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"We are asking to leave this country even if we have to walk. If there is security for a convoy, none of us wants to stay." - Mahamate Anker told Reuters at the camp for displaced Muslims in Bangui where she is currently taking refuge

Central African Republic

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Ethnic cleansing of Muslims: Amnesty International

- Citing the fact that entire Muslim communities have been forced to flee and hundreds of Muslim civilians have been killed, Amnesty is reporting that the violence against Muslims in Central African Republic amounts to ethnic cleansing.

- Source: Amnesty International

<http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/AFR19/004/2014/en>

Mass grave discovered in Bangui

- Peacekeepers uncovered a mass grave in Bangui at a military camp occupied by Seleka rebels.
- Witnesses say at least 12 bodies were recovered from the mass grave, and the Red Cross removed the bodies found.

- Source: Reuters

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/12/us-central-african-idUSBREA1B1PF20140212>

EU peacekeepers to establish safe haven in Bangui

- The EU will send a 500 member peacekeeping force to Bangui with a focus of creating a safe haven in part of the city of Bangui.
- The peacekeepers are expected to arrive in March.
- France has also agreed to send more troops to CAR.

- Source: Reuters

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/02/13/us-centralafrican-eu-idUSBREA1C1SX20140213>

CAR militia leaders arrested

- A disarmament effort on February 15 led to arrests of several militia leaders.
- Amongst those arrested included leaders of the Christian anti-Balaka militia.
- Source: Washington Post

http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/africa/central-african-republic-militia-leaders-arrested/2014/02/16/0186bcc-9736-11e3-ae45-458927ccedb6_story.html