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THE SSF MONTHLY REPORT ON HIGH-RISK COUNTRIES

Summary of alerts – Countries to monitor – Calendar

Focal points in July

Germany	Vehicle-ramming attack on Berlin Gay Pride (1 dead, 29 injured) 25/07, carried out by an individual identified by police as having links to "Islamist movement".
Europe	Season of large-scale wildfires , notably in France (massive fires in Gironde & Fontainebleau), Spain (state of emergency declared for wildfire in Ávila & Madrid; 13 fatalities in Los Gallardos), Greece (national red alert) and Portugal (on alert).
Persian Gulf	Renewed open conflict 7/07, with US air strikes in southern and south-western Iran (maritime areas around Strait of Hormuz) and Iranian retaliatory strikes against US interests, mainly in Bahrain, Jordan, Iraq and Kuwait . Unprecedented drone strikes in port of Damietta (Egypt) 29/07. Renewed tension between Yemeni Houthis and Saudi Arabia , targeted by several attacks (Abha, Jizan & Yanbu 13/07 to 25/07).
Japan	Kumamoto Region (Kyushu Island) struck by earthquake measuring 7.1 , causing at least 36 dead and widespread damage 28/07. Tsunami warning lifted.
Mali	GSIM and ALF launched offensive 4/07, simultaneously targeting Gao, Sévaré, Konna and Kénieïroba prison, with particular focus on Anéfis (Kidal Region), recaptured by Malian army 13/07 (30 dead). Ongoing fighting throughout month.
Syria	At least 10 people killed in a bomb attack in a cafe in the centre of Damascus 2/07, and 36 people injured in another bombing 7/07.



Decline

- Saudi Arabia
- Qatar
- Bahrain
- United Arab Emirates
- Kuwait
- Nigeria (extension of the red zone to the west, into the states of Kwara and Oyo)
- Oman
- Qatar

Pakistan (KP, Baloutchistan)

Nicaragua
Tunisia

Improvement

None

- Eritrea (Nefasit Corridor in Massaoua)

Countries to monitor in August



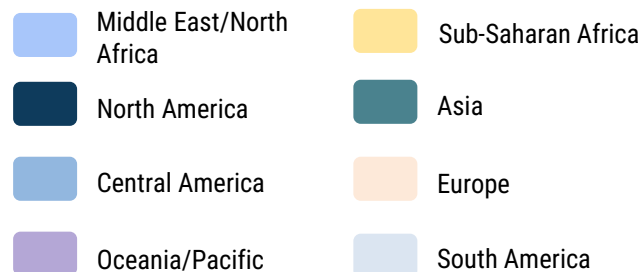
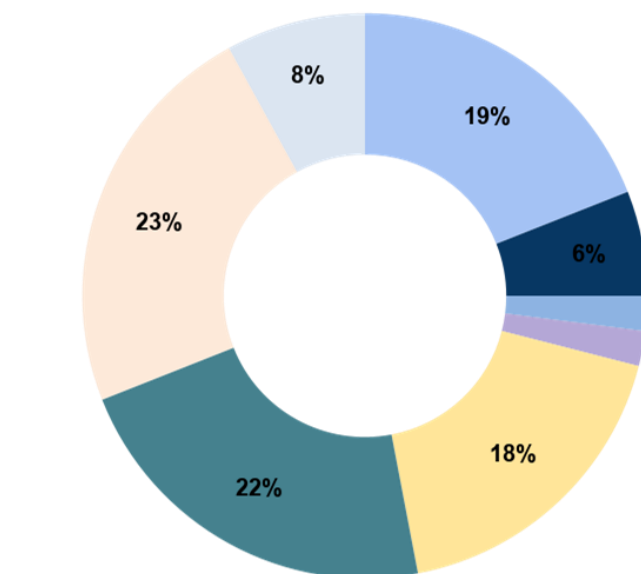
Italy	4 to 6 August: further talks between Israel and Lebanon to take place in Rome under US mediation. Increased security expected around official venues, with possible disruption.
Colombia	7 August: inauguration ceremony for Abelardo de la Espriella as the country's 38th president, amid tension marked by an alleged assassination plot attributed to ELN/FARC dissidents 20 July, recent bomb attacks targeting a parliamentary supporter of the president-elect in Cúcuta (28–29 July), and a truck bomb attack outside the Norte de Santander police headquarters (10 people injured 1 August) – Increased security to be expected.
Afghanistan	15 August: 5th anniversary of the capture of Kabul and the Taliban's return to power (2021).
Ukraine	24 August: Independence Day – Ceremonies to be expected in major cities amidst the war with Russia, with July having been marked by massive, deep-strike Russian attacks on cities and logistics infrastructure, including Kyiv (at least 30 casualties 1–2 July, 18 casualties 5–6 July, 10 killed 24 July), and the dismissal of the defence minister 15 July (demonstrations and political crisis).
Middle East – North Africa	25 to 26 August: Mawlid (Prophet Muhammad's Birthday) – Large crowds expected around places of worship, with increased security and localised disruption to be expected.
United Kingdom	30 & 31 August: Notting Hill Carnival– Security reinforcements and disruption should be expected due to large crowds .

Summary of alerts

+ 1,034 alerts
+ 81 classified critical or urgent

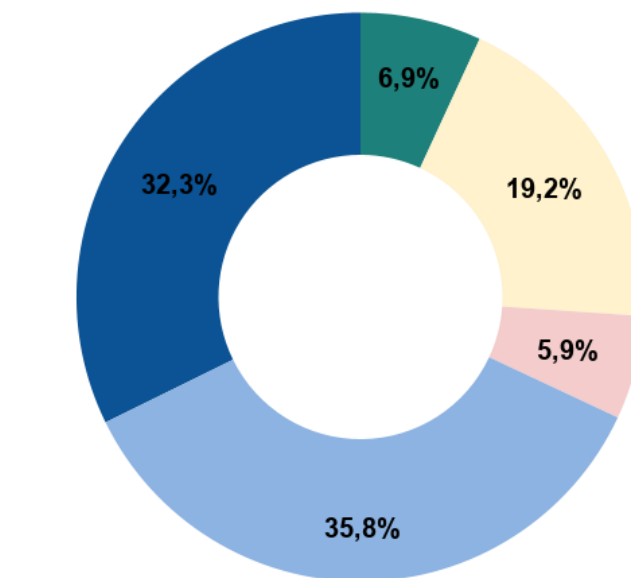
In July 2026, SSF issued a total of **1,034 safety-security alerts** concerning all kinds of risks in order to inform its customers of the latest events likely to have an impact on their interests and the safety or security of their employees throughout the world. The alerts covered **132 countries**.

Geographic Distribution

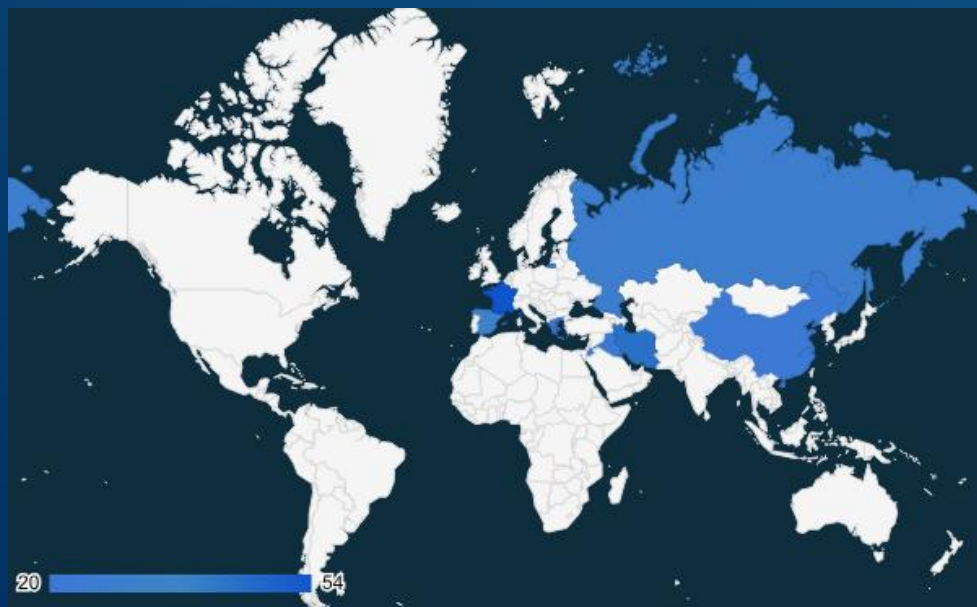


81 of the alerts **were classified as either critical or urgent**, which specifically activate our **24-hour Security Operations Centre (SOC)**, notably with regards to **la Syria** (bombing in Damascus 2 July), **Thailand** (fire resulting in loss of life in a Bangkok restaurant 12 July) and **Mexico** (offshore earthquake measuring 7.3 in Chiapas 17 July).

Type of Risk



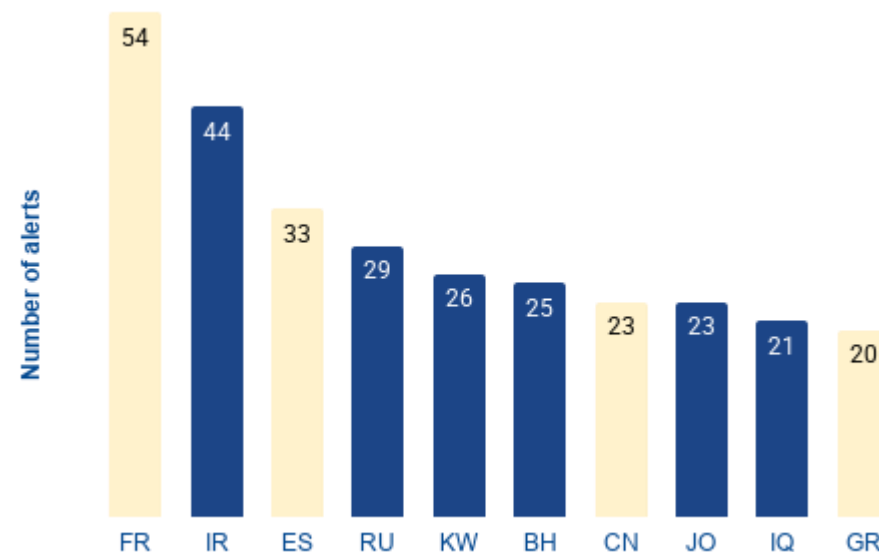
10 countries to monitor



The countries that accounted for the highest number of alerts sent by SSF in July 2026 are **France, Iran, Spain, Russia, Kuwait, Bahrain, China, Jordan, Iraq and Greece**.

In total, these 10 countries generated **298 safety-security alerts**, representing **28%** of all the alerts sent over the last month.

Countries engaged in long-term warfare or with extremely high levels of insecurity in general (Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, Yemen, Somalia, Sudan and Ukraine) have been deliberately excluded from the list.



Number of alerts issued in July 2026 and main risk factor according to country





Events to look out for in August

Regional Calendar

Africa



1 August

Benin: Independence Day (1960) – Military parade and ceremonies likely.

2 August

Democratic Republic of the Congo: national commemoration of the Congolese genocide (GenoCost) with a gathering scheduled in Kinshasa – Security reinforcements and similar rallies should be expected across the country.

3 August

Equatorial Guinea: anniversary of the 1979 coup and Armed Forces Day.

Niger: Independence Day (1960).

5 August

Burkina Faso: Independence Day – Security reinforcements should be expected.

Nigeria: nationwide “Festival of the Oppressed” demonstration organised by the “Take It Back” movement – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected, risk of tension.

6 August

Ghana: political activists’ demonstration in Accra and potentially other cities – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected, risk of clashes.

7 August

Côte d’Ivoire: Independence Day (1960) – Security reinforcements to be expected.

Kenya/Tanzania: anniversary of the anti-American attacks on the US embassies in Nairobi and Dar es-Salaam (1998) – Commemorations likely.

8 August

South Africa: demonstrations organised by more than 60 civil society groups and local organisations – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected, risk of tension.

9 & 10 August

South Africa: National Women’s Day (Sunday, public holiday observed Monday) – Rallies and demonstrations concerning women’s rights to be expected.

11 August

Chad: Independence Day (1960) – Celebrations and security reinforcements to be expected.

12 August

Zimbabwe: Heroes’ Day.

13 August

Burkina Faso: anniversary of the bombing of the Istanbul restaurant in Ouagadougou (2017) – Commemorations likely.

Central African Republic: Independence Day (1960) – Security reinforcements to be expected.

Zambia: general elections – Political rallies, increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

Zimbabwe: Defence Forces Day – Ceremonies should be expected.

14 August

Cameroon/Nigeria: anniversary of the retrocession of the Bakassi Peninsula to Cameroon (2008) – Risk of attacks by Nigerian rebels.

15 August

Congo: Independence Day (1960).

16 August

South Africa: 14th anniversary of the Marikana massacre – Commemorations likely.

South Africa: 46th Southern African Development Community (SADC) Summit in Durban – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

17 August

Gabon: Independence Day (1960).

26 August

Namibia: Heroes' Day – Celebrations in Windhoek should not be ruled out.

27 August

Gabon : 10th anniversary of the 2016 presidential election contested by the opposition – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

30 August

Guinea-Bissau: national constitutional referendum – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

The Americas



1 August

Argentina: anniversary of the disappearance of activist Santiago Maldonado (2017) – Remembrance ceremonies likely.

Brazil: National Congress of the Workers' Party (PT) in São Paulo to formally announce Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva's candidacy for the presidential election – Gatherings of party supporters and possible pro- and anti-Lula demonstrations expected around the venue.

Canada: Emancipation Day, marking the 1834 introduction of the law abolishing lavery in the British Empire.

3 August

Barbados: Grand Kadooment Day, celebrating the end of the annual harvest – Festivities and parades should be expected, especially in Bridgetown.

Honduras: former President Juan Orlando Hernández to appear before a judge in Tegucigalpa over alleged corruption charges – Increased security and rallies by supporters or opponents possible around the courthouse.

4 August

Venezuela: demonstration in Caracas against US foreign policy – Increased security, localised transport disruption and risk of clashes expected.

6 August

Bolivia: Independence Day, obtained in 1825 (Fatherland Day) – Anti-government demonstrations possible in view of socio-political tension.

Jamaica: Independence Day (1962) – Celebrations likely.

7 August

Bolivia: anniversary of the creation of the armed forces (1825).

Colombia: inauguration ceremony for Abelo de la Espriella as the country's 38th president – Increased security to be expected amid political and security tension.

8 August

United States: National Day of Action for the release of people detained by ICE – Demonstrations expected in several cities, with increased security and localised disruption to be expected, risk of tensions.

9 August

Brazil: International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples.

United States: anniversary of the death of African-American man Michael Brown at the time of his arrest (2014) – Demonstrations likely across the country, particularly in St. Louis.

10 August

Ecuador: National Day, celebrating the country's declaration of independence (1809) – Celebrations likely.

11 August

United States: anniversary of the Watts race riots in Los Angeles – Commemorations and increased security should be expected.

13 August

Cuba: 100th anniversary of the birth of Fidel Castro – Commemorations should be expected.

19 August

Canada: 50% US tariffs on a range of Canadian products set to come into force – Trade disruption should be expected, with economic tensions not to be ruled out.

29 August

Colombia: anniversary of the peace agreement between the government and the FARC guerrilla (2016).

United States: anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, which claimed more than 1,800 lives in the south of the country – Ceremonies to be expected.

31 August

Trinidad and Tobago: Independence Day (1962) – Festivities should be expected.

Asia - Pacific



28 July - 3 August

India: Naxalite Martyrs' Week – Rallies and violent incidents possible in states under Naxalite influence.

2 August

Maldives: Independence Day celebrations likely – Security reinforcements, disruption and traffic restrictions for the official parade in Male should be expected.

4 August

India: transport operators' demonstration in New Delhi – Increased security, localised traffic disruption and risk of clashes expected.

5 to 14 August

Taiwan: annual large-scale military exercises – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

5 August

Bangladesh : 2nd anniversary of the ousting of former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina – Security reinforcements should be expected, risk of unrest.

India: West Bengal Pradesh Congress rally in Kolkata – Increased security, localised traffic disruption and risk of clashes expected.

Pakistan: nationwide Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) opposition demonstrations in support of Imran Khan – Increased security, localised disruption and risk of unrest expected.

6 & 9 August

Japan: anniversary of the dropping of atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki (1945), Nagasaki Peace Memorial Ceremony 9 August – Pacifist demonstrations possible especially in the vicinity of the US Embassy and nationwide.

7-16 August

Philippines: annual Kadayawan Festival in Davao – Disruption should be expected.

8 August

Myanmar: anniversary of the 1988 student uprising – Demonstrations possible.

9 August

Singapore: National Day.

11-12 August

Thailand: 10th anniversary of the series of explosions that targeted popular tourist destinations, namely Hua Hin and Phuket (2016).

11 August

India: anniversary of the death of separatist leader, Sheikh Abdul Aziz (2008) – Violence possible in the state of Jammu and Kashmir.

12 August

Australia: preliminary hearing in the trial of Naveed Akram, accused of the Bondi antisemitic attack in Sydney – Increased security, tensions should not be ruled out.

China: anniversary of the Tianjin disaster (2015).

Cook Islands: legislative elections – Increased security expected.

14 August

Pakistan: Independence Day (1947) – Security reinforcements, notably in Islamabad, risk of attacks.

15 August

Bangladesh: anniversary of the death of the founding father of Bangladesh, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman (1975).

India: Independence Day (1947) – Security stepped up, risk of attacks.

India: Parsi New Year (Navroz) – Celebrations should be expected.

Japan/South Korea/China: anniversary of Japan's surrender in 1945 – Anti-Japanese demonstrations likely.

17 to 28 August

Mongolia: COP17 of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Ulaanbaatar – Increased security and large crowds are expected.

17 August

Bangladesh: anniversary of the 2005 wave of Islamist terrorist attacks.

Indonesia: Independence Day (1945) with the ceremony likely to be held in the future capital, Nusantara – Security reinforcements and disruption should be expected.

Thailand: anniversary of the 2015 Bangkok bombing.

19 August

Myanmar: anniversary of the start of the 2007 demonstrations.

21 August

Philippines : anniversary of the assassination of opponent, Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino (1983) – Demonstrations in Manila should not be ruled out.

23 August

Kazakhstan: legislative elections – Increased security, risk of demonstrations and tension.

25 August

North Korea: Day of Songun.

26 August

Pakistan: anniversary of the death of Baloch tribal chief, Nawab Akbar Bugti (2006) – Commemorations, even attacks, possible.

Papua New Guinea: Repentance Day – Disruption and ceremonies to be expected on the occasion of the public holiday.

30 August to 4 September

Palau: 55th Pacific Islands Forum Summit – Increased security.

30 August–1 September

Kyrgyzstan: Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit in Bishkek – Increased security, heightened official presence and localised traffic disruption expected around summit venues.

31 August

Kyrgyzstan: Independence Day (1991).

Malaysia: Independence Day (1957).

Europe

17 July-30 August

Austria: Salzburg Festival – Large crowds and disruption likely.

25 July-8 August

Netherlands: WorldPride Amsterdam 2026 / Amsterdam Pride Parade – A large international turnout is expected in the capital. Increased security, traffic restrictions and possible disruption to public transport.

26 July-6 August

Italy: Jubilee of Youth, large international gathering of young Catholics in Rome.

1 August

Europe: anniversary of the Helsinki Final Act (1975), the founding agreement of the process that led to the creation of the OSCE.

Italy: anniversary of the terrorist attack in Bologna in 1980, in which 85 people were killed – Commemorative procession and disruption should be expected.

Poland: anniversary of the Warsaw Uprising against Nazi occupation – Commemorations should be expected.

2 August

North Macedonia: Republic Day – Nationalist rallies should not be ruled out.

Russia: Airborne Forces Day – Rallies and disruption to be expected, especially in Moscow.

4-6 August

Italy: further talks between Israel and Lebanon to take place in Rome under US mediation. Increased security expected around official venues, with possible disruption.

4 August

Croatia/Serbia: anniversary of Operation Storm, launched by the Croatian forces against Serb separatists in 1995 – Commemorations possible.

United Kingdom: pro-Venezuela demonstration outside the Bank of England in London – Increased security and possible localised traffic disruption.

Spain: indefinite ground handling staff strike at Barcelona-El Prat Airport – Flight disruption, delays and increased security expected.

5 August

Croatia: anniversary of the War of Independence – Commemorations should be expected.

United Kingdom: pro-Imran Khan demonstrations in several cities – Increased security, localised traffic disruption and risk of clashes expected.

7-9 August

United Kingdom: MotoGP World Championship-British Grand Prix at Silverstone – Increased security and large crowds are expected.



7-15 August

Hungary: Sziget Festival in Budapest, one of Europe's largest open-air music festivals – Increased security and large crowds expected.

7-31 August

United Kingdom: Edinburgh Festival Fringe – Disruption should be expected.

7 August

Georgia: anniversary of the start of the conflict with Russia over the control of South Ossetia (2008) – Ceremonies likely in Tbilisi.

Kosovo: deadline for the first parliamentary session since the announcement of the snap parliamentary election results – Increased security, risk of demonstrations and tension.

8 August

United Kingdom: anti-immigration demonstration and anti-fascist counter-demonstration in Bristol – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected, risk of tensions and clashes.

United Kingdom: Patriotic Alternative demonstration in Tamworth – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected, risk of tension.

10–16 August

United Kingdom: 2026 European Athletics Championships in Birmingham – Increased security, large crowds and localised transport disruption expected, particularly around competition venues.

11–14 August

Russia: International Military-Technical Forum “Army 2026” in Kubinka (Moscow Region) – Increased security, heightened military presence and localised disruptions expected around the event venue.

13 August

United Kingdom: Clacton-on-Sea by-election with Reform UK leader Nigel Farage standing as a candidate – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected, risk of tension.

14 August

Italy: anniversary of the collapse of the Ponte Morandi (2018) – Commemorations likely in Genoa.

United Kingdom (Northern Ireland): anniversary of the deployment of British troops in Ulster (1969) – Rallies possible.

15 August

France: anniversary of the Provence landings – Commemorations should be expected.

Liechtenstein: National Day.

Poland: consecration of a giant statue of the Virgin Mary in Konotopie – Celebrations and large crowds are expected.

United Kingdom: Victory over Japan (VJ) Day

16 August

Cyprus: Independence Day.

17 August

Germany: anniversary of the death of Rudolf Hess (1894-1987) – Risk of demonstrations among neo-Nazi groups around the date.

Spain: anniversary of the Catalonia terrorist attacks (2017) – Commemorations expected.

19 August

Spain: 90th anniversary of the death of Federico García Lorca, executed by Francoist forces in Granada – Commemorations are expected, gatherings not to be ruled out.

20 August

Russia: anniversary of the poisoning of opponent Alexei Navalny, who died in February 2024 – Demonstrations among his supporters should be expected.

Russia: Russian-Kazakh Interregional Cooperation Forum in Omsk – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

21 August

Czech Republic: anniversary of the crackdown on the “Prague Spring” (1968).

22 August-13 September

Spain: Tour of Spain – Increased security and disruption should be expected along the whole route.

22 August

Germany: anniversary of xenophobic rioting in Rostock (1992).

San Marino: Pope to visit San Marino and Rimini – Increased security and large crowds are expected.

23 August

Sweden : large-scale climate demonstration in Stockholm ahead of the 13 September general elections – Large crowds, increased security and localised transport disruption should be expected.

24 August

Ukraine : Independence Day – Ceremonies likely in major cities, amid war with Russia.

25 August

Italy: 10th anniversary of the powerful earthquake that struck the Alta Valle del Tronto (2016), leaving more than 300 people dead – Commemorations likely.

Serbia: anniversary of the murder of President Ivan Stambolic.

27 August

Moldova: Independence Day (1991) – Celebrations and security reinforcements likely.

29 August

Iceland: referendum on the resumption of European Union accession negotiations.

30 & 31 August

United Kingdom: Notting Hill Carnival– Security reinforcements and large crowds should be expected.

30 August

Russia: Republic Day of Tatarstan – Celebrations and large crowds are expected in Kazan.



Middle East – North Africa

Continuing in August

Israel/Lebanon/Iran/Gulf: security situation remains volatile with potential for short-notice escalation, aviation disruption and maritime impacts.

1 August

Lebanon: Armed Forces Day.

2 August

Kuwait: anniversary of the start of the occupation of Kuwait by the Iraqi troops (1990).

4 August

Lebanon: anniversary of the explosion in the Port of Beirut (2020) - Mass anti-government demonstrations to be expected, amid a poor political and security situation.

14 August

Egypt: anniversary of the violent crackdown on sit-ins staged on al-Adawiya Square and al-Nahda Square in Cairo Caire (2013) – Demonstrations possible.

Türkiye: anniversary of the creation of the ruling party (AKP, 2001) – Celebrations to be expected.

15 August

Afghanistan : 5th anniversary of the capture of Kabul and the Taliban's return to power (2021).

Türkiye: anniversary of the start of the Kurdish insurgency (1984) – Demonstrations likely, violence should not be ruled out, despite current PKK disarmament process.

19 August

Afghanistan : Independence Day (1919) – Security reinforcements to be expected in Kabul, including a risk of attacks.

20 August

Morocco: anniversary of the Revolution of the King and the People.

Türkiye: anniversary of a terrorist attack on a wedding in Gaziantep (2016) – Commemorations possible.

21 August

Morocco: Youth Day and the birthday of King Mohammed VI.

25–26 August

Several countries in the Middle East and North Africa: Mawlid (Prophet Muhammad's Birthday) – Large crowds expected around places of worship, with increased security and localised disruption to be expected.

30 August

Türkiye: Victory Day (Zafer Bayramı) – Official ceremonies, gatherings, increased security and localised traffic disruption to be expected.

World



9 August

World: International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples.

12 August

World: International Youth Day – Demonstrations possible.

21 August

World: International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism – Commemorations likely.

23 August

World: International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition.

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