

## World News Connection (WNC)®

### FILE DESCRIPTION

**World News Connection (WNC)** offers an extensive array of translated and English-language news and information. Particularly effective in its coverage of local media sources from around the world, WNC provides users with the power to identify what really is happening in a specific country or region. Compiled from thousands of non-U.S. media sources, the information in WNC covers significant socioeconomic, political, scientific, technical, and environmental issues and events. Updated hourly, seven days a week, 52 weeks a year, the WNC file contains data back to 1995.

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### SUBJECT COVERAGE

**World News Connection (WNC)** information is compiled from thousands of non-U.S. media sources obtained from full text and summaries of hard copy and electronic newspaper articles and periodicals, conference proceedings, television and radio broadcasts, OSC analyses, blogs, and non-classified technical reports.

### TIPS

#### USE FILE 985

for news of significant issues and events from non-U.S. media sources.

#### USE JN=

to search for records by Journal Name

#### USE /GN or GN=

to search for news by Geographic Name

### DIALOG FILE DATA

Inclusive Dates: 1995 to the present

Update Frequency:

Multiple times per day 300 to 1,000 records per day average

File Size: 3,827,847 records as of March 2010

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## SAMPLE RECORD

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**AA=** 0284152119 GMP20090723825003  
**/TI** Saudi Health Ministry Argues Country Ready To Combat Swine Flu  
 During Pilgrimage. Report on interview with Saudi Health Ministry  
 Spokesman Khalid Marghalani by Amal Baqazi and Muhammad al-Ka'bi  
 in Jedda; date not given: "Saudi Health Ministry to Al-Sharq al-Awsat:  
 'There Will Be No Amendment of Preventive Plan for Pilgrimage Season;  
 It Stressed Saudi Readiness To Receive Pilgrims This Year, Face Up to  
 Swine Flu"

**JN** Al-Sharq al-Awsat Online  
**DY=, PD=** Friday , July 24, 2009 T15:18:28Z  
**JC=, LA=, RT=** Journal Code: 1431 Language: ENGLISH Record Type: FULLTEXT  
**DT=** Document Type: OSC Translated Text  
**WD=** Word Count: 1,238

Text:

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The Saudi Health Ministry has affirmed that it will not change the  
 recommendations made by the workshop that was held in Jedda recently  
 to face up to swine flu, all the more since changing them depends  
 on a change in the type of the virus. In this respect, there has not been  
 any change in the type of the virus, according to a statement made by Health  
 Ministry Spokesman Khalid Marghalani. In an interview accorded to Al-Sharq  
 al-Awsat, the latter stated: "There will be no change of the preventive plan  
 already made by the ministry, for the pilgrimage season." He stressed that  
 Saudi Arabia is completely ready to receive this year's pilgrims.

**/TX** Dr Khalid Marghalani told Al-Sharq al-Awsat that the plan already made for  
 the pilgrimage season provides for the need to focus on information  
 technology and on equipment to monitor and follow up cases of disease.  
 This equipment has been made available in sufficient quantities in the  
 country, including laboratory scanners, and all plants and health sectors  
 have been equipped and placed at the disposal of the ministry.

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(Description of Source: London Al-Sharq al-Awsat Online in Arabic -  
 Website of influential London-based pan-Arab Saudi daily; editorial line  
 reflects Saudi official stance. URL: <http://www.asharqalawsat.com/>)

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**CY=** CITY/SOURCE: London  
**UD=** DIALOG UPDATE DATE: 20090725; 12:51:44 EST  
**EN=, DE** EVENT NAMES: Health; International Political; Migration  
**GC=** GEOGRAPHIC CODES: SAU  
**/GN, GN=** GEOGRAPHIC NAMES: Saudi Arabia; Middle East  
**/CO, CO=** INFOSORT COMPANY NAMES: HEALTH  
**EN=, DE** INFOSORT EVENT NAMES: ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS; GOVERNMENT  
**/GN, GN=** INFOSORT GEOGRAPHIC NAMES: SAUDI ARABIA; MIDDLE EAST; (...)  
**/PN, PN=** INFOSORT INDUSTRY NAMES: HEALTH CARE SERVICES; FOOD; MEAT; (...)  
**NO=** NEWSEDGE DOCUMENT NUMBER: 200907241477.1\_5667019aaace8af7  
**OL=** ORIGINAL SOURCE LANGUAGE: Arabic  
**RG=** REGION: Middle East

## SEARCH OPTIONS

## BASIC INDEX

| SEARCH SUFFIX | DISPLAY CODE | FIELD NAME                     | INDEXING | SELECT EXAMPLES          |
|---------------|--------------|--------------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| —             | —            | All Basic Index Fields         | Word     | S SARS                   |
| /CO           | CO           | Company Name <sup>1</sup>      | Word     | S (WORLD(W)BANK)/GN      |
| /DE           | DE           | Event Name <sup>1,8</sup>      | Word     | S FORECASTS/DE           |
| /GN           | GN           | Geographic Name <sup>1,5</sup> | Word     | S ARABIAN(W)PENINSULA/GN |
| /LP, TX       | LP, TX       | Lead Paragraph                 | Word     | S UMRAH(W)PILGRIMS/LP    |
| /PN           | PN           | Industry Name                  | Word     | S AEROSPACE/PN           |
| /TI           | TI           | Title                          | Word     | S SARS(W)OUTBREAK/TI     |
| /TX           | TX           | Text                           | Word     | S UMRAH(S)VISAS?/TX      |

<sup>1</sup> Searchable in the Basic Index and in the Additional Indexes.

<sup>2</sup> The CY= field is the City/Source of the publication. Example, CY=ADDIS ABABA THE PRESS

<sup>3</sup> The WNC Insert Date is searchable as DA=, displayable as DR

<sup>4</sup> Expand JN= to display the list of Journal Names / sources

<sup>5</sup> Expand GN= to display geographic names.

<sup>6</sup> Source information includes Source Name, Publication Year and Publication Date

<sup>7</sup> RG= values have changed over time. RG= values in current use (since 2005) are AFRICA, AMERICAS, ANTARCTICA, ASIA, EURASIA, EUROPE, MIDDLE EAST, OCEANIA. Searches using RG=values not on this list may exclude newer records.

<sup>8</sup> Event Names are Word searchable with /DE and Phrase searchable with EN=.

## ADDITIONAL INDEXES

| SEARCH PREFIX | DISPLAY CODE | FIELD NAME                      | INDEXING | SELECT EXAMPLES                        |
|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------|----------|--|
| AA=           | AA           | AFS Document Number             | Phrase   | S AA=GMP20030424000114                 |
| —             | AZ           | DIALOG Accession Number         |          |  |
| CO=           | CO           | City/Source <sup>1</sup>        | Phrase   | S CO=WORLD BANK?                       |
| CY=           | CY           | City/Source <sup>2</sup>        | Phrase   | S CY=JEDDA ARAB NEWS?                  |
| DA=           | DR           | WNC Insert Date <sup>3</sup>    | Phrase   | S DA=20030425                          |
| DT=           | DT           | Document Type                   | Phrase   | S DT=NEWS                              |
| DY=           | DY           | Publication Day                 | Phrase   | S DY=THURSDAY                          |
| EN=           | EN           | Event Name <sup>8</sup>         | Phrase   | S EN=DOMESTIC POLITICAL                |
| GC=           | GC           | Geographic Name <sup>1,5</sup>  | Phrase   | S GC=SAU                               |
| GN=           | GN           | Geographic Name <sup>1,5</sup>  | Phrase   | S GN=ARABIAN PENINSULA                 |
| JC=           | JC           | Source Code                     | Phrase   | S JC=7543                              |
| JN=           | JN           | Source Name                     | Phrase   | S JN=ARAB NEWS                         |
| LA=           | LA           | Language                        | Phrase   | S LA=ENGLISH                           |
| MO=           | MO           | Publication Month               | Phrase   | S MO=APRIL                             |
| NO=           | NO           | NewsEdge Document Number        | Phrase   | S NO="200304251477.1 dbaf0010be7ed967" |
| NO=           | NO           | Supplier Document Number        | Phrase   | S NO=FBIS-CHI-2003-0424                |
| NO=           | NO           | WNC Document Number             | Phrase   | S NO=0hdwgz300ih50x                    |
| OL=           | OL           | Original Source Language        | Phrase   | S OL=ENGLISH                           |
| PD=           | PD           | Publication Date                | Phrase   | S PD=20030424                          |
| PN=           | PN           | Industry Name                   | Phrase   | S PN=AEROSPACE?                        |
| PY=           | PY           | Publication Year                | Phrase   | S PY=2003                              |
| RG=           | RG           | Region <sup>7</sup>             | Phrase   | S RG=CHINA                             |
| RT=           | RT           | Record Type                     | Phrase   | S RT=FULLTEXT                          |
| —             | SO           | Source Information <sup>6</sup> |          |  |
| UD=           | —            | Update                          | Phrase   | S UD=20030425                          |
| WD=           | WD           | Word Count                      | Numeric  | S WD>=500                              |

**SPECIAL FEATURES**

For command descriptions, enter HELP LIMIT, HELP SORT, HELP RANK, HELP DUP, HELP CURRENT online.

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|----------------|--|---|
| <b>LIMIT</b>   | / -- DIALOG Accession Number<br>/ENG -- English<br>/FULLTEXT -- Fulltext<br>/LONG -- Word Count of 1,000 words or more<br>/SHORT -- Word Count of less than 1,000 words<br>/YYYY -- Publication Year | S S3/0005123-9999999<br>S S2/ENG<br>S S2/FULLTEXT<br>S S3/LONG<br>S S4/SHORT<br>S S2/2003 |
| <b>SORT</b>    | <b>AA, DA, JN, PD, PY, RG, TI</b>  | SORT S1/ALL/TI  |
| <b>RANK</b>    | All phrase- and numeric-indexed fields in the Additional Indexes can be ranked. Other RANK codes include: CO, EN, GC, GN, JC, JN, OL, PN   | RANK JN S3  |
| <b>RD, ID</b>  | Remove duplicates (RD) or identify duplicates (ID,IDO).  | RD S5   |
| <b>CURRENT</b> | Search only the most recent year plus one (CURRENT1) to five (CURRENT5) years.   | B 985 CURRENT2  |

**PREDEFINED FORMAT OPTIONS**

| NO. | DIALOGWEB FORMAT | RECORD CONTENT  |
|-----|------------------|---|
| 1   | --               | DIALOG Accession Number   |
| 2   | --               | Full Record except Text   |
| 3   | Medium           | Bibliographic Citation  |
| 4   | --               | Bibliographic Citation, Lead Paragraph, and Word Count  |
| 5   | --               | Bibliographic Citation, Indexing, Lead Paragraph, and Word Count                              |
| 6   | Short            | Title, Publication Date, and Word Count   |
| 7   | Long             | Full Record except Indexing   |
| 8   | Free             | Title, Publication Date, Word Count, and Indexing   |
| 9   | Full             | Full Record   |
| K   | --               | KWIC (Key Word In Context) displays a window of text; may be used alone or with other formats |

**OTHER OUTPUT OPTIONS**

For an explanation, enter HELP TYPE, HELP UDF, HELP TAG online.

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|-----------------------------|---|--|
| <b>USER DEFINED FORMATS</b> | User-defined formats may be specified using the display codes indicated in the Search Options tables. | TYPE S3/TI,PD/1-5  |
| <b>TAG</b>                  | Output can be displayed with tags identifying each display codes.                                     | TYPE S2/3/1-5 TAG  |
| <b>DIRECT RECORD ACCESS</b> | DIALOG Accession Number   | TYPE 0003674/5<br>DISPLAY 0074483/TI,LP<br>PRINT 0301964/5 |

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See HELP FIELDS 985 for searchable fields; HELP FORMAT 985 for output formats; HELP LIMIT 985 for limits; HELP RATES 985 for cost information; HELP SORT 985 for sorts.