

**Global Security Highlights**

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Week of 17 – 23 February 2014

* Africa
* [February 17: Ukrainian company to deliver 50 T-64 Tanks to DR Congo](http://www.defensenews.com/article/20140217/DEFREG01/302170026)
* [February 18: South Sudan ceasefire breaks down as fighting resumes](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-26238849)
* [February 21: Al Shabab attacks Somali presidential compound, killing at least 11 people](http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/21/us-somalia-blast-idUSBREA1K0KF20140221)
* Asia & Australia
* [February 17: Pakistan-Taliban peace talks threatened by execution of soldiers](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-26223198)
* [February 17: Afghan government delegation travels to Dubai with hopes of peace talks with Taliban](http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/17/us-afghanistan-taliban-idUSBREA1G0X920140217)
* [February 18: 4 people killed and over 60 injured in Bangkok, Thailand protestor-police clashes](http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/19/world/asia/2-killed-including-officer-as-thai-police-move-in-on-protests.html?ref=world)
* [February 23: 21 Afghan soldiers killed by Taliban in attack on checkpoint in eastern Afghanistan](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-26312095)
* Europe
* [February 17: Ethiopian Airlines co-pilot hijacks plane, lands in Switzerland to seek asylum, and is arrested](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-26222674)
* [February 18: Ukrainian protests again turn violent, killing at least 9 and injuring dozens](http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/ukraine-protests-once-more-turn-violent-four-reported-dead/2014/02/18/ba9173f4-98af-11e3-80ac-63a8ba7f7942_story.html)
* [February 19: France and Germany to send parts of their joint brigade to Mali](http://www.defensenews.com/article/20140219/DEFREG01/302190033/France-Germany-Send-Parts-Joint-Brigade-Mali)
* [February 19: Russia expands drone program](http://www.defensenews.com/article/20140219/DEFREG01/302190031/Russian-Defense-Ministry-Unveils-9B-UAV-Program)
* [February 19: Ukrainian president and opposition declare “truce”](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-26267220)
* [February 20: EU imposes Ukraine sanctions](http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/21/world/europe/Ukraine-Crisis-Diplomacy.html?hpw&rref=world&_r=0)
* [February 22: Ukrainian parliament impeaches fleeing president; former prime minister freed from prison](http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/feb/22/ukraine-president-yanukovych-flees-kiev)
* Latin America
* [February 18: Venezuela opposition leader surrenders to police as protests continue](http://www.boston.com/news/world/latin-america/2014/02/18/fears-more-protest-clashes-high-venezuela/FCSD50PJTK4DXcfjvEE3DK/story.html)
* [February 22: “Top” Mexican drug lord arrested](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-26308203)
* [February 23: Major rival protests in Venezuela as tension increases](http://www.aljazeera.com/news/americas/2014/02/mass-rival-protests-staged-venezuela-2014222144349914418.html)
* Middle East
* [February 17: Bomb attacks hit Shi’ite mosques and neighborhood in Baghdad, killing at least 24](http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/17/us-iraq-violence-idUSBREA1G1AY20140217)
* [February 17: Next round of Iran nuclear talks begin in Vienna but with little optimism](http://www.nytimes.com/2014/02/18/world/middleeast/little-optimism-as-iran-nuclear-talks-are-set-to-reconvene.html?ref=world)
* [February 18: Egypt charges 4 men with spying for Israel; Ansar Bayt el-Maqdis claims responsibility for Sinai tourism bus bombing](http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/feb/18/egypt-al-qaida)
* [February 19: Syrian rebel command may be further split over disagreements](http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle_east/syrian-rebel-%20command-appears-split-by-ouster-of-military-leader/2014/02/19/036e3ccc-99a7-11e3-b1de-e666d78c3937_story.html)
* [February 19: Iranian cultural center in Beirut attacked by Abdullah Azzam Brigades](http://america.aljazeera.com/articles/2014/2/19/deadly-beirut-suicidecarbombstargetiranianculturalcenter.html)
* [February 20: Differing accounts of police raid in Saudi Arabia’s Eastern Province that leaves 4 dead](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-26275436)
* [February 23: Egypt’s Morsi accused of leaking state secrets to Iran](http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-26329018)
* United States & Canada
* [February 20: U.S. tries to increase cooperation with Persian Gulf states](http://www.latimes.com/world/worldnow/la-fg-wn-us-gulf-states-20140220,0,3257310.story#axzz2uHBLdFj2)
* [February 20: U.S. and allies agree on standards for aid to Syrian opposition](http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/%20%20national-security/us-allies-agree-on-standards-for-which-%20opposition-groups-in-syria-will-receive-aid/2014/02/20/7b5b8b02-9a53-11e3-b931-0204122c514b_story.html)

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