi forces in the area of Musheirfa and Wadi Aqab in the western axis in Mosul.

- **IED attack kills two people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/6/2017, in Abu Ghraib, Baghdad province, two people were killed and that three people were wounded by an IED near a car park.

- **IED attack kills two people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/6/2017, in Jihad, Baghdad, two people were killed by a sticky IED attached to their vehicle.

- **IED attack wounds three civilians in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/6/2017, in Abu Ghraib, three civilians were wounded when an IED detonated near a parking lot in Abu Ghraib in Iraq's Baghdad province. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Three injured in a blast in Abu Ghraib**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/two-civilians-killed-three-wounded-two-blasts-western-baghdad/>

5/6/2017, in Abu Ghraib, a bomb placed near a parking, exploded leaving three civilians injured.

- **Two Killed in VBIED in Al-Jihad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/two-civilians-killed-three-wounded-two-blasts-western-baghdad/>

5/6/2017, in Al-Jihad, a blast occurred when an IED- planted under a car- took place as the car was passing in al-Jihad region, west of Baghdad. The man and his wife on board were killed.

- **2 Bombs In Baghdad Injure 4 People**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/two-blasts-baghdad-injure-4-people-police-sources/>

5/7/2017, in Al-Doura, four people were wounded Sunday when bomb blasts hit areas in east and south of Baghdad.

- **2 Kurdish Security Officers - 5 DAESH Members Die In Kirkuk Encounter**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/two-kurdish-security-officers-five-members-die-kirkuk-encounter/>

5/7/2017, in Kirkuk, two Kurdish fighters and five DAESH members were killed Sunday in an attack by the extremist group on the K-1 military base, northeast of Kirkuk.

- **IED attack wounds one person in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/7/2017, in Jisr Diyala, Baghdad, one person was wounded in an IED attack by unidentified militants.

- **IED attack wounds three people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/7/2017, in Arab Jabour, Baghdad province, three people were wounded by an IED.

- **DAESH militants kill two people in Iraq's Kirkuk**

5/7/2017, in At-Ta'mim, at least two people were killed and six others were wounded when DAESH militants, dressed as Peshmerga (Kurdish security forces), attacked the K1 base, where United States advisors are stationed, in Iraq's Kirkuk province overnight between 7 and 8 May, Al-Jazeera reported. At least two militants were killed when they detonated their explosives vests while three more were killed in retaliatory fire by Peshmerga forces. The DAESH immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **IED Blast Kills 2 Policemen In Ramadi**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/ied-blast-kills-two-policemen-ramadi/>

5/8/2017, in Ramadi, two policemen were killed due to an IED blast, south of Ramadi city. The bomb went off while security troops were transferring it a place to blow it in the south of Ramadi.

- **Security forces destroy SVBIED in Iraq's Anbar**

5/8/2017, in Al Anbar, Near Camp Fedayeen, the Iraqi Security Forces destroyed a DAESH SVBIED.

- **Civilian Killed In Bomb Blast In Abu Ghraib**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/civilian-killed-bomb-blast-abu-ghraib-western-baghdad/>

5/10/2017, in Abu Gharib, an employee of Education Ministry was killed as a bomb exploded in al-Zidan region in Abu Ghraib district, western Baghdad. The bomb was planted under the vehicle that the victim was driving.

- **IED attack kills one civilians in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/10/2017, in Abu Ghraib, one civilian, an employee of the Ministry of Education, was killed when an IED planted under his vehicle was detonated in Al-Zidani area of Abu Ghraib district in Iraq's Baghdad province. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **IED attack wounds two people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/10/2017, in al-Sha'b, Baghdad, two people were wounded by an IED near a market.

- **Peshmerga forces ambush DAESH militants in Iraq's Erbil**

5/10/2017, in Hewler, near Qaraj, the Peshmerga ambushed a DAESH patrol attempting to plant improvised explosive devices (IEDs).

- **Security forces defuse grenade in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/10/2017, in Baghdad, at the Ministry of Health, Baghdad, the Iraqi Security Forces made safe a grenade thought to have been intended to targeted Health Minister Adela Hamoud.

- **2 Suicide Bombers Killed In Razazah Area**

<http://www.iraqnewsgazette.com/two-suicide-bombers-killed-in-razazah-area-2/>

5/11/2017, in Al-Razazah, the detachments of the Directorate of Military Intelligence in the Eighth Battalion managed to foil a suicide attempt by two suicide bombers, wearing explosive belts, and carrying bombs in a car bomb in Al-Razazah area.

- **4 Killed - 10 Wounded In A Shiite-Majority District Blast**

<http://www.iraqnews.com/iraq-war/four-killed-10-wounded-shiite-majority-district-blast-eastern-baghdad/>

5/11/2017, in Baghdad, the blast in al-Sabiyat region in al-Sho'la district left 14 persons killed and injured, a security source said, adding that four persons were killed, while 10 others were injured.

- **VBIED attack kills one person in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/11/2017, in Shuala, Baghdad, one person was killed and that seven others were wounded by a VBIED near a market.



- **IED attack kills a civilian in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/12/2017, in Abu Ghraib, Baghdad province, a civilian was killed by a sticky IED attached to his vehicle.

- **IED attack wounds four people in Iraq's Babil**

5/12/2017, in Rasheed, Babil province, four people were wounded by an IED near a commercial area.

- **Security forces kill two DAESH militants in Iraq's Anbar**

5/12/2017, in Al Fallujah, on the al-Razzazah Road, Security Forces killed two DAESH militants who tried to plant an IED.

- **Security forces kill would-be suicide bomber in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/13/2017, in Baghdad, Iraqi Security Forces killed a DAESH suicide bomber who tried to target Awakening Council militiamen.

- **Soldier Killed - Paramilitary Personnel Injured In IED Blast In Diyala**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/soldier-killed-paramilitary-personnel-injured-ied-blast-diyala/>

5/13/2017, in Diyala, a bomb exploded while a joint patrol was passing near Rabie'a village, in the vicinity of Saadiya district, leaving a soldier killed and a member of al-Hashd al-Shaabi (Popular Mobilization Units) injured.

- **Terrorist Wearing An Explosive Belt Killed North Of Baghdad**

<http://www.thebaghdadpost.com/en/story/8369/Terrorist-with-explosive-belt-killed-in-northern-Baghdad>

5/13/2017, in Baghdad, the security forces in the 22nd Division have killed a terrorist wearing an explosive belt in Al-Zour area, north of Baghdad. The terrorist, who was on a motorcycle, was killed near a security checkpoint.

- **1 Killed - 5 Injured In Booby Trapped Car Explosion In Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/one-killed-five-injured-booby-trapped-car-explosion-baghdad/>

5/14/2017, in Baghdad, a booby-trapped car exploded near a bridge of al-Rubaie Street, leaving one person killed and five others wounded. The blast occurred near the Federal Police deployment after the car drove off the bridge which flies over al-Rubaie Street on the intersection leading to Karrada district.

- **Pro-government forces destroy three SVBIEDs in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/14/2017, in Muhafazat Ninawa, al-Hashd al-Shaabi destroyed three DAESH suicide vehicle-borne improvised explosive devices (SVBIEDs).

- **4 DAESH Suicide Bombers - 2 Officers Killed In Western Anbar Attack**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/four-suicide-bombers-killed-western-anbar-senior-commander/>

5/15/2017, in Anbar, the bombers were sneaking into the town of Haditha, west of Anbar, but were killed by security forces and tribal fighters. Three of the suicide bombers were trapped inside a house and killed by security, while the fourth blew himself up killing two security members.

- **IED attack kills a Peshmerga member in Iraq's Kirkuk**

5/15/2017, in Zerga, Kirkuk province, a Peshmerga commander called Jamal Fatih Mohammed was killed and another three were wounded when their vehicle hit an IED.

- **IED attack wounds three people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/15/2017, in Hor Rajab, Baghdad province, three people were wounded by an IED.

- **DAESH militants kill three soldiers in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/15/2017, Between Badush and Tal Afar, Ninawa province, the DAESH attacked an Iraqi Army position with four suicide vehicle-borne improvised explosive devices (SVBIEDs) and killed three soldiers.

- **Pro-government forces destroy SVBIED in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/15/2017, in Muhafazat Ninawa, the 12th Brigade al-Hashd al-Shaabi destroyed a DAESH SVBIED.

- **1 Killed - 2 Wounded In IED Blast North Of Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/one-killed-2-wounded-ied-blast-north-baghdad/>

5/16/2017, in Sheikh Hamad, one person died and two others were wounded when an explosive device went off in northern Baghdad. The blast occurred near a building materials shop in Sheikh Hamad, north of the capital.

- **1 Killed - 2 Wounded In IED Blast Southeast Of Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/one-killed-2-wounded-ied-blast-southeast-baghdad/>

5/16/2017, in Baghdad, one person was killed and two others were wounded when an explosive device went off in southern Baghdad. The device exploded near a grocery in Madaen district, southeast of the capital.

- **IED attack kills one person in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/16/2017, in Sheikh Hamad, Baghdad province, one person was killed and that two others were wounded by an IED.

- **IED attack kills one person in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/16/2017, in al-Madain, Baghdad province, a Sunni Muslim Waqf employee was killed by a sticky IED attached to his vehicle.

- **IED attack wounds two people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/16/2017, in Al Mushahidah, two people were wounded by an IED.

- **Security forces foil SVBIED attack in Iraq's Anbar**

5/16/2017, in Ar Ramadi, Security Forces stopped a SVBIED, and arrested the driver, who had intended to target Baghdad.

- **1 Killed - 5 Wounded In Another Blast In Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/one-killed-five-wounded-another-blast-baghdad/>

5/17/2017, in Sadr al-Yusufiyah, a bomb, placed near a popular market in Sadr al-Yusufiyah region, exploded on Wednesday leaving one person killed and five others injured.

- **IED attack kills one person in Iraq's Babil**

5/17/2017, in Sadr al-Yusufiyah, Babil province, one person was killed and five others were wounded by an IED near a market.

- **IED attack wounds two people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/17/2017, in Nahrwan, Baghdad province, two people were wounded by an IED near a commercial area.

- **IED Blast Leaves 3 Civilians Wounded In Northern Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/ied-blast-leaves-three-civilians-wounded-northern-baghdad/>

5/17/2017, in Taji, three persons were wounded as an IED blast took place in northern Baghdad.

- **VBIEDs Attack Iraqi Troops In Western Mosul District**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/suicide-bombers-attack-iraqi-troops-western-mosul-district/>

5/17/2017, in Mosul, Militants attacked the forces with five booby-trapped vehicles at al-Rifaie district, but said no word was given regarding casualties.

- **2 Killed - 8 Wounded In 2 Blasts In Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/2-killed-8-wounded-blast-southeast-baghdad/>

5/18/2017, in Baghdad, two civilians were killed and eight others were wounded when a roadside IED exploded southeast of Baghdad.

- **9 Civilians Killed - 11 Wounded In IED Blast In Salahuddin**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/nine-civilians-killed-11-wounded-ied-blast-salahuddin/>

5/18/2017, in Tuz Khurmatu, a suicide attack took place as a bomber wearing an explosive belt targeted a popular market in Tuz Khurmatu, leaving nine civilians killed and eleven others injured.

- **IED attack kills five people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/18/2017, on al-Saklat Street, Resala, five people were killed in an IED attack by unidentified militants near a commercial area.

- **IED attack kills one person in Iraq's Babil**

5/18/2017, in al-Haswah, Babil province, one person was killed and that four others were wounded in an IED attack by unidentified militants near a restaurant.

- **Security forces stop SVBIED in Iraq's Anbar**

5/18/2017, in Halabsa, Anbar province, the Iraqi Security Forces stopped a DAESH SVBIED at a checkpoint.

- **Suicide attack kills nine people in Iraq's Salah ad Din**

5/18/2017, in Tuz Khurmatu, Salah ad Din province, nine people were killed and 11 others were wounded by a suicide bomber at a market.

- **UAV-borne IED attack kills five police in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/18/2017, in Al Marir, five police officers were killed and eight others were wounded when improvised explosive devices (IEDs) dropped from an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) by DAESH militants targeted their positions in al-Marir village south of Mosul in Iraq's Ninawa province.

- **5 Officers - 12 Suicide Bombers Killed In Western Mosul**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/five-officers-12-suicide-bombers-killed-western-mosul-24-hours/>

5/19/2017, in Mosul, five Iraqi soldiers died of fighting in western Mosul as operations near a total recapture of the city. Troops repelled a fierce attack by DAESH militants who used 20 booby-trapped vehicles. Twelve militants were killed in the attack which targeted troops at Tamuz, Mesherfa, Najjar and al-Rifaie neighborhoods.

- **Civilian Killed - Others Injured In Southern Baghdad Blast**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/civilian-killed-others-injured-southern-baghdad-blast/>

5/19/2017, in Suwayeb, an IED placed near a cattle market in Suwayeb region, western Baghdad, exploded on Friday, leaving a civilian killed and three others injured.

- **Double suicide attack kills at least 19 people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/19/2017, in Baghdad, at least 19 people were killed and 25 others were wounded when a SVBIED was detonated followed by a suicide bomber detonating his explosives at a checkpoint and at nearby police station in the south of Iraq's capital Baghdad. The DAESH claimed responsibility for the double attack.

- **IED attack wounds Department of Electricity employee in Iraq's Anbar**

5/19/2017, in Hit district, Anbar province, a Department of Electricity employee was wounded by a DAESH IED that detonated near an electricity pylon.

- **Pro-government militiamen destroy two DAESH SVBIEDs in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/19/2017, in al-Qayrawan, Ninawa province, the 11th Brigade al-Hashd al-Shaabi destroyed two DAESH SVBIEDs.

- **Pro-government militiamen shoot down two DAESH UAVs in Iraq's Salah ad Din**

5/19/2017, near the al-Zawiyah Junction, Salah ad Din province, the 99th Brigade al-Hashd al-Shaabi shot down a DAESH unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) and destroyed two vehicles.

- **Suicide Car Bomb Explodes On Highway Near Oilfields In Southern Iraq**

<http://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/05/iraq-dozens-killed-wave-suicide-car-bomb-attacks-170520074414747.html>

5/19/2017, in Barsa, at least 33 people were killed on Friday in two separate blasts at checkpoints on a highway near oilfields in Basra. The first explosion took place at the Rumeila checkpoint, and the second about one kilometer away at another checkpoint called al-Sadra.

- **12 Wanted Men Arrested - 3 Bombs Dismantled In Diyala**

<http://www.iraqnewsgazette.com/12-wanted-men-arrested-and-3-bombs-dismantled-in-diyala/>

5/20/2017, Diyala, the Police Command of Diyala arrested 12 wanted persons for the judiciary and dismantling of three bombs, one of which is a sticker, and the seizure of mobile phone segments in security operations carried out in the province.

- **IED attack wounds three pro-government militiamen in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/20/2017, in al-Hawrah, Baghdad province, three al-Hashd al-Ashair militiamen were wounded in an IED attack by unidentified militants.

- **Pro-government militiamen kill three DAESH suicide bombers in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/20/2017, in Miqnal al-Khanzir, Ninawa province, the 19th Brigade al-Hashd al-Shaabi killed three DAESH suicide bombers.

- **Security forces down armed UAV in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/20/2017, at Sahl Sinjar Air Base, Ninawa province, the 13th Brigade shot down a DAESH unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) armed with improvised explosive devices (IEDs).

- **SVBIEDs Killed 24 in Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/80-killed-injured-several-baghdad-basra-blasts/>

5/20/2017, in Abu Dsheer, two booby-trapped vehicles, driven by suicide attackers, exploded at Abu Dsheer checkpoint, located at the northern entrance of the capital of Baghdad. The blasts left 24 victims and 17 injured.

- **Grenade attack targets police station in Iraq's Anbar**

5/21/2017, near Hit Police Station, Anbar province, unidentified assailants threw a hand-grenade at the building; no casualties were reported.

- **IED attack wounds four people in Iraq's Anbar**

5/21/2017, near the Water Pant, Anbar province, four people were wounded in an IED attack by unidentified militants.

- **Muthanna Security Foil DAESH Attack With Bomb Vehicles**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/muthanna-security-foil-islamic-state-attack-bomb-vehicles/>

5/21/2017, in Samawah, Security services in the southern Iraqi province of Muthanna had foiled an attack by the DAESH using booby-trapped vehicles.

- **Soldier Killed - Another Wounded In Bomb Blast In Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/soldier-killed-another-wounded-bomb-blast-baghdad/>

5/21/2017, in Tarmiyah, a soldier was killed and other was injured in an IED blast that targeted an army patrol in Baghdad. The bomb was placed on the side of the road in al-Halabsa region, in Tarmiyah district.

- **Suicide attack killed 8 soldier in Mosul**

<http://www.sify.com/news/suicide-attacks-by-daesh-militants-kill-17-iraqi-soldiers-in-mosul-news-international-rfwbahchjdife.html>

5/21/2017, in Mosul, eight soldiers were killed and nine others injured in two suicide bombings in Mosul.

- **Suicide attack kills eight soldiers in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/21/2017, in Mosul, Ninawa province, two suicide bombers killed eight Iraqi Army soldiers and wounded nine others.

- **SVBIED attack kills six soldiers in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/21/2017, in north-west Mosul, Ninawa province, a DAESH SVBIED killed six Iraqi Army soldiers and wounded four others.

- **SVBIED attack kills three soldiers in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/21/2017, in al-Najjar, Mosul, Ninawa province, a DAESH SVBIED killed three Iraqi Army soldiers.

- **SVBIED killed 3 soldiers in Al-Najjar**

<http://www.sify.com/news/suicide-attacks-by-daesh-militants-kill-17-iraqi-soldiers-in-mosul-news-international-rfwbahchjdife.html>

5/21/2017, Al-Najjar, three soldiers were killed after bomber detonated his vehicle at anti-terrorism forces in Mosul's al-Najjar district.

- **SVBIED killed 6 soldiers in Mosul**

<http://www.sify.com/news/suicide-attacks-by-daesh-militants-kill-17-iraqi-soldiers-in-mosul-news-international-rfwbahchjdife.html>

5/21/2017, in Mosul, six Iraqi soldiers were killed and four others injured after a bomber rammed his explosives-laden vehicle into Iraqi forces in northwestern Mosul.

- **2 Killed - 14 Injured In Attack Against Diyala Military Base**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/fourteen-army-personnel-killed-attack-against-military-base-east-baquba/>

5/22/2017, in Diyala, two personnel were killed, while twelve others were wounded as four attackers wearing suicide belts attempted infiltration into Qaraqosh base (45 KM east of Baquba).

- **2 Suicide Bombers Blow Themselves Inside Training Camp**

<http://www.iraqnewsgazette.com/urgent-2-suicide-bombers-blow-themselves-inside-training-camp-east-of-baquba/>

5/22/2017, in Baquba, two suicide bombers blew themselves up this morning inside Karakosh training camp in Baladrouz region, east of Baquba, killing and wounding a number of soldiers.

- **3 Civilians Injured In Western Baghdad Bomb Blast**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/three-civilians-injured-western-baghdad-bomb-blast/>

5/22/2017, in Abu Ghraib, a bomb placed near a market in al-Nasr wal Salam region in Abu Ghraib district, western Baghdad, exploded on Monday leaving three civilians injured.

- **Hashd al-Shaabi defuse VBIED in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/22/2017, in Tal Kasab, Ninawa province, al-Hashd al-Shaabi dismantled an DAESH VBIED.

- **Security Kill 2 Suicide Bombers In Samarra**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/security-kill-two-suicide-bombers-samarra-months-total-10/>

5/22/2017, in Samarra, Iraqi security forces killed two suicide bombers on Monday who were heading for an attack on a police unit in the city of Samarra.

- **Suicide attack kills two soldiers Iraq's Diyala**

5/22/2017, in Qubbah, two soldiers were killed and 12 others were wounded when four DAESH militants, wearing explosives vests, attempted to infiltrate the Qaraqosh base, 45km east of Baquba, in Iraq's Diyala province. Two of the attackers were killed when they detonated their explosives while the two others were still inside the base at time of writing.

- **2 Policemen Injured In Northern Baghdad Blast**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/two-policemen-injured-northern-baghdad-blast/>

5/23/2017, in Baghdad, a bomb planted on the side of the road in al-Ro'oud, north of Baghdad, exploded while a police patrol was passing. Two policemen were wounded.



- **IED attack kills two security officers in Iraq's Diyala**

5/23/2017, in Diyala, two security officers were killed and another was wounded in an IED attack targeting their patrol on a roadside near the Hamreen Mountains in Iraq's Diyala province. No immediate claim of responsibility was made.

- **Bomb Blast Kills One Civilian - Injures 2 Others In Western Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqnews.com/iraq-war/bomb-blast-kills-one-civilian-injures-two-others-western-baghdad-blast/>

5/24/2017, in Baghdad, a bomb planted near stores in al-Maalef region, southwest of Baghdad, exploded leaving one person killed and two others wounded.

- **Security forces defuse IED in Iraq's Babil**

5/24/2017, in Sadr al-Yusufiyah, Babil province, the Iraqi Security Forces dismantled an IED planted by the side of the road.

- **Civilian Killed In IED Blast - Southeast Of Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqnews.com/iraq-war/civilian-killed-ied-blast-southeast-baghdad/>

5/25/2017, in Jisr Diyala, a bomb planted under a car driven by a civil servant exploded while passing at Jisr Diyala region, southeast of Baghdad, causing his immediate death.

- **Pro-government militiamen shot down DAESH UAV in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/25/2017, in Al `Adnaniyah, al-Hashd al-Shaabi shot down two DAESH unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs).

- **Civilian Killed - 3 Others Wounded As Blast Hits Southern Baghdad District**

<http://www.iraqnews.com/iraq-war/civilian-killed-three-others-wounded-blast-hits-southern-baghdad-district/>

5/26/2017, in Suwaib, an IED placed on the side of the road near a market in Suwaib region, in south of Baghdad, exploded on Friday, leaving one person killed and three others wounded.

- **Pro-government militiamen shot down DAESH UAV in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/26/2017, Naft Khaneh, Diyala province, the 4th Regiment 110th Brigade al-Hashd al-Shaabi shot down a DAESH unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV).

- **Security forces kill seven DAESH militants in Iraq's Ninawa**

5/27/2017, in Mosul, Security Forces killed seven DAESH militants, including a suicide bomber, who attacked their position.

- **Unidentified militants detonate IED in Iraq's Basra**

5/27/2017, in al-Faw, Basra province, unidentified militants detonated an IED, no casualties or property damage were reported.

- **3 Dead - 13 Wounded In Suicide Bombing Near Diyala Governorate Building**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/three-dead-10-wounded-suicide-bombing-near-diyala-governorate-building/>

5/28/2017, in Diyala, an attacker, wearing an explosive belt, blew himself up at a security checkpoint at the entrance of a street leading to the governorate's building in central Baqubah. The attack left three women dead and 13 wounded, including security members.

- **4 wounded in a blast in Northern of Baghdad**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/civilian-killed-four-others-wounded-gunfire-blast-northern-baghdad/>

5/28/2017, in Tarmiyah, a bomb placed on the side of the road in al-Mushahda region in Tarmiyah district, north of Baghdad, exploded in the morning causing injury of four civilians.

- **IED attack wounds four people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/28/2017, in al-Mashahadah, Baghdad Province, four people were wounded by an IED.

- **Drone Shelling Kills Child - Wounds 3 In Salahuddin**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/drone-shelling-kills-child-wounds-3-salahuddin/>

5/29/2017, in Shirgat, a working child was killed and three other people were wounded on Monday when a DAESH guided drone bombarded an area north of Salahuddin.

- **IED attack wounds two people in Iraq's Diyala**

5/29/2017, on the outskirts of Balad Ruz, Diyala province, two people were wounded by a sticky IED attached to their vehicle.

- **Blast killed 3 in Tawakkol**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/iraq-war/seven-killed-6-wounded-gun-attack-bombing-diyala/>

5/30/2017, in Tawakkol, a bomb exploded near a mosque in Tawakkol village, Maqdadiyah, northeast of Baqubah. The explosion killed three of the congregation on their way out of the mosque and wounded four others.

- **Suicide attack kills 12 in Iraq's Anbar**

5/30/2017, in Hit, at least 12 people – including seven military personnel – were killed and 24 others were wounded when a DAESH suicide bomber detonated his explosives at an army checkpoint in the town of Hit in Iraq's Anbar province. The DAESH claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Suicide attack kills one soldier in Iraq's Anbar**

5/30/2017, near Thanawiyat al-Shayma, Hit, one soldier was killed and that five others were wounded by a suicide bomber.

- **Suicide Bomber Kills 8 At Baghdad Ice Cream Shop**

<http://www.timesofisrael.com/suicide-bomber-kills-eight-at-baghdad-ice-cream-shop/>

5/30/2017, in Karrada, a suicide bomber detonated an explosives-rigged vehicle at a popular Baghdad ice cream shop, killing at least eight people.

- **SVBIED attack kills at least 15 people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/30/2017, in Hayy al Karradah, at least 15 people - including an Australian national - were killed and 30 others were wounded when a DAESH militant detonated a SVBIED at an ice cream shop in the predominantly Shia Muslim district of Karrada in Iraq's capital Baghdad early. The DAESH claimed responsibility for the attack, claiming it had targeted a "gathering of Shia".

- **VBIED attack kills 10 people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/30/2017, in Qada' al Karkh, ten people were killed and 44 others were wounded in a VBIED attack near a government office in Karkh district of Iraq's capital Baghdad. The DAESH claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **VBIED attack kills seven people in Iraq's Baghdad**

5/30/2017, near the Department of Retirement, Baghdad, a VBIED killed seven people and wounded 30 others.

## ***ISRAEL***

- **Thwarted Pipe Bomb Attack On West Bank Military Court**

<https://www.i24news.tv/en/news/israel/144874-170510-israel-police-say-thwarted-pipe-bomb-attack-on-west-bank-military-court>

5/10/2017, in Nablus, Israeli police announced on Wednesday that they had thwarted a pipe bomb attack on a West Bank military court.

## ***JORDAN***

- **Blast In Syria Border Camp Kills 4**

<http://www.foxnews.com/world/2017/05/04/jordan-army-news-site-blast-in-syria-border-camp-kills-4.html>

5/4/2017, in Rukban, an explosion went off in the market area of makeshift camp on the border with Syria, killing four people and wounding several others.

- **Car Bomb Hits Syrian Refugee Camp Near Jordanian Border**

<https://www.alaraby.co.uk/english/news/2017/4/8/car-bomb-hits-syrian-refugee-camp-on-jordan-border>

5/15/2017, in Rukban, at least three people were killed, including a child, and several others were injured in a car bomb attack and subsequent shooting at a security checkpoint in al-Rukban refugee camp.

## ***LEBANON***

- **7 Grenades Explode Overnight In Ain El-Hilweh Camp**

<http://www.naharnet.com/stories/en/229299-seven-grenades-explode-overnight-in-ain-el-hilweh-camp>

5/1/2017, in Ain el-Hilweh, seven grenade bomb explosions were heard in the southern refugee camp of Ain el-Hilweh late on Sunday and early on Monday without any casualties being reported.

- **Grenade attack targets army in Lebanon's South**

5/8/2017, in Ain al-Hilweh, Saleh Abu Arisha threw a hand grenade at Army troops and was subsequently detained; no casualties were reported.

- **Grenade attack targets Palestinian checkpoint in Lebanon's South**

5/20/2017, in Ain al-Hilweh, South governorate, a Palestinian National Security Forces checkpoint was targeted by a hand-grenade; no casualties were reported.

- **IED detonates in Lebanon's South**

5/22/2017, in Ain al-Hilweh, an IED was thrown into an unspecified street and detonated. No casualties were reported.

- **Lebanon Army Attacked In Northeast Lebanon - 5 Soldiers Wounded**

<https://www.dailystar.com.lb/News/Lebanon-News/2017/May-27/407408-daesh-suicide-bomber-wounds-five-army-soldiers.ashx>

5/26/2017, in Beirut, a Daesh militant blew himself up Friday, wounding five Army soldiers who were attempting to arrest him as part of a military crackdown in northeastern Lebanon.

- **Suicide attack wounds an unspecified number of soldiers in Lebanon's Beqaa**

5/26/2017, in Aarsal, an unspecified number of soldiers – described in reports as “several” – were wounded when an unidentified militant detonated a suicide vest as security forces conducted a raid targeting him in the town of Aarsal in Lebanon's Beqaa governorate.

## ***MALAYSIA***

- **Factory Worker Injured After Loan Shark Sets Off Explosive Device**

<http://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2017/05/15/factory-worker-injured-after-loan-shark-sets-off-explosive-device/>

5/14/2017, in Simpang, a factory worker injured his legs after an explosive device went off, as he was getting into his car in Taman Pengkalan Setia. The device is believed to have been set off by a loan shark.

## ***MYANMAR***

- **2 Killed While Making Landmine In Myanmar's Rakhine**

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/1404556/two-killed-making-landmine-myanmar-rakhine/>

5/4/2017, in Butheedaung, two men died and three were injured by an explosion on the outskirts of Theni village in Butheedaung township.

- **Grenade attack wounds three civilians in Myanmar's Shan**

5/7/2017, in Namkham, Shan state, three civilians were wounded in an attack by Ta-ang National Liberation Army (TNLA) militants.

**NEPAL**

- **Army Defuses 6 Socket Bombs In Udayapur**

<http://www.myrepublica.com/news/19401/>

5/2/2017, in Udayapur, a bomb disposal team of Nepal Army defused six socket bombs in Udaypurgadhi Rural Municipality-6, Udayapur district. The socket bombs were recovered from the field of a local farmer of Sirubani.

- **Chand Led Maoist Cadres Held With Explosives**

<http://kathmandupost.ekantipur.com/news/2017-05-09/chand-led-maoist-cadres-held-with-explosives.html>

5/9/2017, in Chitwan, police arrested two cadres of the Netra Bikram Chand-led CPN Maoist in possession of Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) in Chitwan.

- **Bomb Explodes Near Nc Programme Venue In Nawalparasi**

<http://kathmandupost.ekantipur.com/news/2017-05-11/bomb-explodes-near-nc-programme-venue-in-nawalparasi.html>

5/11/2017, in Nawalparasi, a bomb went off near a programme venue of Nepali Congress at Purano Kawasoti Bazaar in Nawalparasi district. The bomb exploded while Amrit Shrestha, a ward chairman candidate from the NC, was addressing the programme at Kawasoti Municipality ward-3.

- **Bomb Explosion At Transport Management Office In Lahan**

<https://www.inheadline.com/news/33545>

5/11/2017, in Lahan, a bomb exploded at the Transport Management Office in Lahan Municipality of Siraha district. The bomb exploded in the restroom adjoining the Office Chief's room on the first floor of the building destroying walls, windows, and furniture.

- **IED targets NC member in Nepal's Nawalparasi District**

5/11/2017, in Kawasoti, the Nepali Congress (NC) Assembly was targeted by an IED which was planted near the Purano Kawasoti intersection at Kawasoti – 3 in Nepal's Nawalparasi District. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Bomb Found In Nepali Congress Candidates Premises**

<https://thehimalayantimes.com/nepal/bomb-found-nepali-congress-candidates-premises/>

5/12/2017, in Tanahun, a socket bomb was found planted in front of Nepali Congress's ward chairman candidate's house in Abukhaireni Rural Municipality-3 in Tanahun district.

- **Bomb Found At NC Mayor Candidates House In Syangja**

<http://kathmandupost.ekantipur.com/news/2017-05-12/bomb-found-at-nc-mayor-candidates-house-in-syangja.html>

5/12/2017, in Syangja, a socket bomb has been recovered at the residence of Nepali Congress (NC) mayor candidate from Galyang Municipality-11 in Syangja district. The IED didn't go off because it got drenched in the rain.

- **IED attack kills RPP leader in Nepal's Bhaktapur**

5/12/2017, in Bhaktapur, a Rastriya Prajatantra Party leader, identified as Madhab Khatri, was killed when an IED detonated at his residence in Nepal's Bhaktapur district. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **IED detonates in Nepal's Lamjung**

5/13/2017, in Baguwa, an IED planted by suspected Communist Party of Nepal-Maoist (CPN-Maoist) militants detonated near Baguwa Devithan in Rainash municipality in Nepal's Lamjung district. Reports did not include casualty details.

- **Police recover IED at a CPN-UML candidate's house in Nepal's Bhaktapur**

5/14/2017, in Bhaktapur, an IED wrapped in a black bag with the word 'khatarā' (meaning dangerous in Nepali) was discovered at the residence of a Communist Party of Nepal – Unified Marxist Leninist (CPN-UML) mayoral candidate, identified as Madan Sundar Shrestha, in Madhayapur Thimi municipality in Nepal's Bhaktapur district.

- **Unspecified security personnel defuse IED in Nepal's Kathmandu**

5/15/2017, in Kathmandu, an IED was defused by unspecified security personnel near a place of vote counting in Shankharapur municipality northeast of Nepal's capital Kathmandu.

- **Pressure Cooker Bomb Defused In Nawalparasi**

<https://thehimalayantimes.com/nepal/pressure-cooker-bomb-defused-nawalparasi/>

5/17/2017, in Nawalparasi, a bomb disposal team of Nepal Army has defused a pressure cooker bomb in Parasi, the district headquarters of Nawalparasi. The bomb was planted near the office gate of the Nawalparasi District Contractors Association.

**PAKISTAN**

- **Two Suspected Terrorists Killed In Clash With Security Forces In Wah Cantt**

<https://khybernews.tv/two-suspected-terrorists-killed-in-clash-with-security-forces-in-wah-cantt/>

5/1/2017, in Wah Cantonment, law enforcement agencies kill two suspected terrorists in a search operation conducted in Wah Cantonment. A suicide jacket and a large cache of arms were also seized from a house in the area during the raid conducted under the ongoing Operation Radd-ul-Fasaad.

- **Roadside Bomb Blast In Dera Bugti**

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/202415-Three-peace-body-members-injured-in-Dera-Bugti-blast>

5/2/2017, in Dera Bugti, three members of tribal peace committee were injured when their vehicle was targeted through remote controlled blast here. Levies sources said that unknown miscreants targeted a vehicle of peace committee in Douli area of tehsil Sui in Dera Bugti.

- **Police forces defuse 13 grenades in Pakistan's Punjab**

5/2/2017, in Hasilpur, Punjab, police diffused 13 hand-grenades hidden in under construction house.

- **Man Hurt In Grenade Attack On Shop**

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1330660/man-hurt-in-grenade-attack-on-shop>

5/2/2017, in Karachi, armed suspects hurled a hand grenade at a shop in Orangi Town, leaving a man injured and spreading fear in the densely-populated neighbourhood.

- **5 FC Men Injured In Landmine Blast**

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1330776>

5/2/2017, in Kech, five Frontier Corps personnel were returning in a convoy from Mand, a town near the Pak-Iran border, after conducting a search operation and when their vehicle reached the Kohar area of Tump it was hit by a landmine. The landmine blast left five FC men seriously injured and destroyed the vehicle.

- **Police forces defuse IED in Pakistan's Kohat**

5/2/2017, in Kohat, local police defused a 7kg IED hidden in the field.



- **IED attack wounds shopkeepers in Pakistan's Karachi**

5/2/2017, in Orangi Town, Karachi, a shopkeeper was wounded in an IED detonation, after refusing to pay extortion money.

- **Grenade attack kills two people in Pakistan's Khyber Pukhtoonkhwa**

5/5/2017, in Varri area, Khyber Pukhtoonkhwa, at least two people were killed and four others were wounded in a hand-grenade explosion inside a house, according to local police.

- **IED attack kills civilian in Pakistan's Khuram**

5/7/2017, in Tindo area, Khuram Agency, a civilian was killed in an IED attack.

- **Heavy Weapons - Explosives Recovered In Peshawars Hassanabad**

<http://dunyanews.tv/en/Pakistan/387372-Heavy-weapons-explosives-recovered-in-Peshawars->

5/8/2017, in Hassanabad, the law enforcement personnel have recovered huge cache of weapons and explosives buried in riverbank in Peshawar's Hassanabad area. Superintendent of Police (SP) Rural Furqan Bilal claimed that the weapons including rocket-propelled grenade (RPG) and mortar shells were hidden by militants for terrorist activities in the city.

- **Police Defused Bomb Outside School In Narowal**

<http://nation.com.pk/national/08-May-2017/police-say-defused-bomb-outside-school-in-narowal>

5/8/2017, in Narowal, police claimed to have defused a bomb planted by unidentified people outside a school in Langa Bhattian area of Narowal. They said unidentified miscreants had planted a bomb weighing three kilogrammes outside a private school located in Langa Bhattian area of Narowal.

- **4 Injured In Bomb Blast Outside Girls School**

<http://indianexpress.com/article/world/pakistan-four-injured-in-bomb-blast-outside-girls-school-4645861/>

5/8/2017, in Peshawar, a roadside blast outside a girls' school in northwestern Pakistan's restive Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province today injured four persons, including three counter terrorism officials. The IED went off at Khatko bridge on the outskirts of Peshawar, capital of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, injuring three officials of the Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) and one passer-by.

- **Roadside Bomb Defused In Quetta**

<https://www.geo.tv/latest/141030-Roadside-bomb-defused-in-Quetta>

5/8/2017, in Quetta, a terror bid was foiled in Quetta after bomb disposal squad (BDS) successfully defused a bomb planted roadside. The bomb weighing 1kilogram was packed in a plastic bag and planted roadside in Saryab area of the city.

- **Huge Cache Of Explosives Recovered In Khyber Agency**

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/1405423/radd-ul-fasaad-huge-cache-explosives-recovered-khyber-agency-s-waziristan/>

5/9/2017, in Khyber, Security forces have recovered suicide jackets, explosive cylinder, IEDs, anti-tank mines and detonators during intelligence-based operations (IBOs) in the Federally Administered Tribal Areas.

- **Security Forces Seizes Huge Cache Of Arms - Explosives In Chaghi**

<https://khybernews.tv/security-forces-foils-terror-bid-seizes-huge-cache-of-arms-explosives-in-chaghi/>

5/10/2017, in Chaghi, Security forces claimed to have foiled a major bid of terrorism by reportedly seizing huge cache of arms and ammunition at Pak-Afghan border area. Security forces recovered suicide jackets, explosives, hand grenades, mortar shells from the compound of the terrorists.

- **LEAs Foil Terror Bid In Jacobabad**

<https://www.samaa.tv/pakistan/2017/05/leas-foil-terror-bid-in-jacobabad/>

5/10/2017, in Jacobabad, police and intelligence agencies carried out a joint operation at Tehsil Garhi Khoro and arrested three terrorists. Three kilograms of explosives were also recovered in the raid.

- **Security Forces Foil Major Terror Bid Near Pak Afghan Border**

<http://nation.com.pk/national/12-May-2017/security-forces-foil-major-terror-bid-near-pak-afghan-border>

5/12/2017, in Kurraam Agency, Security forces have foiled a major terror bid near Pak-Afghan border in Kurram Agency. An explosive-laden vehicle was entering Pakistan from Paktia, Afghanistan when security force officers fired at it.

- **Roadside Bomb Targeting Jui-F Leader Abdul Ghafoor**

<https://www.pakistantoday.com.pk/2017/05/12/roadside-blast-in-mustang-moulana-abdul-ghafoor-haidairi-severely-injured/>

5/12/2017, in Mustang, as many as 25 people lost their lives while over 40 others, including Senate Deputy Chairman Maulana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, were injured on Friday in a roadside blast in Mastung area of Balochistan.

- **2 FC Men Injured In Bolan Blast**

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1333230>

5/14/2017, in Bolan, two personnel of the paramilitary Frontier Corps were injured in a bomb blast in an area of Bolan district.

- **4 Troops Injured In Roadside Bomb Blast In Mastung**

<https://en.dailypakistan.com.pk/pakistan/four-troops-injured-in-roadside-bomb-blast-in-mastung/>

5/15/2017, in Mastung, four security officials were injured when a bomb blast hit a vehicle of security forces in Splingi area of Mastung. The bomb was planted along a road to target a vehicle, which was partially damaged.

- **Blast Hits Gas Pipeline**

<https://www.geo.tv/latest/142234-Blast-near-Manghopir-damages-gas-pipeline>

5/17/2017, in Manghopir, an explosion damaged the Sui gas pipeline near Madinatul Hikmat area of Manghopir in the wee hours of Thursday. No loss of life was reported from the explosion. Around 500-600 grams of local explosive content was used in the incident.

- **Unidentified assailants attack custom officer's residence in Pakistan's Peshawar**

5/19/2017, in PeshawarIn Ghani Rehman Kalay area, an IED detonated and two hand-grenade attacks were placed outside the residence of custom officer; no casualties were reported.

- **Militant Arrested - Explosives Recovered**

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/205745-Militant-arrested-explosives-recovered>

5/20/2017, in Bannu, the police arrested an alleged militant in the Mandan area in the district and recovered explosives and other material from him. The police recovered a homemade explosive device, a hand-grenade, a detonator, safety fuses, prima cord and bombs making instructions from the arrested militant.

- **Peshawar Police Thwart Massive Sabotage Bid**

<https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/205682-Peshawar-police-thwart-massive-sabotage-bid>

5/20/2017, in Peshawar, the police thwarted a major terrorism bid by recovering 400 kilograms of explosives along with rockets, mortar shells, hand grenades, wireless sets and uniform of the security forces during a raid on the outskirts of the provincial capital.

- **14 Injured In Shabqadar Attacks**

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1334425>

5/20/2017, in Shabqadar, in a series of attacks, assailants threw grenades at a school and planted explosive devices in four homes of Shabqadar tehsil, wounding at least 14 people.

- **IED Explosion In Khyber Agency - Peace Committee Volunteers Killed**

[http://dunyanews.tv/en/Pakistan/389485-IED-blast-kills-four-peace-committee-volunteers-in\](http://dunyanews.tv/en/Pakistan/389485-IED-blast-kills-four-peace-committee-volunteers-in)

5/22/2017, in Khyber Agency, at least four peace committee volunteers were killed and two others injured in an IED explosion in Khyber Agency. The peace committee members were on a routine patrol in Akakhel area of Tirah Valley when a bomb planted on the roadside detonated near their vehicle.

- **5 Killed As Blast Hits Vehicle In NW Pakistan**

<http://presstv.ir/Detail/2017/05/22/522792/Pakistan-Tirah-Valley-Khyber-tribal-region-roadside-bomb>

5/22/2017, in Tirah, a roadside bomb has killed at least five people and wounded several others in Pakistan's northwest tribal region bordering Afghanistan. The remote-controlled bomb was detonated in Tirah Valley in the Khyber tribal region as volunteers from a government-backed militia group were moving into the area.

- **Major Terror Bid Foiled - Explosives - Arms Recovered**

<http://dunyanews.tv/en/Pakistan/390204-Dera-Bugti-Major-terror-bid-foiled-explosives-a>

5/26/2017, in Dera Bugti, Frontier Corps (FC) Balochistan on Friday foiled major terror bid and recovered huge cache of explosives and arms during two separate operations near Dera Bugti.

- **IED attack wounds four people in Pakistan's Azad**

5/28/2017, in Khilana, Azad, an IED detonated near a vehicle at the border area, wounding four people.

- **4 Injured In IED Explosion Along Line Of Control**

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1336115/4-injured-in-ied-explosion-along-line-of-control>

5/29/2017, in Jhelum, at least four people were injured in a blast after their vehicle ran over an IED along the Line of Control (LoC) in Azad Jammu and Kashmir.

- **1 Person Killed In Explosion Near Peace Committees Car**

<https://www.pakistantoday.com.pk/2017/05/30/one-person-killed-in-explosion-near-peace-committees-car/>

5/30/2017, in Tirah, one person has been killed, while two sustained injuries in a bomb blast near a car of peace committee in Tirah Valley area of Khyber Agency. A motor car of the peace committee was going in Tirah Valley area, when a landmine exploded, leaving a worker of peace committee dead, while two others injured.

## ***PHILIPPINES***

- **Twin Blasts Rock Manila Killing 2**

<http://www.rappler.com/nation/169085-dead-injured-quiapo-blast>

5/6/2017, in Quiapo, two people were killed and 6 others injured in two explosions in Quiapo, Manila. The first blast happened along Norzagaray Street corner Elizondo Street near the Manila Golden Mosque at 5:55 pm. A second explosion happened near the first blast site, less than two hours later.

- **4 Cops Injured In Another Bombing In Maguindanao**

<http://www.philstar.com/nation/2017/05/09/1698271/4-cops-injured-another-bombing-maguindanao>

5/9/2017, in Maguindanao, four policemen were hurt in another roadside bombing in Maguindanao. The IED was fashioned from an ordnance projectile packed with small pieces of construction support bars and rigged with a battery-operated blasting contraption.

- **BIFF Sets Off Bomb On Soldiers In Maguindanao - No 1 Hurt**

<http://newsinfo.inquirer.net/896007/biff-sets-off-bomb-on-soldiers-in-maguindanao-no-one-hurt>

5/11/2017, in Maguindanao, another IED was set off by the outlawed Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF) in a remote village in Shariff Aguak, Maguindanao, while soldiers were running after a band of BIFF members.

- **7 Hurt As NPA Rebels Set Off Landmine - Ambush Army Tank In Laguna**

<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/897420/7-hurt-as-npa-rebels-set-off-landmine-ambush-army-tank-in-laguna>

5/17/2017, in Laguna, five Philippine Army personnel and two civilians were wounded after New People's Army (NPA) rebels ambushed two military vehicles by setting off a landmine in Luisiana town in Laguna province.

- **2 Soldiers Hurt In IED Blast In Maguindanao**

<http://www.philstar.com/nation/2017/05/18/1701212/2-soldiers-hurt-ied-blast-maguindanao>

5/18/2017, in Shariff Aguak, two soldiers were injured in another roadside bombing in Shariff Aguak town. They were part of a team patrolling in Barangay Timbangan, Shariff Aguak when an IED planted along their route went off, apparently detonated from a distance using a mobile phone.

## ***SAUDI ARABIA***

- **2 Saudi Policemen Hurt In Bombing In Restive Shiite Town**

<https://tribune.com.pk/story/1422872/two-saudi-policemen-hurt-bombing-restive-shia-town/>

5/29/2017, in Awamiya, two policemen were wounded when a bomb exploded in Awamiya in eastern Saudi Arabia, where many of the country's Shia Muslim minority live.

- **2 Saudi Policemen Hurt In Bombing In Restive Shiite Town**

<https://www.alaraby.co.uk/english/news/2017/5/30/roadside-bomb-in-restive-saudi-town-injures-two-policemen>

5/31/2017, in Awamiya, an IED was used against authorities protecting demolition workers in the old quarter of al-Awamiya town on Monday morning.

## ***SRI LANKA***

- **Grenade Explosion Kills Man In Mahiyangana**

<http://www.dailymirror.lk/128762/Hand-grenade-attack-Man-killed-woman-injured>

5/12/2017, in Mahiyangana, an old man was killed while injuring a woman following a hand grenade attack at a house in Dodamwatta police area in Mahiyanganaya.

**SYRIA**

- **3 Notorious FSA Commanders Killed In Daraa**

<http://en.farsnews.com/newstext.aspx?nn=13960211000572>

5/1/2017, in Dara'a, a local council commander in the town of Basir al-Tahrir named Ahmad al-Hariri was killed along with two other comrades when his car exploded on the road linking the towns of al-Soura and al-Qariya.

- **IED attack kills people in Syria's Hasaka**

5/2/2017, in Al Hasakah, an IED targeted a Yekineyen Parastina Gel (YPG) vehicle.

- **Mortar Attack On Damascus Countryside Leaves 2 Casualties**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/arab-world-news/mortar-attack-on-damascus-countryside-leaves-2-casualties/>

5/3/2017, in Harasta, a soldier was killed while another one was wounded by mortar shells attack in the countryside of Damascus.

- **VBIED attack kills three one in Syria's Aleppo**

5/3/2017, in A'zaz, a VBIED attack within insurgent-held territory killed at least one militant and four others. A casualty breakdown was not reported.

- **VBIED attack kills five people in Syria's Aleppo**

5/3/2017, in A'zaz, at least five people were killed and an unspecified number of others were wounded when a VBIED was detonated in front of an opposition interim government headquarters in the town of Azaz in Syria's Aleppo governorate on 3 May, Reuters reported. Although there was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack, a Syrian National Coalition (SNC) official blamed the DAESH.

- **VBIED Blast Kills 7 In Northern Syrian City**

<http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v8/wn/newsworld.php?id=1352652>

5/3/2017, in Azaz, at least seven people were killed and over 20 others wounded on Wednesday, when a car bomb went off in the rebel-held city of Azaz in northern Syria, near the Turkish borders.

- **IED attack kills civilian in Syria's Raqqa**

5/4/2017, in Tishreen, an IED detonating within DAESH -held territory killed a civilian and wounded another.

- **IED attack kills two QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqah**

5/4/2017, in Zuwayqat, Tabqa, an IED killed two Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces, fighters.

- **IED attack kills eight Hizbullah militants in Syria's Rif Dimashq**

5/4/2017, in Bayt Jinn, a Hayat Tahrir al-Sham IED targeting their vehicle killed eight Hizbullah fighters.

- **IED attack kills three civilians in Syria's Deir al-Zour**

5/5/2017, in Dayr az Zawr, an unidentified IED killed three civilians.

- **IED attack kills two civilians in Syria's Raqqa**

5/5/2017, in Al Huzaymah, an IED attack by unidentified militants killed two civilians.

- **IED attack kills a local Jaish al-Thawra leader in Syria's Deraa**

5/5/2017, in Al Muzayrib, an IED targeting his car killed a Jaish al-Thawra coalition commander.

- **VBIED attack targest QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqa**

5/5/2017, in Ar Raqqah, the DAESH launched a VBIED attack against the Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces. Reports did not contain details of casualties.

- **Heavy Casualties As DAESH SVBIED Hits Kurdish Convoy North Of Raqqa**

<https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/heavy-casualties-isis-suicide-bomber-hits-kurdish-convoy-north-raqqa/>

5/6/2017, in Raqqa, an SVBIED blew up amid a gathering of Kurdish militants, inflicting heavy casualties on the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) in the northern Raqqa countryside. Some 20 Kurdish fighters of the US-backed SDF were killed and an additional 10 wounded. The SVBIED snuck up on a SDF convoy west of Hazemah town and hit four vehicles.

- **Russian Military Thwarts Suicide Attack On Humanitarian Convoy In Syria**

<https://sputniknews.com/middleeast/201705051053324843-russia-syria-thwarts-suicide-attack-humanitarian-convoy/>

5/6/2017, in Ghouta, as the humanitarian convoy was passing through a checkpoint on the demarcation line, the Russian military servicemen identified, disarmed and handed over to Syria's security service representatives a suicide attacker, who possessed 10 kilograms [approximately 22 pounds] of explosives and grenades.



- **VBIED attack kills four people in Syria's Homs**

5/6/2017, in Hims, at the Rukban camp, Homs desert, a VBIED detonated in a market area within militant-held territory, killing four people and wounding several others.

- **Multiple IED attack targets army-held area of Syria's Suwayda**

5/6/2017, in As Suwayda, five improvised explosive devices (IEDs) detonated within Army-held territory.

- **IED attack kills local Liwa Qassi al-Zu'bi commander in Syria's Deraa**

5/6/2017, in Dar`a, an IED targeting his vehicle killed Shaher Abdullah al-Zubani, the commander of Liwa Qassi al-Zu'bi.

- **SVBIED attack kills 20 QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqa**

5/6/2017, in Al Huzaymah, a DAESH SVBIED attack targeted a Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces, convoy, reportedly killing 20 fighters, wounding ten others and destroying four vehicles.

- **IEDs Blasts Injure 3 Persons In Shahba Road North Of As Suwayda**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/arab-world-news/ieds-blasts-injure-3-persons-shahba-road-north-suwayda/>

5/7/2017, in As-Suwayda, five improvised explosive devices, emplaced by terrorists on the roadside near Kou' Hadr area, exploded while a passengers bus was passing in the area, injuring three passengers and inflicting damage to the bus.

- **DAESH suicide attack targets Liwa Shuhada al-Qariyatayn in Syria's Homs**

5/7/2017, at Ruqban Camp, Homs desert, Abu Muhammad al-Ansari and Abu Muhammad al-Ladhiqani carried out twin DAESH suicide bombings against a Liwa Shuhada al-Qariyatayn HQ, allegedly killing and wounding 14 fighters.

- **DAESH militants destroy three school buildings in Syria's Deir al-Zour**

5/8/2017, in Dayr az Zawr, DAESH blew up three school buildings, supposedly out of fear Jaish Maghaweer al-Thawra might try to advance against them in the area. Reports did not contain details of casualties.

- **VBIED attack kills two fighters and a civilian in Syria's Homs**

5/8/2017, on the outskirts of Ruqban Camp, Homs desert, a VBIED attack targeted a Qowat al-Maghaweer vehicle near a livestock market, killing at least two fighters and one civilian and wounding three other fighters. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **Double Suicide Attack Against FSA Militants In southeast Syria**

<https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/isis-conducts-deadly-double-suicide-attack-fsa-militants-southeast-syria/>

5/8/2017, in Damascus, two suicide bombers wearing explosive belts managed to infiltrate a building used as headquarters by FSA-affiliated Qaryatayn Martyrs group. Upon entering the building, DAESH jihadists opened fire at FSA members who were inside. After being surrounded, the attackers detonated themselves killing and wounding 14 militants as a result.

- **Landmine attack targets army forces in Syria's Aleppo**

5/10/2017, in Aleppo, DAESH landmine damaged an Army vehicle, killing an unspecified number of soldiers.

- **VBIED attack targets army forces in Syria's Aleppo**

5/10/2017, in Ajjurah, DAESH targeted government forces with a VBIED. Reports did not contain details of casualties.

- **VBIED attack kills 13 soldiers in Syria's Homs**

5/11/2017, in the Artuwaziya area, north of Palmyra, the DAESH launched a VBIED attack on the Army, killing 13 soldiers and capturing three others.

- **2 Dozen People Killed In DAESH Controlled Deir Ezzor Province Due To Explosion**

<https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/two-dozen-people-killed-isis-controlled-deir-ezzor-province-due-explosion/>

5/11/2017, in Al-Mayadeen, more than 20 people, including militants of DAESH have been killed as a result of explosions in the city of Al-Mayadeen in Deir Ezzor province. Explosions were caused by detonation of ammo in a house that DAESH used as weapons storage.

- **VBIED attack kills nine QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqa**

5/12/2017, in Ar Raqqa, East of Mushayrifa, the DAESH launched a VBIED attack targeting a Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces convoy, reportedly destroying six armored vehicles and killing nine fighters.

- **IED attack targets Hayat Tahrir al-Sham vehicle in Syria's Idlib**

5/14/2017, in Saraqib, a roadside IED targeted a Hayat Tahrir al-Sham vehicle.

- **IED attack kills Hayat Tahrir al-Sham commander in Syria's Aleppo**

5/15/2017, in Aleppo, a Hayat Tahrir al-Sham commander, identified as Abou Saad al-Faransi, was killed when an IED detonated on the Aleppo-Damascus road near the city of Aleppo in Syria's Aleppo governorate.

- **Bomb Blast In Eastern Idlib**

<http://www.iraqinews.com/arab-world-news/bomb-blast-eastern-idlib-syrian-regime-forces-shell-hama/>

5/15/2017, in Sarakeb, a woman was wounded in the explosion of an improvised explosive device, in the vicinity of Sarakeb town, in the eastern countryside of Idlib.

- **IED attack wounds people in Syria's Aleppo**

5/16/2017, in A'zaz, an IED emplaced on a motorcycle, was detonated near an insurgent police station. An unspecified number of people were wounded.

- **SVBIED attack targets army forces in Syria's Deir al-Zour**

5/16/2017, in Dayr az Zawr, DAESH attacked the Army, launching the assault with a SVBIED attack.

- **IED attack kills people in Syria's Homs**

5/16/2017, in Tadmur, DAESH targeted government forces with an IED. Casualties were reported.

- **VBIED attacks target QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqa**

5/16/2017, in Ar Raqqa, DAESH targeted the Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces with two VBIEDs.

- **Unidentified militants detonate an IED in Syria's Idlib**

5/17/2017, in Salqin, an IED detonated within insurgent-held territory.

- **IED attack kills two FSA militants in Syria's s Deraa**

5/17/2017, on the Busr al-Harir - Mlehat Atash road, Deraa governorate, an Army roadside IED targeting killed two Free Syrian Army (FSA) militants and wounded a third.

- **IED attack destroys Harakat Ahrar al-Sham al-Islamiyya vehicle in Syria's Idlib**

5/18/2017, in Idlib, an IED destroyed an Harakat Ahrar al-Sham al-Islamiyya vehicle. Reports did not contain details of casualties.

- **IED attack kills seven civilians in Syria's Deraa**

5/18/2017, in Ash Shaykh Miskin, an IED detonating within Army-held territory killed seven civilians.

- **IED attack kills three civilians in Syria's Raqqa**

5/18/2017, in Ar Raqqa, DAESH IED killed three civilians.

- **DAESH VBIED attack kills eight QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqa**

5/18/2017, in Ar Raqqa, a DAESH VBIED attack killed eight Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces, fighters.

- **27 Syrian Soldiers Killed By DAESH Attack In Eastern Homs**

<https://www.almazdarnews.com/article/27-syrian-soldiers-killed-islamic-state-attack-eastern-homs-amaq/>

5/18/2017, in Homs, SVBIED detonated its explosives, dozens of DAESH insurgents reportedly overran several unidentified SAA-held positions in the Mannoukh area and seized spoils of war at the newly captured points. The outlet claimed 27 soldiers of the Syrian Arab Army (SAA) were killed-in-action following the attack.

- **VBIED attack kills soldiers in Syria's Aleppo**

5/19/2017, in Aleppo, the DAESH launched a VBIED attack against Army positions, killing and wounding several soldiers.

- **IED attack targets QSD in Syria's Hasaka**

5/20/2017, in Al Hasakah, an IED targeted a Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces, vehicle, killing an unspecified number.

- **DAESH militants attack QSD in Syria's Raqqa**

5/20/2017, in Ar Raqqa, the DAESH launched an assault against the Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces, with several suicide bombers.

- **Blows Up 2 Communication Towers In Raid On Iraqi Border Post**

<https://www.almazdarnews.com/article/pictures-isis-blows-two-communication-towers-raid-iraqi-border-post/>

5/20/2017, in Al-Tanf, DAESH planted bombs at two communication towers which they claimed were used by the Iraqi Army. Both towers were demolished in front of a crowd of DAESH militants.

- **DAESH militants kill seven QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqa**

5/20/2017, in Mazloun, Raqqa governorate, four DAESH fighters attempted to penetrate Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces, positions. Two suicide bombers detonated their explosives, killing seven fighters and wounding 13 others.

- **Bomb Attack On Syrian Islamist Rebel Group Kills 20**

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-mideast-crisis-syria-idlib-idUSKBN18H0N3>

5/21/2017, in Ldlib, a lone attacker had driven a motorbike up to the building, detonating explosives attached to himself and a bomb on the bike at the same time, killing and wounding dozens of rebels.

- **IED attack kills Hayat Tahrir al-Sham militant in Syria's Deraa**

5/21/2017, in Dar`a, a roadside IED killed a Hayat Tahrir al-Sham militant.

- **VBIED attack kills at least 20 Ahrar al-Sham militants in Syria's Idlib**

5/21/2017, in Saraqib, at least 20 Harakat Ahrar al-Sham al-Islamiyya militants were killed and an unspecified number of others were wounded when a DAESH militant, riding a motorcycle, detonated explosives attached to him and the vehicle targeting the militant group's headquarters in a village east of Saraqeb in Syria's Idlib governorate. The DAESH claimed responsibility for the attack.

- **VBIED attack kills six QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqa**

5/21/2017, in Ar Raqqah, the DAESH killed six Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces, fighters and destroyed two vehicles in a VBIED attack.

- **Roadside Bombs Hit FSA In Daraa**

<https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/roadside-bombs-hit-fsa-daraa/>

5/21/2017, in Daraa, the two consecutive bombings targeted members of FSA's 42nd division in Daraa countryside killed 3 and wounded 5. The first attack happened on the road connecting Al-Harah and Zamreen. A FSA field commander and his driver were injured. When another vehicle of the FSA approached the site, to rescue the injured, a second roadside bomb struck.

- **IED attack wounds two civilians in Syria's Homs**

5/22/2017, in Hayy Wadi adh Dhahab, an IED detonating within Army-held territory wounded two civilians.

- **VBIED Explodes In Syrias Homs**

<http://uk.businessinsider.com/r-car-bomb-explodes-in-syrias-homs-army-destroys-another-near-damascus-state-tv-2017-5>

5/23/2017, in Homs, a car bomb exploded in the Syrian city of Homs on Tuesday and the army destroyed another vehicle rigged with explosives near the Shi'ite Muslim shrine of Sayeda Zeinab, south of Damascus.

- **SVBIED attack kills four civilians in Syria's Homs**

5/23/2017, in Homs, four civilians, including two children, were killed and 30 others were wounded in a SVBIED attack conducted by DAESH militants in front on a power plant in the al-Zahraa neighbourhood in the city of Homs in Syria's Homs governorate.

- **Security forces destroy SVBIED in Syria's Rif Dimashq**

5/23/2017, in Rif Dimashq, government forces opened fire at an approaching VBIED, destroying it before it reached their checkpoint. The explosion killed one civilian and wounded a second.

- **Thwarted SVBIED attack kills one civilian in Syria's Damascus**

5/23/2017, in Damascus, one civilian was killed and another was wounded when security forces intercepted and destroyed a SVBIED, with two militants on board, near the Shia Muslim Sayeda Zeinab shrine in Syria's capital Damascus.

- **IED and suicide attack in FSA territory in Syria's Aleppo**

5/24/2017, in A'zaz, a DAESH suicide bombing and an IED targeted Free Syrian Army (FSA)-held territory. Reports did not contain details of casualties.

- **SVBIED attack targets army in Syria's Deir al-Zour**

5/24/2017, in Dayr az Zawr, DAESH carried out a SVBIED attack against the Army. Reports did not contain details of casualties.

- **IED attack kills a civilian in Syria's Raqqa**

5/25/2017, in Ar Raqqah, an IED killed a civilian in DAESH -held territory. A casualty breakdown was not reported.

- **IED attack kills two civilians in Syria's Raqqa**

5/25/2017, in Al Mansurah, an IED killed two civilians. A casualty breakdown was not reported.

- **VBIED attack kills QSD fighters in Syria's Raqqa**

5/28/2017, in Ar Raqqa, the DAESH attacked Qiwaat Suriyya al-Dimoqratiyya (QSD), or Syrian Democratic Forces positions with a VBIED. Casualties were reported.

- **Daesh Attack Kills 17 - Wounds 40 In Syrias Dayr Al-Zawr**

<http://presstv.ir/Detail/2017/05/30/523618/syria-daesh-shelling-barzeh>

5/29/2017, in Al-Joura, at least 17 people have been killed and 40 more wounded in a Daesh terrorist attack on Syria's eastern province of Dayr al-Zawr.

## **THAILAND**

- **Bomb Hoax On Bangkok-Samui Flight**

<http://www.bangkokpost.com/news/security/1242447/bomb-hoax-on-bangkok-samui-flight>

5/2/2017, in Suvarnabhumi, a Swedish passenger claimed to have a bomb in his baggage on Bangkok Airways' Bangkok-Koh Samui flight PG145 at Suvarnabhumi airport. Searches cleared the plane and delayed the flight by about five hours.

- **Roadside Bomb Detonates Overnight In Narathiwat**

<http://www.bangkokpost.com/news/security/1242803/roadside-bomb-detonates-overnight-in-narathiwat>

5/2/2017, in Bacho, a bomb planted under a coconut tree along the road to Ban Buecho School in tambon Bacho, went off around 8pm, without causing any casualties or disruption.

- **Suspected southern separatist militants detonate IED in Thailand's Narathiwat**

5/2/2017, in Bacho, suspected southern separatist militants detonated a roadside IED but failed to cause casualties.

- **IED attack wounds a border patrol police officer in Thailand's Narathiwat**

5/5/2017, in Tak Bai, a border patrol police officer was wounded when an IED, emplaced on a roadside by suspected southern separatist militants, was detonated targeting a patrol vehicle in Tor Yamu village in Tak Bai district in Thailand's Narathiwat province.

- **Narathiwat Blast Wounds Border Patrol Officer**

<http://www.bangkokpost.com/news/security/1244723/blast-wounds-narathiwat-officer>

5/6/2017, in Tak Bai, a border patrol police officer was wounded in a roadside bomb blast near the Sungai Kolok River in Tak Bai district, authorities said. The bomb, planted near a sluice gate, went off as a pickup truck carrying five border patrol officers drove past the road at Tor Yamu village in tambon Na Nak.

- **Bomb Wounds 20 At Supermarket In Southern Thailand**

<http://www.reuters.com/article/thailand-south-idUSL4N1IB33N>

5/9/2017, in Pattani, a car bomb had exploded at the entrance of the Big-C supermarket in the Thai city of Pattani, wounding about 20 people.

- **Bomb Timer Found At Site Of Sanam Luang Explosion**

<https://www.thaivisa.com/forum/topic/983417-bomb-timer-found-at-site-of-sanam-luang-explosion-police-source/>

5/15/2017, in Bangkok, a timer device commonly used in pipe bombs was found at the site of last night's explosion that wounded two people in Bangkok's historic quarter.

- **Bomb Blast At Bangkok Hospital Injures 24**

<http://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/05/bomb-blast-bangkok-hospital-injures-24-170522065157354.html>

5/22/2017, in Bangkok, a bomb explosion at a hospital in downtown Bangkok has "slightly" injured at least 24 people. Monday's incident took place as Thailand marked the three-year anniversary of the May 2014 military coup. There was no immediate claim of responsibility.

- **4 Troopers Injured By Yala Bomb Explosion**

<http://www.bangkokpost.com/news/security/1254238/four-troopers-injured-by-yala-bomb-explosion>

5/22/2017, in Muang, four soldiers on patrol duty were wounded when a roadside bomb went off in Yala's Muang district. The soldiers were patrolling an area in tambon Satengnok on two motorcycles when the bomb exploded. Found at the scene were the remains of what appeared to be a 10kg homemade bomb.

- **IED attack wounds six soldiers in Thailand's Yala**

5/22/2017, in Yala, suspected southern separatist militants detonated a roadside IED, wounding six soldiers.



- **2 Soldiers Killed In Attacks In Southern Thailand**

[https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/asia\\_pacific/2-army-rangers-killed-in-troubled-southern-thailand/2017/05/23/e5a39488-3f9f-11e7-b29f-f40ffced2ddb\\_story.html?utm\\_term=.f1940200fe7a](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/asia_pacific/2-army-rangers-killed-in-troubled-southern-thailand/2017/05/23/e5a39488-3f9f-11e7-b29f-f40ffced2ddb_story.html?utm_term=.f1940200fe7a)

5/23/2017, Yala, the army rangers were patrolling a community village on motorcycles when attackers remotely detonated a bomb as the rangers rode by.

- **IED attack in Thailand's Narathiwat**

5/23/2017, in Si Sakhon, Narathiwat, suspected southern separatist militants detonated a roadside IED causing no casualties.

- **IED attack targets police in Thailand's Yala**

5/24/2017, in Yala, suspected southern separatist militants, riding on a motorcycle, threw an IED at a police checkpoint near the Krung Thai bank but failed to cause casualties.

## **YEMEN**

- **Police Dismantle 3 Bombs In Baidha**

<http://www.yamanyoon.com/?p=72644&lang=en>

5/1/2017, in Baidha, the security services and the popular committees in Baidha province dismantled on Monday three improvised explosive devices in al-Qaraisha and al-Arash districts of Baidha province.

- **IED attack wounds soldiers in Yemen's Lahij**

5/1/2017, in Al Hawtah, an IED exploded as a security forces vehicle passed, wounding an unknown number of soldiers.

- **Yemeni Commander Escapes Assassination In Marib**

<http://aa.com.tr/en/middle-east/yemeni-commander-escapes-assassination-in-marib/809606>

5/2/2017, in Marib, a military police commander escaped an assassination attempt in eastern Yemen. A device exploded under the car. The commander was unhurt in the blast, which injured two children.

- **IED attack wounds one person in Yemen's Marib**

5/2/2017, in Ma'rib, an IED exploded as the convoy carrying the head the military police in the governorate passed by, wounding on person.

- **Civilian killed - His Brother Wounded By Houthis-Saleh Forces Shelling In Al Bayda**

<http://www.almasdaronline.com/article/print/90907>

5/3/2017, in Al-Bayda, a civilian was killed and his brother wounded on Wednesday in an artillery shelling launched by the militants of the Houthi group and forces loyal to former president Ali Abdullah Saleh in the al Quryishiyah district north of al Bayda province in central Yemen.

- **Landmine attack kills pro-government fighter in Yemen's Shabwa**

5/6/2017, in Usaylan, a pro-government fighter was killed when his vehicle struck a land mine in the northwestern district.

- **Grenade attack targets soldiers in Yemen's Aden**

5/7/2017, in Ash Shaykh `Uthman, unknown militants on a motorcycle threw a grenade at a group of soldiers who returned fire on the gunmen; there was no report on casualties.

- **Landmine attack wounds civilian in Yemen's Al Bayda**

5/9/2017, in Al Bayda, a civilian was wounded by a land mine in the western area of the governorate.

- **Car Bomb Inflicts Multiple Casualties On Saudi-Backed Troops In Southern Yemen**

<https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/al-qaeda-car-bomb-inflicts-multiple-casualties-saudi-backed-troops-southern-yemen/>

5/10/2017, in Hadramout, a suicide bombing conducted by DAESH struck a checkpoint in the southern province of Hadramout and hit a gathering of soldiers loyal to the Aden-based government. One soldier was killed and six troops wounded by the suicide attack.

- **Suicide attack kills soldier in Yemen's Hadhramaut**

5/10/2017, in Masna`at Daw`an, suspected Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) militants conducted a suicide attack on security forces in the central province, killing one soldier and wounding six other people including three civilians.

- **IED attack kills two civilians in Yemen's Ibb**

5/10/2017, in Al Udayn, two civilians were killed when an IED planted near their residence by unidentified militants detonated.

- **3 Civilians Kill By Landmine Explosion In Taiz**

<http://almasdaronline.com/article/91177>

5/14/2017, in Taiz, three civilians were killed by a landmine explosion planted by Houthis-Saleh militants near their house in Al Rahba village at Jabal Habashi district.

- **Security forces defuse IED in Yemen's Aden**

5/16/2017, in Aden, security forces defused an IED planted under a vehicle at a Coast Guard camp.

- **Ansar Allah attack kills six civilians in Yemen's Taiz**

5/23/2017, in Ta'izz, six civilians were killed and 20 wounded when Ansar Allah militants bombarded residential areas in the city.

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## ***ALBANIA***

- **IED attack damages an electricity distribution pole in Albania's Kruja**

5/17/2017, in Kruje, unidentified assailants detonated an IED targeting a high-tension electricity distribution pole, causing material damage to the structure.

## ***FRANCE***

- **IED attack targets a bank in France's Corsica**

5/2/2017, in Biguglia, Corsica, unidentified assailants detonated an IED outside a Credit Agricole branch; no casualties were reported.

## ***GREECE***

- **Bomb Attack In Athens Injures Former Greek Pm Lucas Papademos**

<https://www.rt.com/news/389730-greece-papademos-athens-bomb/>

5/25/2017, in Athens, Former Greek Prime Minister Lucas Papademos suffered burns to his hands and legs in a bomb attack in his car, according to reports. His driver was also injured in the Athens blast.

## ***ITALY***

- **Bomb Goes Off Close To Post Office In Rome**

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2017/may/12/italian-police-investigate-reports-of-bomb-explosion-in-rome>

5/12/2017, in Rome, a rudimentary explosive device detonated between parked vehicles outside a post office in Rome, causing no injuries but damaging a car.

## ***LITHUANIA***

- **Explosive device targets Belarusian embassy in Lithuania's Vilnius**

5/18/2017, in Vilnius, unidentified suspects threw a pack of cigarettes fitted with an explosive device into the grounds of the Belarusian embassy.

## ***MACEDONIA***

- **Improvised Explosive Device Found in Macedonian Parliament**

<https://sputniknews.com/europe/201705031053221665-explosives-found-macedonian-parliament/>

5/2/2017, in Skopje, an IED was found in the parliament of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and defused by police. The incident occurred with the head of the parliament's security service having told the police that a detonator attached to a big gas cylinder for fuelling lighters had been found in the hall on the ground floor.

## ***TURKEY***

- **3 Turkish Soldiers Injured In PKK Bomb Attack**

<http://aa.com.tr/en/turkey/3-turkish-soldiers-injured-in-pkk-bomb-attack/814541>

5/9/2017, in Semdinli, at least three Turkish soldiers were wounded when PKK terrorists detonated a planted explosive in southeastern Turkey. The incident took place in the Semdinli district of Hakkari province.

- **IED attack wounds four soldiers in Turkey's Agri**

5/10/2017, in Dogubeyazit, four soldiers were wounded when an IED planted on a roadside by Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) militants detonated and hit a military vehicle in Dogubeyazit district in Turkey's Agri province.

- **Security forces kill one PKK militant in Turkey's Hakkari**

5/10/2017, in Hakkari, one Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) militant was killed by security forces as he attempted to lay an IED along the road near Karatas-Uzumlu area in Cukura district in Turkey's Hakkari province.

- **IED attack wounds four soldiers in Turkey's Agri**

5/10/2017, in Agri, the detonation of a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED during the crossing of a military vehicle wounded four soldiers.

- **Security forces safely detonate IED in Turkey's Agri**

5/12/2017, in Agri, the security forces safely detonated two Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) improvised explosive devices (IEDs).

- **Security forces safely detonate IED in Turkey's Diyarbakir**

5/13/2017, in Lice, security forces safely detonated a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED prepared with a gas bottle and 100kg of ammonium nitrate.

- **Premature IED detonation kills a PKK militant in Turkey's Zap**

5/14/2017, in Zap, a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) militant was killed when the IED he was allegedly emplacing detonated prematurely on the Erziki Bridge in Turkey's Zap province.

- **IED attack wounds three village guards in Turkey's Van**

5/14/2017, near Yalinca village, in Gurpinar district, Van province, the detonation of a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED wounded three village paramilitary guards.

- **Bid To Smuggle Bomb Components Foiled At Turkish Base**

<http://aa.com.tr/en/turkey/bid-to-smuggle-bomb-components-foiled-at-turkish-base/818709>

5/15/2017, in Baglar, Security forces at an air base in southeast Turkey seem to have uncovered a plot to smuggle components for a bomb on to the base. Ammonium nitrate and nails were found hidden aboard a civilian minibus at the 8th Main Jet Base Command in Baglar, Diyarbakir province.

- **Premature IED detonation kills a PKK militant in Turkey's Hakkari**

5/15/2017, Hakkari, the detonation of a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED killed a militant while planting it.

- **Security forces safely detonate IED in Turkey's Diyarbakir**

5/15/2017, in Baglar district, Diyarbakir province, security forces safely detonated a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED placed under a service vehicle in order to infiltrate a military base.

- **IED attack wounds three soldiers in Turkey's Sirnak**

5/15/2017, in Sirnak, the detonation of a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED wounded three soldiers.

- **IED attack wounds two soldiers in Turkey's Tunceli**

5/23/2017, in Tunceli province, the detonation of a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED wounded two soldiers.

- **IED attack wounds soldier in Turkey's Bitlis**

5/26/2017, in Zeve, the detonation of a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED wounded a soldier.

- **IED attack kills a soldier in Turkey's Hakkari**

5/26/2017, in Cukurca district, the detonation of a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED killed a soldier and wounded two others.

- **IED attack kills one civilian in Turkey's Batman**

5/26/2017, near Bolukkonak village, in Kozluk district, the detonation of a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED during the crossing of a civil vehicle killed a civilian and wounded another.

- **Security forces safely detonate an IED in Turkey's Tunceli**

5/29/2017, in Nazimiye district, Tunceli province, security forces safely detonated a Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan (PKK) IED prepared with 500kg of ammonium nitrate.

## ***UKRAINE***

- **2 Civilians Blown On Trip-Wire Set Up By Occupiers In Luhansk Region**

<https://www.unian.info/war/1903624-two-civilians-blown-on-trip-wire-set-up-by-occupiers-in-luhansk-region.html>

5/1/2017, in Luhansk, one civilian killed and another wounded in an explosion due to triggering a trip-wire actuating device planted by the Russian-backed militants.

- **Double IED attack in Ukraine's Donetsk**

5/8/2017, in Donetsk, two improvised explosive devices (IEDs) detonated on the road, on which the Donetsk People's Republic (DPR) leader, Zakharchenko, would have passed on his way to an event at the Saur-Mogila monument. No casualties were reported.

- **IED detonation kills one in Ukraine's Donetsk**

5/11/2017, in Donetsk, one bomb disposal expert was killed and another was wounded when they triggered an IED, suspected to have been emplaced by pro-Russia separatist militants, in the course of an operation in Ukraine's Donetsk Oblast.

- **Landmine attack wounds three civilians in Ukraine's Luhansk**

5/29/2017, in Kryakivka, three civilians were wounded by a landmine allegedly placed by pro-Russia separatist militants.

## ***UNITED KINGDOM***

- **Bomb Disposal Teams Called To Ipswich Port**

<http://www.ipswichstar.co.uk/news/bomb-disposal-teams-called-to-ipswich-port-1-4999418>

5/2/2017, in Ipswich Port, In the port's westbound terminal workers had discovered a device in a sandy bunker. The device – which experts say was a Second World War vintage 18lb HE shell – was recovered and later destroyed in a controlled explosion.

- **Bomb Disposal Squad Surround House In Dalbeattie After Unexploded Devices**

<https://www.thescottishsun.co.uk/news/955720/dalbeattie-bomb-squad-grenade-mortar/>

5/3/2017, in Dalbeattie, a bomb disposal unit have been called to a house in Dalbeattie after two unexploded devices were discovered. The devices were only discovered after people began clearing out a house that recently became empty.

- **Police Foiled Bomb Attack On Prince Charles And Camillas Visit To Northern Ireland**

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/ira-plotted-bomb-prince-charles-5699813>

5/11/2017, in Kilkenny, ira terrorists had plotted to line the route of Prince Charles and Camilla's tour through Ireland with bombs in a cynical bid to make sure the royal couple would not escape being hit, sources have revealed. The explosives were thought to have been packed with -ball-bearings and scrap metal to maximize the carnage, meaning dozens of other innocent people would have been killed or maimed.

- **Pipe Bomb Attack Outside Pub In Drogheda**

<http://www.thejournal.ie/pipe-bomb-drogheda-3397589-May2017/>

5/18/2017, in Drogheda, a minor explosion occurred outside a premises on Newfoundwell Road. No one was injured, but minor damage was caused to the property.

- **Suicide Attack At Ariana Grandes Concert In Manchester Kills 22**

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/22/serious-incident-at-uks-manchester-stadium-during-concert-where-loud-bang-heard.html>



5/22/2017, in Manchester, 22 people killed in a suicide attack after an Ariana Grande concert at Britain's Manchester Arena.

# OCEANIA/AUSTRALIA

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## *AUSTRALIA*

- **Bomb Squad Called To Police Raid In Perth's South**

<http://www.perthnow.com.au/news/western-australia/bomb-squad-called-to-police-raid-in-perth-south/news-story/5432ea78ac7ddb91b86af371e7ca2e67>

5/1/2017, in Perth, police claim they had to deal with an "explosive device" during a raid on a house in Perth's south where guns, ammunition and drugs were allegedly seized.

- **Explosive Device Found On Bruce Highway South**

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-05-17/explosive-device-found-on-bruce-highway-at-cairns-south/8534214>

5/17/2017, in Cairns, Bomb squad officers have safely detonated an explosive device found beside the Bruce Highway at Cairns in far north Queensland.

- **Explosives - Detonators Found Near Kinchant Dam**

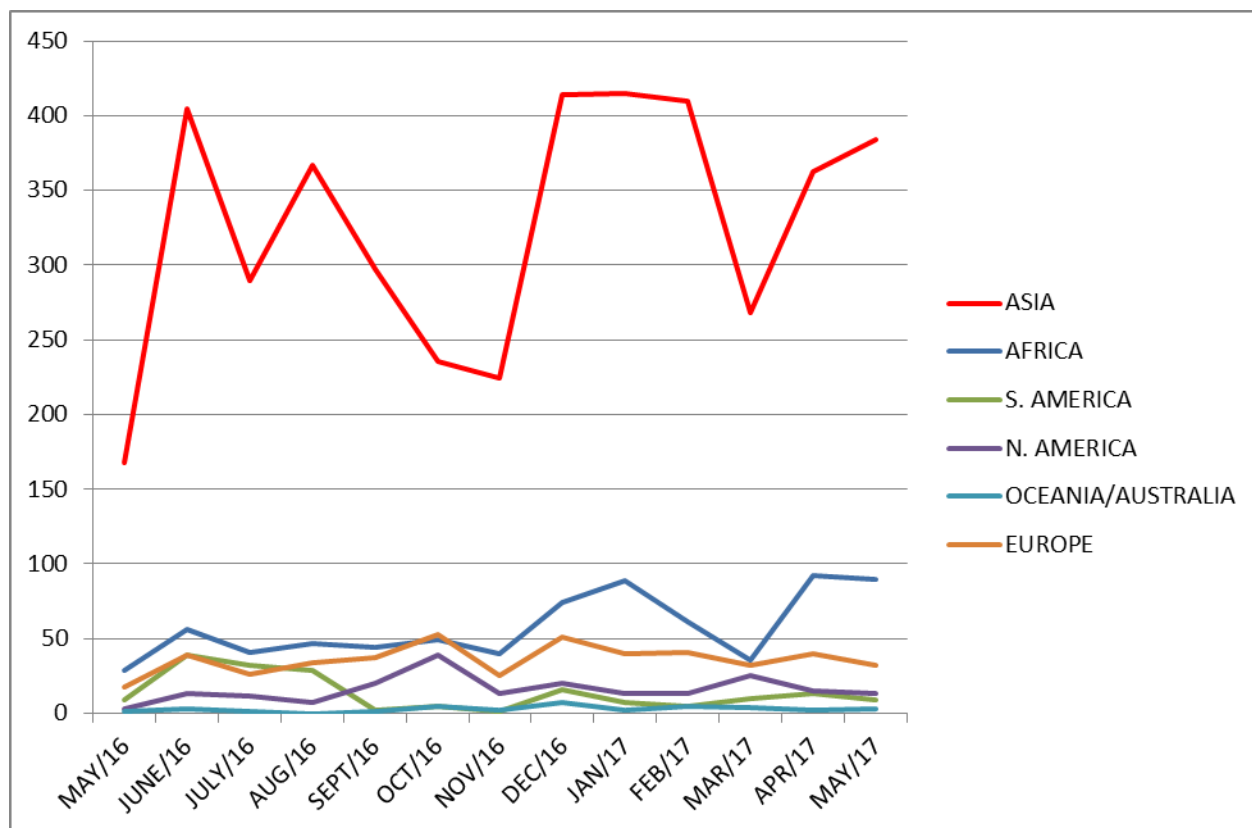
<https://www.gladstoneobserver.com.au/news/explosives-detonators-found-near-kinchant-dam/3180757/>

5/22/2017, in Kinchant Dam, police have handed explosives over to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines after it was discovered west of Mackay. Queensland Ambulance Service and Queensland Fire and Emergency Service were alerted about explosives found at a private property near Kinchant Dam.

# STATISTICS

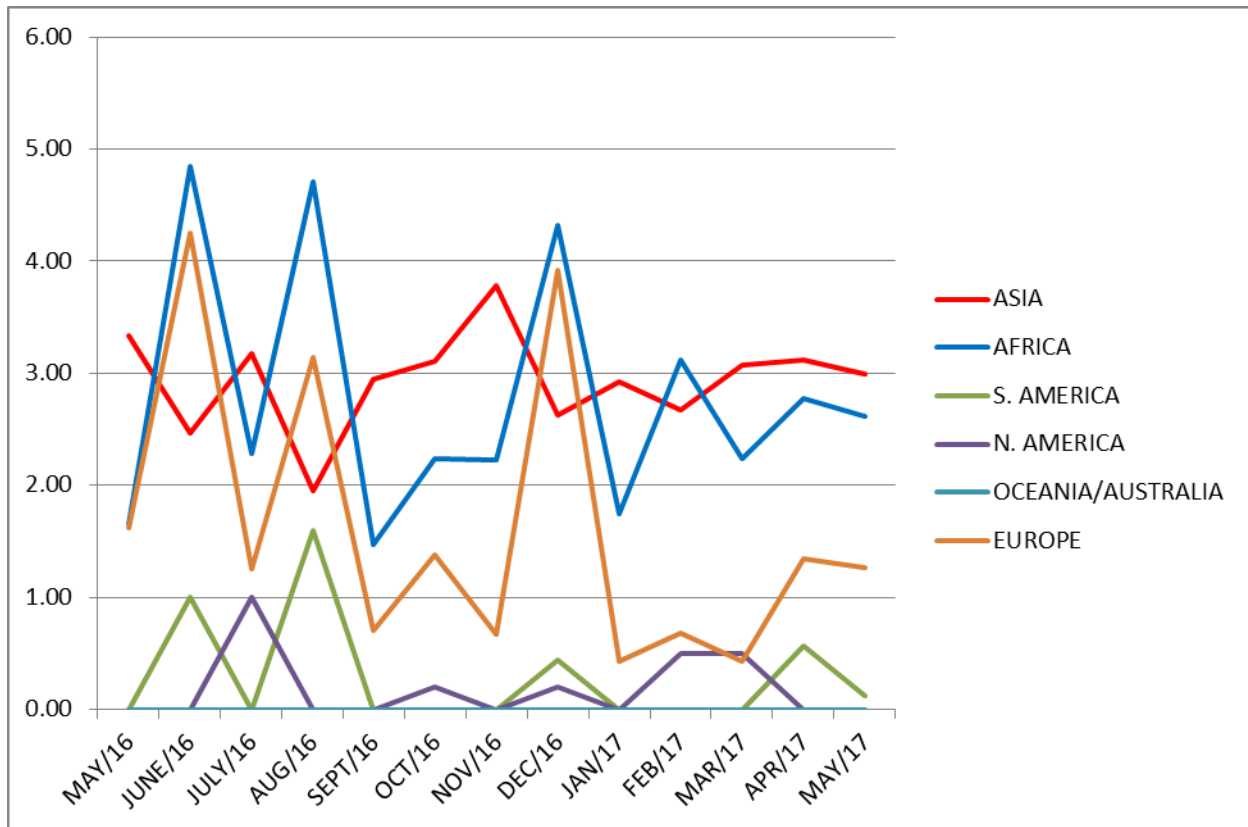
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	ASIA	AFRICA	S. AMERICA	N. AMERICA	OCEANIA/AUSTRALIA	EUROPE
MAY/16	168	29	9	3	1	18
JUNE/16	405	56	39	13	3	39
JULY/16	290	41	32	12	1	26
AUG/16	367	47	29	7	0	34
SEPT/16	297	44	2	20	1	37
OCT/16	236	49	5	39	5	53
NOV/16	224	40	1	13	2	25
DEC/16	414	74	16	20	7	51
JAN/17	415	89	7	13	2	40
FEB/17	410	61	5	13	5	41
MAR/17	268	36	10	25	4	32
APR/17	363	92	13	15	2	40
MAY/17	384	90	9	13	3	32



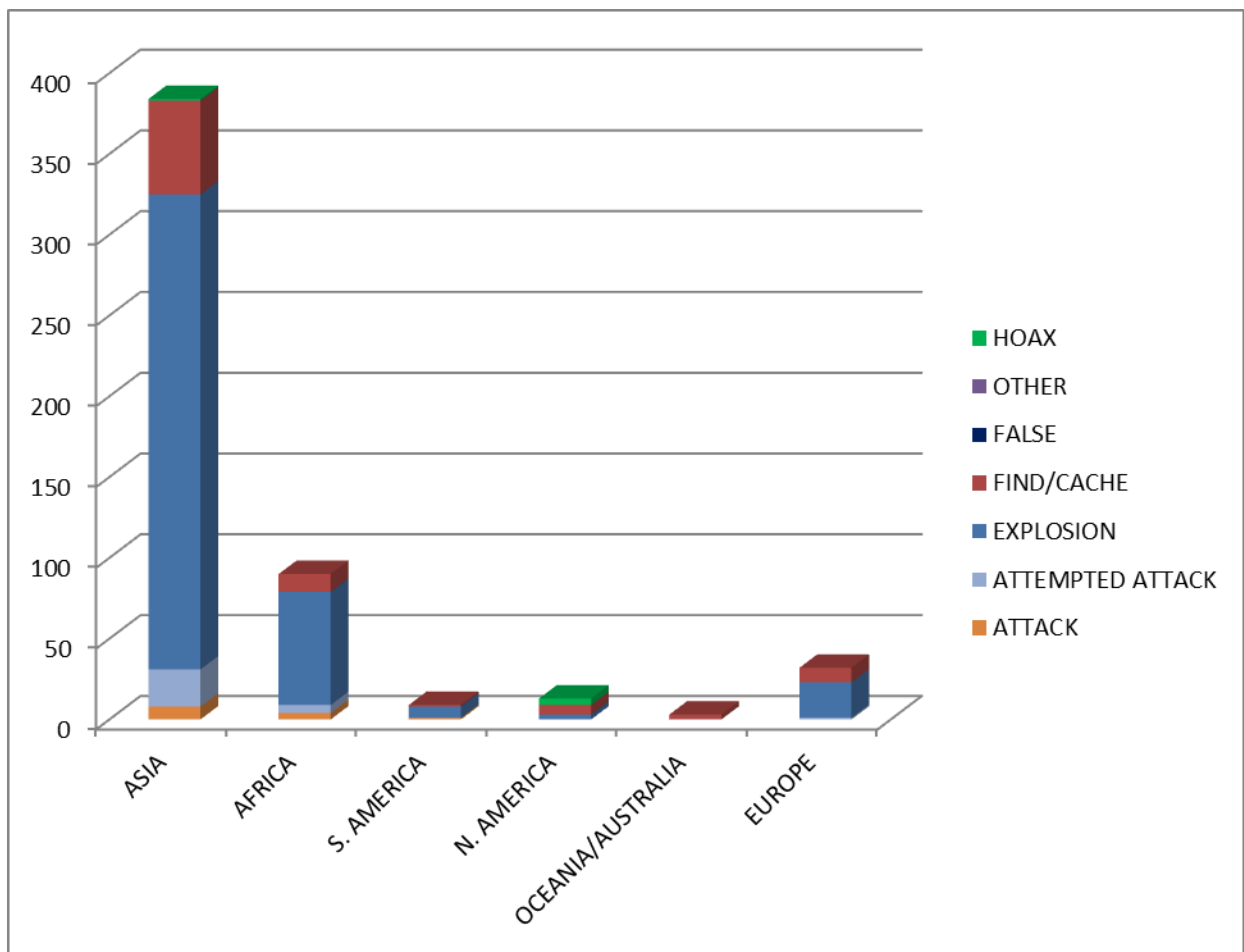
**IED LETHALITY BY CONTINENT** (lethality is considered as a ratio between number of killed personnel and number of explosion incidents)

	ASIA	AFRICA	S. AMERICA	N. AMERICA	OCEANIA/AUSTRALIA	EUROPE
MAY/16	3.33	1.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.63
JUNE/16	2.47	4.84	1.00	0.00	0.00	4.25
JULY/16	3.18	2.29	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.25
AUG/16	1.95	4.71	1.60	0.00	0.00	3.14
SEPT/16	2.95	1.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.71
OCT/16	3.10	2.24	0.00	0.20	0.00	1.38
NOV/16	3.78	2.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.67
DEC/16	2.63	4.32	0.44	0.20	0.00	3.92
JAN/17	2.93	1.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.43
FEB/17	2.67	3.12	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.68
MAR/17	3.07	2.24	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.43
APR/17	3.12	2.78	0.57	0.00	0.00	1.34
MAY/17	2.99	2.62	0.13	0.00	0.00	1.26



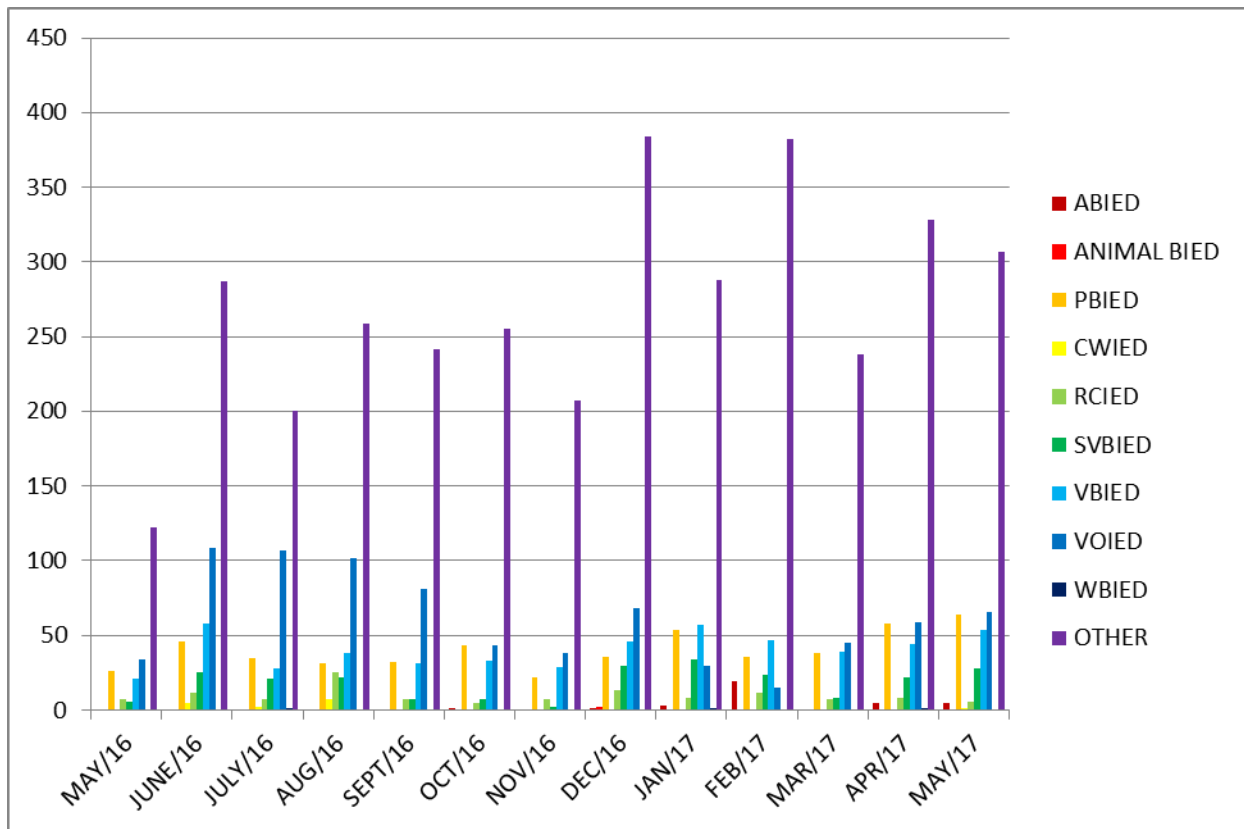
**IED EVENTS BY CONTINENT**

	ASIA	AFRICA	S. AMERICA	N. AMERICA	OCEANIA/AUSTRALIA	EUROPE
ATTACK	8	4	1			
ATTEMPTED ATTACK	23	5				1
EXPLOSION	294	70	7	3		22
FIND/CACHE	58	11	1	6	3	9
HOAX	1			4		
FALSE						
OTHER						



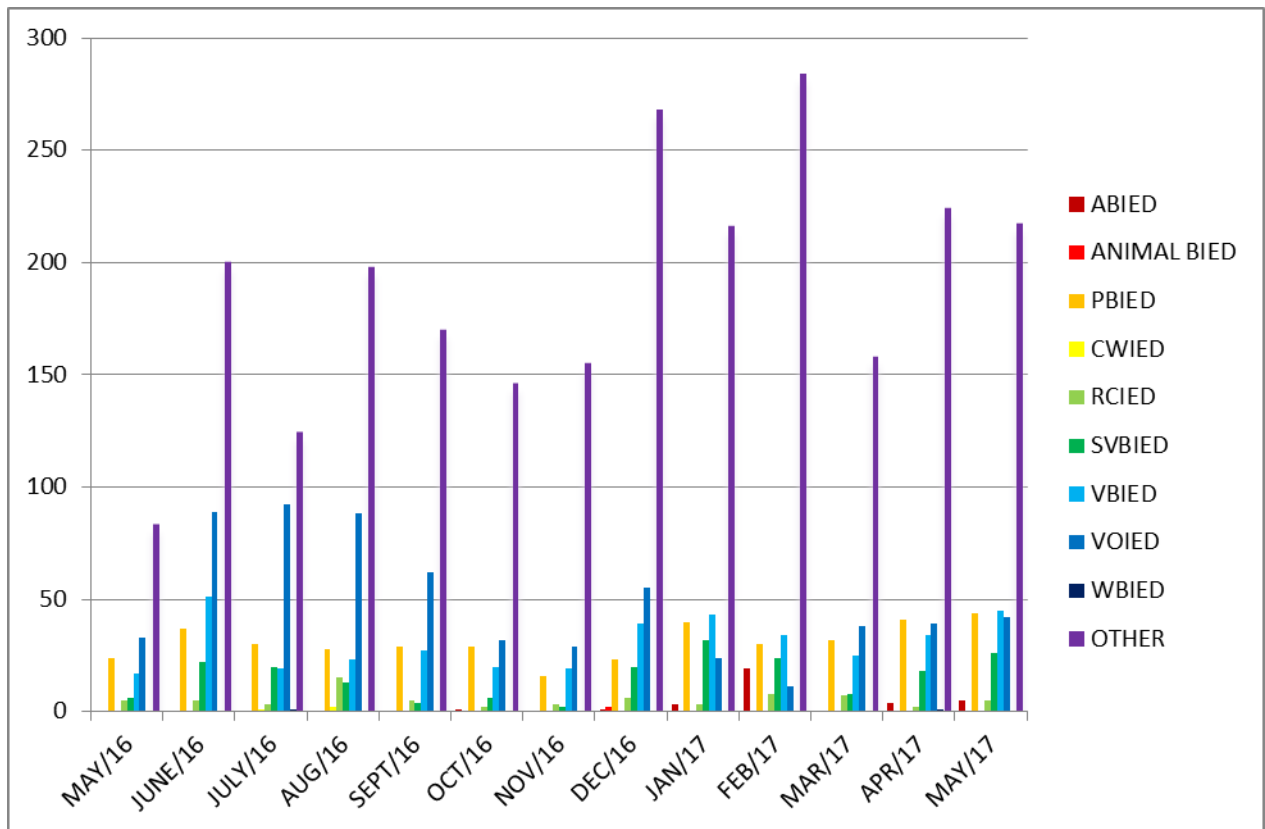
**IED TYPES TENDENCY (ALL CONTINENTS)**

	ABIED	ANIMAL BIED	PBIED	CWIED	RCIED	SVBIED	VBIED	VOIED	WBIED	OTHER
MAY/16			26		7	6	21	34		122
JUNE/16			46	5	12	25	58	109		287
JULY/16			35	2	7	21	28	107	1	200
AUG/16			31	7	25	22	38	102		259
SEPT/16			32		7	7	31	81		242
OCT/16	1		43		5	7	33	43		255
NOV/16			22		7	2	29	38		207
DEC/16	1	2	36		13	30	46	68		384
JAN/17	3		54		8	34	57	30	1	288
FEB/17	19		36		12	24	47	15		382
MAR/17			38		7	8	39	45		238
APR/17	5		58		8	22	44	59	1	328
MAY/17	5		64	1	6	28	54	66		307



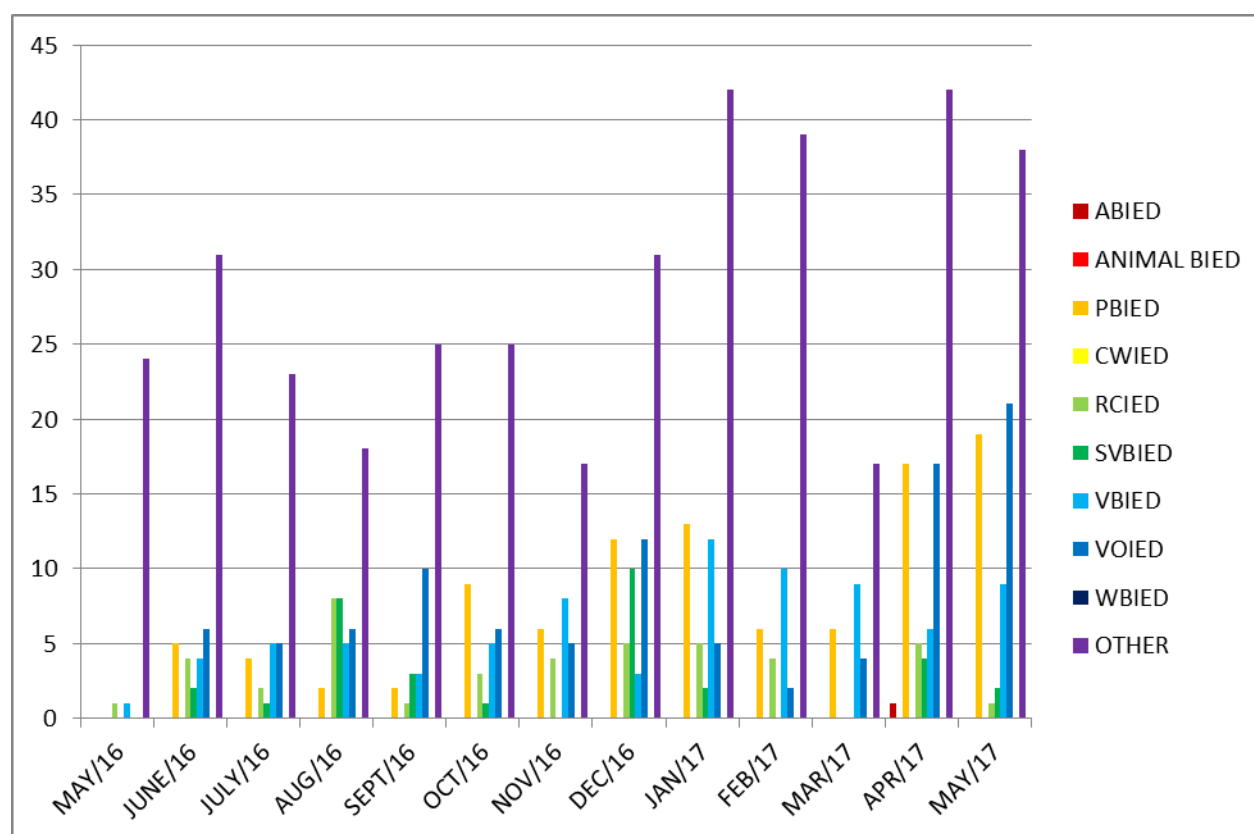
**IED TYPES TENDENCY – ASIA**

	ABIED	ANIMAL BIED	PBIED	CWIED	RCIED	SVBIED	VBIED	VOIED	WBIED	OTHER
MAY/16			24		5	6	17	33		83
JUNE/16			37		5	22	51	89		200
JULY/16			30	1	3	20	19	92	1	124
AUG/16			28	2	15	13	23	88		198
SEPT/16			29		5	4	27	62		170
OCT/16	1		29		2	6	20	32		146
NOV/16			16		3	2	19	29		155
DEC/16	1	2	23		6	20	39	55		268
JAN/17	3		40		3	32	43	24		216
FEB/17	19		30		8	24	34	11		284
MAR/17			32		7	8	25	38		158
APR/17	4		41		2	18	34	39	1	224
MAY/17	5		44		5	26	45	42		217



**IED TYPES TENDENCY – AFRICA**

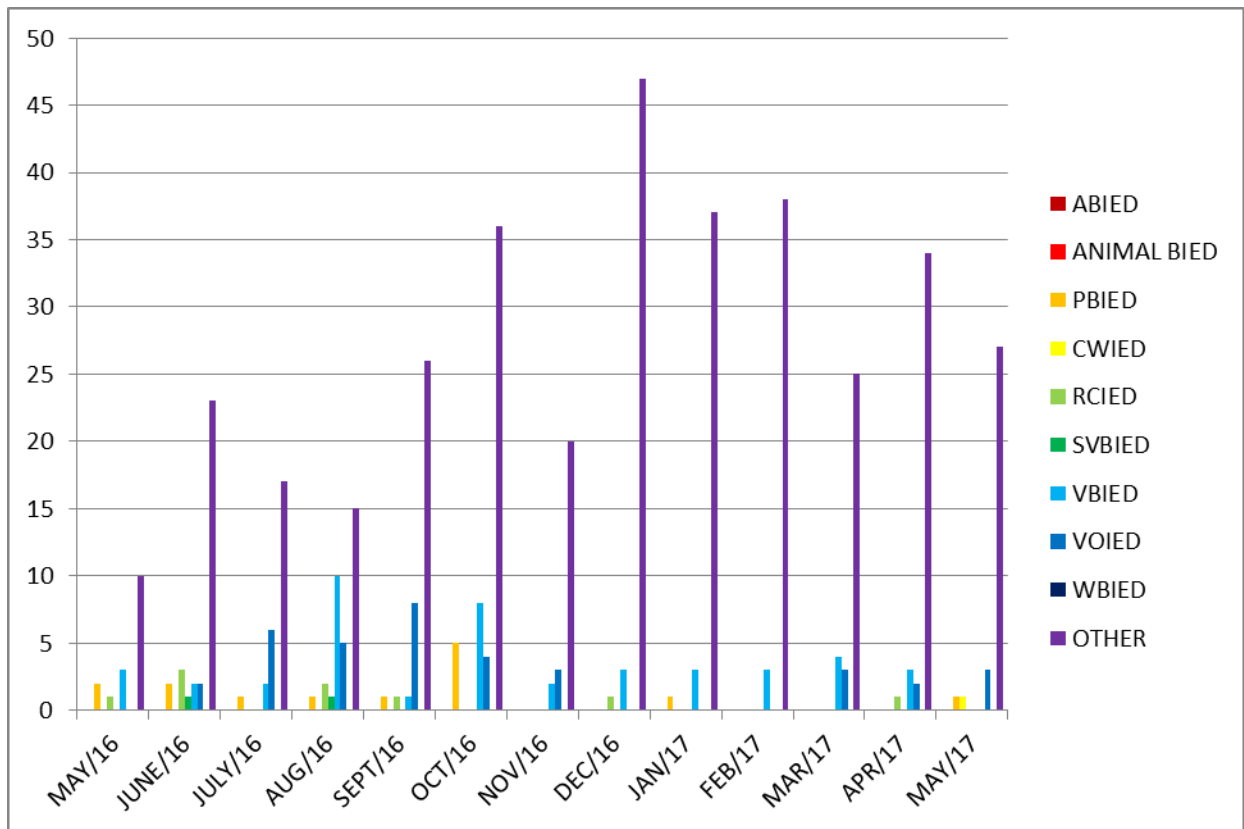
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MAY/16					1		1			24
JUNE/16			5		4	2	4	6		31
JULY/16			4		2	1	5	5		23
AUG/16			2		8	8	5	6		18
SEPT/16			2		1	3	3	10		25
OCT/16			9		3	1	5	6		25
NOV/16			6		4		8	5		17
DEC/16			12		5	10	3	12		31
JAN/17			13		5	2	12	5		42
FEB/17			6		4		10	2		39
MAR/17			6				9	4		17
APR/17	1		17		5	4	6	17		42
MAY/17			19		1	2	9	21		38





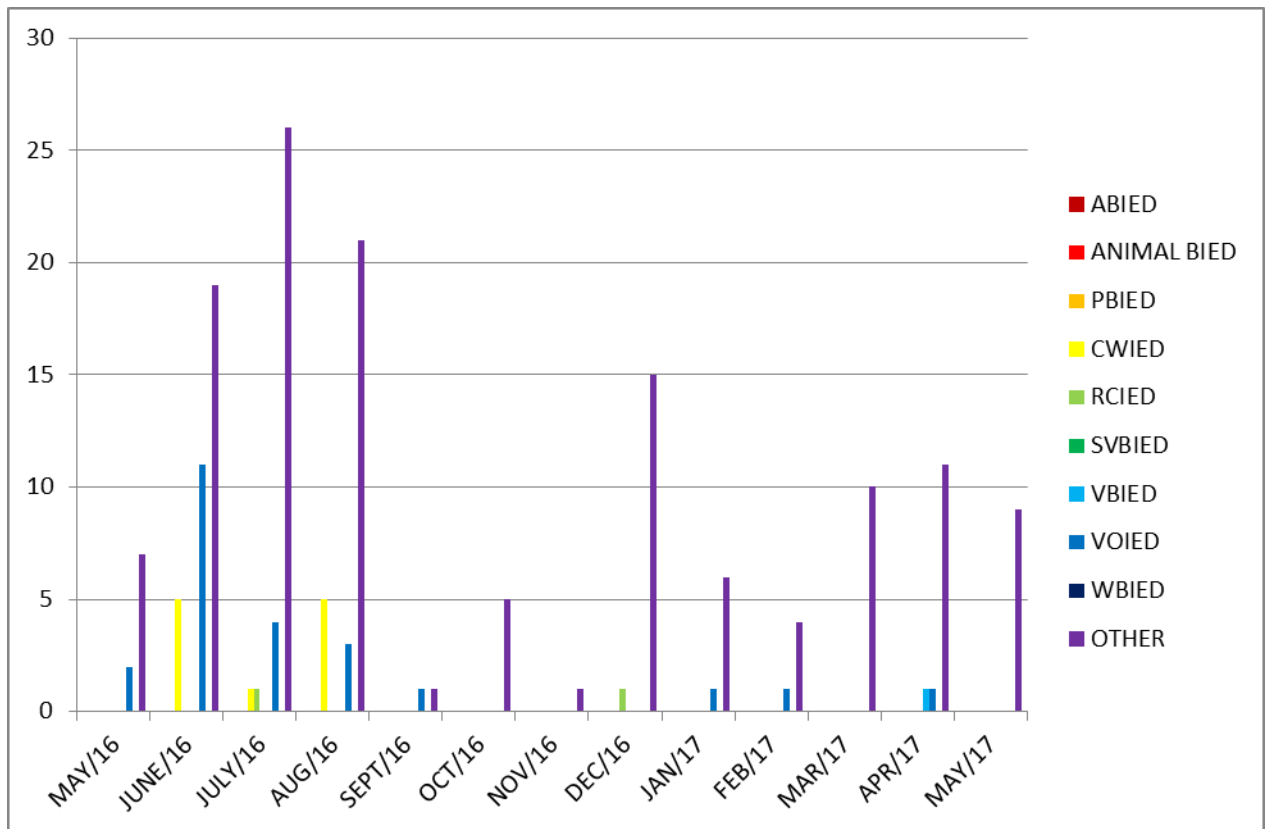
**IED TYPES TENDENCY – EUROPE**

	ABIED	ANIMAL BIED	PBIED	CWIED	RCIED	SVBIED	VBIED	VOIED	WBIED	OTHER
MAY/16			2		1		3			10
JUNE/16			2		3	1	2	2		23
JULY/16			1		0		2	6		17
AUG/16			1		2	1	10	5		15
SEPT/16			1		1		1	8		26
OCT/16			5				8	4		36
NOV/16							2	3		20
DEC/16					1		3			47
JAN/17			1				3			37
FEB/17							3			38
MAR/17							4	3		25
APR/17					1		3	2		34
MAY/17			1	1				3		27



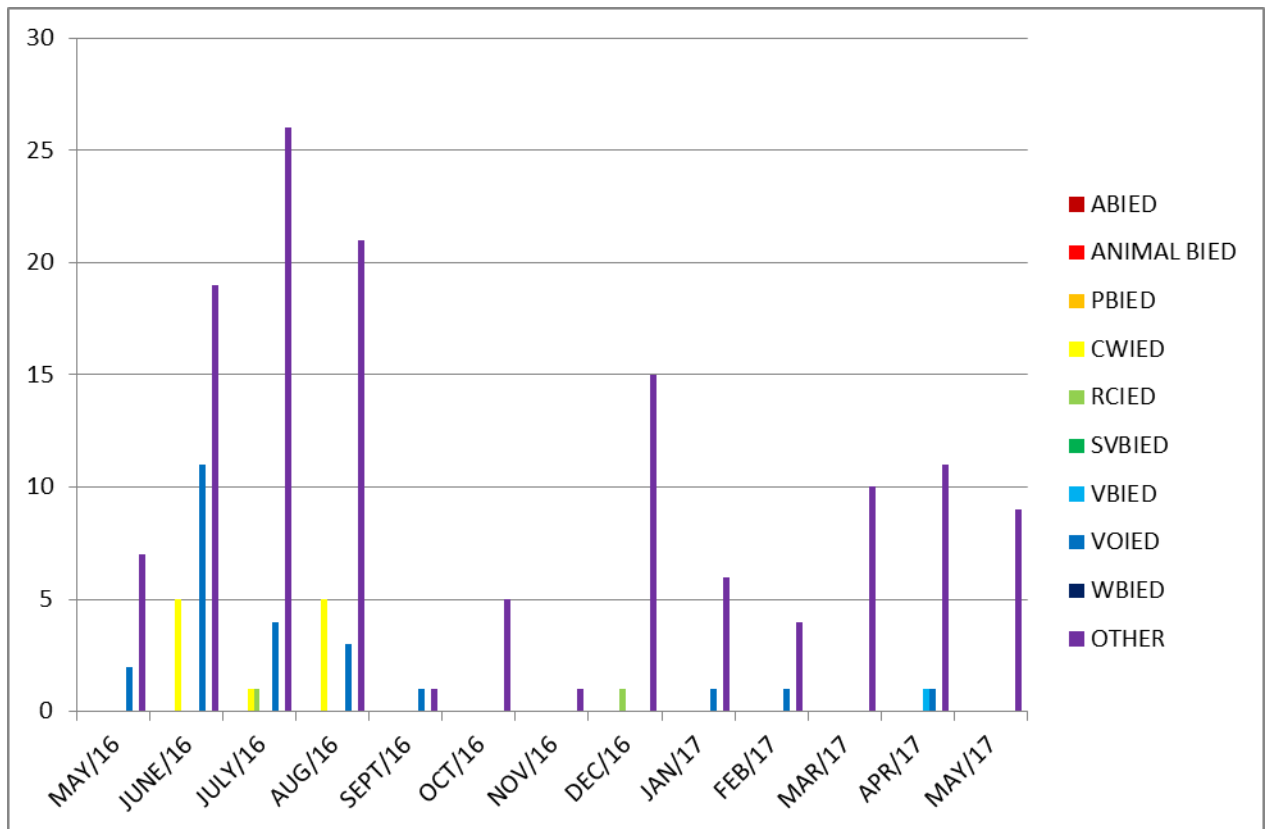
**IED TYPES TENDENCY – S. AMERICA**

	ABIED	ANIMAL BIED	PBIED	CWIED	RCIED	SVBIED	VBIED	VOIED	WBIED	OTHER
MAY/16								2		7
JUNE/16				5				11		19
JULY/16				1	1			4		26
AUG/16				5				3		21
SEPT/16								1		1
OCT/16										5
NOV/16										1
DEC/16					1					15
JAN/17								1		6
FEB/17								1		4
MAR/17										10
APR/17							1	1		11
MAY/17										9



**IED TYPES TENDENCY – N. AMERICA**

	ABIED	ANIMAL BIED	PBIED	CWIED	RCIED	SVBIED	VBIED	VOIED	WBIED	OTHER
MAY/16								2		7
JUNE/16				5				11		19
JULY/16				1	1			4		26
AUG/16				5				3		21
SEPT/16								1		1
OCT/16										5
NOV/16										1
DEC/16					1					15
JAN/17								1		6
FEB/17								1		4
MAR/17										10
APR/17							1	1		11
MAY/17										9



# MONTHLY ASSESSMENTS

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## **AFRICA ASSESSMENT**

### **1. BACKGROUND:**

In general, a decrease in IED-related incidents has been registered in Africa in May in comparison to the previous month. According to the data collected by the C-IED COE, the three main affected countries by IED incidents in Africa during May 2017 were Somalia (15), Nigeria (8) and Kenya (7). The decrease in IED incidents in Algeria and Libya is noteworthy. The rest of the African countries have followed the same trend as in previous months.

### **2. MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS:**

#### **TUNISIA**

Security forces have made a special effort in securing industrial facilities against terrorist attacks during the month of May.

#### **EGYPT**

Daesh main target continue to be the Christian minority in Egypt. The most significant attack took place on 26 May, when several gunmen attacked some buses taking Egyptian Christians to a monastery, killing at least 28 people and wounding about the same number. On another note, only two IED-related incidents have been recorded.

#### **SOMALIA**

AMISOM troops continue to be an important target for Al-Shabaab attacks. Mogadishu and the neighbouring Lower and Middle Shabelle regions have registered most of the IED events.

#### **NIGERIA**

An important event has been the liberation by Boko Haram of 82 girls who were kidnapped in April 2014. Most of the IED-related incidents have taken place in Borno state, in the North East.

#### **LYBIA**

Only one incident has been recorded in May. A VBIED went off near a mosque in Benghazi, killing a prominent tribal leader among other people.

Libyan Islamist group Ansar al-Sharia, a group linked to Al-Qaeda and based in Benghazi is formally dissolving itself, as announced in a statement released online on 27 May. It is one of the militant groups that sprung up in Benghazi amidst the chaos after the intervention by Western force

resulted in the death of Dictator Moamer Kadhafi in 2011. The group explained its decision came on the back of heavy losses that have wiped out its leadership and decimated its fighters.

### MOROCCO

A three-person Daesh cell that was planning attacks was dismantled by the Moroccan security forces in cooperation with Spain on 8 May.

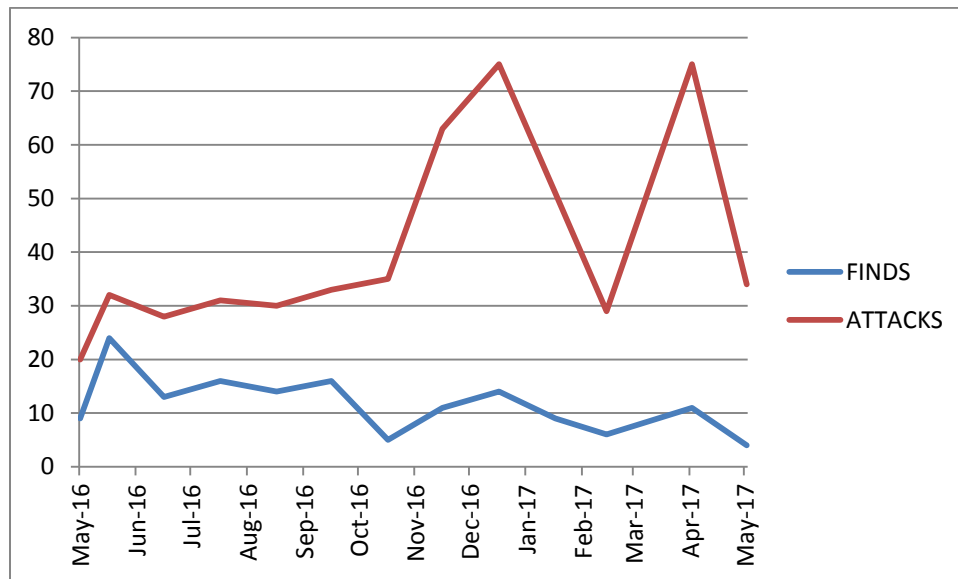
### SOUTH AFRICA

An attack with an IED concealed in a bunch of flowers took place in Durban on 19 May, resulting in five people injured. Authors and causes of the attack are unknown.

Explosives were found in the car of four suspected criminals who had been shot dead by the police after being attacked by them in Benoni near Johannesburg on 26 May.

## 3. TRENDS:

The number of IED explosions has been taken as an indicator of the IED networks activity, whilst the number of finds/caches is considered to be an indirect indicator of the security actors' effectiveness.



## 4. ASSESSMENT:

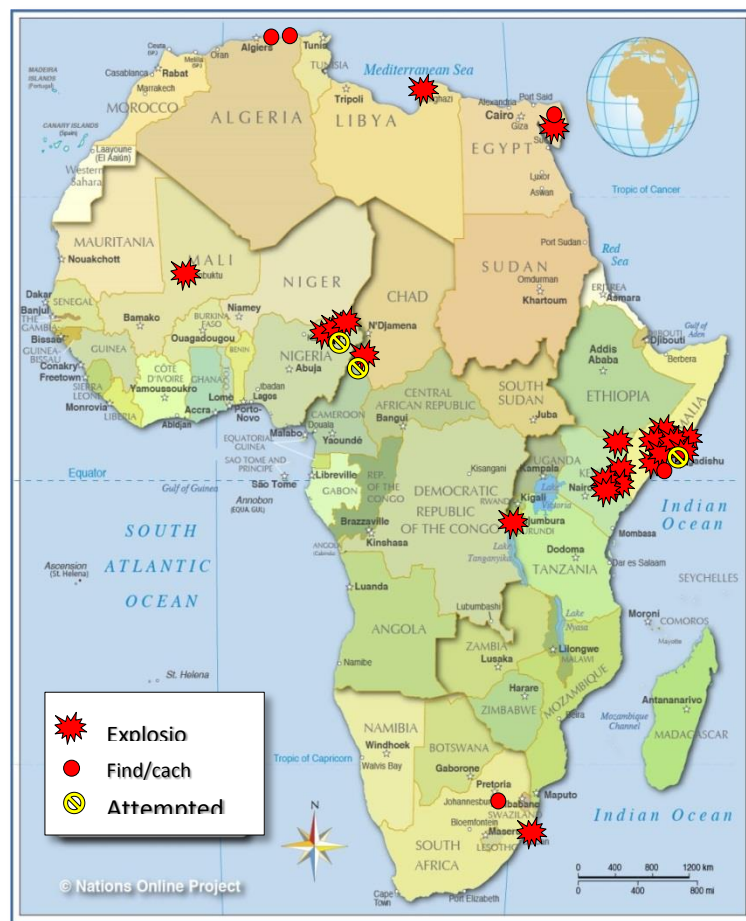
The IED events decrease in Africa in May is mainly due to a significant decrease in the figures in Somalia (from 29 to 15), but especially to the almost no IED activity in Algeria (2 finds/caches), Libya (1 attack) and Egypt (1 attack and 1 find/cache).

In the case of Algeria, these figures can be to some extent attributed to the effort made by the security forces in the North of the country in April, which resulted in the seizure of important amounts of explosives.

Ansar al-Sharia's dissolution in Libya is not expected to have a significant effect in IED events figures, as it has been almost inactive for some time now.

Ramadan started on Saturday, 27 May and will continue for 30 days until Sunday, 25 June. Considered as a month of the peace, Ramadan is one of four months in which the war is prohibited. Regardless, DAESH and AQIM across their own media platforms are inciting to attacks during this month because they believe they continue the tradition of the prophet Mohammed, who fought one of his most important battles during Ramadan. Therefore, the possibility that the number of attacks increase during the sacred month should not be ruled out.

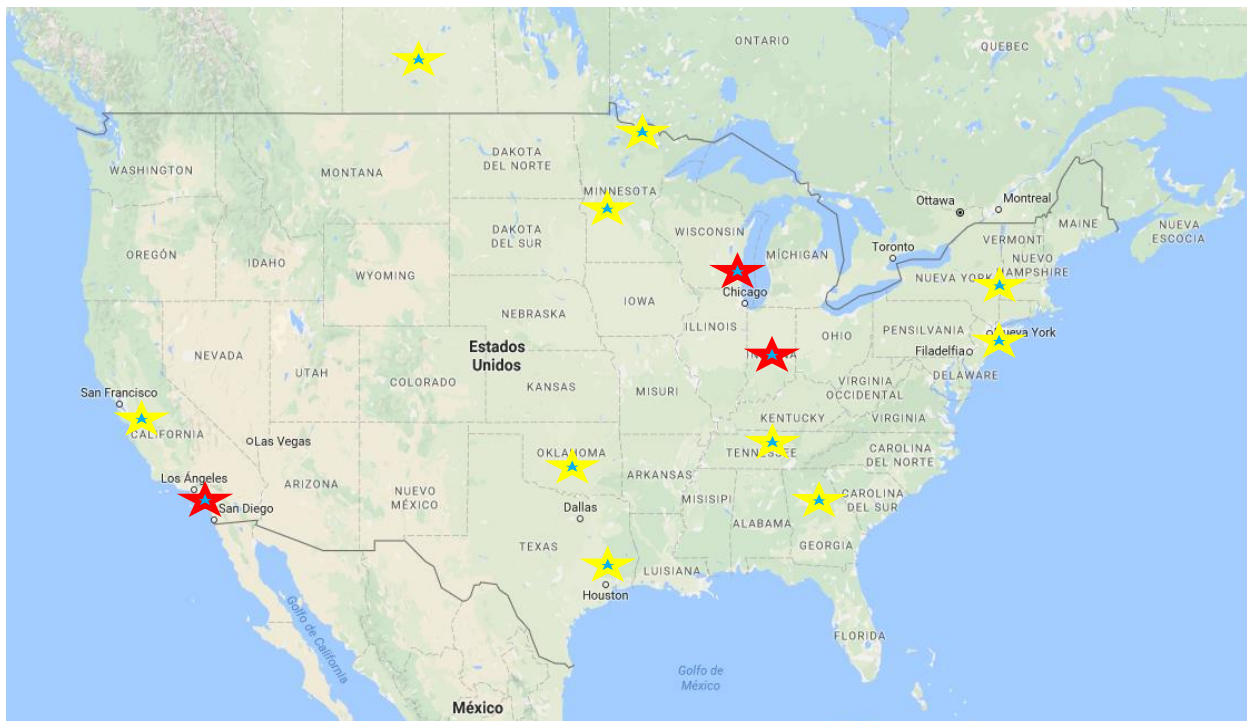
An article was published in a digital newspaper linked to AQAP and AQIM, referring the speech given by French President Emmanuel Macron in Mali and reiterating a call to lone wolves to mobilize in France.



**AMERICA ASSESSMENT****A) NORTH AMERICA****1. BACKGROUND:**

The following analysis is focused on the United States of America as this country represents the majority of IED related events of North America. Due to the nature of Open Sources Intelligence collection, this report may not reflect entirely IED incidents in this area of study.

The period covered in this analysis is May 2017. According to the data collected by the C-IED COE, the most import incidents recorded are IED functioned (3) in USA, device emplace or discovered (6) or hoax or false IED (4).

**2. MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS:**

On 11 May 2017, officers from Bomb Squad of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, were called after an explosive device went off in a car. Eau Claire police say they were investigating what appeared to be criminal damage to a vehicle as the windows had been smashed. Further investigation found a device inside the vehicle which appeared to have detonated accidentally, causing the explosion inside and burnt the car. Three days before, a similar case occurred in Mission Viejo, California.



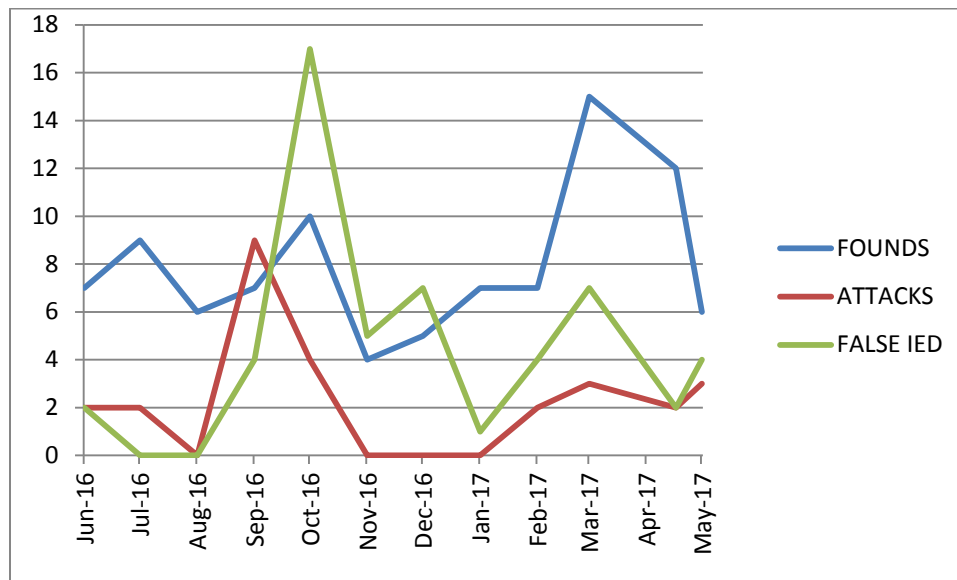
Individuals apparently were managed the IED when the explosion occurs. Both cases were related with criminal groups, not possible terrorism.

On 4<sup>th</sup> May, a man was arrested at Nashville International airport, with an IED into his belongings. This passenger admitted to the police he had a bomb inside his carry-on bag while he was ready to flight. Investigations are ongoing.

Apart from this event, a number of explosives devices found in different mailboxes, this occasion in Indiana. Finally, there were two cases of arrested people that found IEDs in their properties.

### 3. TRENDS:

During this month the number of IED explosion cases is similar to previous months, but in May some cases of explosion happened during the preparation and manipulation of the IED, instead of being a proper attack. Found IED figures are substantially decreasing. Bomb threats are not considered in the graphic when the case is not responding to any pattern of life or behavior, being just to intimidate Schools, Courthouses or religious facilities.



### 4. ASSESSMENT:

During this month, the number of relevant IED incidents is very low. Explosions seem to be related to criminal individuals. Regarding attacks in mailboxes, it is to note that during previous months a number of mailbox explosions happened in North Carolina and in Nebraska. There is no relation among these situations but it gives the impression that one case inspires the other, a pull effect to intimidate the neighborhoods.



## **B) SOUTH AMERICA**

### **1. BACKGROUND:**

This month there have been six IED attacks in South America. Five of them occurred in Colombia and the other one in Chile. Besides, there have been also other IED related events but all of them happened in Colombia which remains the hotspot of the entire American continent.

In April, Colombia underwent a period with a slightly decrease of IED attack from the ELN side. Last month includes only one attack committed against energy infrastructures (oil pipelines).

Besides, dissident fronts from the FARC committed in April several IED attacks after long time since we had not seen FARC IED attacks. Probably these fronts are heavily involved in drug trafficking and illegal mining and therefore they are opposed to the peace accord reached last year with the FARC.

### **2. MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS:**

#### **2.1 IED attacks:**

There have been a total amount of seven IED attacks committed in South America, six of them occurred in Colombia and one in Chile.

In Santiago de Chile (Chile), the Earth Liberation Front (ELF) claimed responsibility for placing an IED outside a dealership of commercial vehicles on 5 May. No further details have been found.

Regarding the attacks in Colombia, only one was allegedly committed by the FARC, two of them by the ELN and the rest remains from unknown authorship.

The most prominent attack was committed by the ELN in Tibú, Norte de Santander against a military patrol and resulted in one soldier dead and three wounded. The rest of the attacks provoked six wounded and materiel damages.

From the FARC dissident side, this is to mention that in San Jose, Guaviare dept., alleged dissidents from the 7th front detonated a roadside IED at a navy vehicle, causing damages but no casualties.

On the other hand, regarding clashes between the ELN and the Army, this is to point out that there were two ambushes accomplished by the ELN with a balance of two soldiers killed and three wounded. On the FARC dissident side they got seven members killed from the Army.

There were also three kidnappings committed by both the ELN and FARC (dissidents). This is to highlight that a United Nation official resulted kidnapped by FARC dissidents.

## 2.2 IED finds and caches:

On 11 May it was found in the municipality of Cumaribo, Vichada department, an illegal deposit with numerous explosive materials as a result of the military operations carried out by troops of the Army.

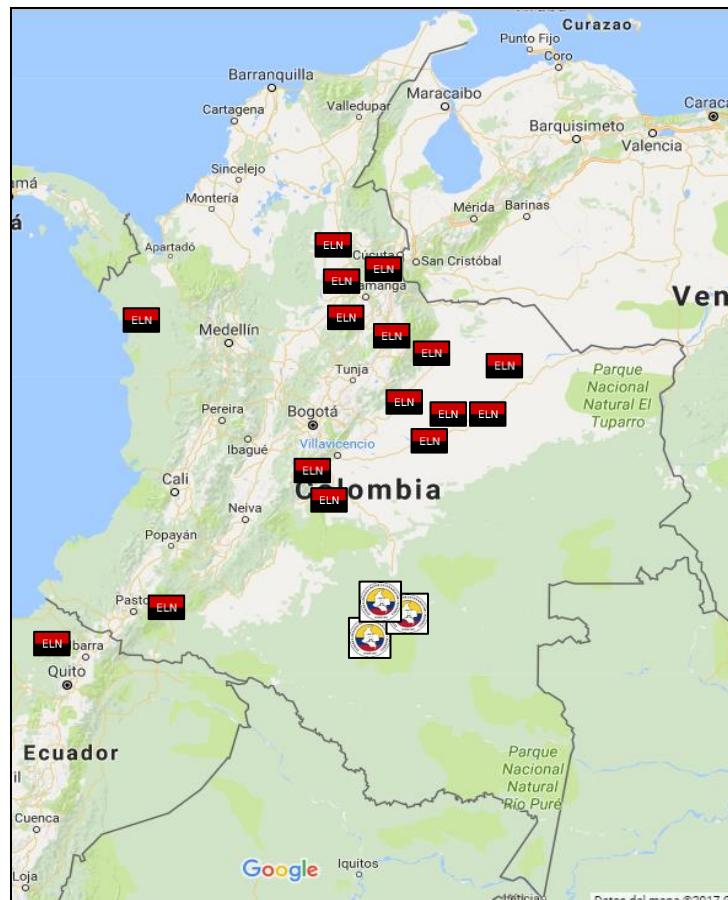
Lately, on 18 May there was found one short-range explosive device near the Carabineros School and canine guides of the Metropolitan Police of Cali.

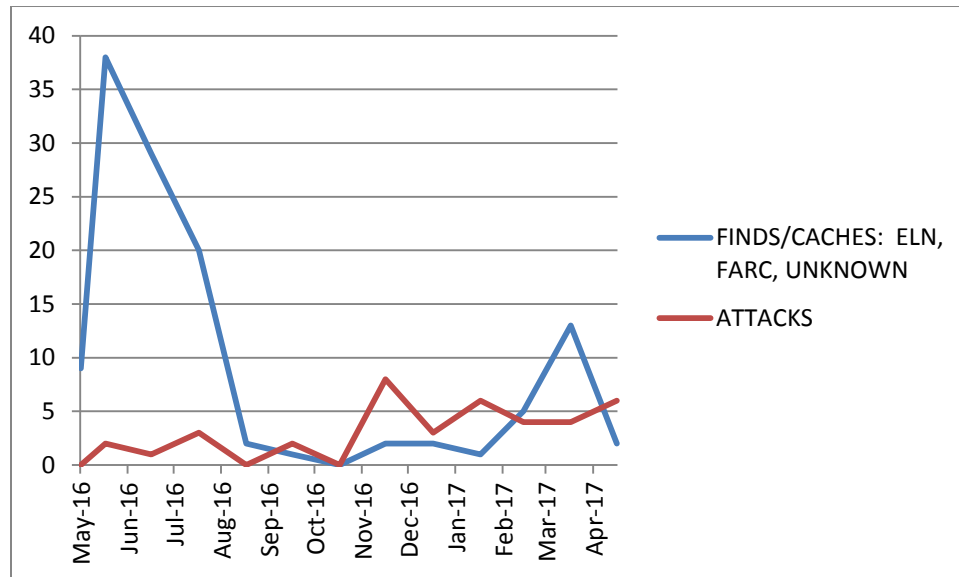
## 2.3 Peace process:

Media reported that 416 FARC militants had been released from prison as a result of the peace agreement signed between the insurgency and the government.

On the other hand, in a statement issued on 11 May, the ELN reported that it did not expect to reach a peace agreement with the Colombian government before the 2018 parliamentary elections. The group also criticized the government for not doing more to counter the activities of right-wing paramilitary groups.

Below, there is a depiction of the geographical distribution of the ELN/FARC (dissidents) attacks since May 2016:



**3. TREND:**

*Colombia finds/caches and attacks trend*

In accordance with the graphic the number of finds and caches has notably decreased in comparison with last month. This month there have been only two IED finds and caches, both of them of unknown belonging.

On the contrary, the number of IED attacks continues at same levels since four months ago.

This is to state that since last May 2016 the number of finds and caches has abruptly decreased while, regarding IED attacks, the general trend is softly increasing to the rate of five IED attacks by month.

**4. ASSESSMENT:**

This month there were not any IED attack on the oil pipeline so as it was pointed out in the last month assessment, the ELN, maybe, has definitely stopped to attack infrastructure objectives in order to stick the humanitarian law agreements signed with the Government. Nevertheless, though kidnapping was also covered by these agreements the ELN has not respected it as seven young men and one woman were kidnapped by ELN militants near the town of N3vita in Colombia's Choc3 department on 7 May.

**AUSTRALIA/OCEANIA ASSESSMENT****1. BACKGROUND:**

The period covered in this analysis is May 2017. An increase in IED related incidents has been registered in Australia/Oceania in May in comparison to the previous month.

According to the data collected by the C-IED COE, there have been three (3) events in Australia, in the previous month had been two (2) incidents.

**2. MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS:**

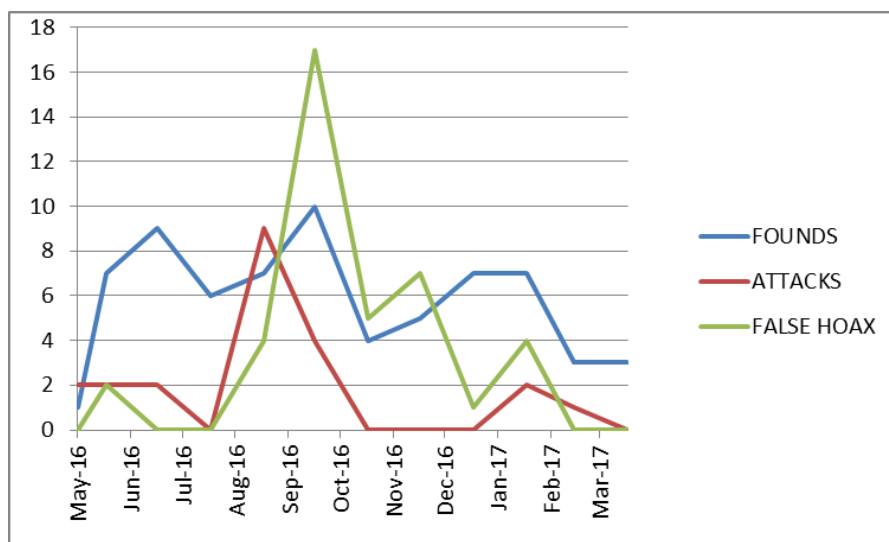
In this period of time there are two explosive devices found in Australia. These devices were detonated in a controlled explosion.

On 17<sup>th</sup> in Cairns, Bomb squad officers have safely detonated an explosive device found beside the Bruce Highway at Cairns in far north Queensland.

On 22<sup>th</sup> in Kinchant Dam, police have handed explosives over to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines after it was discovered west of Mackay. Queensland Ambulance Service and Queensland Fire and Emergency Service were alerted about explosives found at a private property near Kinchant Dam.

**3. TRENDS:**

In this month there is not IED explosion events; there are only two control explosions because of find devices. The events in this month were find/cache or hoax; these types of events are more common in Australia/Oceania as represent the graphic.



#### 4. ASSESSMENT:



There are few events in this part of the world and these cases are isolated and are not believed to be characterized by terrorist groups.

There few events in this Continent are focus on the biggest cities of Australia.

## **ASIA ASSESSMENT**

### **1. BACKGROUND:**

Generally speaking, there's been a spike of Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) in the continent during the last three (3) months, representing a slight increase in most of the countries that make up the continent. May has been significantly active in Afghanistan (63 incidents), India (50 incidents), Iraq (112 incidents), Pakistan (38 incidents), Thailand (16 incidents), Syria (61 incidents) and Yemen (15 incidents). The increase has been noteworthy in Afghanistan, India and Syria, and in the opposite side are Iraq and Thailand with a significant decrease. The rest of the countries continue steady on IED trends.

### **2. MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS:**

#### **AFGHANISTAN**

On 03May at around 08 am a RS Convoy was attacked in Kabul with an IED. The attack was conducted on the road Massoud Square - Abdul Haq Square close to the RS HQ (distance 500m) at the border of the green zone. Probably two US MaxxPro vehicles within the convoy were attacked. One of them was damaged on the left side during the other one on the rear. Besides the attacked



MaxxPro (Category I MRAP (Mine Resistant Ambush Protected) vehicles three civilian vehicles that were near the



convoy were destroyed or badly damaged and windows were shattered up to several hundred meters away. As a result of this attack, three US soldiers and three servicemen of the Afghan security forces were WIA, eight civilian were killed and additional 25 of them were wounded. Later on Daesh claimed responsibility for a suicide bombing in the Afghan capital with a statement on

its Amaq news agency, Daesh said a suicide bomber detonated an explosives-rigged car as the convoy passed near the U.S. embassy.

Attack assessment:

This attack was conducted day after the Taliban declared the beginning of their annual spring offensive Later on Daesh claimed the responsibility. Both Islamism organizations conducted at least five bigger attacks in Kabul since January 2017 which caused several hundred casualties most of the



civilian. Since 2015 Daesh is acting in Afghanistan with a primarily focus on the eastern provinces but in the last months Daesh already claimed responsibility for several attacks like the attack against a military hospital in Kabul in March (49 killed and 76 wounded). In the past Daesh operations had been largely overshadowed by the operations against the Taliban.

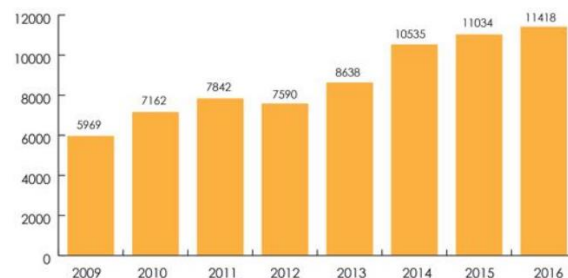
The incident happened at the border of the so called green zone where most of the embassies and RS HQ are located. Based on OSINT pictures it is possible that the attack was close to a checkpoint. It is not confirmed which kind of IED was used but it can be assumed that it was a SVBIED or VBIED. The target was a RS US convoy which consisted of several vehicles at least of a minimum of two MRAPs. One of the MRAPs caused a mobility kill, probably due to brake or transmission failure (blocked rear axle). As a result of the blast and the fragmentation of the body parts of the charge carrier several civilian vehicles were damaged or destroyed too. The main charge of the S/VBIED could be estimated as more than 50kg. With this size of the main charge and the possible distance between the carrier and the target it is not possible to breach the armor of such a mine resident ambush protected vehicle. The black powder signs at the side hull in combination with the not destroyed tires could be an indicator that HME was used as main charge. The high number of civilian casualties caused by this IED incident can be declared as collateral damage by the attacker and could be a secondary effect for the population in the sense hold distance from RS forces and third effect ANSF and RS forces can't produce stability and security especially not in the Capital.



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The central region of Afghanistan recorded the second highest number of civilian casualties in 2016 – 2,348 civilian casualties (534 deaths and 1,814 injured) significant increase of 34 % compared to 2015. Kabul province itself had the highest number of civilian casualties in 2016 due to suicide IED and complex attacks in Kabul city, followed by Helmand, Kandahar, Nangarhar and Uruzgan provinces. Overall 36 % of these civilian deaths and injuries were caused by IEDs and complex attacks. From these more than 11.000 civilian victims more than 1000 were women and children. The impact of the huge number of killed and injured males for the AFG society is big, due to the fact that men are still the only wage earner in families with 6-8 members the IEDs are still the biggest threat in Afghanistan.

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To avoid a most probably increase of IED casualties among the civilian population and security forces there is need of supporting the Afghan national security forces in command and control and effective conduct Counter-IED operations and IED-disposal, including IED exploitation, in 2017 and beyond.

In May the activity has increased, from 41 IED-related incidents registered in April to 63, which means that the level of activity is on the high, with suicide attacks, complex attacks, roadside bombs and Victim Operated IEDs predominantly. Despite the Afghan Forces (ANF) efforts in conducting counter terrorism operations and the high number of seizures hit during the last months, the possibility of suffering attacks in the next month (June) remains significant. It's worth saying that some incidents are related to explosives going off prematurely, which is an indicator of the low level of preparation that insurgents have and then relying on low-brow fellows to conduct such operation, in detriment to their effectiveness.

## **INDIA**

Compared to previous month (April), in May there's been a significant increase of 19 additional attacks, even more than the month after (March) with 40 incidents recorded. The civil elections in West Bengal along to the reviving militancy in Jammu and Kashmir are responsible of such high impact, and it's not possible to reduce drastically the incidents figure in the following months.

Landmines continue to be very used among the perpetrators as a weapon of choice, and it's worth to say that some accelerants have been seized to be used as enhancement to IEDs, which leads to think that in the following months most probably some incident with such substances is probably to be occurred.

## **IRAQ**

The numbers of IED attacks have decreased this month, but very far from being eliminated. From 139 attacks perpetrated in April, in May 112 incidents took place.

Daesh stepped attacks against civilians and security personnel across the country, aimed at making up for the losses in Mosul and thereby distracting population attention. Daesh still holds a few areas in Salahuddin, Diyala, Anbar and Kirkuk, but Iraqi government is expected to aim at these strongholds once the Mosul battle is concluded, which leads to further attacks with VBIED and SVBIED, in complex attacks.

Chemical substances have been seized, which means that Daesh's "Al-Mohandis" are interested in committing future attacks using CBRN agents, to induce chaos and gain media's momentum.

## **PAKISTAN**

The level of activity has increased slightly, from 34 incidents registered last month (April) to 38 recorded on May. The actors involved in attacks using IEDs as weapon of choice are not only terrorist ones, also normal criminals have been making use of them (hand-grenade thrown has become a regular tactic used among criminals for committing their own purposes, along to railways means).

Taliban militants are opposed to girls education, so that hundreds of schools in the northwest and tribal areas bordering Afghanistan have been attacked and it's foreseen they continue in doing



so. Peshawar suffer from militancy and unrest and was the site of Pakistan's deadliest ever attack, when Taliban regime assault on an army-run school in 2014, killing 150 people.

### **SYRIA:**

On the 2nd May, a humanitarian camp on the Syria-Iraq border suffered a coordinated suicide attack. More than 30 people have been killed after at least five Daesh suicide bombers blew themselves up near a refugee camp. Many of the dead were displaced Syrians or Iraqi refugees who had recently fled Daesh-held parts of Mosul and Raqqa. Around 300 families were waiting to cross into Kurdish-held territory in northeastern Syria. This attack has been one of the largest recent attacks in the area, Hassakeh Province in northeastern Syria and it is expected the number of dead rise because some of the wounded are in critical condition.



This attack is one of the most significant during the last month. The recent attacks against the refugee camps are a clear violation of international humanitarian law and they show the Daesh' intention to get a permanent attention of the international community. As the UN Secretary-General said: "Syria conflict is fueling global terrorism and has become a danger to us all". The agreement reached this month in Astana, Kazakhstan, by guarantor countries Iran, Russia and Turkey to de-escalate violence in key areas in Syria, is a good step forward to solve the current situation where civilians are deliberated targeted; it is possible that these kinds of attacks will be reproduced in the future.

In Syria different type-attacks have been recorded, ranging from Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices (VBIEDs) to Indirect Fire, using both conventional and improvised shells (PIED). Daesh is attacking places once controlled and now ruled by AQ-linked Nusra Front and Turkey-backed Free Syrian Army (FSA). Although nationwide ceasefire regime was introduced on December, 30th 2016, terrorist organizations are not part of such agreement and continue on attacks, mainly targeting Syrian troops. Even though Syrian Arab army (SAA) is gradually retaking the main highways between Damascus and Baghdad, DAESH is still capable of conducting ambushes and HIT-AND-RUN attacks along the road at any point in time. The complex attacks, employing VBIEDs (Vehicle Borne IED, suicide or not) and PBIEDs (Person Borne IED) simultaneously are becoming quite frequent and far from be fully eradicated, along roadside bombs.

### **THAILAND**

At least 60 people were confirmed injured when two IEDs went off after the other on Tuesday 09<sup>th</sup> May afternoon at a major supermarket in Thailand's restive south in the Muang district. The first bomb went off at about 14:10 p.m near the food centre inside the Big C building and the second

followed shortly after outside the building, after shoppers and staff had left the building in panic. The first device was packed inside a motorcycle in the parking lot and the second one was a car bomb (VBIED). It is suspected that Muslims militants, fighting for a separate state in the deep south of the predominantly Buddhist country, were behind the attack. The blast destroyed the front of the supermarket and scattering debris over a wide area.



#### Assessment

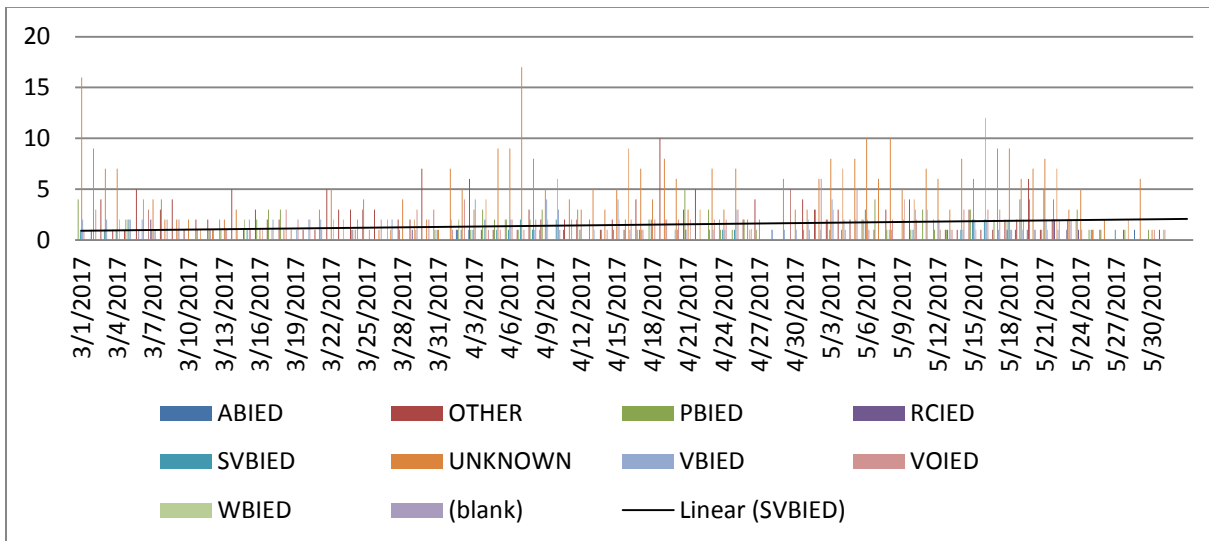
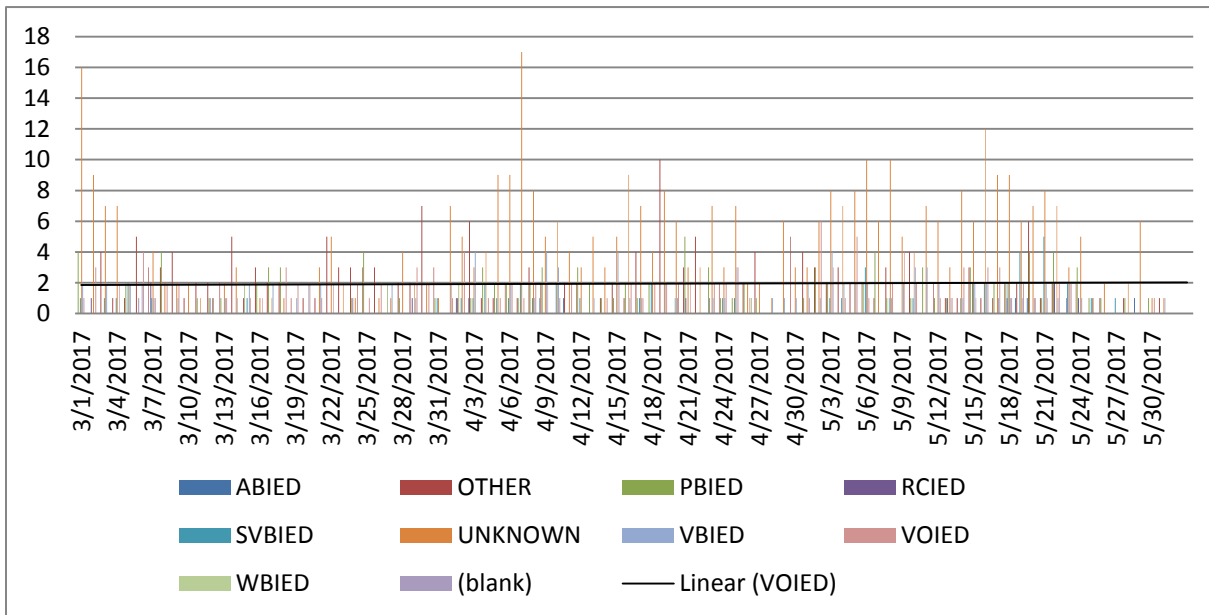
It is not the first time that the Pattani branch of Big C, Thailand's second-largest hypermarket operator and the only supermarket chain to operate in the southern border provinces of Pattani, Yala and Narathiwat, has been targeted. In 2005 an RCIED triggered by a mobile phone went off in its carpark, while its premises were torched in 2012. Southern Thailand has been affected by near-daily shootings and IED attacks for more than a decade as ethnic Malay rebels battle Thai troops in their quest for more autonomy from Bangkok. The fighting has claimed more than 6,500 casualties since 2004, according to independent monitoring group Deep South Watch, and among them some groups affiliated to al-Qaeda are operating. It said that in April 2017 alone, there were 109 incidents and 21 deaths. IED and grenade attacks have been indiscriminate, including in places visited by foreigners. Targets have included civilians and members of the security forces, government offices, tourist hotels, discos, bars, shops, marketplaces, supermarkets, schools, transport infrastructure and trains. Having regarded the actual situation in the country and the momentum that affiliated Al-Qaeda groups are gaining thanks to the dominant instability, further terror attacks are very likely to occur in the following months.

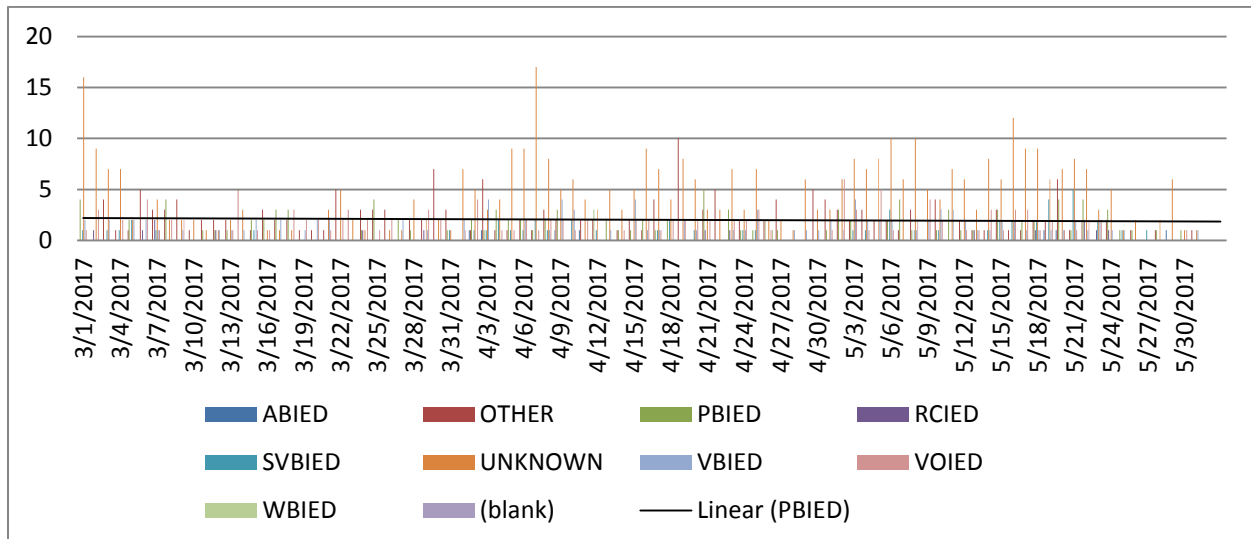
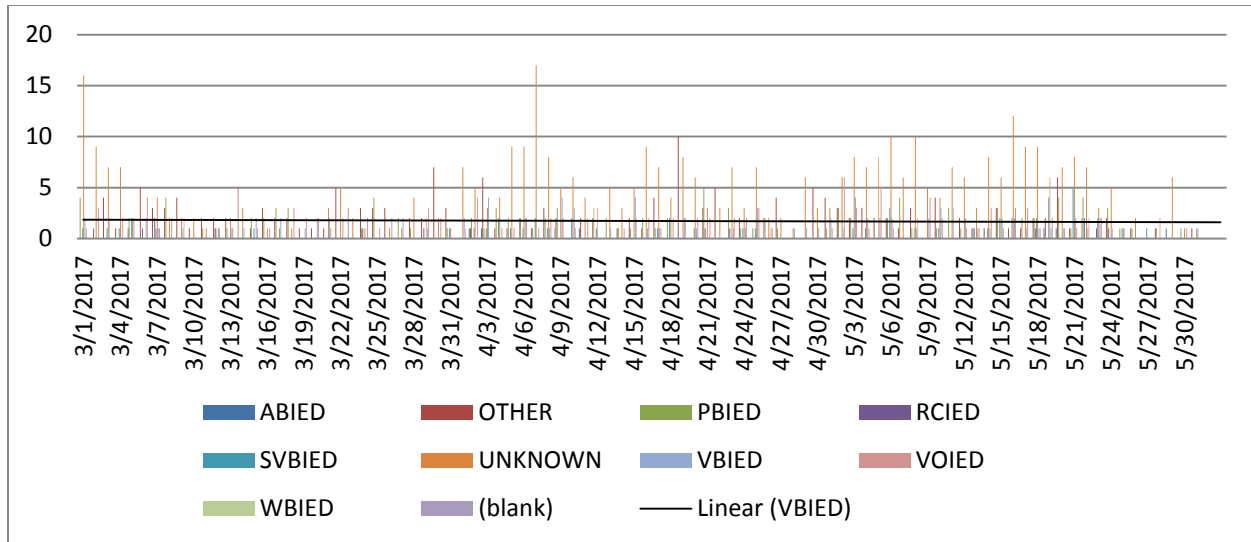
#### YEMEN

Yemen fell into civil war in 2014, when Houthi rebels and allied forces of former Prime Minister Ali Abdullah Saleh overran the capital Sanaa and other provinces. In 2015 Saudi Arabia and its arabs allies launched a massive air campaign in Yemen aimed at reversing Houthi gains and restoring the government of Abd Rabbuh Mansour Hadi. Due to the political and international colour of the conflict, there's no a foreseeable quick end to the IED activity, expecting to be steady during the following months.

### 3. TRENDS:

Hereunder there're some pictures depicting IED trend according to different IED-related events during the last three months (March-April-May 17'), and the increase or decrease of IED-related events with VOIED, VBIED, SVBIED and PBIEDs for the last three months.





#### 4. ASSESSMENT:

The holy month Ramadan started on Saturday 27MAY and will end after 30 days on 25JUN. Ramadan is being considered as a month of the peace. However some militant groups (Daesh included) continue their fight during Ramadan. Because of this and based on Apr-May IED threat development in some specific countries in this region like Afghanistan +154%, India +148% and Pakistan +112% it is most likely that the overall number of attacks in this countries will even increase in summer time.

The overall high number of VOIED which are standing for the most significant threat in this area can be assumed as a reaction of the terrorists groups which are losing wide areas and key terrain

areas. To hamper the forces of the anti Daesh coalition especially in urban areas were conducted with different types of VOIED. The partially low IEDD capacities or capabilities of security forces and their supporting anti Daesh groups caused casualties on key value assets and destroyed additional infrastructure. Daesh as one of the most dangerous group in this region is still trying to influence the population of western countries and to force the governments to reduce their support for the anti Daesh coalition by conducting attacks in Europe and claiming responsibility for e.g. Manchester [GBR] suicide attack from 22MAY (22 people killed). Due to the decreasing influence in Iraq and Syria Daesh will probably continuing with propaganda and guidance for their followers to influence European countries by conducting IED attacks.

**EUROPE ASSESSMENT****1. BACKGROUND:**

The incidents in Europe have a different nature depending on the country. Some of them are linked to permanent conflicts with separatist groups or national terrorism; this is the case of Ukraine, Turkey or North Ireland in the UK. Others are linked to clashes for internal political or economic decisions like Greece or FYROM.

A common case is the Jihadist terrorism. Groups like al-Qaeda or Daesh will try to hit our countries using any mean and trying to cause the highest number of victims. Sometimes they will use IEDs when trained and when capable to get the needed components; sometimes they will not use IED but in order to get a better understanding of the threat, we should not separate both cases.

**2. MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS:****UKRAINE**

According to open sources, the Main Intelligence Directorate of Ukraine's Defense Ministry posted on Facebook that one civilian was killed and another wounded in an explosion due to triggering a trip-wire actuating device planted by the the self-proclaimed 'LPR' (Luhansk People's Republic).

**TURKEY**

PKK is still the greatest threat in Turkey. Despite the number of incidents is similar to previous months (17 vs 16 on April), just one soldier and one civilian have been killed (vs more than 20 on April). Three PKK militants have lost their life, two of them while planting IED's.

Security forces have safely detonated five IED throughout and they have stepped up its operations against terrorism: more than 1.100 alleged terrorists have been arrested, according to an announcement of the Turkish Government.

**ITALY**

A rudimentary explosive device detonated between parked vehicles outside a post office in Rome, causing no injuries but damaging a car. It seems to be a 'demonstrative act'. This kind of incidents has frequently been attributed to anarchists.

One of the handicaps Italy has in relation to jihadist terrorism is its proximity to the Maghreb and the Balkans, which could be two zones of potential risk. In addition, Italy was a colonial power in Muslim countries such as Libya or Somalia, what could be considered, even today, as an affront by the population.

Italy has also participated in several military operations such as the invasion on Iraq in 2003, UNIFIL in Lebanon or ISAF in Afghanistan, and it is one of the most important countries in Europe despite the economic crisis during the last few years. Because of this, Italy is a main target for jihadists (we can not forget that his most important publication is called Rumiya, which means Roma).

#### **FYROM**

A gas cylinder for refilling lighters with a firecracker attached to it was discovered and defused by police in the Assembly of Macedonia in Skopje. The incident could be related to the riots after a majority vote of the deputies of the Social democratic Union of Macedonia (SDSM) and their coalition partners elected Talat Haveri, ethnic Albanian lawmaker, as speaker of the Parliament.

#### **GREECE**

Former Greek Prime Minister Lucas Papademos suffered burns to his hands and legs in a IED attack in his car, according to reports. His driver was also injured in the Athens blast. Local media reported that the device was contained in an envelope. Police said the explosion occurred when the car was travelling between Patisision and Marnis Street in central Athens at 6:30pm local time. To make it more likely that the letter bombs would be opened, the attackers used the names of Greek politicians as alleged senders. There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the blast.

Open sources mention that In March, Greek anarchist group Conspiracy of Fire Nuclei mailed a letter bomb that injured a secretary at the International Monetary Fund in Paris. The Conspiracy of Fire Nuclei had earlier claimed responsibility for an explosive device, also sent from Greece, which was discovered by the police at the offices of Wolfgang Schaeuble, the German finance minister. The group, which is considered a terror organisation by Washington, sent letter bombs to foreign embassies in Greece and to European leaders in 2010.

#### **IRELAND**

A plot to kill Prince Charles and Camilla during a royal visit to Mullaghmore, expected last 19<sup>th</sup> May, was foiled and two men were found with a handgun and several improvised devices packed with ball bearings and scrap metal. The IEDs were found in Dromiskin, outside Dundalk, Co Louth and they were both complete and in component parts. Finally six men were held as police carried out operations on 20 different locations across the country. It is understood all six men have close links to both the Continuity and Real IRA.

Police is investigating a suspected pipe bomb attack outside a pub in Drogheda. No more information is available

#### **UNITED KINGDOM**

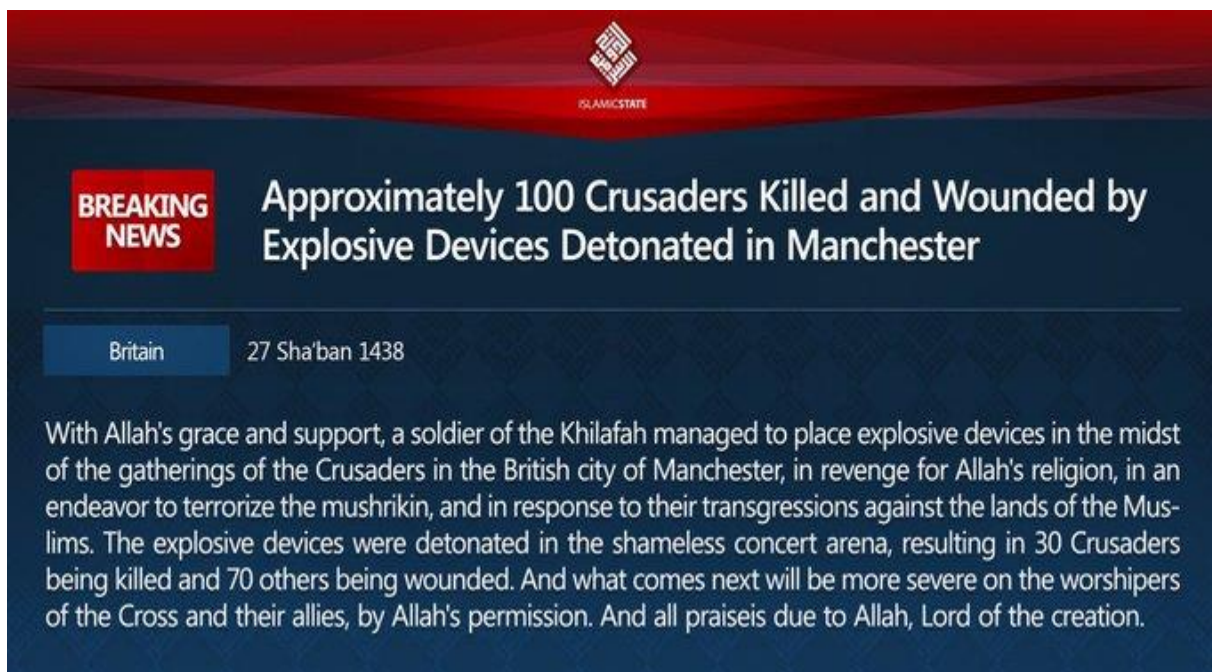
On Monday, May 22, 22:33h, an explosion in foyer of the Manchester Arena at Ariana Grande concert was announced to Manchester Police .Thousands of young fans and their families were filing

out of Europe's largest indoor arena when the suicide terrorist activated the IED. Victims described seeing smoke and being thrown across the floor by the blast. At least 22 people killed and another 59 injured.

The police stated that attack was carried out by one person, Salman Abedi, 22 years old, who died during the attack. In relation to this, some arrests were conducted and the total number of men in custody takes nine after a series of raids across Manchester, Wigan and Nuneaton, Warwickshire. Also the father and brother of suicide bomber Salman Abedi were arrested in Libya. Salman Abedi was born and raised in the United Kingdom, according to Prime Minister Theresa May, but was of Libyan descent.

Open sources mention Abedi's father returned to Libya at the time of the revolution in 2011, while his mother stayed in England to care for the children. She went back to Libya in the past few months.

According to open sources the Daesh issued a statement after the attack claiming it had been carried out by one of its members.



### 3. TRENDS:

In general, the number of IED incidents remains steady and it is similar to the previous months. Significant was the attack in Manchester where 22 people were killed by a suicide terrorist. Among the countries included in this continent, Turkey suffered the highest number of incidents. The frequency of jihadist terrorist attacks in Europe has been increasing in the last months.



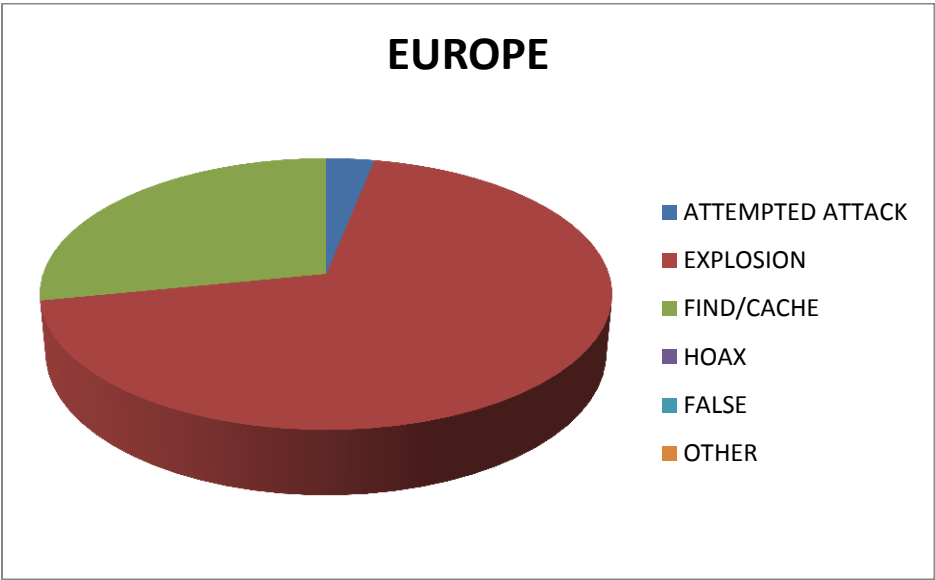


Figure 1. IED types in April.

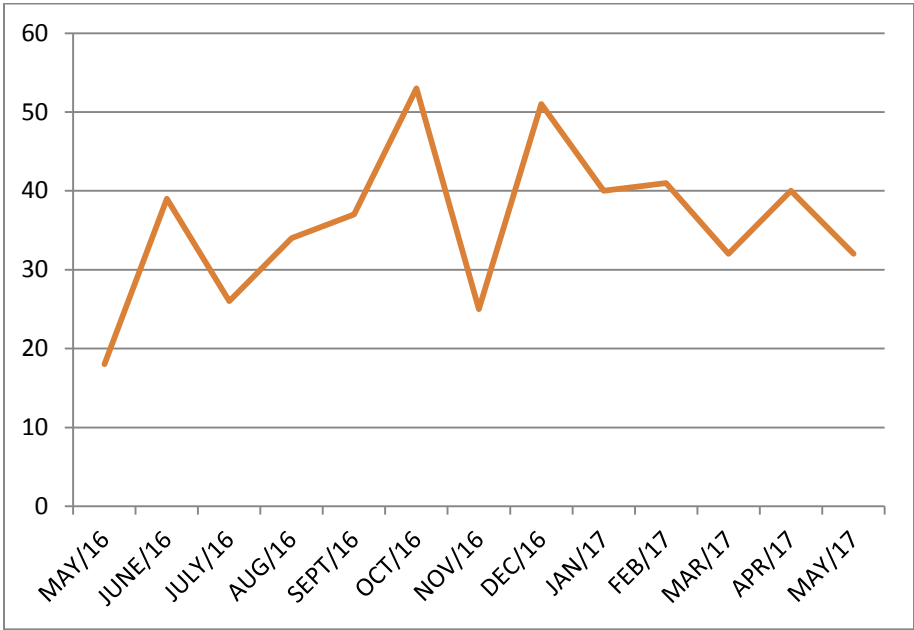


Figure 2. IED tendency in Europe.

**4. ASSESSMENT:**

Attacks on soft targets, especially children and young people, have been promoted by Daesh since last year.

Also, Jihadist publications mention to use any mean to attack western countries. The attacks in Europe, Manchester, Paris, St. Petersburg, Stockholm, etc. show that Jihadist terrorists use any means they have available to commit an attack making difficult to establish a clear pattern.

They will use terrorist cells when possible because this provide more capabilities and make possible commit complex attacks or use more sophisticated devices increasing the number of victims and the strategic effect of their attack. Lone actors will be an effective way to act when the possibility of establishing the aforementioned cell does not exist due to the law enforcement pressure.

Daesh will promote change on their TTPs when needed. Difference on the moment of the attack from Paris attacks to Manchester's one shows it, choosing the moment of people leaving the event than trying to enter on it and face to security checking.

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