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“The Shura Mujahideen has now decided not to tolerate this aggression any more and has opted to fight and defend Waziristan,”

–Taliban pamphlet distributed in North Waziristan

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Pakistan court acquits banned outfit leader

- An anti-terror court acquitted Malik Ishaq, the leader of Lashkar-e-Jhangvi (LeJ), a banned Pakistani sectarian militant outfit, of inciting violence through his hate speeches, due to lack of evidence.
- LeJ was banned in 2011 but operates openly. It targets Shias and likely has ties to the Taliban and Al-Qaeda.
- Source: Business Standard

http://www.business-standard.com/article/pti-stories/pakistan-court-acquits-banned-outfit-leader-114052901846_1.html

Pakistan Taliban faction revokes peace pact

- A major Taliban faction in the tribal North Waziristan region has revoked a peace accord with the government, after more than 100 rebel fighters were killed in a military offensive.
- The Taliban has asked locals to either join them or migrate to Afghanistan. Most have taken refuge in relatives' homes instead of the government camps, for cultural reasons.
- Source: Al Jazeera

<http://www.aljazeera.com/news/asia/2014/06/pakistan-taliban-faction-revokes-peace-pact-201465103046107353.html>

Pakistan kills 30 militants in Baluchistan: minister

- Paramilitary forces reportedly killed at least 30 separatist rebels in Baluchistan.
- The separatist conflict was revived in 2004. Nationalists seek to stop alleged exploitation of the region's natural resources and rights abuses.
- Source: Daily Star

<http://www.dailystar.com.lb/News/International/2014/Jun-05/259009-pakistan-kills-30-militants-in-baluchistan-minister.ashx#axzz33rjiXjQz>

Pakistan launches airstrikes on Afghanistan after Taliban attack

- Taliban fighters attacked Pakistani military posts along the Afghan border, sparking an hours-long gun battle and airstrikes into Afghanistan. 16 militants and five civilians were allegedly killed.
- Militants from both countries have routinely launched cross-border attacks.
- Source: Salt Lake Tribune

<http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/world/58012654-68/pakistan-afghanistan-pakistani-border.html.csp>