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Al-Shabaab Or Harakat Al-Shabaab Al-Mujahideen Terrorist Group In Somalia Story Explained

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Al-Shabaab Attack Demonstrates Continued Resilience in Somalia

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A History of the Islamic State's Media Warfare Against China

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Russia detains Islamic State suicide bomber planning terrorist attack in India

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Abusive “Counterterrorism” Crackdowns Choke Independent Civil Society in the Middle East

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Iran Arrests 10 Alleged Islamic State Militants On Suspicion Of Plotting Attacks On Religious Processions

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Oceania:

Australian defense acknowledges 'vital contributions' Peshmerga made in fight against ISIS

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