Africa Conflict Monitor: A Commentary and Analysis on Conflict and Conflict Resolution in Africa - Issue 19

Description: The Africa Conflict Monitor provides concise, insightful and up-to-date analyses of major conflict and terrorism trends and developments in Africa. It is of special interest to foreign governments and businesses, as well as international NGOs with stakes in security and political stability across the African continent. The report expertly synthesises past developments, current dynamics and future prognoses into an intelligible synopsis for informed decision-making.

Readers of the Africa Conflict Monitor include various governments, academics and major universities across the globe, leading media houses such as CNN International and eNCA, and major business players such as AngloAmerican, BP, IBM, KPMG and many more.

This issue of the Africa Conflict Monitor begins with an overview of how African militant groups are garnering international attention through executing more brazen atrocities, and how this attention may ultimately lead to their extermination. A featured analysis explores how political change in East Africa has historically been fraught with illegitimate power grabs, and how, in 2014, the threat of coups d'etat remains alarmingly high.

This edition also contains five regional investment features profiling the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) along with four lesser known African countries: Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Eritrea, and Lesotho. The economic feature examines the complex interplay in Africa between conflict, the fisheries sector, food security and national sovereignty. The 'Africa Wide' section concludes with an interview with Dr Ibrahim Elghazawi, member of the Egyptian Lawyers Syndicate and a Hubert Humphrey Fellow on Human Rights and International Law at the University of Minnesota Law School, who delivers personal insight into the present state of human rights and the rule of law in Egypt.

Moving to the regional sections of this edition, the Africa Conflict Monitor features insightful analyses across all five regions of the African continent. This includes chronicles of recent developments and valuable insights into pertinent topics such as: Egypt's role as mediator in the Israel-Gaza conflict and the prospects of Libya's legislature restoring order in the war-ravaged country; Uganda's meddling in South Sudan's civil war and how government fragility and al-Shabaab's defiance have wrought insecurity in Kenya; The emergence of female suicide bombers in Nigeria and Boko Haram's burgeoning presence in Cameroon; France's military relevance in Central Africa and the challenge of building a state from the ground up in the Central African Republic; and finally, how Zimbabwean migrants are affecting South African security and the damaging consequences of perennial workers strikes in South Africa.

The Report:

- Identifies and provides insight into latent and emerging socio-political developments with real potential for conflict and instability;

- Assesses the impact of national, regional and global interventions to contain specific conflicts and terrorist threats in Africa;

- Forecasts on the development of particular conflicts and the activities of major terrorist groups in the continent;

- Contextualises the operations of terrorist groups in Africa against the global terrorist threat and prevailing national, regional and global socio-economic and political conditions; and

- Tracks the evolution and internal dynamics of terrorist/rebel movements operating in different regions of the continent.

Benefits include:

- Expert analysis and key insight for informed decision-making;
- Regular contributions from highly regarded guest analysts;
- Informative and provocative interviews with key role-players;
- Keeping up to date with current trends and issues relating to specific conflict situations on the continent;
- Regular and succinct insight into the life and prospects of terrorist outfits on the continent;
- Critical feedback on interventions deployed to manage conflicts and fight terrorism in Africa;
- Reliable intelligence for use in early warning mechanisms to prevent the escalation of conflicts in Africa;
- Country-by-country insight and analysis, as well as regional overviews of Central, Eastern, Northern, Southern and Western Africa.

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