



# CrisisWatch

## February Alerts & January 2023 Trends

CrisisWatch warns of **one conflict risk alert** in February.

Hundreds of Sudan-based rebels entered the **Central African Republic**, fuelling fears of large-scale fighting and regional destabilisation.

Our monthly conflict tracker highlights **eight deteriorations** in January.

A Canadian peace initiative to end the brutal conflict between **Cameroon**'s government and several Anglophone separatist groups suffered setbacks as Yaoundé denied giving any country a mandate to facilitate negotiations.

Already high tensions between **Rwanda** and **DR Congo** ratcheted up after the Rwandan military shot at a Congolese fighter jet they say violated Rwandan airspace.

In **Pakistan**, a suicide bombing claimed by the Pakistani Taliban killed scores in Peshawar city, as the group continued high-frequency attacks in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province.

Days after Luiz Inácio “Lula” da Silva’s inauguration as **Brazil**'s president, supporters of former President Jair Bolsonaro stormed government buildings in the country’s capital, demanding a military coup to reinstate him to power.

Deadly violence escalated in **Israel-Palestine** as Israeli forces killed dozens of Palestinians in the West Bank and a Palestinian shooter killed seven Israelis in Jerusalem.

We also assess an **improved situation** in **Ethiopia**, where the Tigray People’s Liberation Front began surrendering heavy weapons to federal forces, fulfilling a key clause of the November peace deal. Within days, Eritrea withdrew its troops from most major cities in Tigray.

Aside from the dozens of conflict situations we usually assess, we tracked notable developments in January in **Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Eswatini, Peru, Rwanda** and **Togo**.

### TRENDS IN JANUARY



#### Deteriorated Situations

India-Pakistan (Kashmir), Pakistan Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Cameroon, Israel/Palestine, Brazil, Peru



#### Improved Situations

Ethiopia

### ALERTS FOR FEBRUARY



#### Conflict Risk Alerts

Central African Republic



#### Resolution Opportunities

None