

## Geopolitical, International, and Security collected stories, week of 10 June 2013

[U.S., Syria, Chemical Weapons] [US officials conclude Syrian President Assad's regime used chemical weapons on opposition](#) – Associated Press.

[U.K., U.S., PRISM, NSA] [UK gathering secret intelligence via covert NSA operation](#) – The Guardian. (Other international reactions: German politicians were [extremely critical](#) of the NSA data collection operations ahead of President Obama's visit (Reuters), while internet users in China [praised](#) Snowden in light of their country's online polices and discussed his choice of Hong Kong as refuge (Wall Street Journal).)

[Syria, Internal Conflict, Casualties] [U.N. says 93,000 killed in Syrian conflict, fears for Aleppo](#) – Reuters.

[al Qaeda, MANPADS, Mali] [Al Qaeda has feared weapon, Mali documents suggest](#) – Associated Press.

[China, Bomber Aircraft] [Is This China's New Design for a Stealth Bomber?](#) – Foreign Policy.

[Denmark, Law Enforcement, Cybersecurity] [Danish National Police Says Hackers Infiltrated Identity Register](#) – Softpedia.

[Mexico, Kidnapping, Migrants] [Mexican federal police rescue 58 migrants allegedly kidnapped and held in house near US border](#) – Associated Press.

[Zimbabwe, Internal Politics] [Zimbabwe's Tsvangirai rejects July 31 election date](#) – Reuters.

[China, Space Exploration] [Shenzhou-10: China launches next manned space mission](#) – BBC News.

[Pakistan, India, Airspace] [Indian fighter jets violate Pakistani airspace: PAF](#) – Dawn.

[Arab League, Hezbollah, Sanctions, GCC, Syria] [Gulf Arabs pledge sanctions against Hezbollah members over Syria](#) – Reuters.

[Nicaragua, Shipping, China, Infrastructure] [Nicaragua congressional committee Oks giving Chinese company concession to build, run canal](#) – Associated Press.

[al Qaeda, Internal Politics, Syria, Iraq] [Zawahiri steps into row between Syrian and Iraqi al Qaeda wings](#) – Reuters.

[Brazil, Environment, Energy, Peru, Ecuador] [Brazil 'on alert' over an oil spill from Ecuador](#) – BBC News.

[Canada, Business, Regulations] [Criminal charges laid against Nestle Canada, other companies for chocolate price fixing](#) – Financial Post.

[India-U.S. Relations] [Indian lawmakers hail India-US ties](#) – Press Trust of India.

[Bosnia, Internal Politics, Protests] [Ring around the Parliament: Bosnians demand politicians stop bickering and sort out ID numbers](#) – Associated Press.

[U.S., Syria, Refugees] [U.S. considers taking in Syrian refugees](#) – Los Angeles Times.

[Canada, U.S., Trade, Agriculture] [Ottawa threatens retaliation against 'illegal' U.S. meat labeling rules](#) – Globe and Mail.

[U.S., Cyberwarfare] [US government assembled international target list for cyberattacks](#) – V3.co.uk.

[France, European Union, U.S., Trade] [France Threatens Veto of EU-US Trade Deal](#) – Associated Press.

[Syria, Internal Conflict, Sectarian Conflict] [Dozens of Shiites Reported Killed in Raid by Syria Rebels](#) – New York Times.

[U.S., Cybersecurity, U.S. Allies] [U.S. Helps Allies Trying to Battle Iranian Hackers](#) – New York Times.

[Democratic Republic of Congo, Environment, Nuclear Materials] [Growing evidence of radioactive contamination in DRC](#) – Deutsche Welle.

[Burma/Myanmar, European Union, Trade] [Myanmar readmitted to EU trade scheme](#) – Australian Associated Press.

[Turkey, Protests, Internal Politics] [Turkish Leader Offers Referendum on Park at Center of Protests](#) – New York Times.

[China, Public Health] [China's Expanding Life Spans – and Waistlines](#) – Bloomberg News.

[Syria, Internal Conflict, Lebanon, Borders] [Syrian helicopter fires on Lebanese town, two wounded](#) – Reuters.

[U.S. Navy, Surface Ships, Radars] [Navy to Equip Destroyers with Next-Gen Radar](#) – DefenseTech.

[China, Internal Politics, Public Opinion] [\*Xi Jinping's Chinese Youth Dilemma\*](#) – The Diplomat.

[History, WWII, Germany, Bomber Aircraft] [\*WWII Dornier Do-17 bomber raised from the Channel\*](#) – BBC News.

[Vietnam, Internal Politics] [\*Vietnamese PM Escapes Censure, Just\*](#) – The Diplomat, ASEAN Beat blog.