

Geopolitical, International, and Security collected stories, week of 29 October

[China, Government Figures, Financial Holdings] [*Billions in Hidden Riches for Family of Chinese Leader*](#) – New York Times. ([The New York Times was blocked in China in retaliation](#) for the above article, according to The Guardian. Discussion of the [potential impact of the NYT story](#) inside the Chinese leadership from The Diplomat.)

[China, Fighter Aircraft, J-31] [*China's newest stealth fighter flies*](#) – Foreign Policy, Killer Apps blog. (Information Dissemination has [additional photos](#) of the J-31 and commentary on the aircraft. China Defense Blog also posted [more photos and commentary](#).)

[Sudan, Israel, Iran, Arms Production, Airstrikes] [*Suspected Israeli strike on a Sudanese factory raises question over Iran arms smuggling*](#) – Associated Press. (The Satellite Sentinel Project produced [satellite imagery](#) of the site, appearing to corroborate the claims of an air strike.)

[Cybersecurity, Georgia, Russia] [*Counterattack! Suspected hacker caught on HIS WEBCAM, while spying on Georgia*](#) – Sophos, Naked Security blog.

[Haiti, Food Supplies, Natural Disasters] [*Storm damages crops in Haiti, fueling food price woes*](#) – Reuters.

[China, One-Child Policy, Internal Politics] [*Chinese think tank urges end to one-child policy*](#) – Associated Press.

[Israel, Palestinian Liberation Organization, History, Covert Operations] [*Israel Confirms Killing Arafat Deputy in 1988*](#) – Associated Press.

[Russia, Law, Internal Politics] [*Russia Set To Redefine Treason, Sparking Fears*](#) – NPR.

[Narcotics, Smuggling Routes, New Zealand, Algeria] [*A massive 165kg cocaine haul seized by authorities in Algeria came hidden in a shipment of powdered milk that originated in New Zealand*](#) – NZCity.

[China, Japan, U.S., Disputed Territories, Diplomacy] [*Ex-Envoy Says U.S. Stirs China-Japan Tensions*](#) – New York Times. (In related news, the [U.S. and Japan will hold a biennial joint military exercise](#) in November, Reuters reported.)

[Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, Cybersecurity] [Most U.S. Drones Openly Broadcast Secret Video Feeds](#) – Wired.com, Danger Room blog.

[Taiwan, China, Espionage] [Taiwan's China Spy Problem](#) – The Diplomat, China Power blog.

[Ukraine, Elections, Rule of Law] [Observers Denounce Ukrainian Election, Citing Abuses by Rulers](#) – New York Times.

[Burma, Sectarian Violence] [Muslim-Buddhist clashes spread in west Myanmar](#) – Associated Press.

[Syria, Internal Conflict, Government Figures] [Syrian air force general 'killed by rebels'](#) – BBC News.

[Public Health, China, Vaccines] [Hepatitis E vaccine debuts](#) – Nature.

[Somalia, Media, al Shabaab] [Somali poet Warsame Shire Awale killed by gunmen](#) – BBC News.

[Afghanistan, Terrorism] [Suicide bomber kills 41 in Afghan mosque](#) – Deutsche Presse-Agentur.

[Iceland, Elections, Government] [Iceland Says Yes To New Constitution](#) – The Reykjavik Grapevine.

[Mexico, U.S., Sinaloa Cartel] [Mexican Cartel Chief's Alleged Daughter Enters Plea Deal in U.S.](#) – Associated Press.

[Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, Natural Disasters, NASA] [NASA Preps Drone Hurricane Hunters, But Misses Sandy](#) – Wired.com, Danger Room blog.

[Japan, Fiscal Policy, Internal Politics] [Japan Adds Stimulus Amid Threat of Bond-Sale Disruption](#) – Bloomberg News.

[Italy, Legal] [Silvio Berlusconi sentenced for tax fraud](#) – BBC News.

[Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, Colombia] [Colombia Producing Its Own Drones](#) – InSightCrime.

[Serbia, Economy] [Serbia emerges from bankruptcy threat, finance minister says](#) – Deutsche Presse-Agentur.

[Los Zetas, Mexico, Communications] [Mexican Cartels Enslave Engineers to Build Radio Network](#) – Wired.com, Danger Room blog.

[Libya, Internal Politics] [*Gunmen occupy Libyan parliament*](#) – BBC News.

[United Kingdom, Scottish Independence, European Union] [*Scottish independence: Breaking up is hard to do*](#) – The Economist.

[Libya, U.S., Benghazi Consulate Attack] [*'Troubling' Surveillance Before Benghazi Attack*](#) – Foreign Policy.