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## COUNTERING TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME (CTOC)

### CORRUPTION

#### **Peru's fight against corruption: 'Encouraging' or 'horrible'?**

*Howard LaFranchi – Christian Science Monitor: 20 March 2023*

For Gino Costa, a past member of Peru's Congress and a former United Nations human rights official, the country's recent history of corruption has been "terrible" but it has also been encouraging.

<https://www.csmonitor.com/World/Americas/2023/0320/Peru-s-fight-against-corruption-Encouraging-or-horrible>

#### **Dominican Republic Corruption Investigation Inches Toward Ex-President**

*Juan Diego Posada and Javier Villalba – InSight Crime: 23 March 2023*

Former high-ranking government officials, including several ex-ministers, have been hit with a string of corruption-related charges, advancing a broad investigation into the administration of former President Danilo Medina.

<https://insightcrime.org/news/dominican-republic-sees-largest-ever-corruption-investigation/>

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<https://balkaninsight.com/2023/03/21/moldova-to-target-corruption-with-new-court-for-major-cases/>

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<https://www.thejakartapost.com/opinion/2023/03/18/the-digital-solution-to-fighting-corruption.html>

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#### **Sri Lanka bailout conditional on tackling corruption: IMF**

<https://www.france24.com/en/live-news/20230321-sri-lanka-bailout-conditional-on-tackling-corruption-imf-1>

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<https://www.abc.net.au/pacific/programs/pacificbeat/solomon-islands-anti-corruption/102123010>

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<https://bnn-news.com/latvian-corruption-watchdog-commences-new-criminal-procedure-against-rigas-ex-mayor-244037>

#### **Six Myths About China's Anti-Corruption Campaign – Analysis**

<https://www.eurasiareview.com/18032023-six-myths-about-chinas-anti-corruption-campaign-analysis/>

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<https://www.reuters.com/world/americas/venezuela-arrests-21-corruption-crackdown-11-more-wanted-2023-03-25/>

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## DRUG TRAFFICKING

### **US Sanctions Syrian Leader Assad's Cousins, Others Over Drug Trade**

*Reuters: 28 March 2023*

The United States imposed penalties against six people, including two cousins of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, for their role in the production or export of captagon, a dangerous amphetamine, a Treasury Department statement said.

<https://www.reuters.com/world/us-sanctions-syrian-leader-assads-cousins-others-over-drug-trade-treasury-2023-03-28/>

United States Treasury Press Release:

### **Treasury Sanctions Syrian Regime and Lebanese Actors Involved in Illicit Drug Production and Trafficking**

<https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy1369>

### **Unprecedented Level of Drug Trafficking Needs Corresponding Law Enforcement Response**

*Homeland Security Today: 25 March 2023*

Ranging from an increased demand for illicit firearms to the massive profits enabling crime organizations to threaten national security, the pervasive nature of drug trafficking requires reinforced and coordinated global law enforcement.

<https://www.hstoday.us/subject-matter-areas/border-security/unprecedented-level-of-drug-trafficking-needs-corresponding-law-enforcement-response/>

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### **Colombia risks losing US support in fight against drugs – attorney general**

<https://www.reuters.com/world/americas/colombia-risks-losing-us-support-fight-against-drugs-attorney-general-2023-03-27/>

### **Drug cartel's submarine fleet: How do drug cartels smuggle cocaine across the sea?**

<https://interestingengineering.com/ie-originals/ie-explainer/season-1/ep-7-drug-cartels-submarine-fleet-how-do-drug-cartels-smuggle-cocaine-across-the-sea>

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<https://www.heritage.org/middle-east/commentary/captagon-the-new-cocaine-the-middle-east>

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## TRAFFICKING IN SCARCE OR PROTECTED RESOURCES

### **'No one can stop it': Illegal logging surges in Myanmar's conflict zones**

*Frontier*: 27 March 2023

Logging has accelerated amid the post-coup conflict, with sanctions pushing smugglers to open new routes to India. Activists and locals accuse both the military and resistance groups of profiting off the plunder.

<https://www.frontiermyanmar.net/en/no-one-can-stop-it-illegal-logging-surges-in-myanmars-conflict-zones/>

### **Can a new regional pact protect the Amazon from environmental crime? (commentary)**

*Carolina Andrade, Melina Rizzo, Robert Muggah – Mongabay*: 28 March 2023

Police, prosecutors, money-laundering experts and others convened in Brazil to tackle drug and environmental crimes that are growing in scale across the Amazon. The group resolved to move beyond occasional raids and destruction of machinery used by crime syndicates and toward a concerted and pan-Amazonian effort for cooperation.

<https://news.mongabay.com/2023/03/can-a-new-regional-pact-protect-the-amazon-from-environmental-crime-commentary/>

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<https://www.navy.mil/Press-Office/News-Stories/Article/3333189/trawling-trafficking-smuggling-and-spoilage-east-africas-war-on-illicit-maritim/>

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## PROGRAM ON CYBER SECURITY STUDIES (PCSS)

### INTERNET GOVERNANCE

#### **AI Regulation Still Lagging In Brazil**

*Wilson Center: 23 March 2023*

Days after ChatGPT was launched, a committee of experts presented the Brazilian Senate with a comprehensive study on AI regulation for the country, but proposals have yet to advance.

<https://www.wilsoncenter.org/blog-post/ai-regulation-still-lagging-brazil>

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<https://www.reuters.com/technology/meta-google-defend-brazilian-law-internet-platform-responsibility-content-2023-03-28/>

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#### **The United States Convenes Freedom Online Coalition Member States and Other Stakeholders in Washington, D.C.**

*U.S. Department of State: 28 March 2023*

The United States, as the 2023 chair of the Freedom Online Coalition (FOC), convened the 36 members. The FOC is a coalition of governments dedicated to advancing internet freedom globally.

<https://www.state.gov/the-united-states-convenes-freedom-online-coalition-member-states-and-other-stakeholders-in-washington-d-c/>

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<https://www.cnn.com/2023/03/29/china/china-blogger-sentenced-program-think-intl-mic-hnk/index.html>

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### **Lack of skills, immature judicial system weaken SA's cyber security stance**

*Christopher Tredger: 24 March 2023*

The deficiencies could thwart efforts to enforce South Africa's Cyber Crimes Act.

<https://www.itweb.co.za/content/LPwQ571bNwkqNgkj>

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### **Medibank hit by second class-action lawsuit for cyber breach**

*Mary Or – Insurance Business Australia: 30 March 2023*

Medibank has been served with another lawsuit for disclosures on its security systems that led to a serious data breach last October.

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### **Chinese Hackers Targeting Outer Layers of Networks for Cyber Attacks, Using New Malware for “Multi-Year” Intrusions**

*Scott Ikeda – CPO Magazine: 27 March 2023*

A new report from Google’s Mandiant finds that Chinese hackers are now focusing on the outer layers of target networks, even antivirus software and firewalls, as an entry point for cyberattacks and a place to dwell for years while evading detection.

<https://www.cpomagazine.com/cyber-security/chinese-hackers-targeting-outer-layers-of-networks-for-cyber-attacks-using-new-malware-for-multi-year-intrusions/>

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<https://thehackernews.com/2023/03/north-korean-apt43-group-uses.html>

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<https://www.scmagazine.com/brief/cybercrime/cybercrime-fraud-using-chatgpt-on-the-rise-says-europol>

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<https://www.hackread.com/nca-cybercrime-market-fake-ddos-sites/>

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### **New Zealand’s critical infrastructure vulnerable to hackers – Cyber security expert**

*Anan Zaki – RNZ: 28 March 2023*

An international cybersecurity expert thinks New Zealand’s critical infrastructure remains vulnerable, and warns consumers will pick up the tab as firms face costly system upgrades.

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/business/486863/new-zealand-s-critical-infrastructure-vulnerable-to-hackers-cyber-security-expert>

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## PROGRAM ON TERRORISM AND SECURITY STUDIES (PTSS)

### ISIS AND FOREIGN FIGHTERS

#### **ISIS would return to Syria in ‘one to two years’ if US forces leave, says top general**

*Ellie Sennett – The Nation: 23 March 2023*

The head of United States Central Command defended Washington’s presence in Syria, warning that without U.S. troops, the Islamic State group would return to the war-torn country.

<https://www.thenationalnews.com/world/us-news/2023/03/23/isis-would-return-to-syria-in-one-to-two-years-if-us-forces-leave-says-top-general/>

#### **IntelBrief: Islamic State Khorasan Remains a Stubborn Threat in Afghanistan**

*The Soufan Center: 29 March 2023*

Globally, the Islamic State group is dedicating more resources to its affiliates in Afghanistan and Africa, especially as its core group comes under intense assault in Syria, while some franchises that were formerly prominent continue to ebb, such as those in Southeast Asia, Libya and Egypt.

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<https://foreignpolicy.com/2023/03/23/afghanistan-islamic-state-khorasan-centcom-warning-threat/>

#### **The Islamic State After the “Caliphate”: Still Remaining and Expanding**

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## TERRORISM AROUND THE WORLD

### **Somalia's Latest Battles Against Al-Shabaab**

*International Crisis Group: 24 March 2023*

Omar Mahmood, Crisis Group's Somalia expert, discusses the Somali army's latest offensive, together with clan militias, against Al-Shabaab's Islamist insurgency.

<https://www.crisisgroup.org/africa/horn-africa/somalia/somalias-latest-battles-against-al-shabaab>

### **Nearly 600 Former Boko Haram Militants Graduate From Nigeria Rehab**

*Timothy Obiezu – Voice of America: 27 March 2023*

Nigerian authorities say a rehabilitation program for former Boko Haram fighters is helping weaken the group's fighting power. Nearly 600 recent graduates tendered a public apology for their actions. Authorities say they will be reintegrated into society, but experts warn of possible relapse.

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*Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime: 29 March 2023*

The risks of human trafficking were quickly flagged by many in the international community in the wake of Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine.

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<https://iwpr.net/global-voices/ukraine-prosecuting-crime-genocide>

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*Voice of America: 24 March 2023*

Russia's military training instructors have largely been deployed in Ukraine, according to Britain's Defense Ministry.

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<https://apnews.com/article/ukraine-zelenskyy-russia-putin-bakhmut-2334ec3a5b74d3cc3c4e012d-b71920e5>

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