

Global Security Highlights

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Week of 7 – 13 April 2014

- Africa
 - April 8: Over 100 deaths in Guinea from Ebola virus, says World Health Organization; region on high alert to contain spread
 - April 8: Security concerns remain in Africa 20 years after Rwandan genocide
 - April 9: Kenya deports ‘illegal’ Somalis after police crackdown
 - April 10: Militias hold sway in post-conflict Libya
 - April 10: UN approves 12,000 peacekeepers for CAR as violence and killings continue
 - April 13: Bombing kills more than 70 near Nigerian capital of Abuja
- Asia (Central)
 - April 9: Blast kills at least 22 in Pakistani market
 - April 9: Taliban infighting kills at least 2 dozen; possibly a dispute over whether to negotiate with Pakistani government
 - April 9: Baluch nationalists claim responsibility for market blast
 - April 10: Taliban “shadow governor” for Kunar province reportedly killed in US airstrike
 - April 11: Pakistan and Iran conduct joint naval exercise
 - April 13: More talks with Pakistani Taliban soon, says country’s interior minister
- Asia (Eastern) & Australia
 - April 7: Another Indian navy vessel catches fire; navy has suffered more than a dozen accidents in last 10 months
 - April 8: Australia and Japan increases trade and security ties
 - April 8: North Korean leader Kim Jong Un carries out further purges
 - April 9: Bitter disagreements highlighted during U.S. Secretary of Defense’s visit to China
 - April 13: China’s regional neighbors build up navies
- Europe
 - April 7: Russia’s takeover of Crimea “breeding anarchy and fear”
 - April 8: Ukrainian police begin moving against pro-Russian protestors in eastern city of Kharkiv; West and Russia trade accusations of provocation

- April 9: Ukraine government says unrest will be solved within 48 hours; Russia says not to worry about its troops near the border
- April 13: Ukraine security forces begin to move into eastern Ukrainian towns, engaging in gunfights with pro-Russian gunmen
- April 13: NATO considers increasing Eastern European deployments

- **Latin America**
 - April 8: Talks may begin between Venezuelan president, opposition
 - April 10: 24 people connected to Peruvian militant group Shining Path are arrested
 - April 13: Vigilantes, cartel gunmen engage in firefights
 - April 13: Catastrophe zone declared as fire in Valparaiso, Chile destroys at least 500 homes

- **Middle East**
 - April 7: Iraq creates new tribal force to help fight Anbar militants
 - April 7: Zawahiri's longtime Al Qaeda deputy reportedly arrested in Egypt
 - April 7: Iran hopes nuclear deal drafting can start by mid-May
 - April 8: Jewish settlers clash with Israeli police; Israeli-Palestinian peace talks seem to stall
 - April 8: Iran sends 30,000 tons of food supplies to Syria in addition to continuing financial and military aid
 - April 8: 5 soldiers killed by militants in southeastern Yemen; leader of a Shia Muslim party wounded in separate attack Sanaa
 - April 9: Car bombs target Shiites in Iraq, killing at least 24
 - April 9: Supreme Leader Khamenei vow to never give up Iran's nuclear program
 - April 13: Iraq under strain
 - April 13: Iran delays plan to send warships to Atlantic Ocean
 - April 13: Iraq car bomb kills at least 16 people
 - April 13: Claims of new poison gas attack in Syria

- **United States & Canada**
 - April 7: U.S. airforce releases long-term drone plans
 - April 8: U.S. marine shot dead by fellow marine at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina; likely accident
 - April 8: U.S. Soldiers, lawmakers speak out regarding concealed weapons on bases
 - April 8: U.S. to cut nuclear bomber/sub/missile capacity to meet New START obligations
 - April 9: U.S. Defense Budget cuts means longer deployments

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