Terrorism and its Consequences in Northwest Africa, in the Sahara-Sahel, and in the Lake Chad Basin
Increase in the number of deaths 
from 2010 to 2015 
and from 2010 to 2016 
Source: ACSS/CESA, March 2016 and May 2017
African countries which have experienced large numbers of terrorist attacks between 2013 and 2017 (source: ACLED, June 2017)

African countries which have experienced large numbers of deaths caused by terrorism between 2013 and 2017 (source: ACLED, June 2017)
According to ACSS, the frequency of actions of terrorist groups in Africa can generally be classified in two categories:

1. **Those that are diminishing:** In Libya, the number of actions carried out by violent Islamist groups went from 219 in the first half of 2016 to 56 in the same period of 2017. Boko Haram carried out 264 violent acts in the first half of 2016, compared to 229 in 2017.

2. **Those that are rising:** Al Shabaab carried out 576 violent act in the first half of 2016, compared to 610 in 2017. ABM was involved in 128 violent acts in 2017 as opposed to 48 in 2016. JNIM—Jama’at Nusrat al-Islam wal Muslimin—created in March 2017, carried out 36 violent acts in 2017 as compared to 21 in the first half of 2016, when their different components were operating separately.
Terrorist groups that have caused the greatest number of deaths since 2013 (source: ACLED, June 2017)

Terrorist groups that have launched the greatest number of attacks since 2013 (source: ACLED, June 2017)
Number of Terrorist Attacks in the Maghreb and in the Sahel, 2001-2016 and 2001-2015
(source: Terrorism in North Africa and the Sahel, Potomac Institute, reports 2015 and 2016)

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Comparison
November 2016- July 2017
(source : ACSS/CESA)
On the left: Changes in the organizational structure of AQIM and internal rivalries and dissensions that led to the proliferation of katibas and leadership groups.

Below: Video put online in early March 2017 to announce the official creation of the new Al-Qaeda organization called “Group for the Victory of Islam and its Believers” (Jama’at Nasrut al-Islam wal Muslimin) whose Emir is Iyad ag-Ghali.

From left to right:
Hamadou Kouffa (Macina-Mali Liberation Front), Djamel Okacha (Emir of the Sahara Branch of AQIM), Iyad Ag Ghali (Ansar Dine—Mali), Hassan al-Ansari (lieutenant of Mokhtar Belmokhtar-Al-Mourabitoun) Abou Abderrahman El Senhadji (Qadi (judge) of AQIM).

Mokhtar Belmokhtar is notably absent.
Possible expansion of Daesh in Libya after the defeat of Sirte
Al-Qaeda versus Daesh: Jihadist support estimated by region

Change in the number of Tunisian and foreign jihadists between 2014 and 2015.
source: The Soufan Center

Surge In Foreign Jihadists
These countries were home to the most fighters lured to ISIS and other extremist groups in Syria and Iraq.

Figure 1
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AQ vs. ISIS: Estimate of Jihadi Support By Region
- al Qaeda
- ISIS
- Unaffiliated/Undefended

- North Africa & Sahel
- Levant & Arabian Peninsula
- South Asia
- Southeast Asia
- Balkans/Caucasus
- Europe, North America & Australia
- East Africa
March 2016
In Salah
Attack on BP and Statoil gas sites

Zones of recurring attacks

Major terrorist acts targeting businesses and expatriates since 2010

Control Risks Estimates of Security Risk
(terrorism included, in 2016)

Low
Medium
High
Extreme

August 2015
Sévaré
Hostages taken in the Byblos Hotel

March 2015
Bamako
Attack against “La Terrasse” bar

November 2015
Attack against the Radisson Blu hotel

March 2016
Attack against the Hotel Nord-Sud

March 2016
Grand-Bassam
Attack on a beach popular among expatriates

March 2016
Ouagadougou
Attack on a hotel and restaurants frequented by expatriates

September 2010
Arlit
Employees and collaborators of Areva taken hostage

December 2012
Katsina
Vergnet group collaborator taken hostage

February 2013
In Amenas
Attack on gas installations controlled by BP, Statoil, JCG and Sonatrach

February 2013
Extreme North of Cameroon
French family of expatriates working for GDF Suez taken hostage

September 2013
Nairobi
Attack on Westgate shopping mall

Young Africa

SOURCE: CONTROL RISKS
Food insecurity and violent attacks in Nigeria

EU Humanitarian Aid granted in 2016 for the countries in the Lake Chad Basin
Median age in Africa

Youth literacy rate

Literacy rate

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