TERROR IN THE SINAI

- The Sinai has become a key launching pad for militant attacks.
- Attacks are becoming more sophisticated and organized.
- Militants are increasingly targeting the Egyptian mainland.
- Al-Qaeda ideology is making inroads into the peninsula.
- Foreign militants and weapons have been entering the Sinai.

Weapons in the Sinai:
- Anti-aircraft missiles
- Shoulder-launched missiles
- Anti-tank guided missiles
- Long-range rockets
- Sniper support weapons
- Sniper rifles

Increase in attacks:
- Jan – Mar 2013: 41
- July 2013: 0
- Jan – Mar 2014: 6

Al-Qaeda-style tactics:
- In 2013, armed groups shifted from shootings to bombings.

Bombings:
- In 2013: 18% of attacks.
- Jan – Mar 2014: 60% of attacks.

Threat to Israel:
- Mujahideen Shura Council in the environs of Jerusalem.

"Jihad for the sake of Allah against the criminal Jews is an obligation. Let the Jews know that... what is coming is worst and more bitter by the willing of Allah."

Bedouin-Jihadist Ties:
- Government failure to address Bedouin grievances.

Militant Groups:
- Recruitment of Bedouins into militant groups.
- Long-range rockets.
- Shoulder-launched missiles.
- Long-range drones.
- Sniper support weapons.

Major Army Operations:
- Mortar attacks.
- Ground operations.
- Airstrikes.

Attack Locations:
- Increasingly targeting mainland Egypt.

Attacks:
- In Cairo, 2013: 2%, 2014: 20%.
- In the Sinai, 2013: 87%, 2014: 54%.

Mujahideen Shura Council in the environs of Jerusalem:
- Bedouin youth.
- Bedouin groups.
- Jihadist networks.

Recruitment of Bedouins into militant groups:
- Weakened Egyptian military intelligence network.

Jan 2010 - Mar 2014:
- 19 attacks launched from the Sinai at a cost of $166 million.

Jan 2013 - Mar 2014:
- Over a dozen attacks on the gas pipeline connecting Egypt to Israel at a cost of $166 million.

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