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<p>NAME OF THE INSTITUTION / MONITORING PERIOD</p>	<p>01.04.2024-01.05.2024</p>
<p>International Labour Organization (ILO)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.04.2024, on the website of the ILO, it was announced that the International Labour Organization (ILO) Office for Türkiye is launching a small-scale grant scheme aimed at supporting innovative projects promoting the application of fundamental principles and rights at work, in the scope of the “Strengthening Social Partners and Civil Society Capacities on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work” project, run by the ILO with the financial support of the Delegation of the European Union to Türkiye. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/ilo-calls-small-scale-grants (Access Date: 25.04.2024) - On 03.04.2024, on the website of the ILO, it was stated that ILO promotes social solidarity economy and green jobs in Türkiye. It was announced that the officials of the ILO Office for Türkiye, had embarked on a series of pivotal engagements with waste pickers through several meetings, technical advisory support, and a training aiming to promote formality, safety, and inclusivity within the green economy sector. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/ilo-promotes-social-solidarity-economy-and-green-jobs-turkiye (Access Date: 25.04.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 07.03.2024, on the website of the ILO, based on some examples of newly opened daycare facilities, the importance of the daycare facilities inaugurated to accommodate the needs of working mothers was specified. According to the news, the daycare centers will create a conducive working environment with, safe, stimulating, and child-friendly facilities that accommodate the needs of working mothers with infant children and toddlers in the textile and garment factories. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/daycare-facilities-inaugurated-accommodate-needs-working-mothers (Access Date: 25.04.2024) - On 15.04.2024, on the website of the ILO, it was stated that the shift to a circular economy has the potential to create 7 million jobs globally and it was announced that at the World Circular Economy Forum, the ILO had underlined the need to design policies and actions that accelerate the transformation to a circular economy. It was also specified that people are at the heart of building cleaner, greener and more circular economies but today, many circular jobs are in the informal economy, where workers and employers struggle to make a living and reach their potential. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/people-and-data-gathering-key-build-more-circular-economies-says-ilo (Access Date: 25.04.2024) - On 17.04.2024, on the website of the ILO, information was given about that according to 2020 ILO&UNICEF Global Estimates, half of the over 160 million children in child labour
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	<p>are in sub-Saharan Africa, with 70 per cent of them in agriculture.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/bitter-harvest-child-labour-prevalence-tobacco-farms (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 19.04.2024, on the website of the ILO, according to the given information, the ILO’s Director-General, Gilbert F. Hounbo, underlined “the crucial need for concerted, coordinated action at all levels” in the face of converging global crises, to the World Bank and International Monetary Fund (IMF) during Spring Meetings in Washington D.C.. It was also stated that ILO told World Bank and IMF that greater social justice is the cornerstone of a more sustained recovery.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/greater-social-justice-cornerstone-more-sustained-recovery-ilo-tells-world (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 22.04.2024, on the website of the ILO, it was stated that according to a new report by ILO, a “staggering” number of workers, amounting to more than 70 per cent of the global workforce, are likely to be exposed to climate-change-related health hazards, and existing occupational safety and health (OSH) protections are struggling to keep up with the resulting risks. According to the report, ILO estimates that more than 2.4 billion workers (out of a global workforce of 3.4 billion) are likely to be exposed to excessive heat at some point during their work, according to the most recent figures available (2020).</p> <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/climate-change-creates-cocktail-serious-health-hazards-70-cent-worlds (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p>
<p>Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, the speech of Nada Al-Nashif, Deputy High Commissioner, at opening of the 2024 Conference of civil society organizations working on the question of Palestine was shared and it was stated that civil society and civilians must be protected in “harrowing” Gaza conflict. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2024/04/civil-society-and-civilians-must-be-protected-harrowing-gaza (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 03.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, the statement of UN Experts related to Israel and Gaza was shared. According to that statement, UN Experts deplore attacks on Al-Shifa Hospital, urge states to stop the massacre. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2024/04/israelgaza-un-experts-deplore-attacks-al-shifa-hospital-urge-states (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 05.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, press briefing notes about Occupied Palestinian Territory and Israel, of Spokesperson for the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Jeremy Laurence was shared. In that notes, vital need to ensure humanitarian aid and protect humanitarian workers was specified.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-briefing-notes/2024/04/occupied-palestinian-territoryisrael-vital-need-ensure-humanitarian> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 05.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, it was stated that Human Rights Council adopted Five Resolutions, including a text calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza, urging states to prevent the continued forcible transfer of Palestinians within or from Gaza, and calling on states to cease the sale or transfer of arms to Israel.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/le-conseil-adopte-cinq-resolutions-dont-celle-demandant-quun-cessez-le-feu> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 15.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, the statement related of UN Experts related to Gaza was shared. According to that statement, UN Experts deplore use of purported AI to commit “domicide” in Gaza, call for reparative approach to rebuilding.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/gaza-un-experts-deplore-use-purported-ai-commit-domicide-gaza-call> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 16.04.2024, according to the news on the website of the OHCHR, UN Experts stated that retaliatory military attacks between Israel and Iran violate the right to life and must cease immediately.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/israel-and-iran-must-de-escalate-conflict-protect-human-rights-warn-un>

(Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 16.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, press briefing notes of Spokesperson for the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Ravina Shamdasani was shared. According to that, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk urges all States to act over crises in Gaza, West Bank.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-briefing-notes/2024/04/turk-urges-all-states-act-over-crises-gaza-west-bank>

(Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 16.04.2024, according to the news on the website of the OHCHR, related to Israel and Gaza, UN Experts condemn destruction of judicial infrastructure, call for protection of justice operators.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/israelgaza-un-experts-condemn-destruction-judicial-infrastructure-call>

(Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 18.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, it was stated that UN Experts deeply concerned over “scholasticide” in Gaza.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/un-experts-deeply-concerned-over-scholasticide-gaza>

	<p>(Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 22.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, it was stated that UN Experts urged immediate release of Afghan rights defender. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/un-experts-urge-immediate-release-afghan-rights-defender (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 22.04.2024, according to the news on the website of the OHCHR, on the Earth Day, an UN Expert published User Guide on right to healthy and sustainable environment. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/un-expert-publishes-user-guide-right-healthy-and-sustainable-environment (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 23.04.2024, on the website of the OHCHR, the press release was shared and according to that, UN Human Rights Chief deplores harrowing killings of children and women in Rafah. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/un-human-rights-chief-deplores-harrowing-killings-children-and-women-rafah (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 25.04.2024, according to the news on the website of the OHCHR, UN Experts warn about that withholding tax revenue
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and revoking banking waivers could paralyze Palestinian economy.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/israel-withholding-tax-revenue-and-revoking-banking-waivers-could-paralyse> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 25.04.2024, according to the news on the website of the OHCHR, UN Experts stated that testimonies from the Occupied Palestinian Territory show new depths of Israel's atrocities.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/testimonies-occupied-palestinian-territory-show-new-depths-israels> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 26.04.2024, according to the news on the website of the OHCHR, Office is concerned about crackdown on hijab law, application of existing mandatory hijab laws “in a more serious manner”. The Office is also concerned about the draft bill that imposes even stricter punishments is nearing final approval. According to the news, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk calls on the Iranian Government to eliminate all forms of gender-based discrimination and violence, including through the revision and the repeal of harmful laws, policies and practices, in line with international human rights norms and standards.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-briefing-notes/2024/04/iran-crackdown-hijab-law> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

**UN Subcommittee
on Prevention of
Torture (SPT)**

- On 09.04.2024, on the Committee's website, the UN Subcommittee for the Prevention of Torture (SPT) announced that the SPT would visit Honduras for the third time between 14-20 April and evaluate the treatment of detainees in various facilities and protection measures against torture and ill-treatment.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/media-advisories/2024/04/un-torture-prevention-body-revisit-honduras>

(Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 12.04.2024, on the Committee's website, The UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT) announced that the SPT would make its first visit to Albania from 14 to 20 April to assess the treatment of people deprived of their liberty and examine the existing safeguards to protect them from torture and ill-treatment.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/media-advisories/2024/04/un-torture-prevention-body-visit-albania>

(Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 23.04.2024, on the Committee's website, it was stated that Albania must make additional efforts to combat overcrowding by reducing pre-trial detention, UN Torture Prevention Experts had said after their first visit to the country.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/albania-high-number-pre-trial-detainees-access-healthcare-matters-concern-un>

(Access Date: 26.04.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.04.2021, on the Committee’s website, it was stated that following their latest visit to Honduras, UN Human Rights Experts had expressed concerns about the militarization of prisons, deficient living conditions of prisoners, and serious limitations in access to justice. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/albania-high-number-pre-trial-detainees-access-healthcare-matters-concern-un (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p>
<p>UN International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.04.2024, a blog post has been published on the UNICEF’s website, depicting the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza with widespread destruction and violence in the region. In the post, UNICEF Spokesperson James Elder states: “<i>There’s chaos and ruin everywhere!</i>”. The blog also discusses child fatalities, nutritional issues, unmet basic healthcare needs, and the necessity of an urgent ceasefire. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unicef.org/blog/gaza-its-chaos-and-ruin-everywhere (Access Date: 19.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 16.04.2024, a statement has been made on the UNICEF’s website, In the statement made by Catherine Russell, UNICEF Executive Director, following her two-day visit to the Middle-East, it is stressed that: “<i>Children do not start wars, and they cannot end them, but they always pay the highest price.</i>” Importance of subjects such as; a ceasefire in the Gaza Strip, facilitation of unfettered humanitarian access, and refraining

	<p>from any further violence against children are also underlined in the statement.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/statement-catherine-russell-unicef-executive-director-following-her-two-day-visit (Access Date: 19.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 22.04.2024, a press release has been made on the UNICEF’s website, according to the release; torrential and unseasonal rains are currently sweeping through Pakistan, once again putting children’s lives in danger. It is also said in the article that; this Earth Day, we must redouble our efforts to ensure no child in Pakistan suffers the consequences of climate change, pollution and related disasters again by cutting greenhouse gas emissions.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/unicef-calls-urgent-action-save-pakistans-children-frontlines-climate-change (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 24.04.2024, a press release has been made on the UNICEF’s website, according to the release; Global immunization efforts of WHO and UNICEF have saved at least 154 million lives over the past 50 years.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/global-immunization-efforts-have-saved-least-154-million-lives-over-past-50-years (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p>
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- On 24.04.2024, a press release has been made on the UNICEF's website, according to the release; the latest Global Report on Food Crises reveals a troubling surge in acute hunger, affecting nearly 282 million people across 59 countries in 2023, with a notable increase from the previous year. Children and women are disproportionately impacted, with over 36 million children under 5 suffering from acute malnutrition. Conflict, economic shocks, and extreme weather events remain primary drivers of food crises, exacerbating existing vulnerabilities. Urgent long-term investments are needed to transform food systems, boost agricultural development, and enhance crisis preparedness. The international community has pledged commitments to address these issues, yet humanitarian operations are overstretched. Coordinated efforts are essential to break the cycle of food crises and ensure tangible impact for the most vulnerable populations.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/acute-hunger-remains-persistently-high-59-countries-1-5-people-assessed-need>

(Access Date: 25.04.2024)

- On April, on UNICEF's website, a page has been shared. Page is about devastating impact of explosive weapons in populated areas (EWIPA), particularly on children, in conflicts worldwide. According to the page, children often suffer severe physical injuries, such as loss of sight, hearing, or limbs, as well as psychological trauma from the use of these weapons, even those who survive without physical injuries face long-lasting emotional and developmental challenges. It is also stated in the page that; UNICEF also assists survivors of EWIPA through medical care, provision of artificial limbs, mental and

	<p>emotional support and access to education, while helping build government and civil society partners' capacity to protect and support children with disabilities.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unicef.org/children-under-attack/explosive-weapons-populated-areas (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p>
<p>UN Development Programme (UNDP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.04.2024, on the UNDP's website, it was stated that the conflict, which began on 15 April 2023, had shattered Sudan's fragile peace and plunged the nation into a devastating humanitarian crisis. <p>Source: https://stories.undp.org/a-year-into-war-much-remains-to-be-done-in-sudan (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 19.04.2024, on the UNDP's website, it was stated that the organization's previously published 2023-2024 Human Development Report (HDR) had attracted significant interest, with over 3,000 news stories worldwide in its first month. <p>Source: https://hdr.undp.org/content/202324-human-development-report-news (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p>
<p>UN Women</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.04.2024, an article has been published on the UN Women's website that discusses the dire situation in Gaza, which has become unrecognizable due to the ongoing war. The piece highlights the urgent need to end the conflict and implement the latest UN Security Council Resolution, which calls for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza and unrestricted access for humanitarian aid. Over a million people are facing a human-

	<p>made disaster characterized by severe hunger, water scarcity, inadequate sanitation, lack of shelter, and insufficient medical supplies. Experts on Food Insecurity warn of an impending famine in northern Gaza. The article also underscores the tragic toll on women, with an average of 63 women being killed every day the conflict persists.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/feature-story/2024/04/palestinian-women-speak-of-hope-and-resilience-amid-the-horrors-of-war-in-gaza (Access Date: 19.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 04.04.2024, an article has been published on the UN Women's website about Anzhelika Bielova's leadership and activism within the Roma community in Ukraine and Bielova's efforts on empowering Roma women, advocating for their rights, and challenging societal norms and discrimination, particularly during the war in Ukraine and the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/feature-story/2024/04/anzhelika-bielova-on-roma-womens-activism-and-leadership-in-ukraine (Access Date: 19.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 10.04.2024, an article has been published on the UN Women's website about the experiences of Sudanese women in negotiations and mediations during humanitarian crises. The article highlights that women are not only killed by bullets and bombs during war and conflict periods, but also by gender-based violence, displacement, and lack of essential services.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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<https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/feature-story/2024/04/women-are-not-necessarily-killed-because-of-bullets-or-bombs-sudanese-activists-describe-humanitarian-crisis-amid-civil-war> (Access Date: 19.04.2024)

- On 14.04.2024, an article has been published on the UN Women's website, about the suffering of Sudanese women during Sudan's current conflicts and the importance of providing peace and security in Sudan. It is also highlighted in the article that 6.7 million people are at risk of gender based violence and Sudan is among the largest internal displacement crises in the World, 53 per cent of those internally displaced are women.

Source:

<https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/statement/2024/04/a-year-of-suffering-for-sudanese-women-and-girls> (Access Date: 19.04.2024)

- On 25.04.2024, a statement has been made on the UN Women's website about International Girls in ICT Day 2024. In the statement, it is indicated that; UN Women emphasizes the critical importance of fostering girls' leadership in the digital realm, particularly in ICT and STEM fields also they advocate for equal opportunities, quality education, and platforms for girls to develop tech-driven solutions. Also highlighting; successful female leaders and combating gender bias in learning environments are key.

Source:

<https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/statement/2024/04/un-women-statement-for-the-international-girls-in-ict-day-2024> (Access Date: 25.04.2024)

<p>The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.04.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was announced that CERD had opened its one hundred and twelfth session, during which it would review anti-discrimination efforts by Albania, Mexico, Qatar, Republic of Moldova and San Marino. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/04/committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-opens-its-one-hundred-and-twelfth-session (Access Date: 27.04.2024) - On 12.04.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was stated that the Committee Experts had commended San Marino on its progress in establishing a national human rights institute, and inquired about efforts to develop legislation prohibiting discrimination based on skin color and descent and to prevent online hate speech. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/04/experts-committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-commend-san-marinos-progress (Access Date: 27.04.2024) - On 16.04.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was stated that in a decision published under its Early Warning and Urgent Action Procedures CERD called on the parties to the conflict in Sudan and their allied forces to immediately cease hostilities and stop further violations and abuses of international human rights and humanitarian law, notably violent acts targeting people on the basis of their ethnic origin.

	<p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/04/sudan-un-committee-urges-end-ethnic-violence-and-hate-speech-calls-immediate (Access Date: 27.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 17.04.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was stated that the Committee Experts had noted Albania’s legislation to combat racism in sport, while asking questions about the asylum agreement with Italy, and the ways Albania aimed to recognize and include the Roma and Egyptian populations. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/04/examen-de-lalbanie-devant-le-cerd-la-situation-des-roms-des-egyptiens-des-autres (Access Date: 28.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 18.04.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was stated that while applauding Qatar’s memorial for enslaved Africans, the Committee Experts had raised questions about mandatory HIV testing for migrant workers and the sponsorship or kafala system. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/04/experts-committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-applaud-qatars-memorial-enslaved (Access Date: 28.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 19.04.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was stated that the Committee Experts had commended the Republic of Moldova on establishing specialized commissions for the implementation of recommendations on human rights, while
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	<p>asking questions about the representation of minority groups in the parliament and the role of Roma mediators.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/04/examen-de-la-republique-de-moldova-devant-le-cerd-les-questions-relatives-aux (Access Date: 28.04.2024)</p>
<p>Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On the website of GANHRI, it was announced that the GANHRI 2024 Annual Meeting will be held in person on 6-7-8 May in the UN Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland. It was also stated that the registration will be open until 1 May 2024. <p>Source: https://ganhri.org/event/ganhri-2024-annual-meeting/ (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 16.04.2024, on the website of GANHRI, it was announced that the National Human Rights Institutions (NHRI) Accreditation Database was launched. It was also stated that the database is a valuable resource for GANHRI members, newly-established NHRIs and States committed to establishing and strengthening NHRIs. <p>Source: https://ganhri.org/new-nhri-accreditation-database/ (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p>
<p>European Committee for the</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.04.2024, on the CPT's website, The Council of Europe's Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) published report on

<p>Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)</p>	<p>the monitoring of a Frontex-supported return operation from Germany to Pakistan. The report examines the treatment of foreign nationals deprived of their liberty under immigration legislation and the safeguards afforded to them in the context of their removal.</p> <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-report-on-the-monitoring-of-a-frontex-supported-return-operation-from-germany-to-pakistan (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.04.2024, on the CPT’s website, CPT announced periodic visits to eight countries in 2025. The Committee (CPT) aims to examine the treatment of the following countries: Azerbaijan, Belgium, Germany, Greece, Liechtenstein, Montenegro, Romania, Spain. <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/the-council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-announces-periodic-visits-to-eight-countries-in-2025 (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.04.2024, on the CPT’s website, it was stated that the CPT had carried out an ad hoc visit to Italy between 2-12 April 2024, focusing on the detention of foreign nationals in closed pre-removal centres. <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-carries-out-a-visit-to-italy-1 (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 26.04.2024, on the CPT’s website, CPT published its report on its October 2023 periodic visit to Ukraine. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-report-on-its-visit-to-ukraine (Access Date: 26.04.2024)
<p>European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10.04.2024, on the website of the FRA, FRA’s report on “Addressing Racism in Policing,” which highlights the need to systematically collect data on police misconduct, make reporting safer and recording of police incidents effective, and increase diversity in police forces, was shared. Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/publication/2024/addressing-racism-policing (Access Date: 28.04.2024) - On 15.04.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that FRA, together with Frontex Fundamental Rights Office (FRO) and the Bulgarian Office of the UN’s Refugee Agency, held three consecutive workshops on fundamental rights for the mid-level officers of the Bulgarian border police. Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/fundamental-rights-training-bulgarian-border-police (Access Date: 28.04.2024) - On 16.04.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that “Practical Tool for Guardians - Transnational procedures in the framework of international protection,” which was prepared by FRA and the European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA) as a fourth in a series of booklets with the aim to

	<p>support guardians in assisting unaccompanied children with their asylum applications when there are different countries involved, was shared.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/euaa-and-fra-protecting-rights-unaccompanied-children-transnational-asylum-procedures (Access Date: 28.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 19.04.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that the concluding statement for the Conference on the role of National Human Rights Institutions in implementing the EU’s Fundamental Rights Charter, which took place in Brussels on 21-22 March 2024, was shared.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/strong-and-effective-nhri-concluding-conference-statement-available (Access Date: 28.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 25.04.2024, on the website of the FRA, it was announced that FRA Director Sirpa Rautio and the Council of Europe Secretary General Marija Pejčinović Burić would meet in Vienna to exchange views on current challenges to human rights in Europe and the importance of respecting fundamental rights standards and to discuss cooperation between FRA and the Council of Europe.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2024/fra-and-council-europe-discuss-ongoing-cooperation (Access Date: 28.04.2024)</p>

<p>European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.04.2024, on the ENNHRI’s website, a statement was made on the Verein KlimaSeniorinnen Schweiz and Others v. Switzerland judgment by the Grand Chamber of the European Court of Human Rights on climate change and human rights. Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/the-grand-chamber-of-the-european-court-of-human-rights-issues-groundbreaking-judgment-on-climate-change-and-human-rights/ (Access Date: 28.04.2024)
<p>European Network of Equality Bodies (EQUINET)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.04.2024, on the EQUINET’s Twitter account, a post was shared for World Roma Day. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1777324629905850643 (Access Date: 28.04.2024) - On 19.04.2024, on the EQUINET’s Twitter account, it was stated that a training was conducted for the staff of Equality Bodies on how equality legislation should be implemented. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1781324614657851706 (Access Date: 28.04.2024)
<p>Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 13.03.2024, on the Twitter account of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child, a post was shared within the scope of “April 2nd World Autism Awareness Day”. Source: https://twitter.com/UNChildRights1/status/1767913126685561025 (Access Date: 28.04.2024)

**OSCE Office for
Democratic
Institutions and
Human Rights
(ODIHR)**

- On 08.04.2024 a press release has been posted on the website of ODIHR that underscores the imperative of empowering Roma and Sinti communities for political engagement, particularly emphasized on International Roma Day, coinciding with imminent elections across the OSCE region. It is also stated in the release that; despite efforts, these groups continue to face significant underrepresentation and encounter obstacles. ODIHR underscores the vital role of mainstream political parties in refraining from discriminatory discourse and combating its normalization. ODIHR also underlines that it remains committed to fostering greater inclusivity through interlocutory initiatives spanning the OSCE region.

Source:

<https://www.osce.org/odihr/566320> (Access Date: 19.04.2024)

- On 17.04.2024 a press release has been published on the website of ODIHR stating that ODIHR acknowledges election process improvements in Serbia but stresses the need for deeper dialogue and commitment to resolve differences in the country. In the release Director Matteo Mecacci urges sustained commitment across the political spectrum to implement recommendations, emphasizing the importance of broad support for democratic election rules and practices. It is also stated in the release that ODIHR plans to open an election observation mission for the June 2 Belgrade elections, comprising experts and observers to ensure democratic standards are upheld.

Source:

<https://www.osce.org/odihr/566890> (Access Date: 19.04.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 23.04.2024 an article has been published on the website of ODIHR stating that it will not be possible to observe the upcoming elections in Lithuania as the invitation extended to the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) was made conditional on the exclusion of nationals from certain OSCE states, in breach of the commitments made by all participating States of the OSCE. Article also highlights, ODIHR’s concerns about the potential for disinformation and intolerant rhetoric on social networks during the election campaign. <p>Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/lithuania/567208 (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p>
<p>Australian Human Rights Commission</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.04.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was announced that Robert Fitzgerald commenced as Age Discrimination Commissioner. According to the news, Commissioner said that due to the country’s rapidly ageing population, every effort is required to better secure the wellbeing and safety of older Australians. Commissioner also emphasized that a nationally consistent approach is essential to empower older people and ensure they live safely with dignity and agency. <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/robert-fitzgerald-commences-age-discrimination-commissioner (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.04.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was announced that Katie Kiss commenced as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner. According

	<p>to the news, Commissioner said that her immediate focus will be to meet with First Nations communities around the country, hearing their perspectives on the most pressing matters facing their people.</p> <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/katie-kiss-commences-aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-social-justice (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 16.04.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that the Australia’s Sex Discrimination Commissioner, Dr. Anna Cody, had welcomed the Federal Court ruling in the Bruce Lehrmann defamation trial against Network Ten and said it dispelled damaging myths about rape and consent.</p> <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 17.04.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that Australia’s Race Discrimination Commissioner, Giridharan Sivaraman, had urged communities to embrace compassion and reject division, following two stabbing attacks in Sydney. According to the news, Commissioner Sivaraman extended his condolences to all impacted by the attack at the Christ the Good Shepherd Church in Wakeley, and the deadly stabbings at Westfield Bondi Junction.</p> <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/race-discrimination-commissioner-urges-unity-wake-sydney-attacks (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 19.04.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that in an inspection report by the Commission had found that a high-security immigration detention centre in Western Australia was, in part, “no longer fit for purpose”, and raised serious concerns over safety conditions and the level of care for detainees and staff. <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/inspection-report-serious-concerns-yongah-hill-detention-centre (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p>
<p>Equality and Human Rights Commission of Great Britain (EHRC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.04.2024, on the website of the EHRC, it was stated that the Commission published an updated toolkit to provide employers with clear advice on what they should do to prevent pregnancy and maternity discrimination at work. According to the news, the toolkit gives detailed guidance on what action employers must take before, during and after their staff take maternity leave, to ensure they are protected from discrimination. <p>Source: https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/equality-watchdog-advises-employers-updated-pregnancy-and-maternity-protections-workplace (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p>
<p>The Danish Institute for Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, Danish Institute for Human Rights’ “Human rights in Denmark 2023” report, which focused on freedom of expression, digitization and artificial intelligence, police and intelligence services and prisons and deprivation of liberty was published. <p>Source:</p>

	<p>https://menneskeret.dk/udgivelser/beretning-menneskerettigheder-danmark-2023 (Access Date: 27.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 09.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that, with the ruling on the Verein KlimaSeniorinnen Schweiz vs. Switzerland case, the European Court of Human Rights concluded, for the first time, that states have a positive obligation to ensure climate action and concrete climate targets. Source: https://www.humanrights.dk/news/european-court-human-rights-rules-first-three-climate-cases-lack-climate-action-can-violate (Access Date: 27.04.2024) - On 11.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was announced that Danish Institute for Human Rights has published a report entitled “Fit for purpose? An analysis of development finance institutions’ management of human rights risks in intermediated finance.” Source: https://www.humanrights.dk/news/report-development-finance-institutions-should-strengthen-their-human-rights-risk-management (Access Date: 27.04.2024)
<p>German Institute for Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was announced that the German translation of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child General Comment No. 26 is now available. With General Comment No. 26, the Committee calls on States to act decisively by taking concrete and binding

measures to combat the climate crisis and ensure the right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/umwelt-und-klimaschutz-ist-zentral-fuer-die-umsetzung-von-kinderrechten>

(Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 12.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that Germany has a clear need to catch up when it comes to effective access to justice for children and young people. According to the news, the German Children's Fund and the German Institute for Human Rights pointed out this on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the entry into force of the Additional Protocol to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, which regulates an individual complaint procedure.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/gerichtsverfahren-kindgerecht-ausgestalten-10-jahre-individualbeschwerdeverfahren-der-un-kinderrechtskonvention-14-april> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 12.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that in its fundamental decision of April 9, 2024, the European Court of Human Rights confirmed that inadequate climate protection measures by a member state of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) constitute a violation of human rights. It was emphasized in the news that although the ECHR decision is only directed against Switzerland, it also points the way for Germany as a member state of the ECHR.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/klima-entscheidung-des-egmr-zur-schweiz-ist-auch-fuer-deutschland-richtungsweisend> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 23.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that the German Institute for Human Rights had welcomed the ban on products made from forced labour on the EU internal market, which was passed by the EU Parliament with an overwhelming majority.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/menschenrechtsinstitut-begruesst-eu-weites-verbot-von-produkten-aus-zwangsarbeit> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 23.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that the European Parliament had passed changes to the EU Human Trafficking Directive by a large majority. According to the news, the Human Trafficking Reporting Centre of the German Institute for Human Rights reported a need for reform at various levels in Germany.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/eu-menschenhandelsrichtlinie-verabschiedet-institut-sieht-reformbedarf-in-deutschland> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 24.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was

announced that Michael Windfuhr, Deputy Director of the Institute, had been elected to the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights for a four-year term (2025-2028) for the third time.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/michael-windfuhr-erneut-in-un-ausschuss-gewaehlt> (Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 24.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that on the occasion of the publication of the National Action Plan against Homelessness on April 24th, the German Institute for Human Rights urgently recommended greater participation by states and municipalities as well as sufficient financing of the measures.

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/nationaler-aktionsplan-wohnungslosigkeit-beteiligung-der-laender-und-kommunen-zentral-ausreichende-finanzierung-noetig>

(Access Date: 26.04.2024)

- On 24.04.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was stated that the German Institute for Human Rights had welcomed the positive vote in the European Parliament on the EU directive on corporate due diligence in the area of sustainability (EU Supply Chain Act).

Source:

<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/eu-lieferkettengesetz-menschenrechtsinstitut-begruesst-positive-abstimmung-im->

	<p>eu-parlament (Access Date: 26.04.2204)</p>
<p>Public Defender (Ombudsman) of Georgia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.04.2024 an annual report on situation of human rights and freedoms in Georgia about 2023 has been published on the website of Public Defender (Ombudsman) of Georgia. Report addresses; human rights challenges, particularly focusing on the rights situation in conflict zones and instances of impunity. It highlights concerns about illegal detentions, lack of education opportunities, and ongoing borderization. The report also addresses tragic incidents like the Shovi disaster(<i>The Shovi disaster refers to a natural disaster that occurred in the village of Shovi in the Racha-Lechkhumi and Kvemo Svaneti region of Georgia in 2023. It resulted in the overturning of a bus due to the impact of an avalanche, leading to the loss of lives of 32 individuals. The Shovi disaster is recorded as a significant tragedy in the region.</i>) and gender-based violence cases, emphasizing the need for preventive measures and protection. Issues regarding the prison system, fair trials, freedom of assembly, expression, and media are discussed, alongside challenges in housing and combating discrimination. The report outlines efforts by the Public Defender's Office, including monitoring, recommendations, and legal actions, to address rights violations, with thousands of applications received and numerous recommendations made to relevant authorities. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakartveloshi-adamianis-uflebata-da-tavisuflebata-datsvis-mdgomareobis-shesakheb-tслиuri-angarishi-2023 (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="536 188 1390 719"> <p>- On 09.04.2024, a statement was issued on the website of the Public Defender (Ombudsman) of Georgia, commemorating the tragedy that occurred on April 9, 1989, during a confrontation between the Soviet Army and the Georgian people, resulting in the deaths of 21 Georgians at the hands of soldiers.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/240409115613sakhalkho-damtsvelis-gantskhadeba-9-apriltan-dakavshirebit (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p> <li data-bbox="536 853 1390 1272"> <p>- On 22.04.2024, the 9th annual report on the situation of equality was made available on the Ombudsman's website. It was reported that in 2023 the Ombudsman analysed 122 cases of discrimination.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakartvelos-sakhalkho-damtsvelis-spetsialuri-angarishi-tanastorobis-mdgomareobis-shesakheb-n9 (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p> <li data-bbox="536 1406 1390 1825"> <p>- On 23.04.2024, on the website of the Ombudsman's Office, the Public Defender application to OSCE/ODIHR regarding the Draft Law on the Abolition of Gender Quotas submitted to the Parliament of Georgia was announced.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelma-genderuli-kvotebis-gaukmebastian-dakavshirebul-kanonproektze-eutoodirs-mimarta (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p>

<p>The Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.04.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that a new study from the IHREC and the Economic and Social Research Institute published. According to the news the study explores the equality impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the labour market, comparing the situation pre- and post-pandemic. Findings show that employment rates rose for almost all groups analyzed post-pandemic, while unemployment and labour market inactivity generally fell. It was emphasized in the news that the COVID-19 pandemic had a profound impact on society, and a seismic impact on economic rights and access to work, through the range of public health restrictions imposed. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ihrec.ie/new-ihrec-and-esri-study-explores-the-equality-impact-of-the-covid-19-pandemic-on-the-labour-market/ (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.04.2024, on the website of the Commission, it was stated that the IHREC has provided legal assistance to a man in a discrimination claim under the Employment Equality Acts. According to the news, the man commenced employment with the respondent employer over a decade ago and on reaching the age of 66 was made to retire. He had alleged that his contract of employment and the terms and conditions of employment failed to set out an express retirement age. The man subsequently referred a complaint of discrimination on the ground of age to the Workplace Relations Commission ('the WRC'). It was emphasized in the news that, with legal assistance from the Commission, that complaint has now been successfully settled and the man received a compensatory payment. <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://www.ihrec.ie/commission-legally-assists-man-in-resolution-of-age-discrimination-case/ (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p>
<p>French National Consultative Commission On Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.04.2024, on the Commission's website, it was announced that from May 2024 to June 2025, approximately twenty young people aged between 16 and 24 would be supported by CNCDH to share their experience, expertise and views on the promotion and protection of human rights in France. Source: https://www.cncdh.fr/actualite/la-cncdh-lance-l-initiative-jeunes (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 26.04.2024, on the Commission's website, it was stated that CNCDH warned of the persistent obstacles to disabled people exercising their right to vote and stand for election. Source: https://www.cncdh.fr/actualite/lexercice-effectif-du-droit-de-vote-et-deligibilite-pour-les-personnes-handicapees-doit (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 26.04.2024, on the Commission's website, it was stated that CNCDH had adopted a declaration calling on France to continue its efforts for universal ratification and effective implementation of the Convention against Enforced Disappearances. Source:

	<p>https://www.cncdh.fr/actualite/pour-la-ratification-universelle-et-lapplication-effective-de-la-convention-contre-les (Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p>
<p>Qatar National Human Rights Committee (NHRC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 26.04.2024, on the website of the NHRC, it was reported that represented by Mr. Sultan bin Hassan Al Jamali, Secretary General of the Committee, participated in the seminar on Enhancing Cooperation in Combating Human Trafficking Crimes organised by the Human Rights Commission of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in Riyadh on 24.04.2024. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.nhrc-qa.org/news/allgn-alotny-lhkok-alansan-tshark-balryad-fy-ndo-taazyz-altaaaon-lmkafh-alatgar-balashkhasnhrcjrmg/page (Access Date: 29.04.2024)</p>
<p>United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the near East (UNRWA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 07.04.2024, on the social media account of Secretary-General Lazzarini, a statement was posted that no words can do justice to the horrors that people in Gaza are living in since the war began six months ago. It called for the protection of civilians wherever they are and for Israel to lift restrictions on the Agency's work. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://twitter.com/unlazzarini/status/1777002771746611203?s=12&t=ccWRJzS530FizJwwxUAeMg (Access Date: 18.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 17.04.2024, on the website of the Agency, the news report was published that including the statement of the UNWRA Commissioner General at the UN Security Council. The Commissioner-General stated that homes, schools and

	<p>hospitals in Gaza were reduced to rubble under which countless bodies lie; that babies and children were dying of malnutrition in the North; that across the border, food and clean water were waiting; and that UNRWA facilities had been targeted from the beginning, with 178 UNRWA personnel killed and 160 UNRWA facilities hit. The Commissioner-General called for the preservation of UNRWA's critical role, commitment to a genuine political process to bring peace, and the establishment of peace through principled multilateral action.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/official-statements/statement-commissioner-general-unrwa-security-council (Access Date: 18.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 22.04.2024, on the website of the Agency, it was stated that “UNRWA welcomes the findings and recommendations of the independent review on the Agency’s adherence to the humanitarian principle of neutrality”. <p>Source: https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/official-statements/independent-review-unrwa-adherence-humanitarian-principle-neutrality (Access Date: 29.04.2024)</p>
<p>The Independent Commission for Human Rights of Palestine (ICHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.04.2024, on the Commission's website, in a statement, the ICHR demanded the prosecution and accountability of Israeli war criminals for the crimes against humanity committed by the occupation forces in and around Al-Shifa Medical Complex, which resulted in the complete closure of the largest medical complex in Gaza. <p>Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/9718.html</p>

	<p>(Access Date: 26.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.04.2024, on the Commission's website, the ICHR issued a statement holding the Israeli government responsible for the systematic, widespread and organized terrorist attacks by Israeli settlers against unarmed Palestinian civilians in villages. Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/9745.html (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 21.04.2024, on the Commission's website, the ICHR published a statement on Israel's increasing aggression against Palestinian camps in the West Bank. Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/9804.html (Access Date: 26.04.2024)
<p>Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)- Independent Permanent Human Rights Commission (IPHRC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.04.2024, on the Commission's social media account, a meeting of Dr. Noura Bint Zaid Al Rashood, Executive Director of the OIC-IPHRC Secretariat, with Taliban officials, Afghan Women's Chamber of Commerce and officials of international organisations was shared. It was noted that during the meeting, attention was drawn to the challenges related to women's right to education and participation in public life, and Afghan officials were informed about OIC human rights standards. Source: https://twitter.com/OIC_IPHRC/status/178316907255055574 § (Access Date: 29.04.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.04.2024, on the Commission's social media account, it was shared that Ambassador Talal Khaled AlMutairi, Chairman of the IPHRC and Noura bint Zaid Al Rashoud, Executive Director, participated in the seminar on “Enhancing Cooperation in Combating Human Trafficking Crimes” organised by the Human Rights Commission of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 24.04.2024 in Riyadh. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/OIC_IPHRC/status/178350107012522007 <u>9</u> (Access Date: 29.04.2024)</p>
<p>United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, statements of Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, on the killing of World Central Kitchen workers by Israel was published. Griffiths described the killed aid workers as ‘heroes killed while trying to feed starving people’. The article went on to report that Jamie McGoldrick, the Humanitarian Coordinator for the Occupied Palestinian Territory, had stated that 196 aid workers had been killed since October. <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-haiti-ukraine-0 (Access Date: 18.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that 2.8 million people were displaced due to the increasing conflicts in Myanmar, civilians were caught in the middle of the conflicts and food insecurity was experienced due to famine. <p>Source:</p>

<https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-myanmar-haiti-ukraine-madagascar>

(Access Date: 18.04.2024)

- On 05.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, a briefing to the UNSC on behalf of Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator was published. The briefing stated that more than 32,000 people had lost their lives in Gaza, 1.7 million people had been forced to flee their homes and 60 per cent of housing had been damaged. It was reported that the Israeli withdrawal from the Al-Shifa Medical Complex revealed the complete destruction of the largest hospital in Gaza, serving more than 250,000 people, and the surrounding area. It was noted that there had been an increase in famine and food insecurity, and that deaths from starvation had begun. The importance of the assistance to be provided by UNRWA was emphasised. It was noted that the destructive conflict continued despite the Council's ceasefire decision, which was planned to be implemented during Ramadan.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/ocha-tells-security-council-six-month-devastating-war-gaza-must-end>

(Access Date: 18.04.2024)

- On 06.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, a statement by Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator was published. Griffiths stated that the past six months of war have brought death, devastation and now the immediate prospect of a shameful man-made famine, that the end of the war was long

	<p>overdue, that the already fragile aid operation was undermined by the attacks and that there has been global outrage against the attacks.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/un-relief-chief-six-months-war-gaza-betrayal-humanity (Access Date: 22.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 08.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that OCHA and World Health Organisation reached Shifa Hospital after repeated access denials by Israeli forces. It was stated that the hospital is now described as a ‘graveyard’. It was noted that OCHA continued to provide humanitarian assistance wherever possible in Gaza. <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-haiti-ukraine-zimbabwe (Access Date: 22.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 11.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, a briefing to the UNSC on the humanitarian situation in Ukraine on behalf of Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, was posted. <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/ocha-urges-security-council-pursue-peace-ensure-respect-rules-war-ukraine (Access Date: 22.04.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 12.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that two more humanitarian aid convoys planned by the UN were blocked by Israel. It was stated that in order to ensure the safe delivery of aid to Gaza, Israel should stop targeting aid
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	<p>convoys, provide fast passage at crossing points and allow the provision of necessary equipment.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-haiti-democratic-republic-congo-ethiopia-south (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 12.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that OCHA is deeply concerned about the insecure conditions and increasing threats faced by displaced persons in and around the city of Goma in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-haiti-democratic-republic-congo-ethiopia-south (Access Date: 24.04.2024)</p> <p>- On 15.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, the remarks of Joyce Msuya, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator, at the High-Level Commitment Event for Sudan and its Neighbours was published. Msuya stated that 25 million people in Sudan are in need of assistance, that violations of international humanitarian law have become commonplace and that only 6 per cent of the humanitarian appeal for Sudan has been funded.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/sudan-un-deputy-relief-chief-appeals-donors-we-have-very-narrow-window-act (Access Date: 25.04.2024)</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 15.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, a briefing on the humanitarian situation in Yemen submitted to the UNSC on behalf of Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator was published. In the briefing, the importance of maintaining the ceasefire and achieving lasting peace in Yemen was emphasised, it was stated that urgent measures should be taken against the malnutrition and food crisis and the worsening cholera epidemic, and it was stated that member states should provide financial support. Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/ocha-appeals-security-council-keep-hunger-bay-yemen (Access Date: 25.04.2024) - On 17.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that OCHA called for \$2.8 billion in aid for the Occupied Palestinian Territories, and stated that everyone in Gaza and the West Bank should have continuous and secure access to aid. Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-ukraine-haiti-1 (Access Date: 26.04.2024) - On 19.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, a briefing to the UN Security Council on the humanitarian situation in Sudan on behalf of Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator was published. Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/ocha-appeals-security-council-do-more-silence-guns-sudan (Access Date: 29.04.2024)
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- On 23.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that more than 50,000 people had been displaced since 13 April due to armed clashes in the Amhara Region in northern Ethiopia.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-somalia-ethiopia-ukraine-haiti>

(Access Date: 29.04.2024)

- On 24.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was published that a briefing to the UN Security Council on the humanitarian situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo by Joyce Msuya, UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator. In the briefing, it was reported that the number of displaced persons had increased by 700,000 in the last year, with a particular increase in the Great Lakes region. It was also noted that conflicts between armed groups were increasing, and that the situation in the region was one of the most dangerous places in the world to be a woman or a girl. There has been an alarming increase in sexual abuse, the spread of epidemics, and delays in the delivery of humanitarian assistance.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/un-deputy-relief-chief-appeals-security-council-resolve-conflict-drc>

(Access Date: 29.04.2024)

- On 26.04.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that OCHA warned that any potential attack on El Fasher, the

	<p>capital of Sudan's North Darfur State, would have a devastating impact on the city's 800,000 civilians.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-sudan-occupied-palestinian-territory-ukraine-haiti</p> <p>(Access Date: 29.04.2024)</p>
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