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International Labour Organization (ILO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.05.2025, according to the news on the website of International Labour Organization (ILO), as part of the “<i>Workplace Compliance Through Labour Inspection, Guidance and Social Dialogue</i>” project, a study visit to exchange best practices in strategic labour inspection, preventive occupational safety and health, and social dialogue was conducted to Spain by Turkish delegation. According to that, Spain was selected as a model country due to its demographic and economic similarities with Türkiye and its well-established generalist labour inspection system. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/t%C3%BCrkiye-and-spain-strengthen-cooperation-workplace-compliance-and-social (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 22.05.2025, according to the news on the website of ILO, ILO organized a training session on fundamental labour rights for trade unions and civil society organizations representing workers in the delivery sector. The event aimed to raise awareness and build capacity regarding occupational health and safety and the legal status of platform-based delivery workers. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/ilo-t%C3%BCrkiye-provides-training-support-fair-and-safe-working-conditions (Access Date: 27.05.2025)

<p>Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.05.2025, on the website of Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), it was announced that the human rights record of Türkiye would be examined by the United Nations Human Rights Council's Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Working Group for the fourth time on 6 May 2025, in a meeting in Geneva that will be webcast live. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/05/turkiyes-human-rights-record-be-examined-universal-periodic-review (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 07.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Human Rights Chief Volker Türk stated that Israeli plans to expand Gaza offensive aggravate concerns regarding Palestinians' existence in the strip. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/05/turk-israeli-plans-expand-gaza-offensive-aggravate-concerns-regarding (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 12.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk stated that right to development will remain “<i>a distant dream for billions</i>” without a shift in global priorities at Geneva. Source:

	<p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2025/05/right-development-will-remain-distant-dream-billions-without-shift (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.05.2025, on the website of OHCHR, current chart on accreditation of NHRIs was published. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/documents/tools-and-resources/current-chart-accreditation-nhris (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 16.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk deplored Gaza escalation, pleaded for global action to stop more killings. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/05/turk-deplores-gaza-escalation-pleads-global-action-stop-more-killings (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 20.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN experts condemned renewed attacks on UNRWA schools in Gaza and East Jerusalem. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/05/assault-children-un-experts-condemn-renewed-attacks-unrwa-schools-gaza-and (Access Date: 27.05.2025)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 21.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Child Rights Committee condemned mass starvation of children amid aid blockades, regarding Gaza. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/05/gaza-un-child-rights-committee-condemns-mass-starvation-children-amid-aid (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 21.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN experts called on Security Council to protect women and girls in Gaza and restore peace. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/05/un-experts-call-security-council-protect-women-and-girls-gaza-and-restore (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 23.05.2025, on the website of OHCHR, it was announced that the report by the Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls examines the new and evolving forms of violence experienced by women and girls was published. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/documents/thematic-reports/ahrc5947-sex-based-violence-against-women-and-girls-new-frontiers-and (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 27.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk delivered his video message at Doha International Conference on “<i>Artificial Intelligence and Human Rights: Opportunities, Risks, and Visions for a Better Future</i>”.
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	<p>According to that, Türk urged governance to ensure Artificial Intelligence systems are safe and fair.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2025/05/turk-urges-governance-ensure-artificial-intelligence-systems-are (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p>
UN Women	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.05.2025, on the website of UN Women, a press release regarding the impact of the escalating gang violence in Haiti on women and girls was published. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/press-release/2025/05/media-factsheet-haiti-impact-of-ongoing-violence-on-women-and-girls (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 13.05.2025, on the website of the Organization, a new report by UN Women entitled “<i>At a Breaking Point: The Impact of Foreign Aid Cuts on Women's Organizations in Humanitarian Crises Worldwide</i>” was published. According to the report, based on the results of a rapid global survey conducted among 411 women-led and women’s rights organizations across 44 crisis contexts, 90% of surveyed organizations have been hit by funding cuts and may shut down in six months. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/press-release/2025/05/new-survey-shows-half-of-womens-organizations-aiding-women-in-crises-may-shut-down-in-six-months-due-to-global-aid-cuts (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 19.05.2025, on the website of the Organization, a news article stating that more than 28,000 women and girls, one woman and one girl on average every hour in attacks, have been killed in Gaza by Israeli forces since the beginning of the war in October 2023, was published. Source: https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/news/2025/05/un-women-estimates-over-28000-women-and-girls-killed-in-gaza-since-october-2023 (Access Date: 27.05.2025) - On 22.05.2025, on the website of the Organization, the speech of UN Women Executive Director Sima Bahous at the UN Security Council high-level open debate on the “<i>Protection of civilians in armed conflict</i>” was published. Source: https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/speech/2025/05/speech-there-is-no-pathway-to-peace-that-does-not-begin-with-the-protection-of-women-and-girls (Access Date: 27.05.2025)
Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.05.2025, on the website of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD), it was announced that CERD concluded its consideration of the tenth periodic report of Gabon, with Committee Experts commending the State on the establishment of a special contingent in the National Guard made up of indigenous persons, while asking questions on the treatment of the Hausa Gabonese population and steps taken to combat human trafficking. Source:

	<p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/experts-committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-commend-gabon-special (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 02.05.2025, on the website of the Committee, it was announced that CERD concluded its consideration of the combined eleventh and twelfth periodic reports of Kyrgyzstan, with Committee Experts commending the State on resolving all known cases of statelessness, and asking about measures to prevent hate speech and the practice of bride kidnapping.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/experts-committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-commend-kyrgyzstan (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 09.05.2025, on the website of the Committee, it was announced that CERD closed its one hundred and fifteenth session, and issued the concluding observations on reports of Gabon, Kyrgyzstan, Mauritius, Republic of Korea and Ukraine.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-closes-one-hundred-and (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 09.05.2025, on the website of the Committee, CERD's urgent call for immediate humanitarian access and a lasting</p>
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	<p>ceasefire, issued in connection to food aid supplies being completely exhausted in Gaza, border crossings still sealed and warning of catastrophic consequences for the civilian population, was shared.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/05/gaza-un-anti-racism-committee-decries-halt-food-aid-urges-immediate (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p>
<p>UN International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.05.2025, the Organization's website provided information about the new report on the risk of famine facing children in Gaza. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/risk-famine-children-across-gaza-new-report-says (Access Date: 21.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 13.05.2025, the Organization's website published a press release about the deterioration of children's wellbeing in the world's richest countries in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/childrens-wellbeing-worlds-wealthiest-countries-took-sharp-turn-worse-wake-covid-19 (Access Date: 21.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 16.05.2025, the Organization's website shared a statement about the fact that more than 295 million people will face acute hunger in 53 countries and territories in 2024, an increase of approximately 14 million compared to 2023. <p>Source:</p>

	<p>https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/acute-food-insecurity-and-malnutrition-rise-sixth-consecutive-year-worlds-most (Access Date: 21.05.2025)</p>
<p>Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.05.2025, according to the news on the website of CRC, it was announced that the Committee had opened its ninety-ninth session, which is being held in Geneva from 12 to 30 May. It was mentioned that the Committee would review reports on the efforts to adhere to the Convention on the Rights of the Child of Brazil, Indonesia, Iraq, Norway, Qatar and Romania, as well as on Brazil's efforts to implement the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/committee-rights-child-opens-ninety-ninth-session-adopts-new-bureau-sopio (Access Date:15.05.2025) - On 13.05.2025, according to the news on the website of CRC, the Committee had concluded its review of the seventh periodic report of Norway, with Committee Experts commending the State on the new child welfare act, while raising questions about the proposed increased use of force in schools and the lack of data on children with disabilities. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/experts-committee-rights-child-commend-norway-child-welfare-act-raise (Access Date:20.05.2025)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.05.2025, according to the news on the website of CRC, the Committee had concluded its review of the combined fifth and sixth periodic reports of Indonesia, with Committee Experts commending the State on child-friendly cities, while raising questions on mandatory hijab rules in some schools and how the country was tackling the high levels of female genital mutilation. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/experts-committee-rights-child-commend-indonesia-child-friendly-cities (Access Date:20.05.2025) - On 16.05.2025, according to the news on the website of CRC, the Committee had concluded its consideration of the fifth and sixth combined periodic reports of Iraq under the Convention on the Rights of the Child, with Committee Experts praising the State's national child rights strategy and raising questions about child marriage and corporal punishment. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/experts-committee-rights-child-praise-iraqs-child-rights-strategy-raise (Access Date:20.05.2025) - On 21.05.2025, according to the news on the website of CRC, it was stated that the Committee had condemned the continued obstruction of humanitarian aid to Gaza, urging the international community to pressure Israel to allowed immediate and sustained access for essential food and medical supplies. It was also mentioned that the Committee reported if
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	<p>the blockade continues, more children would die, and up to 71,000 children under five could suffered from acute malnutrition over the next year, citing figures from the UN Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and the World Health Organisation (WHO).</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2025/05/gaza-un-child-rights-committee-condemns-mass-starvation-children-amid-aid (Access Date:25.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 21.05.2025, according to the news on the website of CRC, the Committee had concluded its review of the combined sixth and seventh periodic reports of Romania, with Committee Experts commending the State on the deinstitutionalisation process of alternative care centres, while raising questions on the prevalence of corporal punishment and measures taken to combat segregation in education.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/experts-committee-rights-child-commend-romania-deinstitutionalisation (Access Date:25.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 22.05.2025, according to the news on the website of CRC, the Committee had concluded its consideration of the fifth and sixth combined periodic reports of Qatar under the Convention on the Rights of the Child, with Committee Experts praising the State’s investments in child health and education, and raising questions about its efforts to raise the minimum age of criminal responsibility and prohibit the imposition of harsh penalties, including the death penalty and flagellation, on child</p>
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	<p>offenders aged 16 years and over.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/experts-committee-rights-child-praise-qatars-investments-child-health-and</p> <p>(Access Date:25.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 26.05.2025, according to the news on the website of CRC, the Committee had concluded its review of the combined fifth to seventh periodic reports of Brazil under the Convention on the Rights of the Child, and its initial report under the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. Committee Experts commended the State on programmes developed to improve the situation of children in alternative care, while raising questions on how Brazil was combatting racism in schools and addressing the high levels of food insecurity in the country, particularly for children. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/meeting-summaries/2025/05/experts-committee-rights-child-commend-brazils-programmes-improve</p> <p>(Access Date:26.05.2025)</p>
<p>Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 09.05.2025, GANHRI announced on its website during a meeting hosted by the President of the UN General Assembly, the Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing discussed resolution 14/1. Participants shared opinions and experiences advocating for stronger protection of the rights of the elderly. Member states were urged to address structural ageism, integrate ageing into national policies, and support the creation of a binding document.

	<p>Source:</p> <p>https://ganhri.org/ganhri-advocates-for-stronger-protection-of-older-persons-rights-at-un-high-level-meeting/</p> <p>(Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>
<p>European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 06.05.2025, the CPT shared on its website, the report on the Committee's periodic visit to Slovenia from 8 to 17 October 2024 was shared. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-report-on-its-2024-periodic-visit-to-slovenia (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 09.05.2025, the CPT shared on its website, the Committee had paid a periodic visit to Romania between 28 April and 9 May 2025, focusing on prisons, juvenile detention centers and police facilities. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/the-council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-visits-prisons-detention-establishments-for-children-and-police-facilities-in-romania</p> <p>(Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.05.2025, the CPT shared on its website, the Committee had carried out a periodic visit to Spain between 28 April and 9 May to examine the situation of children drawn into crime in police custody and in prisons. <p>Source:</p>

	<p>https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/the-council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-conducts-its-9th-periodic-visit-to-spain-focusing-on-prison-and-police-establishments (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.05.2025, the CPT shared on its website the Committee had published its report on its special ad hoc visit to Greenland (Denmark) from 14 to 16 January 2025 to examine the detention conditions, regime and treatment of persons held in the closed unit (Unit A) of the new prison in Nuuk (Ny Anstalt). Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-report-on-its-ad-hoc-visit-to-greenland-denmark- (Access Date: 28.05.2025)
European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.05.2025, on the website of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), it was announced that FRA took part in the Spring General Assembly 2025 of the Climate Action Network Europe, and joined the high-level panel on holding the line for climate action. Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2025/climate-action-network-europe-holds-spring-general-assembly (Access Date: 28.05.2025) - On 20.05.2025, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would take part in an event celebrating the 25th year of establishment of the Czech National Human Rights Institution and the Ombudsman for Children in Czechia, and would speak during a panel discussion on the Ombudsman as a bridge

	<p>between states, institutions and people.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2025/celebrating-25-years-czech-nhri (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 21.05.2025, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would host a foresight workshop in Vienna, as part of a FRA project designed to integrate a fundamental rights perspective into strategic policy foresight by the EU and its Member States, to develop fundamental rights scenarios for Europe in 2040. <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2025/foresight-workshop-scenarios-fundamental-rights-europe-2040 (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 23.05.2025, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA has submitted two contributions to the European Commission as part of the consultation for the next long-term EU budget, called for stronger safeguards to ensure all EU funding upholds fundamental rights and the EU's founding values, and urged action to address the shrinking space and funding for civil society organizations that work on fundamental rights, democracy and the rule of law. <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2025/safeguarding-values-must-be-central-future-eu-budget (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 27.05.2025, on the website of FRA, 2025 update of the joint factsheet of FRA and ECtHR entitled “<i>European Arrest</i>
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	<p><i>Warrant and Fundamental Rights ECtHR and CJEU Case-Law</i>” was published.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://fra.europa.eu/en/publication/2025/european-arrest-warrant-fundamental-rights-ecthr-cjeu-case-law</p> <p>(Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>
<p>European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 21.05.2025, a post was published on ENNHRI’s LinkedIn account stating that they participated in the National Contact Points Gathering under the European Commission’s Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) programme. During the meeting, a presentation was delivered highlighting the role of National Human Rights Institutions in promoting fundamental rights, democracy, and the rule of law. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.linkedin.com/posts/ennhri_nhris-democracy-europe-activity-7330943817967149056-i0sx/?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAABq0n5IB0oJhAVBnV8IgviTCEh3F7lcADoI</p> <p>(Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>
<p>European Network of Equality Bodies (EQUINET)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.05.2025, a post was shared on EQUINET’s LinkedIn account stating that a two-part workshop was organised on how Equality Bodies can engage with UN mechanisms in combating racism. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.linkedin.com/posts/equineteurope_engaging-with-un-mechanisms-to-combat-activity-7326221891566784514-IJF5?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAABq0n5IB0oJhAVBnV8IgviTCEh3F7lcADoI</p>

	<p>(Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.05.2025, a post was shared on EQUINET's LinkedIn account announcing the completion of the <i>"Equality by Design"</i> webinar series, which aimed to empower Equality Bodies and Civil Society Organizations in tackling AI-enabled discrimination. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.linkedin.com/posts/equineteurope_equality-equalitybodies-civilsocietyorganizations-activity-7325890131549212672-em4S?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAABq0n5IB0oJhAVBnV8IgviTCEh3F7lcADoI</p> <p>(Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>
<p>Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law of Council of Europe</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.05.2025, on the website of Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law of Council of Europe, it was announced that the Council of Europe, in cooperation with the Luxembourg Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, would host the European Dialogue on Internet Governance 2025 in Strasbourg with the theme <i>"Safeguarding human rights by balancing regulation and innovation"</i>. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/digital-governance/-/council-of-europe-to-host-european-dialogue-on-internet-governance</p> <p>(Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.05.2025, on the X account of the Directorate General, it was announced that the new Convention on the Protection of

	<p>the Profession of Lawyer was opened for signature and signed by 17 states including Belgium, Poland, North Macedonia and the UK.</p> <p>Source: https://x.com/CoE_RuleofLaw/status/1922590291623604723 (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 14.05.2025, on the X account of the Directorate General, it was announced that the Council of Europe’s Committee of Ministers has adopted a new Convention on the Protection of the Environment through Criminal Law as the first-ever treaty that defines environmental crimes such as unlawful pollution and waste, habitat and wildlife destruction and illegal mining.</p> <p>Source: https://x.com/CoE_RuleofLaw/status/1922634542944338204 (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 14.05.2025, on the website of Directorate General it was announced that the Council of Europe adopted its Strategy on the Environment (2025–2030) and an Action Plan that lists the first activities undertaken to ensure its effective implementation.</p> <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/reykjavik-process-and-the-environment/-/council-of-europe-adopts-comprehensive-environment-strategy-highlighting-human-rights-1 (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p>
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Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Information about the Conference on Respect for Freedom of Peaceful Assembly and Protection of Human Rights Defenders held on the Office's website on 04.05.2025 was provided. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/590300 (Access Date: 21.05.2025) - On 05.05.2025, the Office's website published election observations indicating that efforts were being made to address electoral integrity in Romania, but that some aspects remained unchecked. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/romania/590330 (Access Date: 21.05.2025) - On 06.05.2025, the Office's website provided information on the monitoring report, which includes reforms needed to strengthen fair trial rights in Kazakhstan. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/590414 (Access Date: 21.05.2025) - On 12.05.2025, the Office's website shared the election observations of international observers, stating that the parliamentary elections in Albania were well managed but lacked a level playing field. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/590610 (Access Date: 21.05.2025)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 16.05.2025, the Office shared a statement on its website stating that the conviction of an independent election observer in Russia undermines human rights and democratic standards. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/590898 (Access Date: 21.05.2025) - On 19.05.2025, the Office's website included statements from international observers that the presidential elections in Poland were competitive but deeply polarized. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/591044 (Access Date: 21.05.2025)
Australian Human Rights Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 07.05.2025, on the official website of the Commission, the speech by Social Justice Commissioner Katie Kiss at the launch of University of Technology Sydney's Centre for Indigenous People and Work was published. In the speech, the Centre's role in tackling systemic racism and promoting Indigenous-led research aligned with international human rights standards was highlighted. Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/speeches/uts-centre-indigenous-people-and-work-launch (Access Date: 28.05.2025) - On 13.05.2025, on the official website of the Commission, a message from President Hugh de Kretser was published. The speech emphasized that the cost of living crisis is a human

	<p>rights issue and calling for legal protection of rights such as health, housing, education, and social security. Kretser also highlighted the significance of the High Court's decision in <i>Commonwealth v Yunupingu</i>, which affirmed compensation for native title holders, marking a key step toward justice for First Nations peoples.</p> <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/e-bulletin/presidents-message-may-2025 (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>
Danish Institute for Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.05.2025, on the website of the Danish Institute for Human Rights, it was announced that Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, has visited the Institute and had a meeting with Louise Holck, Executive Director of Danish Institute for Human Rights. <p>Source: https://www.humanrights.dk/news/we-are-existential-moment-when-it-comes-human-rights-un-human-rights-chief-visits-danish (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 13.05.2025, on the website of the Institute, a new publication entitled "<i>From principles to change: A guide to working with data in a human rights-based way</i>," prepared with the aim to inspire and help civil society and governments to use data with human rights as a compass, was shared. <p>Source: https://menneskeret.dk/viden/udgivelser/principper-forandring-guide-arbejde-menneskerettighedsbaseret-data (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>

<p>German Institute for Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.05.2025, on the website of the Institute, a statement marking the European Protest Day for the Equality of People with Disabilities was published. It called for stronger state action to ensure full inclusion and highlighted ongoing barriers in education, employment, and healthcare. Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/inklusion-ist-ein-menschenrecht (Access Date: 28.05.2025) - On 05.05.2025, on the official website of the Institute, a statement was shared condemning the Israeli military operations in Rafah, southern Gaza, as violations of international humanitarian law. The Institute called on the German government to work with European partners to ensure unimpeded humanitarian aid and the release of all hostages. The Institute emphasized that such actions violate the prohibition of forced displacement and contribute to severe human rights violations. Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/zur-humanitaeren-lage-im-gazastreifen (Access Date: 28.05.2025) - On 13.05.2025, on the official website of the Institute, a statement criticizing the construction of new special education schools in Berlin's districts of Neukölln, Marzahn-Hellersdorf, and Steglitz-Zehlendorf was shared. The Institute argued that such initiatives violate the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN CRPD) and the Berlin State Equality Act, which mandate inclusive education. The Institute
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	<p>emphasized that the establishment of special education schools undermines the right of children with disabilities to inclusive education and delays the development of an inclusive education system in Berlin.</p> <p>Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/sonderklassen-an-berlins-regelschulen-widersprechen-un-brk-und-landesrecht (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 14.05.2025, on the official website of the Institute, a statement highlighting the need for enhanced protection of children and adolescents against human trafficking in Germany. The Institute emphasized the importance of implementing the EU Directive on combating human trafficking, which includes provisions for victim support, prevention, and prosecution. It called for comprehensive measures to address the issue effectively, ensuring the safety and rights of vulnerable individuals.</p> <p>Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/menschenhandel-in-deutschland-schutz-von-kindern-und-jugendlichen-verbessern (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>
Georgian Ombudsman	<p>- On 05.05.2025, according to the news on the website of Georgian Ombudsman, on International Workers' Day, Public Defender's representatives held an interactive event to raise citizens' awareness of labour rights and the mandate of the Public Defender in the field of labour rights. According to that, as part of the event, stakeholders did pre-prepared tests and</p>

	<p>received information about issues relevant to them. People of different ages and professions participated in the interaction.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/shromit-uflebebze-sajaro-sivrtseshi-interaktiuli-ghonisdzieba-gaimarta (Access Date: 26.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 14.05.2025, according to the news on the website of Georgian Ombudsman, Deputy Public Defender of Georgia, participated in the Leadership Hub meeting of the European Network of Equality Bodies (EQUINET) held in Palermo on 8-9 May. According to that, the meeting discussed the challenges and threats facing organizations working on equality issues and their leaders and the event in question was organized by EQUINET and the Italian National Office Against Racial Discrimination (UNAR).</p> <p>Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/equinet-is-liderta-shekrebaze-tanastsorobis-organota-tsinashe-arsebul-gamotsvevaze-isaubres (Access Date: 26.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 19.05.2025, according to the news on the website of Georgian Ombudsman, the Public Defender of Georgia, Levan Ioseliani, presented the <i>“Legislative and Practical Analysis of Administration of Justice and Parole of Life-Sentenced Prisoners”</i>.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkhodamtsvelma-uvado-patimarta-martlmsajulebis-sakitkhebtan-dakavshirebit-spetsialuri-angarishi-tsarmoadgina (Access Date: 26.05.2025)</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 26.05.2025, on the website of Georgian Ombudsman, the Public Defender of Georgia wished all citizens of Georgia a happy Independence Day and particularly emphasized the importance of independence for establishing human rights, the rule of law, justice and equality. It was specified that today, more than ever, each of us must take care to strengthen these values, so that together we can build a state where human dignity and freedom are protected. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/25052610355926-maisi-sakartvelos-damoukideblobis-dghea (Access Date: 26.05.2025)</p>
<p>The Independent Commission for Human Rights of Palestine (ICHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 07.05.2025, a statement published on the Commission's website about an urgent appeal to halt home demolitions in Tulkarem and Nur Shams Camps. According to the statement, ICHR has issued an urgent appeal to Mr. Balakrishnan Rajagopal, the UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Adequate Housing, following Israel's announcement of its intent to demolish approximately 106 residential homes in the Tulkarem and Nur Shams refugee camps in the occupied West Bank. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/11717.html (Access Date: 26.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.05.2025, according to the statement published on the Commission's website, ICHR is closely monitoring the serious developments that took place in Tubas Governorate and the city

	<p>of Jenin on Tuesday, May 13, 2025 and these developments resulted in civilian casualties and caused a state of tension and societal unrest.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/11737.html (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 14.05.2025, a statement published on the Commission's website about the meeting of ICHR and its partners with foreign diplomatic missions. According to the statement, ICHR, along with the Palestinian NGO Network and the Palestinian Human Rights Organizations Council, called on representatives of foreign diplomatic missions accredited to the State of Palestine to take immediate and decisive action to push for a permanent ceasefire, protect civilians, end the inhumane Israeli blockade imposed on the Gaza Strip, and ensure the continuous and dignified delivery of humanitarian and relief aid in a way that preserves the rights and dignity of the civilian population.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/category-1/11731.html (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p>
Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)- Independent Permanent Human Rights	<p>- On 04.05.2025, the Organization's website provided information about the Secretary General's participation in the 26th Session of the International Islamic Fiqh Academy Conference.</p> <p>Source: https://new.oic-oci.org/SitePages/NewsDetail.aspx?Item=2775 (Access Date: 21.05.2025)</p>

Commission (IPHRC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.05.2025, the Organization's website included statements about May 18 International Family Day. Source: https://new.oic-oci.org/SitePages/NewsDetail.aspx?Item=2803 (Access Date: 21.05.2025) - On 19.05.2025, the Organization's website provided information about the 2nd Ministerial Meeting of the OIC-15 Dialogue Platform held in Iran. Source: https://new.oic-oci.org/SitePages/NewsDetail.aspx?Item=2805 (Access Date: 21.05.2025) - On 19.05.2025, the Organization's website provided information about the training workshop organized to improve Hajj awareness and services for Hajj and Umrah in the Islamic world. Source: https://new.oic-oci.org/SitePages/NewsDetail.aspx?Item=2804 (Access Date: 21.05.2025)
United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.05.2025, according to the news on the OCHA website, it was announced in Remarks at the Noon Briefing by Marcoluigi Corsi, Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator a.i. for Myanmar that one month had passed since the two

Affairs (OCHA)	<p>devastating earthquakes struck Myanmar, which left millions of people struggling to cope with the aftermath. It was also reported that the earthquakes that occurred on March 28, with magnitudes of 7.7 and 6.2, reduced homes, hospitals, schools and basic infrastructure to rubble, and more than 55,000 homes were damaged or destroyed.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/un-official-calls-swift-action-earthquake-deepens-myanmars-humanitarian-crisis (Access Date: 05.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.05.2025, according to the news on the OCHA website, it was warned that air strikes and other attacks continued across the Gaza Strip, with reported that scores of people were killed and hundreds injured over the weekend, including children and other civilians. It was also mentioned that the day before the Humanitarian Country Team of the Occupied Palestinian Territory, which brings together about 15 UN entities and some 200 NGOs – both international and local – had issued a statement, speaking with reaffirming the position taken by UN Secretary-General António Guterres and the Emergency Relief Coordinator, Tom Fletcher, on principled aid operations. <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-south-sudan-sudan-ukraine (Access Date: 10.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 06.05.2025, according to the news on the OCHA website, it was warned that a deepening catastrophe in the Gaza Strip, driven by relentless hostilities and a total blockade on humanitarian and commercial supplies, which was now in its
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	<p>third month It was also mentioned that the Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS) had announced the previous day that all emergency and primary healthcare centres in Rafah were now out of service due to ongoing hostilities.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-sudan-democratic-republic-congo-ukraine-0 (Access Date: 10.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.05.2025, according to the news on the OCHA website, it was mentioned that the UN Secretary-General António Guterres was alarmed by the findings, released that day, that one in every five people in Gaza is facing starvation – while the entire population was facing high levels of acute food insecurity and the risk of famine – according to the latest snapshot by the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC). <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-democratic-republic-congo-sudan-haiti-ukraine (Access Date: 15.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 13.05.2025, on the website of OCHA, it was stated that during a briefing to the Briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation and the protection of aid workers in Gaza by Tom Fletcher, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator called on Security Council to act decisively to prevent genocide in Gaza. <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/un-relief-chief-calls-security-</p>
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	<p>council-act-decisively-prevent-genocide-gaza (Access Date: 15.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OCHA, during briefing to the Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Yemen by Tom Fletcher, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator said that Yemen “<i>not out of the woods</i>” Security Council, citing malnutrition and aid cuts. Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/yemen-not-out-woods-un-relief-chief-tells-security-council-citing-malnutrition-and-aid-cuts (Access Date: 17.05.2025) - On 14.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OCHA, it was reported that hostilities in Gaza intensified overnight, with an attack by Israeli forces on the European Gaza Hospital in Khan Younis killing and injuring a number of people. It was also reported that a team from the World Health Organization (WHO) was inside the hospital during the attack. Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-yemen-somalia-haiti (Access Date: 17.05.2025) - On 16.05.2025, according to the news on the website of OCHA, it was stated that Statement by Tom Fletcher, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, on resuming aid delivery to Gaza demanded rapid, safe, unimpeded aid delivery in Gaza.
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Qatar National Human Rights Committee (NHRC)	<p>- On 06.05.2025, according to the news on the website of NHRC, it was announced that the NHRC had signed a Memorandum of Cooperation with the Asia-Pacific Forum with the aim of building bridges of cooperation Australian</p>

	<p>National Human Rights Commission for two parties and creating opportunities for the exchange of experiences and best practices in the work of national human rights institutions, which would enrich their experience in the field of human rights and serve and enhance their common goals.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.nhrc-qa.org/news/al-kuwari-meets-several-officials-in-sydneynhrc7Y0v/page (Access Date: 09.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 21.05.2025, according to the news on the website of NHRC, it was announced that in cooperation with local and international institutions, the NHRC was organizing an international conference on "<i>Artificial Intelligence and Human Rights</i>" on May 27.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.nhrc-qa.org/news/national-human-rights-committee-to-organize-an-international-conference-on-artificial-intelligence-and-human-rights-on-may-27-in-collaboration-with-local-and-international-institutionsnhrc7Y0v/page (Access Date: 25.05.2025)</p>
<p>United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the near East (UNRWA)</p>	<p>- On 02.05.2025, on the X account of the Agency, an informative post was shared about the latest situation in Gaza and the West Bank. The post included information that at least 52.400 Palestinians have been reportedly killed in the Gaza Strip since 7 October 2023.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://x.com/UNRWA/status/1918349206135423366 (Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>

- On 09.05.2025, on the X account of the Agency, an informative post was shared about the latest situation in Gaza and the West Bank. The post included information that on 1 May, two demolition orders were issued for a total of 106 houses in the Tulkarm and Nur Shams refugees camps, in the West Bank and at least 52.653 Palestinians have been reportedly killed in the Gaza Strip since 7 October 2023.

Source:

<https://x.com/UNRWA/status/1920865976721039816>

(Access Date: 28.05.2025)

- On 13.05.2025, the Agency's X account shared a post featuring Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini's statement to the BBC. In it, he reaffirmed that, in the coming weeks, people would not die because of bombardment, but because of a lack of food if no aid came in.

Source:

<https://x.com/UNRWA/status/1922189947345244366>

(Access Date: 28.05.2025)

- On 15.05.2025, the Agency posted on its X account regarding the situation in Gaza. According to the post, around 90% of the population have been forced to flee their homes since the war began, with some having been displaced ten times or more.

Source:

<https://x.com/UNRWA/status/1922894720931348778>

(Access Date: 28.05.2025)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 17.05.2025, on the X account of the Agency, an informative post was shared about the latest situation in Gaza and the West Bank. The post included information that humanitarian aid and supplies have not entered the Gaza Strip for over 10 weeks, the entire population continues to face a critical risk of famine, and the vast majority of children are facing extreme food deprivation and at least 52.928 Palestinians have been reportedly killed in the Gaza Strip since 7 October 2023. Source: https://x.com/UNRWA/status/1923676124367749322 (Access Date: 28.05.2025) - On 23.05.2025, on the X account of the Agency, an informative post was shared about the latest situation in Gaza and the West Bank. The post included information that the UN estimates that in Gaza over 599,000 people have been displaced yet again since the breakdown of the ceasefire, including over 161,000 between 15 and 21 May, for over 11 weeks, between 2 March and 18 May, no humanitarian aid entered the Gaza Strip due to the siege imposed by the Israeli authorities and at least 53.655 Palestinians have been reportedly killed in the Gaza Strip since 7 October 2023. Source: https://x.com/UNRWA/status/1925943754453631394 (Access Date: 28.05.2025)
OHCHR Working Group on Business and Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 16.05.2025, on the website of the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights, a statement was published highlighting serious issues such as exploitation, unfair contracts, and human rights violations in Japan's media and entertainment sector, particularly in the field of animation. The

	<p>statement called on both the government and the private sector to take responsibility for addressing these concerns.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/documents/countries/japan/stm-animation-industry-16052025.pdf</p> <p>(Access Date: 28.05.2025)</p>
<p>Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.05.2025, according to the statement published on the website of Commissioner, in a letter addressed to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria, Commissioner O’Flaherty raises concern about the situation of numerous Roma left homeless following the recent demolition of their homes by the authorities in Sofia, despite an interim measure issued by the European Court of Human Rights. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/bulgaria-emergency-shelter-access-to-basic-services-and-adequate-housing-measures-needed-for-roma-left-homeless-in-sofia</p> <p>(Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 06.05.2025, according to the statement published on the website of Commissioner, Commissioner O’Flaherty published a memorandum on migration and border control in Greece, following his visit to the country from 3 to 7 February 2025. According to the statement, the Commissioner is concerned about consistent reports of persisting practices of returns at both land and maritime borders, also expresses concerns about issues affecting accountability for human rights violations at borders. <p>Source:</p>

	<p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/greece-should-prevent-pushbacks-and-ensure-accountability-for-human-rights-violations-at-the-borders (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.05.2025, according to the statement published on the website of Commissioner, Commissioner O’Flaherty participated in the European Dialogue on Internet Governance, which had the overarching theme: “<i>Safeguarding human rights by balancing regulation and innovation</i>”. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/tech-regulation-and-innovation-should-go-hand-in-hand (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.05.2025, according to the statement published on the website of Commissioner, Commissioner O’Flaherty delivered two key messages in his address at the 134th session of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe that are full adherence to human rights obligations in the field of democracy should be at the heart of efforts towards democratic security and the importance of embedding human rights in all other aspects of the path to peace in Ukraine. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/the-commissioner-focuses-on-democratic-security-and-human-rights-based-peace-in-ukraine-at-council-of-europe-ministerial-session (Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 16.05.2025, according to the statement published on the website of Commissioner, Commissioner O’Flaherty,
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	<p>delivered a video message at the Roma Rights Network meeting, organised in Vienna on 15 and 16 May 2025. According to the statement Commissioner honours the work of Roma Rights Defenders and calls for unity in standing up for human rights and combating racism to sustain their efforts.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/roma-resistance-day-commissioner-honours-the-work-of-roma-rights-defenders-and-calls-for-unity-in-standing-up-for-human-rights-and-combating-racism-to-sustain-their-efforts</p> <p>(Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p> <p>- On 27.05.2025, a statement published on the Commissioner’s website about the communications that are submitted based on the findings and recommendations of the Commissioner O’Flaherty following his visit to Georgia from 21 to 23 January 2025. According to the statement, in two communications to the Committee of Ministers in the context of the supervision of the execution of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights published on May 27, 2025 the Commissioner addressed two groups of cases against Georgia.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/georgian-authorities-should-implement-the-judgments-of-the-european-court-of-human-rights-regarding-ill-treatment-by-law-enforcement-and-violations-of-the-right-to-peaceful-assembly</p> <p>(Access Date: 27.05.2025)</p>
Group of Experts on Action against Trafficking in	<p>- On 14.05.2025, according to the news on the website of GRETA, a delegation of the GRETA had carried out an evaluation visit to Bosnia and Herzegovina from 12 to 16 May</p>

Human Beings (GRETA)	<p>2025, as part of the fourth evaluation round of the Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/anti-human-trafficking/-/greta-carries-out-fourth-evaluation-visit-to-bosnia-and-herzegovina (Access Date: 24.05.2025)</p>
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