



Peace Operations Update

Aktuelle Informationen zu Friedenseinsätzen

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EUROPE

Moldova

OSCE hails 'substantial progress' in Transdniester settlement talks

[...] The OSCE said in a statement that representatives from Moldova and Transniester attending talks in Vienna on November 27 "confirmed progress on several of the eight issues previously identified ... and made a commitment to finalize the remaining issues at the beginning of next year."

Read full article: [RFE/RL](#) (11/28)

AFRICA

Burundi

Burundi opposition platform boycotts new round of peace talks

Burundi's main opposition grouping said it is boycotting peace talks that resumed on Tuesday in Tanzania, leaving little chance that the negotiations will end simmering political violence that has claimed hundreds of lives.

Read full article: [Reuters Africa](#) (11/28)

Central African Republic

The world's most dangerous peacekeeping mission?

Despite its failings, MINUSCA is the only semblance of governance and security in CAR.

Read full article: [ISS Today](#) (11/30)

UN asks Brazil for peacekeepers

The United Nations has asked Brazil to send troops to join its peace mission in the Central African Republic, said Jean-Pierre Lacroix, the UN's head of peacekeeping operations, in an interview Monday.

Read full article: [VOA News](#) (11/27)

UN strongly condemns attack that kills peacekeeper

Secretary-General Antonio Guterres and the Security Council have strongly condemned Sunday's attack allegedly perpetrated by the anti-Balaka group against a convoy of the United Nations peacekeeping mission in the Central African Republic, in which one peacekeeper from Egypt was killed and three others were injured.

Read full article: [UN News](#) (11/27)

Libya

EU, UN and African leaders draw up emergency plan for migrants in Libya

The European Union, United Nations and African Union have agreed to an emergency plan to dismantle people smuggling networks and repatriate stranded migrants in an effort to ease a human rights disaster in Libya, officials said.

Read full article: [Reuters Africa](#) (11/30) [EU Observer](#) (11/30)

Operation Sophia's world – changes and challenges

Over the past decade EU military operations have evolved in at least three directions: first, they have to some extent adapted to the changing nature of threats, and in doing so they have embraced a broader security – rather than strictly defence – agenda; second, they have increasingly operated at the juncture between external and internal security, thus testing the boundaries of the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP); third, they have moved into the maritime domain whereas ground operations had in the past been the norm. Operation EUNAVFOR Med Sophia provides an example of such evolution.

Read full briefing: [EUISS](#) (11/27)

Mali

Belgium approves NH90 deployment to Mali

[...] On 23 November Belgium's Council of Ministers approved the deployment of the two helicopters and 50 personnel. The aircraft will be used for troop transport and medical evacuation. ... The Belgian NH90s will be used to replace four German NH90s currently deployed there. The Bundeswehr also has four Tiger attack helicopters in Mali.

Read full article: [defenceWeb](#) (11/28)

Mali delays regional elections amid security concerns

Mali has announced the postponement of regional elections scheduled for December to April, amid security concerns following attacks by armed groups.

Read full article: [Al Jazeera](#) (11/27)

Four peacekeepers killed in two deadly attacks against UN mission

Four United Nations peacekeepers and a member of the Malian armed forces were killed and 21 others were wounded on Friday in what Secretary-General António Guterres called “outrageous” attacks against the UN mission in the country.

Read full article: [UN News](#) (11/24)

South Sudan

UN envoy condemns ‘horrific’ killings of civilians in Jonglei

The most senior United Nations official in South Sudan has condemned the “horrific” killing of some 45 civilians in the Jonglei region on Tuesday when a Murle ethnic group attacked a Dinka village. ... Since 2013, the Murle and Dinka communities in Jonglei, which is in the central part of the country, have been engaged in long-standing inter-ethnic violence that has operated outside the wider political conflict in South Sudan.

Read full article: [UN News](#) (11/29)

Senior UN official urges Security Council to support peace process revitalization

[...] Briefing the Council on the security situation in the world’s newest country, UN Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations Bintou Keita also raised concerns about the growing number of incidents targeting humanitarian actors and restrictions on movement of UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) personnel.

Read full article: [UN News](#) (11/28) [The East African](#) (11/29)

*Related analysis: [How to support South Sudan’s High Level Revitalization Forum](#)
[Chatham House](#) (11/29)*

Sudan (Darfur)

Sudan says militia leader Musa Hilal arrested

Sudanese authorities have arrested a powerful militia leader suspected of human rights abuses in the Darfur region. Musa Hilal was detained after fighting with Sudanese forces near his hometown in North Darfur, state media reports. He is a former ally of Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir and led the government-allied Janjaweed militia. Musa Hilal is subject to UN sanctions for his suspected involvement in the Darfur conflict of the mid-2000s.

Read full article: [BBC](#) (11/27) [Sudan Tribune](#) (11/30)

Sudan, UNAMID agree to form arms collection committee for South Darfur

The hybrid peacekeeping mission in Darfur (UNAMID) said an agreement has been reached to form a tripartite committee to collect illicit arms from IDPs camps in South Darfur. ...

Read full article: [Sudan Tribune](#) (11/26)

MIDDLE EAST

Lebanon

Lebanese leader says will resign unless Hizballah withdraws from conflicts

Lebanese Prime Minister Saad al-Hariri has threatened to resign unless Iranian ally Hizballah accepts Lebanon's policy of neutrality and stays out of regional conflicts.

Read full article: [RFE/RL](#) (11/28)

CENTRAL ASIA

Kyrgyzstan

Kyrgyzstan inaugurates new president in peaceful transfer of power

Kyrgyzstan's new president has been inaugurated in the capital, Bishkek, in a first peaceful transfer of power between elected presidents in the region. Sooronbai Jeenbekov replaces President Almazbek Atambaev, who was constitutionally barred from seeking a second term.

Read full article: [RFE/RL](#) (11/24)

SOUTH AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN

Colombia

UN criticism over FARC peace process 'unjust': Colombia

Colombia's peace commissioner insists the United Nations has painted a too negative picture of the reintegration of former FARC fighters in a peace process. Several top UN officials have criticized the government over failures to reintegrate the members of the former guerrilla groups

Read full article: [Colombia Reports](#) (11/26)

Ein Jahr Friedensabkommen: Der Exodus der FARC-Rebellen

Ein Jahr nach der Unterzeichnung des Friedensvertrages in Kolumbien verlassen immer mehr Guerilleros die Reintegrationslager. Statt Aufbruchsstimmung herrscht oft Frust.

Read full article: [ZDF](#) (11/24)

OTHER PEACEKEEPING RELEVANT NEWS

Afrikas Armeen winken EU-Millionen

EU-Gelder, die für die Friedenssicherung gedacht sind, können künftig auch an afrikanische Militärs fließen. Kritiker sehen darin einen Tabubruch. Anderen gehen die vom EU-Parlament nun gebilligten Pläne nicht weit genug.

Read full article: [Tagesschau](#) (11/30)

Elections

Kenya election: Kenyatta vows to overcome divisions

Uhuru Kenyatta has vowed to overcome Kenya's divisions after being sworn in for a second term as president, at a ceremony boycotted by the opposition. ... Opposition leader Raila Odinga announced plans to be sworn in himself as president next month. He boycotted last month's repeat election and has not recognised Mr Kenyatta's victory.

Read full article: [BBC](#) (11/28)