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**Counter Boko Haram SVTC Readout**

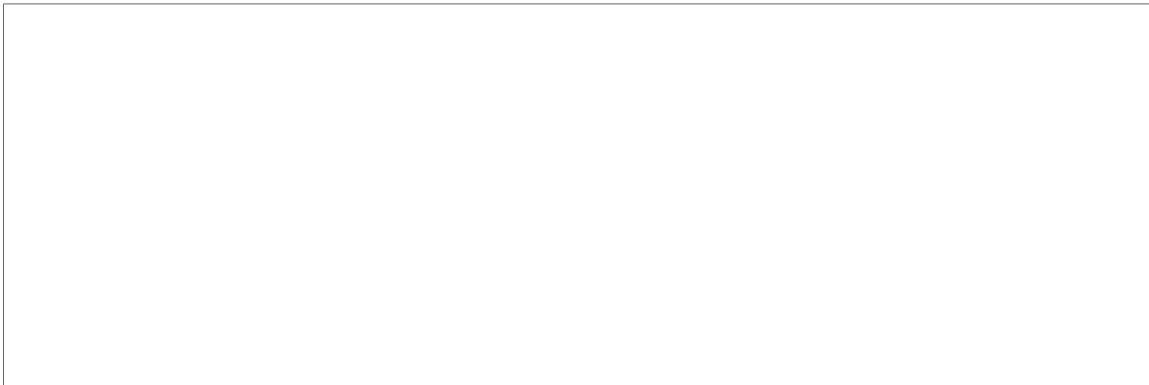
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Introduction from Senior Coordinator on Boko Haram

- Second P3 Capitals Senior working level dialogue was held on Friday 23 October, and was a productive discussion
  - Various high level visits:
    - Buhari and Deby were in Paris
      - Of note, Buhari mentioned potential for dialogue with BH and potential for amnesty during a media appearance
      - Deby was upbeat about the MNJTF but less optimistic about the Nigerian military
    - UK Chief of Defense Staff was in Nigeria
    - General Rodriguez trip to Nigeria, Niger and Cameroon
  - Agreement that Buhari is saying all the right things
  - UK and France have not received a new wishlist from the Nigerians, so they are still operating on the list that was distributed to the G7 this summer
  - P3 agreed that Nigerian December deadline to defeat BH is unrealistic and perhaps dangerous
  - UK is looking to establish some type of presence in Maiduguri
  - The UK said that ONSA will chair two committees
    - Defense procurement corruption
    - Human rights abuses
  - Agreement that Nigeria needs to provide public security and justice as first steps in stabilization
  - Discussed lack of defections policy in Nigeria and LCB countries, and how P3 can support
  - UK has also heard about Nigerian Operation Safe Corridor, but was also somewhat unclear exactly what it entails and how P3 can support
  - Discussed what operationalization of the MNJTF really looks like in P3's view and how MNJTF members view it
    - French reiterated that CCL is not a permanent structure, but the MNJTF has not yet taken up the roles that the CCL is conducting
      - CCL is not ready to dissolve or be folded into the MNJTF
  - Discussion of humanitarian situation
    - Nigerians need to be in the lead on humanitarian assistance, but they seem somewhat tone deaf to this



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