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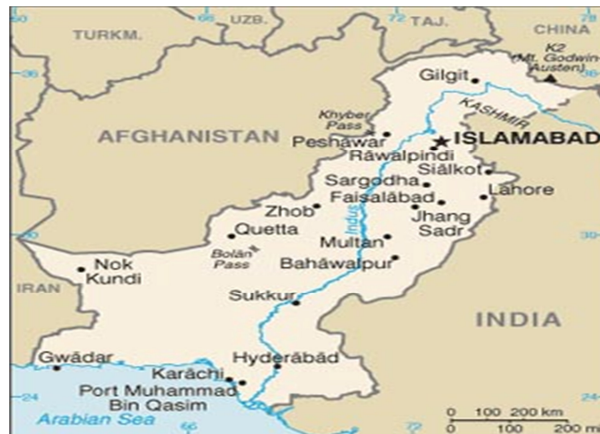
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Another 45 Slain as Karachi Violence Soars

By Jason Ditz

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The latest round of politically motivated killings in the key Pakistani city of Karachi is continuing to soar out of control [with another 45 people slain today](#) and 100 more wounded, putting the [two day toll at 74](#).



Today's violence was even more random than it had been in previous days, with a group of [armed men attacking a pair of passenger buses](#) in the Banaras Chowk neighborhood, killing 10 people and wounding 20 others.

The violence saw the Karachi Stock Exchange [continuing to drop precipitously](#), as the nation's financial capital seems to be more or less entirely out of the government's ability to control.

Increasingly desperate to come up with a solution for violence which has continued to crop up, and with growing opposition criticism, the Zardari government announced [that it has issued "shoot on sight" orders](#) for police and other security forces in the city, which seems an odd way to reduce the number of people being randomly shot.