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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Highlights

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United States Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton traveled to Tripoli and met with members of Libya's National Transitional Council (NTC). One topic on the agenda was how the US could help Libya with long-term plans that will help facilitate recovery. "I am proud to stand here on the soil of a free Libya," Clinton told leaders of the interim government. "This is Libya's moment. This is Libya's victory and the future belongs to you." (Washington Post)

Some other objectives of her visit included the recovery and destruction of conventional weapons and funding for long-term treatment for the estimated 15,000 Libyans wounded during the conflict. Libya's infrastructure was at best weak before the start of the conflict and in many places has been completely devastated and Libya is ill equipped to deal with the physical ramifications of the wounded. In order to help these Libyans the infrastructure will have to be completely reinvented. Already, critically ill or wounded fighters and civilians have been sent to other countries to receive critical treatment, the delay in receiving treatment and the stress of being away from home, hinder the recovery of some. Leaving Libya to seek private treatment is not an option for most Libyans that have been with our steady income since February 2011 so any treatment they received outside Libya has to be funded by third parties.

The lack of medical supplies and staff on the front lines, has caused an excess amount of amputations. Other areas of concern include: burn victims, victims of celebratory gunfire, rape, torture and land mines, all of these can cause physical and mental disabilities. There has to be easy access, in Libya, to rehabilitation, artificial limbs, reconstructive surgery, physical therapy, treatment of long term disability income and psychological treatment for these wounded; which includes women and children. There has to be job training, skills training including trade jobs and language skills, disabled access in public facilities.

Additional News

- The whereabouts of Maummer Gaddafi still unknown [Article](#)
- Fighting continues for the city of Sirte, Libya; NATO continues to support the mission [Article](#) ; [Article2](#)
- Pro-Democracy forces in Bani Walid search the city and underground tunnels in the city for arms and high level Gaddafi Loyalists including Saif al-Islam Gaddafi [Article](#)
- Bangladeshi children caught in the fighting in Sirte were rescued by pro-Democracy fighters [Article](#)

- The US ruled out using a cyberattack to disable the Gaddafi regime missile batteries [Article](#)
- NTC faces scrutiny into the handling of finances thus far as NTC promotes transparency [Article](#)
- Wintershall started oil production in Libya [Article](#)
- Libya and Tunisia discuss reconstruction [Article](#)
- OMV could send expat staff back to Libya as early as next month [Article](#)
- REPOSL investigates conflict and looting damage to their oil field in Libya [Article](#)
- Senator Johan McCain urge more US help for Libya's wounded [Article](#)
- IEA's Birol says oil investment of \$10 trillion needed over 2011-2035 to restore pre-war oil production [Article](#)

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Libya

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