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<p>NAME OF THE INSTITUTION / MONITORING PERIOD</p>	<p>01.07.2024-01.08.2024</p>
<p>International Labour Organization (ILO)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.07.2024, according to the news on the website of ILO, Gaziantep had launched sessions of the Workplace Adaptation Program (WAP) Training, which aims to enhance workplace integration skills among refugee and host community members. According to that, the Gaziantep session of WAP was held on July 2-3, 2024. According to the news, the first day began with an introduction to fundamental concepts and rights in the workplace, followed by discussions on gender equality, discrimination, mobbing, and climate change, facilitated through interactive games to impart essential workplace integration skills. The second day of the Gaziantep session enriched participants' ability to adapt to the workplace through activities specially designed to enhance their understanding of basic rights and awareness topics in the workplace. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/gaziantep-hosting-workplace-adaptation-program-updated-content (Access Date: 26.07.2024) - On 08.07.2024, according to the news on the website of ILO, to enhance the quality and effectiveness of right-based job counselling services, the Turkish Employment Agency, ISKUR, has launched a pioneering initiative, in cooperation with the ILO Office for Türkiye, focusing on rights-based job counselling training. Source:

<https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/iskur-carries-out-rights-based-job-counselling-training> (Access Date: 28.07.2024)

- On 15.07.2024, on the website of ILO, it was announced that the “I am Trained for My Job” Program, implemented in İzmir through the collaboration of the ILO Türkiye Office and the Youth Deal Cooperative, aims to increase workforce participation among youth and women, particularly those who have taken a break from their careers. A promotional video related to the Program, was also shared.

Source:

<https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/future-employment-izmir-i-am-trained-my-job-program> (Access Date: 28.07.2024)

- On 16.07.2024, on the website of ILO, it was stated that in a proactive effort to enhance occupational health and safety for waste pickers, Eskişehir recently hosted a specialized workshop that united a diverse array of stakeholders. It was also expressed that organized by Tepebaşı Municipality and ILO Office for Türkiye and supported by Occupational Safety and Health Expert Burcu Ünal, the workshop focused on educating participants about crucial labour rights and safety standards specific to the waste management sector.

Source:

<https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/empowering-waste-pickers-workshop-eskisehir-drives-positive-change>

(Access Date: 28.07.2024)

- On 16.07.2024, on the website of ILO, it was stated that the International Labour Organization (ILO) Türkiye Office

	<p>organized a workshop titled “Elderly Rights and Welfare in Türkiye from Working Life to Retirement” to focus on the rights and welfare of retirees, a significant topic on Türkiye's agenda.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/elderly-rights-and-welfare-turkiye-working-life-retirement-discussed (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 17.07.2024, on the website of ILO, it was stated that in a collaborative effort to assess the state of the labour markets, gather crucial insights, and provide guidance for ongoing recovery and rebuilding efforts following the devastating February 2023 earthquakes in Türkiye, the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) presented the findings of a significant research project on July 9, 2024 in Ankara.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/ilo-and-iom-unveil-key-findings-strengthen-labour-market-recovery-turkiyes (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 25.07.2024, on the website of ILO, it was stated that a new report from the International Labour Organization (ILO), “Heat at work: Implications for safety and health”, warns that more workers are being exposed to heat stress worldwide. According to the news, the new data reveals that regions previously unaccustomed to extreme heat will face increased risks, while workers in already hot climates will confront ever more dangerous conditions.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/more-workers-ever-are-losing-fight-against-heat-stress (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p>
<p>Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, an UN Expert stated that torture allegations continue in Syria despite the International Court of Justice order. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/torture-allegations-continue-syria-despite-icj-order-un-expert (Access Date: 28.07.2024) - On 01.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, High Commissioner addressed panel on the adverse impacts of climate change on human rights and aforementioned speech was shared. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2024/07/high-commissioner-addresses-panel-adverse-impacts-climate-change (Access Date: 28.07.2024) - On 02.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, in a report to the UN Human Rights Council, De Schutter, UN Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights, documents the environmental destruction and extreme inequality caused by mainstream political and economic thinking. According to that, He urges governments and international organisations to change course, abandoning the use of gross domestic product (GDP) as a measure of progress and instead prioritising human rights and well-being in their economic decisions.

	<p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/end-dangerous-fixation-gdp-way-eradicate-global-poverty-un-expert (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 02.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, the report prepared pursuant to Human Rights Council resolution 50/13, contains an analysis of key challenges and pathways to ensure the availability, accessibility and acceptability of good quality medicines, vaccines, diagnostics and therapeutics and other health products and technologies as part of realizing the right of everyone to the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/documents/thematic-reports/ahrc5628-analytical-study-key-challenges-ensuring-access-medicines (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 03.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Experts condemn decades of unfair trials for Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and the press release of Experts was shared. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/israel-un-experts-condemn-decades-unfair-trials-palestinians-occupied-west (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 04.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, it was stated that the UN Committee against Torture
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	<p>would hold its latest session from 8 to 26 July, during which it would examine Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Republic of Korea, and Türkiye.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/un-committee-against-torture-review-cote-divoire-ecuador-republic-korea-and (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 08.07.2024, on the website of OHCHR, the speech of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk, at the 17th session of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, was shared. According to that, he said; “It is crucial to value and honour the knowledge and perspectives of Indigenous Peoples”.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2024/07/hc-turk-it-crucial-value-and-honour-knowledge-and-perspectives (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 09.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Experts declared famine has spread throughout Gaza strip. Their press release was also shared.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/un-experts-declare-famine-has-spread-throughout-gaza-strip (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 18.07.2024, on the website of OHCHR, the statement of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk, at the launch of the UN System-wide Strategy for Water</p>
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	<p>and Sanitation, was shared. According to that, he expressed that water and sanitation are not commodities and, they are human rights to which all people are entitled without discrimination.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2024/07/hc-statement-un-water-principals-meeting (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 18.07.2024, on the website of OHCHR, it was stated that Experts of the Committee against Torture commended Türkiye on its strong commitment to fight violence against women, asked about life sentences in prison and the communication of detainees with family members.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/07/experts-committee-against-torture-commend-turkiye-its-strong-commitment-fight-violence (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 19.07.2024, on the website of OHCHR, current chart on accreditation of NHRIs was shared.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/documents/tools-and-resources/current-chart-accreditation-nhris (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 19.07.2024, on the website of OHCHR, observations from Gaza by Head of UN Human Rights office for the Occupied Palestinian Territory, Ajith Sunghay, was shared.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2024/07/observations-gaza-head-un-human-rights-office-occupied-palestinian-territory> (Access Date: 28.07.2024)

- On 22.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Commission of Inquiry welcomed International Court of Justice Advisory Opinion stating that Israeli occupation of Palestinian territory is now illegal under international law.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/un-commission-inquiry-welcomes-international-court-justice-advisory-opinion> (Access Date: 28.07.2024)

- On 24.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights Defenders expressed that Israeli authorities must stop targeting Palestinian human rights defenders.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/israeli-authorities-must-stop-targeting-palestinian-human-rights-defenders> (Access Date: 28.07.2024)

- On 26.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Committee against Torture published findings on Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, the Republic of Korea, and Türkiye.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/un-committee-against-torture-publishes-findings-cote-divoire-ecuador> (Access Date: 28.07.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 29.07.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, Committee against Torture concluded Eightieth Session after adopting concluding observations on reports of Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Republic of Korea and Türkiye. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/07/committee-against-torture-concludes-eightieth-session-after-adopting-concluding (Access Date: 28.07.2024)</p>
<p>UN Women</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11.07.2024, on the website of UN Women, a joint statement by UNFPA, WHO, UNICEF, UNAIDS, and UN Women was published. Statement calls for universal access to sexual and reproductive health services, emphasizing the need for resilient health systems, comprehensive sexuality education, and the elimination of stigma and discrimination. The statement highlights the setbacks in progress due to COVID-19, conflict, and climate change, urging global collaboration and innovative solutions to ensure reproductive rights for all, especially marginalized groups. The call to action stresses the importance of investing in women's and girls' health and rights for broader societal benefits. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/statement/2024/07/joint-un-statement-calling-for-sexual-and-reproductive-health-and-rights-for-all (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.07.2024, on the website of UN Women a statement was published. The UN Women's statement applauds The Gambia's

decision to uphold the ban on Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), recognizing it as a significant victory for girls' and women's rights. The ban aligns with international commitments to prevent harmful practices and protect the health and well-being of women and girls. Despite progress, FGM remains prevalent, and ongoing efforts are needed to support survivors and ensure comprehensive care. The statement emphasizes the importance of continued advocacy and community engagement to eliminate FGM completely.

Source:

<https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/statement/2024/07/statement-the-gambias-decision-to-uphold-ban-on-fgm-critical-win-for-girls-and-womens-rights>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 17.07.2024, on the website of UN Women, a report was shared. The UN Women's report highlights the dire conditions faced by 300,000 displaced women and girls in Haiti, exacerbated by political instability and gang violence. It is stated in the report that many live in unsafe camps with inadequate lighting and security, increasing their risk of sexual violence. The report calls for urgent action to improve safety, provide health services, and involve women in decision-making processes.

Source:

<https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/press-release/2024/07/300000-haitian-women-and-girls-are-displaced-without-basic-safety-and-health-services>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 18.07.2024, on the website of UN Women, a press briefing was posted. According to the briefing, Maryse Guimond, UN Women Special Representative in Palestine, reported on her visit to Gaza, describing the severe impact of ongoing violence on women and girls, over nine months of conflict, more than 10,000 women have died, and nearly one million have been displaced multiple times. It is also stated in the article that women face extreme food insecurity, lack of safety, and constant displacement. Despite the devastation, women show remarkable resilience and continue to support their communities. Guimond calls for urgent humanitarian aid, increased women's representation in decision-making, and a ceasefire in the article.

Source:

<https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/press-briefing/2024/07/media-briefing-at-the-united-nations-headquarters-by-maryse-guimond-un-women-special-representative-in-palestine-about-her-visit-to-gaza>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 19.07.2024, on the website of UN Women, a news story was shared. According to that, the High-Level Political Forum emphasized placing women and girls at the heart of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Discussions highlighted their disproportionate impact by poverty, hunger, climate change and conflict, while recognizing them as agents of change. Key focuses included ending poverty and hunger, climate action, fostering partnerships, and building peace and justice. The forum called for increased investments in gender equality, elimination of violence against women, and greater women's participation in peacebuilding and decision-making.

Source:

	<p>https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/news/2024/07/high-level-political-forum-places-women-and-girls-at-the-heart-of-the-2030-agenda (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p>
<p>Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.07.2024, on the Committee's website, the UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT) announced plans to visit Afghanistan, Burundi, France and Mexico in the first half of 2025 and confirmed visits to Bolivia, Nigeria, Greece and the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the second half of 2024. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/un-torture-prevention-body-announces-visits-2025-and-adopts-general-comment (Access Date: 26.07.2024) - On 15.07.2024, on the Committee's website, the UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT) called on all States parties to the Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture (OPCAT) to respect its comprehensive definition of places of deprivation of liberty, thus ensuring that the SPT and related national bodies could visit all these places, monitor conditions of detention and help prevent torture and ill-treatment. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/states-should-respect-comprehensive-definition-detention-places-part-torture (Access Date: 26.07.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 23.07.2024, according to the news on the Committee's website, the Chairman of the SPT submitted the seventeenth annual report of the Committee to the Committee. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/07/chair-subcommittee-prevention-torture-presents-annual-report-committee-against-torture (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>
<p>Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.07.2024, on the website of the Committee, it was announced that in a statement published under its Early Warning and Urgent Action Procedures, CERD called on India to end the arbitrary detention of Rohingya who fled Myanmar to India and refrain from forcible deportation and returns to Myanmar, where they would risk being subjected to serious human rights violations and abuses. The Committee also said that it was alarmed by reports of widespread racist hate speech and harmful stereotypes against Rohingya, including by politicians and public figures, and urged the State party to firmly condemn such heinous acts and ensure they are investigated and adequately punished, in compliance with its international obligations arising from the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/india-must-end-racial-discrimination-against-rohingya-cease-forced (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 17.07.2024, according to the news on the website of CEDAW, Human Rights Experts said related to the Gambia

	<p>that upholding ban on female genital mutilation another historic win.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/gambia-upholding-ban-female-genital-mutilation-another-historic-win-say (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>
<p>Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.07.2024, according to the news on the website of CEDAW, the Committee warned about that the military coup in Myanmar has exacerbated longstanding patterns of abuse and sexual and gender-based violence against women and girls. Additionally, the related statement of the Committee, who is calling for full compliance with international human rights law and international humanitarian law, was shared. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2024/07/un-womens-rights-committee-urges-action-end-gender-based-violence-against-women (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>
<p>UN International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.07.2024, on the website of UNICEF, a press release was published. In the release, UNICEF reports that ongoing armed violence in Haiti has displaced nearly 600,000 people, including over 300,000 children, since March, equivalent to one child displaced every minute and displaced children face increased risks of violence, disease, and disrupted access to education and basic services. It is also stated that the crisis is compounded by political instability, economic hardships, and a hyperactive cyclone season. UNICEF calls for urgent international support to address the humanitarian needs and ensure the safety and well-being of affected children. <p>Source:</p>

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/one-child-displaced-every-minute-haiti-armed-violence-persists-unicef>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 02.07.2024, on the website of UNICEF, an article was shared. In the article, UNICEF reports that ten years of conflict in the Central African Republic have left three million children facing severe crises. Half lack access to health services, only 37% attend school regularly, 61% of young women marry before 18, and 40% suffer from chronic malnutrition. Weakened institutions and ongoing violence exacerbate these challenges. UNICEF urges international support to leverage the country's new National Development Plan and improve children's rights and futures.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/10-years-crises-forgotten-children-central-african-republic>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 08.07.2024, on the website of UNICEF, a statement was made. In the statement, Executive Director Catherine Russell condemns the deadly missile strikes in Ukraine that killed or injured at least 150 people and severely damaged Okhmatdyt, the country's largest children's hospital. She emphasizes that hospitals should be safe havens and highlighted the ongoing dangers children face in Ukraine. Russell calls for the protection of civilians and reiterates UNICEF's commitment to providing essential services and support to affected communities, urging for lasting peace.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/statement-unicef-executive-director-catherine-russell-deadly-strikes-ukraine>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 14.07.2024, on the website of UNICEF, a press release was made. In the release, UNICEF reports that global childhood immunization levels stalled in 2023, leaving 2.7 million more children un- or under-vaccinated compared to 2019. This stagnation, exacerbated by disruptions in healthcare services and vaccine hesitancy, has led to measles outbreaks and low coverage for other diseases. Despite some progress in HPV vaccination, many countries continue to miss numerous children. UNICEF and World Health Organization (WHO) call for a global effort to strengthen primary healthcare and ensure every child is vaccinated.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/global-childhood-immunization-levels-stalled-2023-leaving-many-without-life-saving>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 15.07.2024, on the website of UNICEF, a statement was made. According to that, UNICEF highlights Gambia's decision to uphold its ban on female genital mutilation (FGM). It is stated that this move is seen as a significant victory for girls' and women's rights, as it reinforces the country's commitment to protecting them from this harmful practice. According to the statement the decision marks a critical step in advancing gender equality and ensuring the safety and well-being of women and girls in Gambia.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/gambias-decision-uphold-ban-fgm-critical-win-girls-and-womens-rights>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 22.07.2024, on the website of UNICEF, a press release was made. Press release reports a dramatic increase in child casualties in the West Bank over the past nine months. The surge in violence has led to a substantial rise in injuries and deaths among children, underscoring the urgent need for protection and humanitarian support. The report emphasizes the severe impact of the conflict on children's lives and calls for immediate action to address their needs and ensure their safety.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/child-casualties-west-bank-skyrocket-past-nine-months> (Access Date: 23.07.2024)

- On 22.07.2024, on the website of UNICEF, a press release was made. The UNICEF's press release stresses that urgent and accelerated delivery of HIV services is essential to address the ongoing challenges in combating HIV/AIDS. It underscores the need for enhanced efforts to ensure that people living with HIV receive timely and effective treatment and support. The release calls for intensified action to close gaps in service delivery and improve health outcomes for those affected by HIV.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/unfinished-business-only-urgent-and-accelerated-delivery-hiv-services-will-keep>

(Access Date: 23.07.2024)

<p>UN Development Programme (UNDP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="536 248 1402 667"> <p>- On 08.07.2024, on the UNDP website, it was announced that the integration of the Finance Against Slavery and Trafficking (FAST) initiative, working in collaboration with the Business and Human Rights Initiative, into the Sustainable Finance Hub.</p> <p>Source: https://www.undp.org/press-releases/undp-welcomes-finance-against-slavery-and-trafficking-fast-initiative (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p> <li data-bbox="536 797 1402 1384"> <p>- On 16.07.2024, according to the news on the UNDP’s website, it was stated that during the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) in New York, UNDP, along with the Permanent Missions of Italy and Uruguay to the United Nations, co-hosted an event titled “Climate Ambition in an Age of Polarization”.</p> <p>Source: https://www.undp.org/news/undp-and-un-permanent-missions-italy-and-uruguay-host-climate-ambition-event-hlpf-2024-building-trust-and-action-amid-global-polarization (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p> <li data-bbox="536 1514 1402 1933"> <p>- On 18.07.2024, according to the news on the UNDP’s website, it was stated that the Italian G7 Presidency and UNDP published the first public report on the joint design of the “Artificial Intelligence Center for Sustainable Development”.</p> <p>Source: https://www.undp.org/news/italian-g7-presidency-and-undp-launch-first-public-report-co-design-ai-hub-sustainable-development (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>
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<p>Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.07.2024, on the Twitter account of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child's, a post on the Nelson Mandela International Day, emphasizing that education should be made accessible everywhere to every child, was shared. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://twitter.com/UNChildRights1/status/1812809000611623040 (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p>
<p>Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.07.2024, on the website of GANHRI, it was stated that Ahead of the High-level Political Forum, which had a theme as “Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda and eradicating poverty in times of multiple crises: the effective delivery of sustainable, resilient and innovative solutions”, on Sustainable Development in New York from 8-17 July, GANHRI had urged political leaders to bolster their support for national human rights institutions (NHRIs) and refresh momentum on implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://ganhri.org/nhris-must-be-strengthened-to-support-progress-on-the-sustainable-development-goals/ (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>
<p>European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.07.2024, on the Committee's website, the Council of Europe Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) published a statement under Article 10(2) of the Convention establishing the Committee addressing the Azerbaijani authorities' continued lack of cooperation with the CPT. <p>Source:</p>

<p>Punishment (CPT)</p>	<p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-issues-public-statement-on-azerbaijan (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.07.2024, according to the news on the Committee's website, the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) held its 114th Plenary Meeting between 1-5 July 2024. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/the-cpt-held-its-114th-plenary-meeting-in-july-2024 (Access Date: 26.07.2024) - On 12.07.2024, according to the news on the Committee's website, the Council of Europe Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT), in its report on its visit to Greece from 21 November to 1 December 2023, published together with the response of the Greek authorities, once again urged the Greek authorities to improve the conditions in the country's immigration detention facilities, and especially the newly-built and EU-funded centres on the Aegean islands, while ensuring that foreign nationals are treated both with dignity and humanity. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-again-calls-on-greece-to-reform-its-immigration-detention-system-and-stop-pushbacks (Access Date: 26.07.2024)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.07.2024, on the Committee's website, the report of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) on its visit to Lithuania in February 2024 was published. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-publishes-report-on-its-2024-ad-hoc-visit-to-lithuania (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>
<p>European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.07.2024, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA delivered a training related to the “European Arrest Warrant” during a seminar for defense lawyers, organized by the European Academy of European Law in Lisbon. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/era-seminar-defence-lawyers (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.07.2024, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA took part in the 10th EU human rights dialogue with Indonesia hosted by the EU External Action Service (EEAS), at the request of new EU Special Representative on Human Rights, Olof Skoog. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2024/fra-joins-eu-human-rights-dialogue-indonesia (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p>
<p>European Network of National Human</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.07.2024 on the website of ENNHRI, an article was shared. According to the article, National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) have reported on the rule of law in Europe, highlighting challenges such as limited resources,

<p>Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)</p>	<p>insufficient government follow-up on recommendations, and restricted civic space. It is also highlighted in the article that issues include judicial independence, accelerated legislative processes, and negative impacts of national security measures on human rights. ENNHRI recommends enhanced support for NHRIs, better implementation of court judgments, and meaningful consultations on laws and policies.</p> <p>Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/nhris-shine-a-light-on-the-state-of-the-rule-of-law-in-europe/ (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 10.07.2024, on the website of ENNHRI, an article was shared. It was stated in the article that The European Union adopted the Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive, requiring large companies to conduct risk-based due diligence to address human rights and environmental impacts. It was underlined in the article that the Directive, which is effective from July 26, 2024, applies to companies with over 1,000 employees or €450 million turnover, including certain non-EU companies and that it mandates alignment with the Paris Agreement and introduces penalties for non-compliance. It was also stated that ENNHRI supports its implementation and calls for improvements, particularly in civil liability and financial sector scope.</p> <p>Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/corporate-sustainability-due-diligence-directive-adopted-by-council-of-the-eu/ (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p>

<p>European Network of Equality Bodies (EQUINET)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.07.2024, on the EQUINET’s website, the summary of the “Strengthening Efforts to Combat Anti-Muslim Discrimination: A Collaborative Meeting” was published. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://equineteurope.org/joint-equinet-european-commission-meeting-tackling-anti-muslim-hatred/</p> <p>(Access Date 25.07.2024)</p>
<p>Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law of Council of Europe</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11.07.2024, on the website of the Directorate General, Statement by Council of Europe Secretary General Marija Pejčinović Burić on “11 July: International Day of Reflection and Commemoration of the 1995 Genocide in Srebrenica” was shared. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/portal/-/11-july-international-day-of-reflection-and-commemoration-of-the-1995-genocide-in-srebrenica (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.07.2024, on the website of the Directorate General, it was announced that a panel on “Charting the way forward: Combating the impact of climate change on human rights” was co-organized by the Council of Europe and Lithuania during the UN 2024 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, and the discussions assessed how best to build a resilient, multi-stakeholder coalition to face climate challenges and how they relate to human rights. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.coe.int/en/web/portal/-/facing-challenges-to-human-rights-posed-by-climate-change</p> <p>(Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p>

<p>OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.07.2024, on the website of ODIHR, a press release was made. In the release, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) condemns the Minsk Court's recent sentencing of 20 Belarusian experts and analysts to over a decade in prison in absentia for their peaceful support of the political opposition. The ODIHR states that these sentences violate free speech and fair trial rights, urging Belarus to revoke the sentences and adhere to international human rights commitments. ODIHR Director Matteo Mecacci emphasizes the need for Belarus to respect dissent and release unjustly imprisoned individuals. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/572242 (Access Date: 24.07.2024) - On 09.07.2024, on the website of ODIHR, a press release was made. It is stated in the release that ODIHR has reviewed Uzbekistan's draft information code, noting it includes positive steps like banning censorship and media monopolies. However, it is also stated that it still requires significant improvements, especially regarding independent regulation and avoiding overly broad content restrictions. In the article, OSCE urges Uzbekistan to consult with media and civil society to align the code with international standards and safeguard freedom of expression and media independence. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/572524 (Access Date: 24.07.2024)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.07.2024, on the Commission's website, the statement made by the Commission President about the “Free + Equal

<p>Australian Human Rights Commission</p>	<p>Conference” was published. According to the statement, 12 panels were organized in the conference, more than 60 speakers took part, more than 1200 participants were present and more than 700 delegates pledged their support for the national human rights law.</p> <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/e-bulletin/july-2024-commission-news-presidents-letter-0 (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10.07.2024, on the Commission’s website, the report titled “Mapping Government Anti-Racism Programs and Policies” was published. According to the report, it was stated that the government and departments at all levels across the country failed to adequately define and address racism, and even avoided the term “racism”, and that the approaches on the management side were temporary, disjointed and reactive. <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/new-report-finds-governments-all-levels-across-australia-failing-racism (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10.07.2024, on its website, the Commission shared the statement made by the National Children's Commissioner Anne Hollonds, that children should be recognized as victims in their own right. The statement reminded that, as a result of a recent incident, children are not only witnesses to violence, but also victims. Hollonds stated that just as the safety of women is a key priority for the National Cabinet, the safety and well-being of children also needs to be made a national priority. <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/national-childrens-commissioner-calls-children-be-recognised-victims (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 19.07.2024, on the Commission's website, a press release was shared condemning the use of solitary confinement cells for children. The statement stated that the images that emerged of a 13-year-old mentally disabled child being held in solitary confinement cells were concerning and that the treatment in question was an egregious violation of human rights. Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/australian-human-rights-commission-condemns-childrens-isolation-cells (Access Date: 22.07.2024) - On 25.07.2024, the Commission's website, a press release from the Race Discrimination Commissioner, Giridharan Sivaraman, welcoming the publication of the “Multicultural Framework Review” by the Federal Government, describing it as an important step towards greater recognition of the rights of racially marginalized Australians, was shared. Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/race-discrimination-commissioner-welcomes-multicultural-framework-review (Access Date: 29.07.2024)
<p>Equality and Human Rights Commission</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.07.2024, on the Commission's website it was announced that two new members had been appointed to the Wales Committee of the Equality Watchdog. Source:

<p>of Great Britain (EHRC)</p>	<p>https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/media-centre/news/equality-watchdog-appoints-new-members-wales-committee (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11.07.2024, it was shared on the Commission's website that the Commission had launched a public consultation on its strategic plan for the next three years. The news stated that the Commission is an A status National Human Rights Institution and that it protects and promotes equality and human rights for all, and that individuals and organizations were given the opportunity to share their views in the context of the consultation. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/equality-and-human-rights-watchdog-seeks-views-its-next-strategic-plan (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 16.07.2024, on the Commission's website, it was shared that the “Discriminatory Advertising Guidelines” had been updated by the Commission to help advertisers or publishers ensure that such advertisements are legal and do not contain discrimination. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/discriminatory-advert-guidance-updated (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p>
<p>Danish Institute for Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 09.07.2024, on the website of the Institute, an analysis note prepared by the Danish Institute for Human Rights which contained recommendations for improvement of Danish efforts against human trafficking was shared.

	<p>Source: https://menneskeret.dk/udgivelser/personer-udsat-menneskehandel-beskyttes-bedre-danmark (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p>
<p>German Institute for Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 23.07.2024, on the Institute's website, a news was shared that the Institute is in favor of reforming the General Equal Treatment Law in this legislative period. In a statement made by the Institute's Director Beate Rudolf, it was stated that “A reform is urgently needed to fulfill the requirements of international human rights agreements, to ensure that all people are protected from discrimination in all areas of life and to ensure that their rights to equal treatment are implemented.” Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/reform-des-allgemeinen-gleichbehandlungsgesetzes-dringend-geboten (Access Date: 23.07.2024) - On 26.07.2024, on the Institute's website, a press release was shared on the occasion of the anniversary of the adoption of the Geneva Refugee Convention of 28 July 1951, in which the Institute called on political leaders to do more to ensure the implementation of refugee rights in Germany and at the EU level, as guaranteed by the Refugee Convention. Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/menschenrechtsinstitut-kritisiert-aushoehlung-des-internationalen-fluechtlingsschutzes (Access Date: 29.07.2024)

<p>Public Defender (Ombudsman) of Georgia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.07.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) published a legal opinion criticizing the Georgian Parliament's expedited abolition of gender quotas. It was stated in the shared article that the opinion found the abolition inconsistent with international human rights standards aimed at eliminating discrimination against women in political and public life and that it highlighted procedural deficiencies, lack of evidence justifying the change, and noted that gender quotas had been gradually improving women's representation. The opinion urged reconsideration to uphold gender equality commitments. Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/eutoodirma-genderuli-kvotebis-gaukmebastian-dakavshirebit-daskvna-gamoakveqna (Access Date: 25.07.2024) - On 02.07.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that the Public Defender supports the statement by the “Collaborative Platform on Social and Economic Rights”, urging Council of Europe member states to commit to protecting social rights as per the European Social Charter. Emphasizing the significance of housing and protection against poverty, the platform calls for adopting the collective complaints procedure and enhancing cooperation among relevant stakeholders. According to the news, adopted at the 14th Platform meeting, aligns with the Reykjavik Declaration and addresses the upcoming High-Level Conference on the European Social Charter in Vilnius. Source:
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<https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sotsialuri-da-ekonomikuri-uflebebis-kolaboratsiuli-platformis-motsodeba-evropis-sabchos-tsevri-kveqnebis-mtavrobebisadmi>

(Access Date: 26.07.2024)

- On 03.07.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that a mediation training for its employees, supported by the USAID/Georgia Rule of Law Program is held.

Source:

<https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/mediatsiis-treningi-sakhalkho-damtsvelis-aparatis-tanamshromlebistvis>

(Access Date: 26.07.2024)

- On 08.07.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that on July 5, Public Defender Levan Ioseliani visited the Center for Mental Health and Prevention of Addiction in Georgia. It was stated in the shared article that the visit revealed significant issues, including poor therapeutic, infrastructural, and sanitary conditions, overcrowded wards, inadequate hygiene facilities, and insufficient resources for psycho-social rehabilitation and that the Public Defender called for urgent action from state agencies to address these systemic problems and ensure proper human rights standards for patients.

Source:

<https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelis-viziti-fsikikuri-janmrtelobis-da-narkomaniis-preventsii-tsentrshi> (Access Date: 26.07.2024)

- On 12.07.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that Public Defender representatives attended Council of Europe seminars in Strasbourg about combating hate speech, hate crimes, racism, and racial discrimination. It is stated in the announcement that participants discussed challenges, necessary legislative changes, and good practices at the national level, sharing updated information and strategies from across Europe.

Source:

<https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/seminarebi-sidzulvilis-enis-da-sidzulvilit-motivirebuli-danashaulebis-dadzlevisa-da-rasizmisa-da-rasobrivi-diskriminatsiis-aghmofkhvris-shesakheb>

(Access Date: 26.07.2024)

- On 12.07.2024 it has been announced on the website of Public Defender that Levani Ioseliani, Public Defender of Georgia, and Tamar Gvaramadze, First Deputy Public Defender, met with Sean Dunne, Director of the Election Observation Mission of the International Republican Institute (IRI), and Lado Razmadze, a Representative of the International Republican Institute. It is stated in the announcement that at the meeting, the Public Defender spoke about the authority of the Office in connection with the elections, the practice of observing the election processes and studying cases.

Source:

<https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/shekhvedra-saertashoriso-respublikuri-institutis-iri-saarchevno-sadamkvirveblo-misiis-khelmdzghvaneltan>

(Access Date: 26.07.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.07.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that Public Defender of Georgia, Levan Ioseliani, presented a special report on mechanisms for postponing or exempting sentences due to illness, old age, or pregnancy. The report, based on cases of 194 convicts, highlighted deficiencies in legislation and practice, and provided recommendations for improvements. Key issues include unsubstantiated petitions, inconsistent judicial practices, and unclear procedures. The event, supported by USAID, featured speeches from various officials and emphasized the need for legislative changes. Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelma-sazogadoebas-spetsialuri-angarishi-gaatsno (Access Date: 26.07.2024) - On 22.07.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that on July 18, 2024, Deputy Public Defender of Georgia Irine Chikhladze and employees of the Public Defender’s Office, Ana Kvatchadze, Mariam Moseshvili, Mariam Tavdgiridze and Nino Berishvili, held an information meeting with representatives of the Human Rights and Equality Institution of Türkiye (HREIT). Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/shekhvedra-turketis-adamianis-uflebebisa-da-tanastsorobis-institutis-hreit-tsarmomadgenlebtan (Access Date: 26.07.2024)
<p>The Irish Human Rights and Equality</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10.07.2024, on its website, the Commission published a statement in which the Commission strongly criticised the Government's plans to amend legislation to revoke Irish

<p>Commission (IHREC)</p>	<p>citizenship without proper scrutiny. The statement expressed the Commission's deep concern that there had not been sufficient time and opportunity to properly scrutinise such important legal provisions.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/commission-highly-critical-of-governments-plans-to-amend-legislation-to-revoke-irish-citizenship-without-proper-scrutiny/ (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 17.07.2024, on the Commission's website, concerns about the bill passed by the Senate to revoke Irish citizenship reiterated. <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/as-bill-to-revoke-irish-citizenship-passes-the-seanad-today-commission-reiterates-grave-concerns-and-anticipates-further-litigation/ (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 23.07.2024, on the Commission's website, it was shared that the Commission had provided legal assistance in a case concerning the registration of foreign births. In that case, the High Court granted permission to appeal the requirement that the child of a person who acquired Irish citizenship be registered on the “Register of Foreign Births” in order to be entitled to an Irish citizenship certificate or Irish Passport. The Commission provided legal assistance to the applicant who lodged the objection. <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/commission-provides-legal-assistance-in-foreign-birth-registration-case/ (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p>
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<p>French National Consultative Commission On Human Rights (CNCDH)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.07.2024, on the Commission's website, the CNCDH announced that for the third time, it would work with a class from École Estienne, a renowned graphic design school, to design illustrations for its annual report on combating racism, antisemitism and xenophobia. Source: https://www.cncdh.fr/actualite/nouvelle-cooperation-entre-lecole-estienne-et-la-cncdh (Access Date: 26.07.2024) - On 04.07.2024, according to the news on the Commission's website, on the occasion of the High Level Conference on the European Social Charter, the Council of Europe-FRA-ENNHRI-EQUINET Platform for Cooperation on Social and Economic Rights called on Member States to reaffirm their commitment to the Charter system. Source: https://www.cncdh.fr/actualite/appel-renforcer-la-mise-en-oeuvre-de-la-charte-sociale-europeenne (Access Date: 26.07.2024)
<p>The Independent Commission for Human Rights of Palestine (ICHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.07.2024, on the Commission's website, the Commission issued a press release on its website regarding the killing of a 17-year-old boy during the events in the city of Jenin. Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/10240.html (Access Date: 26.07.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 15.07.2024, on the Commission's website, the ICHR published a statement condemning the ongoing crimes of the Israeli occupation in the Gaza Strip and demanding an investigation into the Khan Yunis massacre. Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/10242.html (Access Date: 26.07.2024) - On 20.07.2024, on the Commission's website, the ICHR published a statement welcoming the advisory opinion issued by the International Court of Justice, which states that Israel's occupation of the Palestinian territories occupied in 1967 is illegal and must end. Source: https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/10322.html (Access Date: 26.07.2024)
<p>Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)- Independent Permanent Human Rights Commission (IPHRC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.07.2024, on the Commission's website, it was reported that the 23rd Regular Session on 'The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Human Rights: Challenges and Opportunities' and the 23rd Ordinary Session on "High-Level Event on Gaza" was held in Jeddah between 30 June and 4 July. The meeting was attended by OIC Member and Observer States, National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs), experts from relevant international and regional organisations, senior officials of the OIC General Secretariat and media representatives. At the end of the session, the "Jeddah Declaration on Guiding Principles on Artificial Intelligence Governance and Human Rights Protection" was adopted. Source: https://oic-iphrc.org/home/article/573

	(Access Date: 25.07.2024)
<p>United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="536 353 1390 999"> <p>- On 02.07.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was reported that Israel had issued an evacuation order covering 117 square kilometers, about one-third of the Gaza Strip, affecting more than 90 schools and the European Hospital area where displaced people have taken refuge. OCHA is deeply concerned about the impact of Israel's latest evacuation order on tens of thousands of civilians who have been repeatedly displaced in nine months.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-hurricane-beryl-haiti-occupied-palestinian-territory-sudan-democratic-republic (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p> <li data-bbox="536 1128 1390 1603"> <p>- On 03.07.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was published that following the latest Israeli evacuation order, tens of thousands of people were displaced in Khan Younis; the European Hospital with a capacity of 650 beds was completely evacuated and the hospital was out of service.</p> <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-hurricane-beryl-sudan-ukraine (Access Date: 25.07.2024)</p> <li data-bbox="536 1733 1390 1935"> <p>- On 09.07.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was reported that the displacement of thousands of people in Gaza was described as dangerously chaotic. It was stated that people were observed fleeing in multiple directions without knowing which</p>

route might be safe, and that people need to have enough time to leave, a safe route, and a safe place to go.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-ukraine-hurricane-beryl-chad-haiti>

(Access Date: 25.07.2024)

- On 11.07.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was stated that OCHA is gravely concerned about the deadly clashes in El Fasher, the capital of Sudan's North Darfur state, affecting residential areas, marketplaces, hospitals and IDP sites. It was reported that 329,000 people were displaced from El Fasher in April, May and June.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-syria-sudan-haiti>

(Access Date: 25.07.2024)

- On 15.07.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was reported that as fighting continued in Haiti, more than 578,000 Haitians were displaced and nearly 5 million people were facing acute hunger, with 1.6 million at risk of starvation. More than 900 schools have remained closed since January and in the capital Port-au-Prince, about 40 percent of all inpatient health facilities are out of service.

Source:

<https://www.unocha.org/news/humanitarian-catastrophe-haiti-requires-urgent-international-action-aid-officials-say>

(Access Date: 25.07.2024)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 18.07.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was reported that active fighting, access restrictions, fuel limitations, ongoing power outages, lack of public order and security, and other challenges continue to hamper the delivery of life-saving humanitarian assistance to people in need in Gaza. Access to areas in the northern Gaza Valley remains extremely difficult Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-ukraine-afghanistan-haiti (Access Date 25.07.2024) - On 22.07.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that the Israeli army issued a new evacuation order and that families began to flee towards Deir al-Balah and western Khan Younis. It was explained that the evacuation order included areas in the eastern part of the city that the Israeli army had declared a "humanitarian zone". OCHA said that the frequent evacuation orders and unrelenting hostilities are further destroying Gaza's health system and making it increasingly difficult for the repeatedly displaced to access basic services. Source: https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-ukraine-14 (Access Date: 25.07.2024) - On 23.07.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was reported that OCHA is deeply concerned about the approximately 26 million people suffering from extreme hunger and 750,000 people on the brink of famine in Sudan. Source:
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	<p>https://www.unocha.org/news/todays-top-news-occupied-palestinian-territory-ethiopia-sudan-democratic-republic-congo (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>
<p>Qatar National Human Rights Committee (NHRC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.07.2024, on the Committee's website, it was reported that a regional forum on “The Role of National Human Rights Institutions in Planning and Monitoring the Implementation of National Visions in Human Rights Related Areas” was organized by the National Human Rights Committee in partnership with the Arab Network for National Human Rights Institutions (ANNHRI) based in Doha and the Oman Human Rights Commission. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.nhrc-qa.org/news/antlak-aaamal-almntd-alaklymy-hol-mtabaa-tnfyth-alro-alotny-aal-nhg-hkok-alansan-mrym-alaaty-152-kht-otny-lhkok-alansan-fy-79-dolnhrc97FQ/page (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>
<p>United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the near East (UNRWA)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 07.07.2024, on the website of UNRWA, a news was published that a school in Gaza, where about 2,000 people took shelter, was hit by Israel. It was stated that those who violated international law must be held accountable. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/official-statements/once-again-unrwa-school-hit-israeli-forces (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.07.2024, on the website of UNRWA, a news was published that included statements by United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres about UNRWA. Guterres

	<p>said, “Just when we thought it couldn’t get any worse in Gaza -- somehow, appallingly, civilians are being pushed into ever deeper circles of hell.” He stated that 194 UNRWA staff have been killed in Israeli attacks, the highest death toll in UN history.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/official-statements/remarks-united-nations-secretary-general-mr-ant%C3%B3nio-guterres-opening (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p> <p>- On 26.07.2024, on the website of UNRWA, a briefing to the United Nations Security Council by UNRWA Deputy Commissioner-General Antonia De Meo was published. The briefing stated that the vast majority of the Agency's 199 staff, including their families, were killed in the Israeli attacks, that nearly two-thirds of the Agency's facilities -some 190 buildings- were hit, and that more than 560 people, many of them women and children, were killed while seeking refuge under the UN flag. It was reported that on 22 July, the Israeli parliament voted, first, to prohibit UNRWA from operating in occupied East Jerusalem; second, to revoke the UN privileges and immunities granted to UNRWA since 1949; and third, to recognize UNRWA as a terrorist organization. It was emphasized that these bills undermine the foundations of international law and multilateral norms. The importance of achieving a ceasefire, preserving UNRWA's mandate and finding a peaceful solution to the seventy-year conflict was stressed.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/official-statements/unrwa-briefing-security-council (Access Date: 26.07.2024)</p>

<p>OHCHR Working Group on Business and Human Rights</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 11.07.2024, the statement of the UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples regarding the need for Brazil to protect the lands, territories and resources of its indigenous peoples was shared on the website of the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/07/brazil-must-protect-indigenous-peoples-lands-territories-and-resources-says (Access Date: 23.07.2024)</p>
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