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COUNTERING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (CTOC)

CORRUPTION

London police chided again for corruption, crime links

Kylie MacLellan – Reuters: 22 March 2022

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Alex Papadovassilakis – InSight Crime: 23 March 2022

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Wanjohi Kabukuru – The Associated Press: 18 March 2022

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Denis Mahonghol – TRAFFIC: 21 March 2022

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James Ball – MIT Technology Review: 17 March 2022

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China's information dark age could be Russia's future

Lawrence Booth – The New York Times: 18 March 2022

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National Cyber Strategy will enhance UK's cyber power status

Paddy Francis – Computer Weekly: 18 March 2022

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AJ Vicens – Cyberscoop: 17 March 2022

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ISIS AND FOREIGN FIGHTERS

ISIS has a new leader. It's important to understand their operational capacity.

Orwa Ajjoub – Atlantic Council: 18 March 2022

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Mona Thakkar and Anne Speckhard – Homeland Security Today: 22 March 2022

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Cristina Krippahl – Deutsche Welle: 18 March 2022

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