1) October 6: ISIS’s Wilayat Aden-Abyan (Yemen) claimed four suicide attacks on military and political facilities used by Saudi, Emirati and Yemeni officials in Aden.

2) October 9: ISIS’s Wilayat Khorasan (Afghanistan-Pakistan) launched its first attack in Kabul, launching four IEDs allegedly targeting Shi’a worshippers in a religious hall.

3) October 10: Two suicide bombers killed more than 100 attendees at a peace rally in Turkey’s capital Ankara, the deadliest attack in Turkey’s modern history. Turkish authorities later claimed ISIS’s leadership in Syria directed the attack.

4) October 12: Russian authorities detained ten individuals suspected of planning an attack on Moscow’s public transit system. Officials claimed some in the group had trained with ISIS in Syria.

5) October 14: ISIS’s Wilayat Tarabalus (Western Libya) opened a Sharia court in Sirte, on Libya’s central coast. The court has administered executions, burned textbooks, and mandated that women wear hijabs.

6) October 16: ISIS’s Wilayat Bahrain claimed its first attack, a shooting on a Shi’a mosque in eastern Saudi Arabia. The new affiliate may consist of Bahraini militants who intend to launch attacks in Saudi Arabia and Bahrain.


8) October 22: Sources within Al-Qaeda’s Somali affiliate al-Shabaab claim a high-ranking leader pledged allegiance to ISIS, following several months of rumored defections to ISIS and arrests within al-Shabaab.

9) October 24: ISIS claimed a triple-IED attack on a gathering for a Shi’a religious holiday in Dhaka, Bangladesh. ISIS previously claimed attacks in Bangladesh on September 29 and October 3.

10) October 31: ISIS’s Wilayat Sinai (Egypt) claimed it downed a Russian commercial jet in retaliation for Russia’s air campaign in Syria. The cause of the crash is not confirmed as of November 2.