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## WEEKLY SECURITY READINGS SUMMARY

### Dates: 19 - 23 Feb 2018

S/N	DATE	TITLE	SUMMARY
1	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Armed Conflict in Syria: Overview and U.S. Response</a>	In March 2011, antigovernment protests broke out in Syria, which has been governed by the Assad family for over four decades.
2	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Islamic State Activity - Inspired or Linked - Outside of the Group's Defined Wilayat Belgium</a>	Islamic State Activity - Inspired or Linked - Outside of the Group's Defined Wilayat Belgium
3	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Islamic State Activity - Inspired or Linked - Outside of the Group's Defined Wilayat Morocco</a>	Since bombs rocked Casablanca in 2003 and Marrakesh in 2011, Morocco has continually made concerted efforts to tighten its anti-terrorism laws, improve its intelligence capabilities, and address the root causes of radicalization
4	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Targeted Terror: The Suicide Bombers of al-Shabaab</a>	Al-Shabaab, an Islamist terrorist group that has been plaguing Somalia since 2006, was named the most deadly terror group in Africa in 2017 by the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED). One tactic that al-Shabaab uses in its reign of terror is suicide bombing
5	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Mauritania: Human Rights Defenders at Risk</a>	Mauritania's population is quite heterogenous; questions of caste and ethnicity lie at the source of many of the country's most deep-rooted and sensitive human rights problems
6	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">A stable Egypt for a stable region: Socio-economic challenges and prospects</a>	Seven years after the 2011 uprising in Egypt, a combination of domestic challenges, together with instability in the Middle East and North Africa region has stalled the country's ongoing transition.
7	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Munich Security Report 2018</a>	Our Munich Security Report, which we first published in 2015, is our conversation starter for the Munich Security Conference and aims to serve as a useful compilation for decision makers, security professionals, and the public. In anticipation of the Munich Security Conference 2018, we are pleased to present the report's fourth edition
8	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Countering Human Trafficking: The UK's Efforts</a>	Human trafficking is a subject of growing concern, both internationally and domestically. There are some difficulties of definition, as various different terms are used inconsistently, and it is also very difficult to get a clear idea of the numbers of people involved in human trafficking
9	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">GLOBAL ECONOMIC PROSPECTS, JANUARY 2018</a>	"Cinema," Martin Scorsese once said, "is a matter of what's in the frame and what's out." e same could be said about economic growth, as this January 2018 edition of Global Economic Prospects (GEP) illustrates.
10	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">A REGIONAL POWER IN THE MAKING: ETHIOPIAN DIPLOMACY IN THE HORN OF AFRICA</a>	Ethiopia's regional engagement and foreign policy is based on its Foreign Affairs and National Security Policy and Strategy (FANSPS), launched in 2002.
11	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">The Nexus Between Prosperity in the African Maritime Domain and Maritime Security</a>	At the centre of ocean governance are the undefined concepts of 'Blue Economy' and 'maritime security'.
12	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Report of the Global High-Level Panel on Water and Peace</a>	The world is facing the drama of water. Around two billion people lack access to safe drinking water. Most of them live in fragile, often violent regions of the world
13	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">10 Trends Shaping Migration</a>	Today, about 244 million people live outside their country of birth. That's 3% of humanity.
14	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Palestinian Terrorism: Analysis of 2017 and Forecast for 2018</a>	During 2017 the number of terrorist attacks continued to decline. There were 82 significant terrorist attacks, as compared with 142 in 2016 and 134 during the last three months of 2015
15	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Mixed Migration HUB North Africa Trend Bulletin for January 2018</a>	About: MHub is the regional knowledge hub and secretariat for the North Africa Mixed Migration Task Force, comprising of DRC, IOM, OHCHR, RMMS, Save the Children, UNHCR, UNICEF and UNODC. It promotes a human rights-based approach to ensure the protection of people moving in mixed and complex flows to, through and from North Africa
16	23-Feb-18	<a href="#">Jordan: Background and U.S. Relations</a>	Since assuming the throne from his late father on February 7, 1999, Jordan's 55-year-old monarch King Abdullah II bin Al Hussein (hereinafter King Abdullah II) has maintained Jordan's stability and strong ties to the United States despite ongoing conflicts in two neighboring countries (Syria and Iraq) and recent tensions with its neighbor Israel, with which Jordan has been at peace since 1994

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