

## Global Security Highlights

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### Week of 5 – 11 May 2014

- Africa
  - May 5: U.S. and Djibouti sign 10-year security agreement
  - May 6: Boko Harem leader threatens to sell kidnapped Nigerian schoolgirls
  - May 7: U.S. to assist in finding kidnapped Nigerian girls
  - May 7: Piracy decreases around Somalia but increases in West Africa
  - May 8: France to reorganize African Sahel deployment; French soldier killed in Mali
  - May 8: Boko Harem attack on village kills an estimated 300 people
- Asia (Central)
  - May 5: Attack on NATO supply convoy in Pakistan kills 2 drivers
  - May 5: Pakistani forces kill 10 Baluchistan “separatists”
  - May 7: U.S. FBI agent arrested in Pakistan on anti-terrorism charges
  - May 7: New Indian aircraft carrier is “operational”
  - May 8: Taliban to launch summer offensive
- Asia (Eastern) & Australia
  - May 5: U.S. and Filipino troops begin large military drills
  - May 5: Vietnam protests Chinese offshore oil rig it claims is illegal; China says the rig is in Chinese waters
  - May 5: Southeastern Asian nations seek more helicopters to combat Chinese threat, disasters
  - May 6: Railroad station in Guangzhou, China hit by a knife attack; 6 injured
  - May 7: Vietnamese and Chinese confrontation in disputed seas
  - May 7: 25 hurt as fire, explosion rock Phillipine army munitions depot; cause unknown
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- Europe
  - May 5: U.S. sending F-15s, air tanker to Norway for exercises
  - May 6: U.S. increases non-lethal aid to Ukraine amid tensions
  - May 6: Russia warns Ukraine on elections, military action
  - May 6: Russia to significantly expand Black Sea naval presence
  - May 6: Ukraine appoints new army leader, calls for volunteers

- May 7: Sweden boosts defense efforts in response to Russian aggression
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- Latin America
  - May 6: Colombia raids office that “spied to undermine peace”
  - May 6: Mexico Tamaulipas state intelligence chief killed in ambush
  - May 6: U.S. clears \$169 million sale of Boeing Harpoon missiles to Brazil
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- Middle East
  - May 5: Saudis, Chechens, Afghans among militants killed in southern Yemen clashes
  - May 5: Foreign fighters in Syria spark fears of terror blowback when they return home
  - May 5: U.S. approves Syrian opposition opening a diplomatic mission in Washington, increases aid for rebels
  - May 6: Iranian admiral says country will target U.S. aircraft carriers if war breaks out
  - May 6: Russian company to supply Syrian government with military jets
  - May 6: Egypt’s Sissi says Muslim Brotherhood is “finished” in Egypt
  - May 7: Jordanian military clashes with unidentified gunmen along Syrian border
  - May 7: Jihadist group made up of Uzbeks, Tajiks, and Russians declares allegiance to ISIS in Syria
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- United States & Canada
  - May 5: U.S. Army plans to inactivate 7 more brigade combat teams
  - May 7: U.S. military prepares for climate change
  - May 8: U.S. sailor dies aboard USS Enterprise, apparently after shooting himself

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