This Week in Terrorism

07/02/2018-07/08/2018

Total Attacks: 34 Total Killed: 63 Total Injured: 84

From last week attacks remained the same, fatalities decreased by 28%, and injuries decreased by 45%.

Source

Largest Attack

Al-Shabaab attacked a government building in Mogadishu on Saturday, killing thirteen and injuring twenty-one. The attack started with a large car bomb at the building's security checkpoint. The attackers had passed through several checkpoints in the city disguised in army uniforms and using identity cards from Somalia's Security and Interior ministries.

Source

Attackers

Al-Shabaab claimed two attacks and are suspected in three more. On Monday, a car bomb detonated in Mogadishu's <u>Sinai Junction</u>, injuring three civilians. On Tuesday, seven more people were injured when an IED detonated near the city's <u>Benadir Junction</u>. The same day in <u>Masalani</u>, Kenya, an IED detonated beneath a Kenya police vehicle, which was then attacked by gunmen. Six officers were injured. Al-Shabaab is suspected in all three attacks, but has not definitively claimed them. On Thursday, Al-Shabaab militants fired ten mortar rounds on a military base in <u>Fah</u> <u>Fahdun</u>, Kenya. Exact casualties have not yet been reported. On Saturday, Al-Shabaab attacked a government building in <u>Mogadishu</u>, killing thirteen and injuring twenty-one. The attack started with a large car bomb at the building's security checkpoint. The attackers had passed through several checkpoints in the city disguised in army uniforms and using identity cards from Somalia's Security and Interior ministries.

Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF) are suspected in one attack in <u>Poblacion</u>, Philippines where they attempted to occupy the town hall. Three soldiers were injured defending the building.

The **Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS)** claimed one attack and are suspected in two more. Suspected ISIS militants abducted and killed executed seven civilians from <u>Baquba</u>, Iraq on Friday. Militants set up a fake security checkpoint,

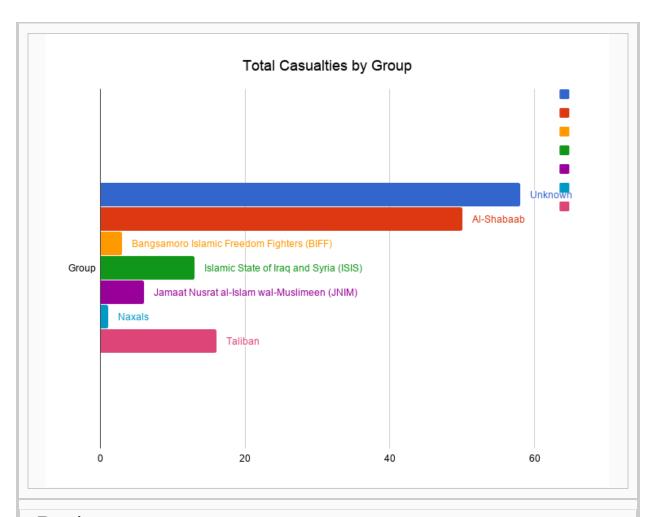
and used it to kidnap the group, who were traveling in a minibus. The same day, ISIS claimed through its publication Al Naba to have abducted two air force officers from <u>Waddan</u>, Libya. Libyan officials have neither confirmed nor denied the claim. The next day, two workers were killed and two more kidnapped at a water plant in <u>Tazirbu</u>, Libya. **Jaish-e-Mohammad** claimed two attacks this week in India. On Friday, militants threw a grenade at a joint base of Central Reserve Police Force and Indian Army's Rashtriya Rifles in <u>Tahab</u>. No casualties were reported. The same

day, another grenade targeted a CPRF group in <u>Pantha</u>, again leaving no casualties.

Jamaat Nusrat al-Islam wal-Muslimeen (JNIM) claimed an attack in <u>Ghardimaou</u>, Tunisia. Militants ambushed a police patrol with grenades and guns on Sunday, killing six of the officers.

Naxalites are also suspected in one attack, this time in <u>Tiralgarh</u>, India. A twenty-six year old villager was dragged from his home and executed on Friday. Officials say a Naxal pamphlet designating the victim a police informer was found at the scene.

The **Taliban** claimed one attack and are suspected in two more, all in Afghanistan. On Monday, a suicide bombing targeted a US convoy, however the two people killed and three injured were all civilians. The Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack, which took place in <u>Puli Alam</u>. On Saturday in <u>Charsadda</u>, a district chief was killed by a roadside IED. The same day, militants ambushed a police convoy in <u>Waghaz</u>, killing four officers, including a special forces commander, and injuring six more. The Taliban is suspected in both attacks. Eighteen attacks were carried out by unknown groups.



Regions

Middle East

Afghanistan suffered four attacks this week. On Monday, a suicide bombing targeted a US convoy, however the two people killed and three injured were all civilians. On Thursday, a car bomb in <u>Nokar Khil</u>killed three Taliban operatives and injured four more. ISIS, the Taliban's main rival, has not commented on the attack, but authorities suspect they may be involved. The Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack, which took place in <u>Puli Alam</u>. On Saturday in <u>Charsadda</u>, a district chief was killed by a roadside IED. The same day, militants ambushed a police convoy in <u>Waghaz</u>, killing four officers, including a special forces commander, and injuring six more. The Taliban is suspected in both attacks.

Iraq was hit by six attacks this week. On Wednesday, a bomb went off in a market in <u>Baghdad</u>, killing one and injuring eleven. The next day, a bomb exploded on a bus in nearby <u>Jukuk</u>, killing one and injuring one more. Around the same time, a bomb went off near an army checkpoint in <u>Abu Ghraib</u>, just west of the city, injuring a soldier and a civilian. Suspected ISIS militants abducted and killed executed seven civilians from <u>Baquba</u> on Friday. Militants set up a fake security checkpoint, and used it to kidnap the group, who were traveling in a minibus. On Saturday, a bomb

exploded near the home of a tribal commander in Baghdad's <u>al-Taji</u> district, injuring the commander and one other. The same day, two women visiting from the Philippines were abducted from their broken down vehicle near <u>Baghdad</u>. In **Israel**, an attacker threw a bomb at a bus stop in <u>Judea and Samaria</u>. No one was injured and the attacker was captured and found with more bombs in his possession.

Syria was hit by two attacks this week. On Friday, a car bomb exploded in front of a defense base in <u>Al-Bsayra</u>, killing eighteen, including a commander, ten military personnel, three children, and four other civilians. On Sunday, militants threw a grenade into the house of a Syrian Democratic Youth Council member in <u>Hasakeh</u>, killing two sisters, on of whom was a member of the organization. The two girls were the daughters of a Kurdish security police official.

Africa

Kenya suffered two attacks this week. On Tuesday in <u>Masalani</u>, Kenya, an IED detonated beneath a Kenya police vehicle, which was then attacked by suspected Al=Shabaab gunmen. Six officers were injured. On Thursday, Al-Shabaab militants fired ten mortar rounds on a military base in <u>Fah Fahdun</u>, Kenya. Exact casualties have not yet been reported.

Libya was hit by three attacks. On Friday, four employees of the <u>Al-Hassouna</u> water plant were abducted from their worksite. The next day, two workers were killed and two more kidnapped from another water plant in <u>Tazirbu</u>, Libya. On Thursday, ISIS claimed through its publication Al Naba to have abducted two air force officers from <u>Waddan</u>, Libya. Libyan officials have neither confirmed nor denied the claim.

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Tunisia was attacked for the first time this year in <u>Ghardimaou</u>, Tunisia. Jamaat Nusrat al-Islam wal-Muslimeen (JNIM) militants ambushed a police patrol with grenades and guns on Sunday, killing six of the officers. Uganda also suffered its first attack of 2018 this week. Unknown militants threw a grenade at a Ugandan People's Defense Forces boat on patrol in <u>Rwenshama</u>. One soldier was killed and another injured.

Asia-Pacific

India suffered nine attacks this week, the most of any country. On Friday, militants threw a grenade at a joint base of Central Reserve Police Force and Indian Army's Rashtriya Rifles in <u>Tahab</u>. No casualties were reported. The same day, another grenade targeted a CPRF group in <u>Pantha</u>, again leaving no casualties. Jaish-e-Mohamamad (JEM) claimed both attacks). In <u>Tiralgarh</u>, a twenty-six year old villager was dragged from his home and executed on Friday. Officials say a Naxal pamphlet designating the victim a police informer was found at the scene. On Tuesday, militants threw a

grenade at a military camp in<u>Bonera</u> On Thursday, militants again threw another grenade at a group of police officers in <u>Awantipora</u>. The same day, militants fired a rifle grenade at the home of a former National Conference legislator in<u>Vehil</u>. On Friday, another former NC legislator's home was also hit by a grenade, this time in <u>Tral</u>. None of these attacks left any casualties, nor have they been attributed to any group. Also on Friday, an imam was shot in <u>Parigam</u>, leaving him severely injured. The next day, a policeman was injured in <u>Hyderpora</u> when attackers threw a grenade at a CPRF patrol.

The **Philippines** were hit by two attacks this week. On Tuesday, unknown militants detonated an IED outside a government building in <u>Sumagdang</u>, injuring two. The same day, suspected BIFF militants attempted to occupy a town hall in <u>Poblacion</u>. Three soldiers were injured defending the building.



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