

Global Security Highlights

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Week of 3 – 9 February 2014

- Africa
 - February 4: Tunisian security forces kill Ansar al-Sharia militants suspected of assassinating prominent politicians
 - February 9: Violence continues in Central African Republic as human rights groups fear a Muslim exodus
- Asia & Australia
 - February 3: Karzai's secret talks with Taliban cast further doubt on security deal with U.S.
 - February 4: Thai opposition asks court to annul election
 - February 4: U.S. limits drone strikes as Pakistani government seeks talks with Taliban
 - February 5: Talks between Pakistan and Taliban fail to begin
 - February 6: Pakistan opens talks with Taliban-nominated team
 - February 8: Afghan soldiers from private to general criticize Karzai, encourage security deal with U.S.
 - February 8: UN Report cites rising civilian deaths in Afghanistan, primarily blames insurgents
- Europe
 - February 4: Italy subject to "massive" migrant influx
 - February 6: More than 1100 migrants rescued by Italian navy as hundreds more attempt to reach Spanish territory
 - February 7: Mass protests turn violent in Bosnia-Herzegovina
- Latin America
 - February 5: Panama canal expansion talks break down
 - February 7: Hundreds of protestors clash with police in Rio de Janeiro
 - February 8: Mexican vigilantes join police and soldiers to enter key drug cartel's stronghold
- Middle East
 - February 3: Assad delays chemical weapons delivery
 - February 4: Airstrikes allegedly kill dozens in Aleppo, Syria
 - February 5: Islamic militants, violence spread beyond Anbar province in Iraq
 - February 6: Rebels in Syria seize Aleppo prison, free hundreds
 - February 8: Iraq governor gives Islamic militants in Anbar a one-week ultimatum
 - February 9: Israeli airstrike in Gaza strip threatens cease-fire with Hamas

- [February 9: Aid Convoy evacuates 600 civilians from besieged Old City of Homs, Syria](#)
- **United States & Canada**
 - [February 3: U.S. army hit by recruiting fraud scandal](#)
 - [February 4: U.S. Navy officers accused of cheating on written tests allowing them to qualify to operate nuclear reactors](#)
 - [February 5: Secretary of Defense Hagel fears “systematic” ethics crisis in military](#)

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