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Lost in Syria's Black Hole for Doing Their Jobs



Since the early days of the March 2011 uprising, Syrian security forces have targeted medics and lawyers who helped those who were wounded or detained. They have targeted and tortured humanitarian aid workers and peaceful political activists. Syria remains one of the most dangerous places in the world for professional and citizen journalists.

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Bombs Strike School in Syria

A Syrian government airstrike using fuel-air explosive bombs hit outside a secondary school in the opposition-held city of Raqqa, killing at least 12 students attending their first day of classes.

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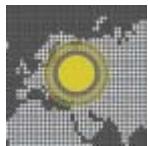
[Dispatches: Sudan Denies Killing Protesters](#)

by Jehanne Henry

In the lead story in yesterday's *Sudan Tribune*, President Omar al-Bashir [denied](#) that the government was involved in killing scores of mostly young people who participated in protests that raged across Sudan over the past week. Yet [evidence collected](#) by groups on the ground indicates otherwise.

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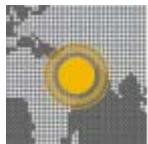


[Russia Should Drop Piracy Charges Against Greenpeace Activists](#)

Charging these activists with piracy is disproportionate and absurd. It appears to be aimed more at dissuading environmental activists from future protests against Russia's oil drilling projects in the Arctic than at holding anyone accountable for any actual infraction.

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[Dispatches: 3 Steps FIFA Can Take to Ensure Positive Legacy in Qatar](#)

by Nicholas McGeehan

FIFA's Executive Committee is meeting in Zurich today and tomorrow, and world football's governing body has much to discuss. UEFA President Michel Platini's has stated that he is "much more concerned" about the issue of migrant workers' rights in Qatar, host of the 2022 World Cup, than the ongoing debate over the proposed switch of the event from summer to winter. This is a welcome realignment of priorities.

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SYRIA MAP



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