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<p>NAME OF THE INSTITUTION / MONITORING PERIOD</p>	<p>01.01.2024-01.02.2024</p>
<p>International Labour Organization (ILO)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.01.2024, on the website of the ILO, it was stated that the International Labour Office had submitted to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) a collection of 342 documents in five volumes (dossier), as required under Article 65/2 of the Court’s Statute and this follows the decision of the ILO Governing Body to refer a dispute over the right to strike to the International Court of Justice in The Hague. Source: https://www.ilo.org/global/topics/freedom-of-association-and-the-right-to-collective-bargaining/advisory-opinion-C87-icj/WCMS_908623/lang--en/index.htm (Access Date: 29.01.2024) - On 15.01.2024, on the website of the ILO, Report of ILO titled “Preventing and addressing violence and harassment in the world of work through occupational safety and health measures” was published. It was stated that the report addresses the widespread issue of violence and harassment in the workplace and emphasizes the need for comprehensive measures, including international conventions and safety protocols, to combat these challenges globally. Source: https://www.ilo.org/global/publications/books/WCMS_908897/lang--en/index.htm (Access Date: 29.01.2024)

**Office of the
United Nations
High
Commissioner for
Human Rights
(OHCHR)**

- On 10.01.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, the statement of Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, was shared and he declared that concern about Palestinian and Israeli human rights is not a “blood libel”.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/opinion-editorial/2024/01/concern-about-palestinian-and-israeli-human-rights-not-blood-libel-turk> (Access Date: 27.11.2023)

- On 11.01.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, it was stated that UN Human Rights Experts had welcomed the start of hearings before the ICJ of a case brought by South Africa concerning allegations that Israel is committing acts of genocide against the Palestinian people. According to that, the Experts had emphasized that any decision the Court reaches on provisional measures must be respected and implemented by the parties to the dispute, as required by the ICJ Statute.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/01/un-human-rights-experts-welcome-start-icj-genocide-hearings-hague-reiterate> (Access Date: 29.01.2024)

- On 26.01.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, the statement of Ajith Sunghay, Head of the UN Human Rights Office for the Occupied Palestinian Territory, was shared and in it, it was expressed that nothing short of a catastrophe relating Gaza.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-briefing-notes/2024/01/gaza-nothing-short-catastrophe> (Access Date: 29.01.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 27.01.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, the statement of Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, was shared on International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust and Türk called for an end to Antisemitism and racism. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2024/01/recalling-holocaust-turk-calls-end-antisemitism-and-racism (Access Date: 29.01.2024)
<p>UN International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.01.2024, on the website of the UNICEF, it was stated that children in the Gaza Strip were facing a deadly triple threat to their lives, with the rise of cases of diseases (cases of diarrhea in children up 50 per cent in just one week, with 90 per cent of children under two subject to “severe food poverty”), lack of nutrition and the continuation of hostilities. Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/intensifying-conflict-malnutrition-and-disease-gaza-strip-creates-deadly-cycle (Access Date: 26.01.2024) - On 15.01.2024, on the website of the UNICEF, a joint press release by World Food Programme (WFP), UNICEF and the World Health Organization (WHO), stating the need of faster, safer aid access and more supply routes to prevent famine and deadly disease outbreaks in Gaza, was published. Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/preventing-famine-and-deadly-disease-outbreaks-gaza-requires-faster-safer-aid-access (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 15.01.2024, on the website of the UNICEF, it was stated that 100 days after earthquakes struck western Afghanistan, UNICEF called for greater healthcare, clean water and sanitation services for over 96,000 children suffering life-threatening winter conditions.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/96000-children-affected-earthquakes-western-afghanistan-dire-need-support-winter> (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 15.01.2024, on the website of the UNICEF, it was stated that since 2023, 13 countries in Eastern and Southern Africa were affected by one of the worst cholera outbreaks to hit the region in years, and as of 15 January 2024, more than 200,000 cases, including over 3000 deaths, have been reported, and UNICEF called for increased focus on children in the cholera response.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/cholera-cases-continue-rise-parts-southern-africa-unicef-calls-increased-focus> (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 18.01.2024, on the website of the UNICEF, it was stated that, according to the new UNICEF Report entitled “Pathways to better protection: taking stock of the situation of children in alternative care in Europe and Central Asia”, nearly half a million children – or 456,000 – across Europe and Central Asia live in residential care facilities, including large-scale institutions, and the rate of children living in residential care

	<p>facilities across Europe and Central Asia is double the global average, with 232 per 100,000 children living in residential care facilities compared to 105 per 100,000 globally.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/nearly-half-million-children-europe-and-central-asia-live-residential-care (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <p>- On 18.01.2024, on the website of the UNICEF, a statement by UNICEF Deputy Executive Director Ted Chaiban upon conclusion of his visit to the Gaza Strip was published.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/statement-unicef-deputy-executive-director-ted-chaiban-upon-conclusion-his-visit (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p>
<p>UN Development Programme (UNDP)</p>	<p>- On 03.01.2024, on UNDP’s website, the stories of those who survived the earthquake that took place in Afghanistan in October 2023 were shared.</p> <p>Source: https://www.undp.org/press-releases/un-development-programme-launches-plan-boost-integrity-carbon-markets-and-increase-access-finance-schemes-developing-countries (Access Date: 25.01.2024)</p> <p>- On 04.01.2024, on the UNDP’s website, the humanitarian crisis in Sudan was emphasized.</p> <p>Source: https://www.undp.org/stories/ensuring-rights-all-rapidly-changing-world (Access Date: 25.01.2024)</p>

<p>Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.01.2024, on the website of the CEDAW, it was stated that UN Human Rights Experts had urged States and international organizations to incorporate into their policies and procedures the fundamental right of persons affected by leprosy (Hansen’s disease) to access high-quality support and care and they issued a statement ahead of World Leprosy Day 2024. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/01/persons-affected-leprosy-hansens-disease-must-have-access-highest-attainable (Access Date: 29.01.2024) - On 25.01.2024, on the website of the CEDAW, it was announced that the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) will hold its upcoming session from 29 January to 16 February, during which it will review Niger, Tajikistan, Italy, Turkmenistan, Greece, Oman, Djibouti and the Central African Republic. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/01/un-womens-rights-committee-review-niger-tajikistan-italy-turkmenistan-greece (Access Date: 29.01.2024)
<p>European Committee for the Prevention of Torture</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.01.2024, on CPT’s website, The Council of Europe’s Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) has published the report on its visit to Albania carried out from 4 to 15 May 2023. Source:

<p>and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)</p>	<p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-report-on-albania.-1 (Access Date: 23.01.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.01.2024, on CPT’s website, CPT has published the report on its March 2023 ad hoc visit to Georgia, together with the response of the Georgian authorities. <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-its-report-on-the-ad-hoc-visit-to-georgia (Access Date: 23.01.2024)</p>
<p>European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.01.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that FRA participated in a virtual roundtable event on “Being Black in the EU and beyond: people of African descent, discrimination and the SDGs”, which was held by the UN Development Programme. <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/being-black-eu-discrimination-and-sdgs (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.01.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that FRA held the inception meeting for a new project on the Entry/Exit System (EES), which is the The European Union’s (EU) new large-scale IT system registering travelers entering the EU for a short stay, with partners from its research network, FRANET. This project aims to collect data from Member States on fundamental rights challenges in implementing the system and support Member States and EU institutions in

	<p>setting up the system in a fundamental rights-compliant manner.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/fra-kicks-entryexit-system-project (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <p>- On 25.01.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that FRA would give an online presentation on its work and activities, with the focus on focus on its work in the areas of justice, victim’s rights and judicial cooperation; asylum, migration and borders; equality, non-discrimination and racism; engagement with civil society and civic space issues, including human rights defenders, to a delegation of Turkish authorities.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2024/online-presentation-fras-work-turkish-delegation (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <p>- On 25.01.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that FRA and EU Asylum Agency visited Council of Europe (CoE) and exchanged information on their work on migration and asylum with staff from different CoE bodies including the European Court for Human Rights and its Department for the execution of judgements.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/fra-and-eu-asylum-agency-visits-council-europe-discuss-asylum-and-migration (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.01.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that FRA took part in a meeting of the European Parliament’s Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE), and presented its “Being Black in the EU” report. Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/being-black-eu-report-presented-european-parliament (Access Date: 26.01.2024)
<p>European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 19.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the ENNHRI, it was stated that specifically, NHRI leaders will consider and work on the leadership skills they need to tackle the “Rule of Law” challenges they encounter. Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/ennhri-turns-10-reflecting-on-the-last-decades-achievements-and-turning-to-the-future/ (Access Date: 26.01.2024) - On 25.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the ENNHRI, Diana Kovatcheva who was Board Member of ENNHRI was congratulated for being elected as a judge to the European Court of Human Rights in respect of Bulgaria. Source: https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1750488413642322040 (Access Date: 26.01.2024) - On 25.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the ENNHRI, the appointment of Michael O’Flaherty, as the next Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights was congratulated. Source:

	<p>https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1750523326588739742 (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 26.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the ENNHRI, it was stated that two days, 23-24 January 2024, of NHRI Leadership Forum was completed and NHRI leaders had considered and worked on the leadership competencies they need to overcome “Rule of Law” challenges they face in their countries. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1750838905849393330 (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p>
<p>European Network of Equality Bodies (EQUINET)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the EQUINET, it was announced that EQUINET unveiled its brand-new calendar. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1745483806021198341 (Access Date: 25.01.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11.01.2024, on the website of the EQUINET, it was stated that Equality Bodies can ensure equal access to healthcare facilities and treatments, which guarantees that no one is excluded from enjoying their fundamental right to a healthy life. A case example of the Advocate of the Principle of Equality in Slovenia, about promoting equal access to healthcare was shared. <p>Source: https://equineteurope.org/the-advocate-of-the-principle-of-equality-in-slovenia-promoting-equal-access-to-healthcare/ (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p>

- On 13.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the EQUINET, the information was given that the EU Council had agreed on a General Approach to the EU Commission's proposals on Standards for Equality Bodies, which will make Equality Bodies better equipped to achieve equality.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1668528812529799168> (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 16.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the EQUINET, it was recommended to take a look at EQUINET 2024 Work Plan, driving equality across Europe, for focusing on standards for Equality Bodies, AI, climate change, equality law and strategies and equality in sports.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1747174349319409739> (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 16.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the EQUINET, it was stated that EQUINET Policy Paper titled “Informing the policy agenda: Equality Bodies making recommendations” sheds light on the crucial role of Equality Bodies in influencing legislation and policies. It is also stated that at the heart of this Paper, there was European institutions considering Directives on Standards for Equality Bodies.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1747299402916503748> (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.01.2024, on the Twitter account of the EQUINET, the appointment of Michael O'Flaherty, as the next Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights was congratulated. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1750567861859266629 (Access Date: 26.01.2024)
<p>Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law of Council of Europe</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10.01.2024, on the website of the Directorate, it was announced that The Council of Europe's Group of States against Corruption (GRECO), in a 5th evaluation round report, has called on Portugal to improve the effectiveness of its system to promote integrity and prevent corruption in the top executive functions of the central government and in law enforcement agencies. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/human-rights-rule-of-law/-/greco-portugal-must-improve-the-effectiveness-of-its-system-to-promote-integrity-and-prevent-corruption-in-the-government-and-law-enforcement-agencies (Access Date: 26.01.2024) - On 12.01.2024, on the website of the Directorate, it was announced that CPT has published the report on its visit to Albania carried out from 4 to 15 May 2023. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/human-rights-rule-of-law/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-report-on-albania (Access Date: 26.01.2024) - On 15.01.2024, on the website of the Directorate, it was announced that GRECO published its fourth evaluation round

	<p>third interim compliance report on Portugal, which dealt with corruption prevention in respect of members of parliament, judges and prosecutors.</p> <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/human-rights-rule-of-law/-/greco-publication-of-4th-evaluation-round-third-interim-compliance-report-on-portugal (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <p>- On 23.01.2024, on the website of the Directorate, it was announced that the Economic Crime and Cooperation Division of the Council of Europe, organized a regional workshop in Strasbourg on “Corruption risk assessment and management tools in the Eastern Partnership (EaP) region, with the participation of practitioners from anti-corruption and policy making institutions from five countries from the EaP region (Republic of Moldova, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, Georgia and Armenia).</p> <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/human-rights-rule-of-law/-/council-of-europe-supports-exchange-of-experience-on-corruption-risk-assessment-and-management-between-eastern-partnership-countries (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <p>- On 24.01.2024, on the website of the Directorate, it was announced that, to mark the 18th International Data Protection Day, the Data Protection Unit of the Council of Europe would co-organize with the EU Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS) and the Computers, Privacy and Data Protection (CDPD) a one-day event to take stock of the past and the future of data protection.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/human-rights-rule-of-law/-/18th-international-data-protection-day (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p>
<p>OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.01.2024, on the website of the ODIHR, it was stated that the Belarusian authorities have decided not to invite observers for the country’s forthcoming parliamentary elections from OSCE states. According to the news, leaders from OSCE stated that the decision not to invite OSCE observers to parliamentary elections contrary to Belarus' international commitments. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/561463 (Access Date: 26.01.2024) - On 23.01.2024, on the website of the ODIHR, it was stated that the initiative of the Albanian authorities to resume the country’s electoral reform ahead of the 2025 parliamentary elections is welcomed by the authorities of OSCE. According to the news the reform is an important and positive development in a process that has already served as an example of good practice for the region and beyond. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/561805 (Access Date: 26.01.2024) - On 27.01.2024, on the website of the ODIHR, it was stated that on the International Holocaust Remembrance Day, OSCE honored the victims of Nazi persecution, reflecting on the painful lessons from one of the darkest chapters of human history and seeking to learn from them, both for the present and future.

	<p>Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/562055 (Access Date: 29.01.2024)</p>
<p>The Independent Commission for Human Rights of Palestine (ICHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.01.2024, a statement was shared on the website of the Commission, in which the Palestinian Independent Commission for Human Rights (ICHR) held Israel responsible for the death of a prisoner who died in Megiddo prison on Monday, January 1. Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/8852.html (Access Date: 25.01.2024) - On 24.01.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that ICHR appealed to the international community, relevant United Nations agencies, and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) for immediate intervention to save thousands of lives trapped in shelters and hospitals in Khan Younis. Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/9018.html (Access Date: 25.01.2024)
<p>The Danish Institute for Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11.01.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was announced that the Danish Institute for Human Rights provided consultation to the Ministry of the Interior and Health, regarding a draft bill as part of an amendment to the Danish Psychiatry Act that aims to strengthen the legal protection of children. Source:

	<p>https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/lovudkast-styrker-boerns-retssikkerhed-psykiatrien (Access Date: 29.01.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 24.01.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that, according to a new analysis from the Danish Institute for Human Rights, one in seven vocational school students, around one in four female students aged 17 or under, and over one in five male students in the same age group have experienced unwanted sexual attention from other students or employees at their school. In conjunction with the analysis, the Institute recommended that the Ministry of Children and Education amend the Education Environment Act so that it clearly obliges vocational schools to take action against sexual harassment. Source: https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/uoensket-seksuel-opmaerksomhed-udbredt-paa-erhvervsskolerne (Access Date: 29.01.2024)- On 26.01.2024, on the website of the Institute, a statement regarding the ICJ’s ruling on provisional measures towards Israel. In the statement, the Institute emphasized that “It is a breakthrough and an important progress for international humanitarian law that the case has been filed and is being dealt with by the ICJ” and “The ICJ provided a legal possibility to act and not just look on while a possible genocide unfolds”. Source: https://www.humanrights.dk/news/international-court-justice-israel-must-ensure-it-does-not-commit-genocide-gaza (Access Date: 29.01.2024)

**German Institute
for Human Rights**

- On 17.01.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that the revelations by the research platform “Correctiv” about the secret meeting between AfD officials and other right-wing extremist actors have once again highlighted the inhumane ideas within the AfD. According to the news, research showed that the deportation of millions of people from Germany - including those with German citizenship - was the topic of the meeting. It was emphasized in the news that such a national-ethnic position is racially discriminatory and therefore incompatible with the constitutional guarantee of human dignity.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/der-rechtsextremen-afd-mit-rechtsstaatlichen-mitteln-begegnen>

(Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 17.01.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that people with disabilities must not be discriminated against or have their right to equal, full and effective participation in society impaired. These core concerns of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN-BRK) must be taken into account in existing laws as well as in future legislative proposals or sub-legal regulations - also at the federal state level. It was emphasized in the news that, when it comes to testing standards, Berlin has not yet adhered to the requirements of the UN CRPD or to the regulations of the state equal rights law, which was revised in 2021.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/berliner-landesrecht-muss-endlich-den-anforderungen-der-un-brk-gerecht-werden>

(Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 18.01.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that Steffen Mau, Professor of Sociology at the Humboldt University in Berlin, Nina Eschke, Climate Expert at the Institute, and Christoph Podewils, Science Journalist and long-time supporter of the energy transition, discussed climate change in the coffee house of the Museum for Communication in Berlin. According to the news, key question of the event was “How is a just change towards more sustainability and climate protection possible?”.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/klimakrise-bewaeltigen-aber-wie> (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 25.01.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that the recording of the conference “UN-World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna 1993 – Strengthening Imperatives 30 Years After” had published.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/mitschnitt-der-konferenz-un-world-conference-on-human-rights-in-vienna-1993-strengthening-imperatives-30-years-after>

(Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 26.01.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that on the occasion of the Day of Remembrance for the Victims of National Socialism on January 27th, Beate Rudolf, Director of

	<p>the German Institute for Human Rights made a statement. According to the news, Rudolf stated that on the anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, the Institute remembers all the victims of National Socialism.</p> <p>Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/erinnerung-und-engagement-gegen-antisemitismus-und-rassismus-gehoeren-untrennbar-zusammen (Access Date: 29.01.2024)</p>
<p>French National Consultative Commission On Human Rights (CNCDH)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.01.2024, on French National Consultative Commission On Human Rights’s (CNCDH) website, it was stated that as part of its human rights education mission, CNCDH would embark on the “Secularism and Values of the Republic” training cycle. <p>Source: https://www.cncdh.fr/actualite/engagement-dans-un-cycle-de-formation-dans-lacademie-damiens (Access Date: 23.01.2024)</p>
<p>The Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.01.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that IHREC has provided legal assistance to a man who is blind in a discrimination claim under the Equal Status Acts. According to the news, the application of a blind applicant, who was unable to use all online banking operations, was resolved with the assistance of the IHREC on terms satisfactory to both parties. <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/commission-legally-assists-man-in-resolution-of-disability-discrimination-case/ (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.01.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that the IHREC has welcomed the withdrawal of the appeals filed by the State the against the 2023 Labour Court decisions which determined that An Garda Siochána discriminated against Ronald Boyle and Brian Fitzpatrick on the grounds of age. Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/state-withdraws-high-court-appeals-challenging-the-labour-courts-determinations-that-an-garda-siochana-discriminated-against-older-recruits/ (Access Date: 26.01.2024) - On 25.01.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that the IHREC had welcomed the appointment of Professor Michael O’Flaherty as the new Commissioner for Human Rights at the Council of Europe. Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/commission-welcomes-appointment-of-professor-michael-oflaherty-as-council-of-europes-commissioner-for-human-rights/ (Access Date: 26.01.2024)
<p>The National Human Rights Center of the Republic of Uzbekistan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.11.2023, on the website of the Center, it was stated that the European Parliament hosted a round table on "A new look at the prospects of deepening the dialog and cooperation between Uzbekistan and the European Parliament" in Strasbourg and the event was attended by a delegation of Uzbekistan headed by the First Deputy Speaker of the Legislative Chamber of Oliy Majlis (Parliament), Director of the National Center for Human Rights Akmal Saidov, members

	<p>of the European Parliament (EP), and political advisers from various parliamentary factions.</p> <p>Source: http://nhrc.uz/en/news/m12307 (Access Date: 29.01.2024)</p>
<p>United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that a team from OCHA and WHO visited a hospital in Khan Younis after it was struck, reportedly killing five people, including a five-day-old child. A training centre run by the Palestine Red Crescent Society within the Al Amal Hospital was severely damaged. According to the news, during their mission, OCHA and WHO staff witnessed extensive damage and displacement of civilians. <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-3 (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, Martin Griffiths had made a statement. According to the news, Griffiths said that Gaza has simply become uninhabitable and the humanitarian community has been left with the impossible mission of supporting more than 2 million people, even as its own staff are being killed and displaced, as communication blackouts continue, as roads are damaged and convoys are shot at, and as commercial supplies vital to survival are almost non-existent. It was stated in the news that Griffiths stressed that it is time for the parties to meet all their obligations under international law, including to protect civilians and meet their essential needs, and to release all hostages immediately. <p>Source:</p>

<https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-4> (Access Date: 29.01.2024)

- On 05.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, Martin Griffiths had made a statement. According to the news, Griffiths said that a public health disaster is unfolding and infectious diseases are spreading in overcrowded shelters as sewers spill over. It was emphasized in the news that, some 180 Palestinian women are giving birth daily amidst this chaos and people are facing the highest levels of food insecurity ever recorded.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/un-relief-chief-war-gaza-must-end> (Access Date: 29.01.2024)

- On 12.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that between the 1 and 11 January 2024, only 5 of 24 planned aid deliveries of food, medicines, water, and other lifesaving supplies to the north of Wadi Gaza have proceeded. According to the news, OCHA continues to call for rapid, safe, unhindered and sustained humanitarian access to northern Gaza. Requests for all planned humanitarian convoys should be immediately granted.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-sudan-democratic-republic-congo-syria-central> (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 15.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and the Emergency Relief Coordinator Martin Griffiths' remarked at the Launch of WHO's Health Emergency Appeal 2024. According to the news, Griffiths said that global health is under threat like never before and he emphasized that in 2023, 1,300 attacks on health care across 19 countries led to more than 700 deaths and 1,100 injuries to health workers and patients, deeply impacting the ability to address heightened health needs in crises.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/un-relief-chief-warns-global-health-under-threat-never> (Access Date: 29.01.2024)

- On 16.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that, since the escalation of hostilities, aid missions have reported two instances where convoy members were being detained by Israeli forces, as well as of two instances of attacks on convoys. Additionally, reluctance by the Israeli authorities to open main supply routes and facilitate timely crossing through the Israeli military-controlled checkpoint has exposed humanitarian actors to security risks.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-5> (Access Date: 26.01.2024)

- On 22.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that the since 19 January 2024, mobile phone communications have been restored to most of Gaza after a weeklong blackout, with the exception of some services in the north. However, the Internet remains down across the whole of Gaza. It was

	<p>emphasized in the news that, the blackout of telecommunications restricts people in Gaza from accessing lifesaving information and impedes other forms of humanitarian response.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-6 (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <p>- On 23.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs Martin Griffiths HAD said there has been no let-up in the atrocities inflicted on the ground since 7 October, with more than 25,000 people reportedly killed, including two mothers ever hour. It was emphasized in the news that, in a social media post, Mr. Griffiths had said hospitals are overcrowded, besieged and under fire, homes have been reduced to rubble, and places of safety have become places of danger.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-ukraine-democratic-republic-congo-somalia (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <p>- On 25.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that the OCHA is deeply concerned by the dramatic worsening of the situation in Khan Younis. It was emphasized in the news that, according to UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) at least 13 people were killed and 56 others injured – 21 of them critically – when the UNRWA Khan Younis Training Centre was hit by direct fire at a building housing 800 displaced people.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-7 (Access Date: 26.01.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 26.01.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that the head of the World Health Organization (WHO), Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, had said that WHO and the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) helped evacuate 45 patients from the Khan Younis Training Center, but was unable to evacuate all of the injured due to the fighting. According to the news, one patient reportedly died en route. It was also emphasized in the news that, Dr. Tedros called for the protection of all civilians, humanitarians and health workers, while reiterating his appeal for an immediate ceasefire. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-lebanon-ukraine-mali (Access Date: 29.01.2024)</p>
<p>The National Human Rights Committee (NHRC) of Qatar</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 20.01.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was announced that the Committee would announce on the names of the winners of the “Take Care of a Seedling” competition, where the seedlings of the child contestants were collected to select 20 children to win the competition prizes. The competition aimed to raise the level of environmental awareness among children, develop the child’s social skills, teach children to take responsibility from a young age, help them communicate with others in a positive spirit, refine the child’s personality and integrate him into society in the right ways, teach children to rely on themselves to meet some of their needs, and involve them in achieving a green future.

	<p>Source: https://www.nhrc-qa.org/news/nho-6-alaf-mstfyd-mn-almstabk-otozyaa-lass-alzraay-oalbthor-bgnahha-fy-aksbo-2023-allgn-alotny-lhkok-alansan-taaln-alfayzyn-bmsabk-raay-shtlnhrc6i0d/page (Access Date: 29.01.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 27.01.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was announced that Maryam bint Abdullah Al-Attiyah, Chairman of the National Human Rights Committee, had visited a group of injured Palestinians from the Gaza Strip at The View Hospital in Doha. In a press statement after the visit, she stressed that the Israeli war on the Gaza Strip led to an unprecedented humanitarian and health catastrophe, calling for the necessity of exerting effective Arab and international pressure to implement international law and international humanitarian law to hold the Israeli occupation accountable. <p>Source: https://www.nhrc-qa.org/news/ld-tfkdha-almstabyn-oalgrh-bahd-almstshfyat-baldoh-mrym-alaaty-alhrb-alarayly-aal-alktaaa-adt-lkarth-ansany-ghyr-msboknhrci3KE/page (Access Date: 29.01.2024)</p>
<p>United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the near East (UNRWA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.01.2024, on the UNRWA’s website it was stated that the mass death, destruction, displacement, hunger, loss and pain experienced in the last 100 days have stained humanity. <p>Source: https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/photos/war-gaza-100-days-100-photos (Access Date: 25.01.2024)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 24.01.2024, on the website of the Institution, it was stated that EU has contributed EUR 4 million to UNRWA to sustain and enhance the delivery of basic education and technical and vocational education and training (TVET) to Palestine Refugee children and youth in Syria. <p>Source: https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/news-releases/eu-supports-education-palestine-refugees-syria (Access Date: 25.01.2024)</p>
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