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Terrorism and Challenges of Counterterrorism and Counterintelligence in Africa

Terrorism has declined over the past few years compared to the beginning of the 21st century. Deaths from terrorism fell 38% from their peak in 2015.

The October 7, 2023, attack against Israel served as an awakening for the international community that the terror threat continues to be dire. These events should challenge the status-quo concept of measuring terrorism by the number of attacks and lead to broader criteria of indicators that include societal, political, military, economic, religious, demographic, and behavioral norms of state and non-state terror actors, both in dormant and active states.

International conflicts from sub-Saharan Africa to Tehran and the shores of Crimea play different and pivotal roles in the chameleon-like nature of terrorism and growing challenges to counterterrorism. Political turmoil provides fertile ground for state and non-state actors engaging in asymmetric warfare. Counterterrorism and counterintelligence play fundamental roles in countering the clandestine world of terrorism. This requires creative solutions to a familiar challenge. These developments raise the following questions:

- During the past few years, significant international interest has been in developing Africa on the economic and security fronts. Is there an optimistic projection for the future of economic and security stability in the continent?
- Could Qatari, Iranian, and Chinese presence play a role in developing or destabilizing the continent?"
- What counterterrorism and counterintelligence measures does Africa need to protect itself from a future of chaos and unrest?
- How can the international community assist their African counterparts to halt terror recruitment and attempts to exploit the continent's challenges to radicalize African populations?
- How can Western allies assist their African counterparts in defending the continent from jihadist covert action under the guise of charitable organizations?

Papers will appear in a special *Journal of Central and Eastern European African Studies* issue. Additionally, some papers may appear in the *International Journal of Intelligence and CounterIntelligence*.

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