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1. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION: [Whither the Free Syrian Navy?](#)

"It appears that coastal demographics are against the formation of a viable naval resistance. The most likely reason the rebels haven't had success is that the Alawite strongholds on the coast - those populations most likely to have some sort of fishing/sea-going experience - are aligned with the regime."

2. OTHER BLOGS (Rotating, based on relevant content)

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BUSINESS INSIDER: [The Military Asked ESPN For Help With Its Flood Of Drone Footage The F-35 Isn't Going Anywhere And The Pentagon Wants You To Know It \(LMT\)](#)
[There Was A Disturbing Spike In Sexual Assault Reports At Military Academies This Year](#)

CENTER FOR NEW AMERICAN SECURITY: [Obama in Hurry for Consultations with Park on N. Korea: Experts](#)

EAGLESPEAK: [Somali Pirates: NATO's Recent Updates](#)

FOREIGN POLICY: [Friends of Chuck: the case for Hagel begins; Why the QDR may be significant; and more](#)

LONG WAR JOURNAL: [Reports of Israeli drones operating in Azerbaijan spark Iranian condemnation, threats](#)

SECRECY NEWS (FEDERATION OF AMERICAN SCIENTISTS): [JASON on "Compressive Sensing" for DoD Sensors](#)

SLASHDOT: [Makerbot Cracks Down On 3D-Printable Gun Parts](#)

THOMAS P.M. BARNETT: [Shale gas revolution triggers FDI boom for US](#)

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